

## AHDH Mission - Fall 2009 November 15 - November 28

As usual, the group arrived in Port au Prince at about noon.

Instead of departing immediately for Jacmel & LaVallee, we stayed in Port au Prince to arrange transport and supervise the first shipment of the contents of a 40 foot container shipped to Haiti in February.

This container held some important cargo destined for St. Joseph Hospital and our



medical partners in other areas





It required four trips to deliver all of the equipment, but our dedicated team of movers and drivers did the job!

One of the shipments arrived at the hospital at 2:00 am after some truck repairs were needed on the road.

Here our x-ray machine and C-arm for the fluoroscopy unit and other equipment



arrives at St. Joseph's Hospital.



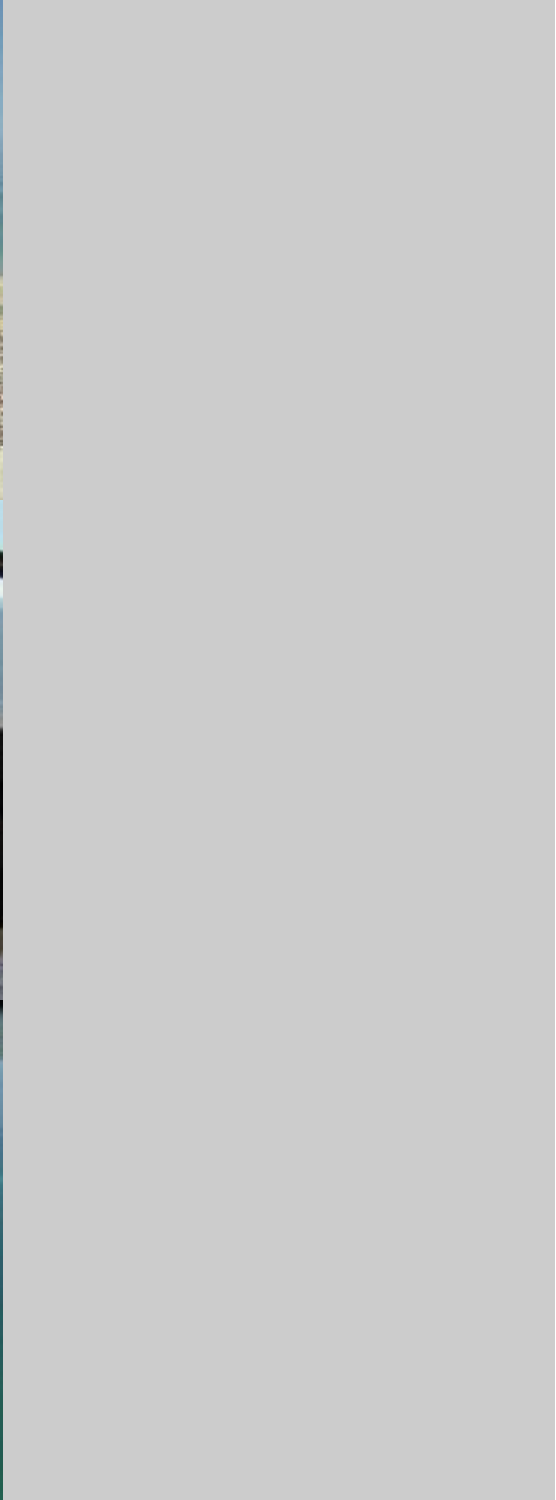
After two days in Port au Prince taking care of business, the team hit the road ... or actually hit the sky ... for Jacmel.

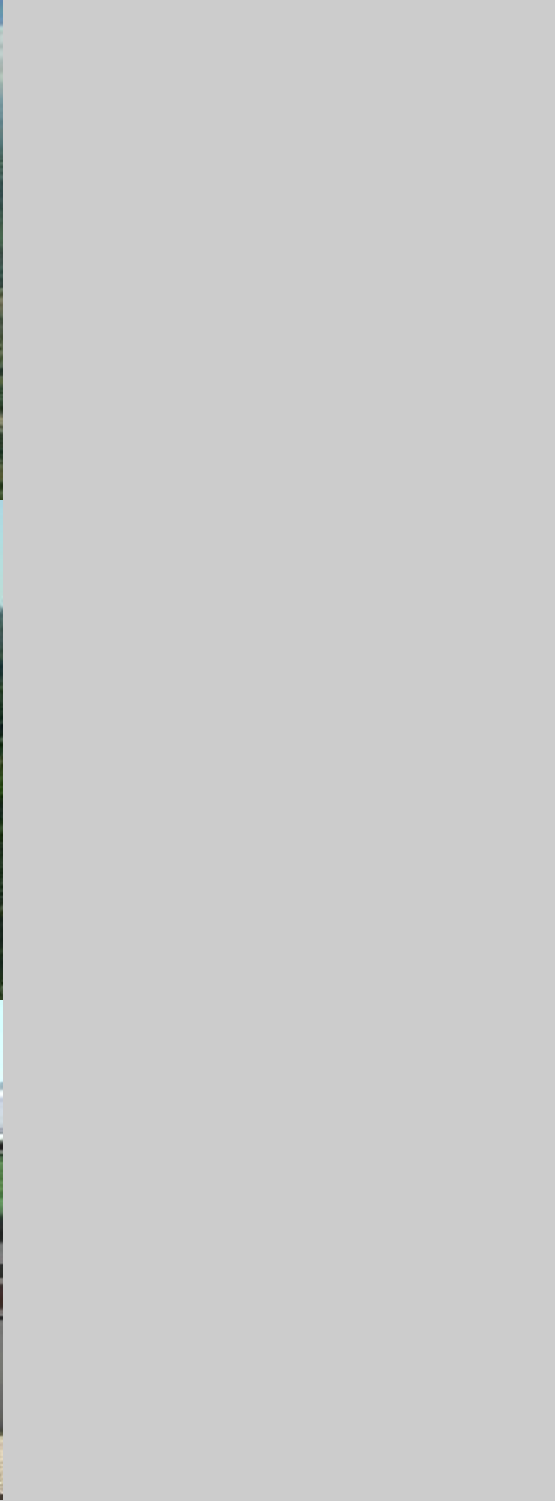
Mission Aviation Fellowship or MAF transports other missionaries in Haiti to destinations with an air field.

Here the group loads up for the 15 minute flight. To drive from Port au Prince to Jacmel would require almost three hours!











When we fly with a large group, we charter a larger plane to accommodate more people and baggage.

The larger plane is a bit more comfortable, too. Of course it's the same beautiful scenery, and the flight time to Jacmel is about the same.





**The road from Jacmel to LaVallee begins**





The road in places is steep and rough, often washed out by tropical storm rains

The road is almost always busy with trucks, autos and the ever present mototaxi.



After about 45 minutes and 25 kilometers we arrive in Ridore and at St. Joseph's Hospital.

**The first week is spent in surgery.**

We are joined by Haitian surgeons who recognized AHDH's contributions to the health and welfare of Haitians and have partnered with us has worked with AHDH for



4 years

Dr. Louis Philippe of Cayes-Jacmel



Dr. Lucien Baptiste of Zanmi Lasante/Health Partners, in Cange, Haiti



Dr. Baptiste Dr. Philippe working a surgery case together



Dr. Rene assists Dr. Baptiste



Dr. Samm monitors his patient  
as Dr. Baptiste operates

Dr. Paul Samm, Anesthesiology



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**AHDH Volunteer Physicians**



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