



Randolph World Ministries, Inc.

Medical - Economic - Spiritual

Providing Sustainable Ministry Services in the Spirit of the Gospels

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SHIPPING DESCRIPTION

For the past 10 years, Randolph World Ministries, Inc. (RWM) has been making regular shipments to Haiti somewhere between monthly to quarterly depending on the need and our financial status at the time. Each shipment would include between 5-50 boxes with each box specifically packed for one of our 30 Haitian clinic clients. Each client would receive between 1-5 boxes per shipment.

I would describe our shipping system was expensive but very effective. I would send the boxes ground (UPS, Fed-Ex, DHL, etc.) to Missionary Flights International (MFI) in Ft. Pierce, FL. MFI would fly the shipment to Cap-Haitien Haiti where our Field Director, Abraham, would personally receive the shipment and escort each box through Haitian customs. We rarely lost anything to the perils of shipping or more commonly, within the Haitian custom's process. However, a regular shipment of 50 boxes would cost approximately \$1,200-\$1,500 depending on the sizes and weights of the boxes.

As RWM prepares to develop the first-ever Sickle Cell Center of Haiti and launch the Laboratory Supply Company of Haiti, we will be making large shipments to Haiti to transfer our medical inventory from the US to Haiti. We are working with a US missionary, Warren Click, to use a system he as used before involving used school buses that should provide an economical and efficient method to ship large amounts of materials to Haiti. We plan to purchase a recently retired school bus, get it in top working order, remove the passenger seats, fill it with our medial inventory, and ship it to Haiti. What makes this system so much cheaper and efficient are the following:

1. I drive the bus to our shipper in Florida saving ground shipping costs
 - a. Hard to estimate how many boxes I can get into a school bus but probably several hundred saving at least \$6,000 in ground costs alone
2. I drive the bus onto the cargo ship saving loading charges (several hundred)
3. Abraham drives the bus off the cargo ship again saving unloading costs (several hundred)
4. Haitian Customs Office charges us for the bus, not the contents saving hundreds of dollars in custom's charges (The bus is far less than the contents if evaluated separately)
5. Abraham drives our supplies to our warehouse saving transportation costs in Haiti
6. HERE IS THE BEST PART, we sell the bus to a Haitian transportation company and recover most if not all of our expenses (cost of the bus, cost of repairs, cost to drive to Florida, shipping costs, custom's charges). Haiti always needs nice buses to replace older busses in their failing fleet.

We expect to make 3 of these shipments to get all our inventory to Haiti. Once everything is in Haiti, I anticipate repeating this process about once each year to get new inventory from the US to Haiti.

All for Him,
Tim