

**Science with a Mission, Inc.**  
**“Providing Diagnostics for the Developing World”**  
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**Papua New Guinea**

Below are some photos I have not shared with you yet. These are folks from PNG who are assisted with SMI diagnostics when necessary.



**Pray for Haiti**

**Please join me in praying for the country of Haiti.** You may recall that this is where the majority of our diagnostics are used. In fact, we have partnered with more than 55 different organizations who serve in this country. As I write this, just two days ago, the president of Haiti was assassinated in his home.

From Compassion International: “Haitian President Jovenel Moïse was assassinated, and his wife wounded, after a July 7 raid on their home.

Details around the assassination are slim, and the succession plan for the Haitian presidency has been thrown into turmoil because of COVID-19 and political uncertainty. This is all happening at a time when Haiti is experiencing economic, political and social distress, with gang violence spiking in the capital city of Port-au-Prince, inflation out of control and food and fuel becoming scarce.”

From a medical missionary who lives and serves in Haiti (and regularly uses our diagnostic tests):

“Things where we live (1-2 hours west of Port) are calm (I flew to another town because the road to our house is filled with gunfire most days). It is so sad. He [President Moïse] was a very good Christian man and tried to help farmers and the poor. The wealthy could not get him to go along with their corrupt multimillion \$ government contracts so after 4 years of trying to get rid of him, they hired mercenaries.

Thank you so much for praying. We work right through all of this and the locals can always get to us if needed. Things should open up soon. This is our second coup d'etat, 1 giant earthquake, and dozens of hurricanes. Life here is never dull.  
Sandy"

After writing that section (above) on July 9<sup>th</sup>...I did not finish the newsletter and time passed. On August 14<sup>th</sup>, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti killing thousands, injuring tens of thousands and adding to the country's burden.



**Damage to a church in Haiti**

### Uganda

"Thank you, Dr. Elaine, and Alynne for getting these to us. They arrived in perfect timing and have now made it all the way out to our Village in Uganda. We appreciate it!

Blessings,  
Erica"

The Rafiki Foundation

Rafiki means "friend" in Swahili. Since 1985, the vision of the Rafiki Foundation has been to cultivate a multitude of godly contributors in Africa through Bible study and classical Christian education.

To accomplish this, Rafiki established 10 Rafiki Training Villages within the African

countries of Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. Rafiki's vision is carried out in each Village through five programs: Bible Study, Education, Teacher Training, Orphan Care, and Widows.



**Rafiki secondary school in Tanzania**

Some Tanzania trivia:

- Nearly 30 percent of Tanzania is national parks
- Mount Kilimanjaro is the tallest mountain in Africa
- The Great Migration sees over 2 million animals travel across the plains
- Lake Tanganyika is the second largest lake in the world
- Baobab trees can easily live 1,000 years
- I got to travel to Tanzania in 2000. If you'd like to see some photos, come for a visit 😊

May the Lord bless you and keep you until we "meet" again.

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