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Another Senseless Death in Haiti

Fr. Tom sent word that his truck delivery food to Cite Soleil was shot at last Friday. Fortunately, none of his staff inside the truck were hit by the bullets.

But sadly, Sister Luis Dell'Orto, a Catholic nun who worked with Fr. Tom over the years was shot and killed. Fr. Tom wrote: "This French missionary was an amazing person full of compassion, energy, and love." He went on to say, "This is a terrible loss. It is senseless, challenging, and a frustrating time for all of us."

It wasn't long ago the I drove deep into Cité Soleil delivering food and water to people I knew. I have stopped going into the massive slum. Over the last two years we have moved five women and four kids from the Cité Soleil and into small apartments near SCCC.



Sister Luis Dell'Orto

This is a dark and deeply troubling time in Haiti. People are frustrated, angry, and nervous. A sense of hopelessness is on the rise. People can't afford food or gas. Getting sick could mean a death sentence. People die from treatable illnesses all the time. I think of the little girl who lived in Cité Soleil and lost her life, not from a bullet, but from diarrhea.

I return to Haiti next Monday...if JetBlue has a pilot for the plane. I am eager to go back. I miss Stéphanie, Moise, Baby, Gabens, and 83% of the kids.