



Find out how you can

**Pray.**

**Participate.**

**Provide.**

#### **PRAY.**

Pray for boldness to share the gospel and open hearts among the people to whom we speak.  
Pray that through this ministry, more people would come to saving faith and live on mission.  
Pray for stamina and longevity for ministry amidst attacks from the enemy.

#### **PARTICIPATE**

Build relationships with missionaries and their families.  
Send notes of encouragement.  
Learn birthdays and anniversaries, so you can send gifts and cards.

#### **PROVIDE**

Learn the ministry strategy and context, so you can provide relevant resources.  
Support a missionary financially.

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### About the Family

My wife, Esther, and I were born and raised in Haiti. The Lord saved us both at a young age through the faithful ministries of our home churches. We both immigrated to the United States in the late '90s.

Esther and I met at a church conference during the summer of 2003. Esther was serving as an usher, and I was serving as the music coordinator for that conference. We got married in 2007.

God has blessed us with four beautiful children—Jaeda, Dawson, Darlah and Danley.

### About My Church Plant

Esther and I had sensed God's call to serve in ministry, but we did not know where or how God would lead us. In fall 2004, I shared with Esther that I sensed God was calling me into pastoral ministry. I prayed about it and met with several church leaders for counsel.

In January 2005, I moved from Miami, Fla., to New Orleans, La., to attend New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in preparation for ministry. In August 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit Louisiana. I then returned to Miami.

Years later, a small voice whispered to my spirit Philippians 1:6. "... being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion." Our family then moved to New Orleans where God called us to church planting.