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# *Coming to St. Paul Lutheran Church*

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## *Learn about Haiti*

**What:** Herb Nordmeyer, and possibly Candice Dominguez, will talk about their experiences in Haiti.

**When:** Sunday, May 22, 2016

**Where:** St. Paul Lutheran Church

**Address:** 602 Morgan Blvd  
Harlingen, TX 78550

**Church phone no.:** (956) 423-3924

**Time:** During the Bible class hour, starting at 9:15 am



Candice and Herb have done most of their work in the Gonaives area of Haiti which is about 100 miles north of Port-au-Prince. They have seen the abject poverty where mothers feed their children dirt cookies to stop their crying, and they have seen the quandary on a little girl's face when she did not know what to do with a piece of birthday cake she was given. Their presentation will provide an introduction to Haiti and then address the various missions which Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, San Antonio, TX, has been involved in. A team from St. Paul will be going to Haiti October 14 through 22 and will be working with Mission:Haiti, which Candice and Herb work with. You will also learn why Herb calls Candice "Mama," even though he is twice her age.

Candice is a third grade teacher at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran School. Candice has made four trips to Haiti and served as the team leader on two of them. When she is in Haiti, her husband, Danny, takes care of their three children, Maddy, Darren, and Ava. Her work in Haiti has been temporarily interrupted as she is undergoing treatment for Stage 3 breast cancer. In honor of her work in Haiti, Pastor Benoit, President of the Lutheran Church of Haiti, is naming the Girls' Dorm being built at Faith Lutheran Orphanage, Gonaives, Haiti, the Candice Dominguez Dorm. (She may not be able to be present for this presentation.)



Herb grew up in Edinburg. He knows something about stucco, cement, concrete, and innovative building, and has made numerous trips to Haiti since Pastor Benoit challenged him to develop technology so the residents of one of the worst slums in Haiti could build disaster-resistant homes for a material cost of \$1,000 US. Judy, his wife, periodically wonders if he has moved to Haiti. He failed to meet the \$1,000 challenge. The material cost came in at \$2,800 per home. With labor, food for the crew, security, and other things, the cost per home is between \$6,000 and \$7,500. He is overseeing the building of the Candice Dominguez Dorm.