

Rev. Thomas Bernard and Pres. Marky Kessa of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti speak with LCMS staff at the Haiti-Dominican Republic border, about sharing the Gospel with Haitians in the midst of tragedy. 01-25-2010

Thomas Bernard: "They are praying because they say, "Only God, only God, could save us at this time." Because some of them were underneath their houses. Everything is done. But some of them are still living, even under the pieces of rock. In Jacmel, a baby of 23 days, after 6 days is found alive under the house.

"So I think this is an opportunity for us, even though we are crying, we are weeping, but to talk also about Jesus' second coming, and to take this opportunity to communicate the Good News of Salvation to those who are still alive."

Pastor Kessa: "And also today, even in Port au Prince, they are praying that. They recognize, they said—they have been saved by the power of Jesus Christ. So we don't have right now, our goal is not to feed people only, but it is the right time also to preach them the Good News.

"Because we have a worship service 3 days ago in Jacmel, we have 23 people who seek Christ. That means it is the right time because they are upset about their life. They don't know for how long they will be living. So it is time for them to receive Christ. So, we cannot do it by ourselves. But if you and us we put our things together, we can do miracles for God. We never know, it's the way maybe God wants to touch many hearts in Haiti and to bring them to His kingdom."