

Author Mitch Albom Details Harrowing Experience Escaping Haiti in Dark of Night

Bestselling author Mitch Albom, known for blockbuster books like “Tuesdays with Morrie,” “The Five People You Meet in Heaven” and “The Stranger in the Lifeboat,” was among those forced to flee from Haiti in the dead of night after the nation descended into sheer chaos.

Albom was visiting Have Faith Haiti, an orphanage run by him and his wife, Janine, when Haiti’s government collapsed.

Suddenly, the author and his wife were among the Americans trapped with no way out.

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With violence flaring, Albom, Janine and eight others were granted an emergency airlift Tuesday out of the beleaguered country—an exit independently coordinated by Rep. Cory Mills (R-FL) after U.S. government sources failed to help Albom, and the politician acted alone.

It’s with great pride I announce that our team successfully conducted another rescue of 13 Americans out of PAP Haiti. Our team has now successfully rescued and evacuated more Americans than Biden and his entire administration.

Americans deserve support from their government...

– Cory Mills (@CoryMillsFL) March 18, 2024

Recounting the details in an interview with CBN News, Albom said he and the group were forced to flee in a helicopter in

the dead of night.

“It was pretty clear that, if we were going to find a way out, we were going to have to do it independently,” he said, after explaining outreach to the U.S. government didn’t go anywhere. “We began to explore those options.”

Albom, who cares for 60 children and has 40 staff at the orphanage, is in touch with the orphans and staff all day via FaceTime and other technologies.

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He said the chaos unfolding in Haiti can still be heard during those calls.

“When we do our nightly devotions, you can hear all the gunfire in the background,” he said. “It’s such a juxtaposition. It doesn’t make sense. You know, they’re singing these beautiful songs to God about being grateful for what they have ... but, out in the street, [there is] rapid fire machine gun kind of fire.”

Albom continued, “It’s a shame that they have to live with this.”{eoa}

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