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Dear Kentwood Community,

While thankfulness is not one of the Fruits of the Spirit, a thankful attitude often grows as our faith grows. We thankfully include our partners in ministry in our prayers as we watch how the Lord is bringing forth spiritual and physical fruit in Haiti.

Over 500 small banana trees were imported in January. Shortly after our return to Haiti, Cory walked around inspecting the older banana trees. Disappointment over one banana variety due to lack of disease resistance soon gave way to optimism as many of the other banana varieties and fruit trees look very healthy.

Banana plants bless many people. One tree growing in Gener's garden produced 17 hands of fruit just 15 months after planting. He gave us one of the hands which consisted of 20 good tasting, five inch long, plump bananas. Wish we could share them with you. The agricultural work not only bears tasty fruit but fruit to provide needed income and nutrition for many Haitian families.

The health book, now being distributed to teachers and pastors, has been received with thankfulness. Thankfully we completed editing of the book before sending it for a second printing which will be 10,000 copies. Thank you for making this possible though supporting our family and ministry in Haiti.

Your partners in the Lord,

Cory & Kris

Cory, Kris, Eli and Anna

