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HIS HANDS FOR HAITI NEWS

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Fall 2021 Haiti Mission Trip

Haiti was hit with a 7.2 magnitude earthquake on 14 August. As if that wasn't enough that area was then hit with Tropical Storm Grace two days later. Over 2000 lives were lost, many now homeless and living on the streets in make-shift tents or in the open, some schools and churches also destroyed and children waiting to start school again somewhere.

This devastated the southern part, but was felt all over, including the northeast area where we visit. While "our" area did not suffer any destruction from the quake or Tropical Storm Grace it still has caused all of Haiti to start schools in October instead of September. This is one reason we have had to cancel our Fall 2021 trip. So please note there will be no updates until after our Spring trip. Our hope is that this will be in February.

Please continue to pray for Haiti and her people. Pray for a new President. It is hard to talk about and I'm sure most of you know, but President Moïse was assassinated in July. We were deeply saddened by this news as we believe he was a man who wanted to help the people of Haiti and doing his best to accomplish this. Haiti doesn't need our pity or rumors flying, but they do need prayers. We are calling all prayer warriors to pray daily. Pray for someone who can lead their people out of such poverty, someone God-fearing and who loves helping others.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Blue arrow shows the southern area of Haiti, including the Island of Grande Cayemite, which was hit by the earthquake.

The red arrow shows the area of Haiti we visit the children at.



Soon after Haiti was hit by the quake and storm our dear friend/translator Daniel, along with several of his friends, gathered supplies and donations and took the long 14 hour trek to the hard hit areas in southern Haiti. One such place was Grande Cayemite, an island not far off the shore from the city of Jérémie. To get to these Islands one must take a boat.

One memorable person they met on the island is Pastor Emilio Lindor. They learned that his old church, which also housed the school, was totally destroyed. Pastor Lindor's church had already been planning and working on building a new church/school and he showed the team that the walls built are still standing and still strong! What a blessing! But, until the structure is finished his students will not have a school to attend and the families will not have a building to worship in. There are no funds and this is why it is still a work in progress.

If you feel led to donate to this church/school on Grande Cayemite I can just imagine the blessings to the people you will touch! Granted this is not the area we work in, but God didn't put us in a box and tell us not to look at needs elsewhere. We have talked and prayed about this and feel God's hand in showing us what is needed. Unfortunately, though income is so very low at about \$3 a day, prices for materials have sky-rocketed. Daniel had someone do the research there and figure out it will come to around \$11,000 US. This would be a great opportunity to get churches involved. Maybe your church is looking to sponsor someone in need so why not a whole church/school building to sponsor? Not only would the church/school get built to get children back into some normalcy in their lives, but this will also give construction workers there a job to sustain them, even for just a little while.

Please pray about it and if you have question please don't hesitate to contact us for more information.



Pas Lindor and Daniel



Old and new friends talking about the events that had taken recently taken place.



The walls of the new church/school still standing when so much destruction is around them. Thanking Jesus for His blessing!



I sit here struggling with my thoughts and how to put them on paper. I've never been good at unscrambling the jumbled mess of words that float around inside my head so that others can feel what's in my heart. I tell myself that even if I were the greatest of writers no one will feel it unless they first experience what I'm trying to convey. Not too many are keen on hopping a plane to fly to a country where all they may have heard about is that it is dirty, hungry, thirsty for clean water, diseased, unruly, lazy, depressive, following Satan with its voodoo ways and other not-so-great descriptions that may keep you away. Yes, these things were probably all on my mind my first trip, but with each visit I also see parents trying hard to raise their children in a place where jobs are scarce and most times food is even harder to come by. Where if you have a vehicle for work you are fighting to keep gas in it at \$10 US per gallon. Where one prescription is \$30 and an average income is \$30 a month. Where one still has a smile on their face and gives what little they have to help a neighbor.

When we visit the schools in Haiti sometimes a child is brought before us who is very sickly or something simple, like skin cream, would make a world of difference. And though we are sent to Haiti to sign children up for school sponsorships there are times when God just lays it on our hearts to help in other ways...medically, with food, construction, etc. Many of our team members, sponsors, and others have stepped up to the plate and we are ever grateful! Your extra donations sent for us to use in this way has helped children with skin and eye issues along with getting mattresses to get them up off the dirt floor so their skin will stay healed; infant twins to get the nutrition and meds getting them through a rough start in life; a young lady we've watched grow up be helped with meds for her migraines and anemia; a child who needed stitches in her hand; a Pastor who has heart issues to have his first surgery; food to students in need; and the list goes on. As a mission organization, who God has led to Haiti and so many other areas in this world, we could NOT do this without Him first and you who give to these in need. It seriously rips my heart to see these in need and my heart is stitched up by God and your generous hearts. Some say to us "what a blessing you are to those in need", but we say "what a blessing God, those in need, and those who help are to us". THANK YOU!

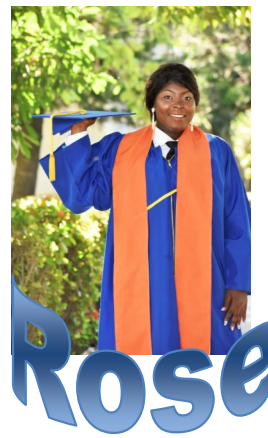
I also want to say thank you and what a blessing our Haitian hosts are. Pastor Apollon and Marie Noël, they are family to us and a huge blessing. Marie and others take such awesome care of us and treat us with such love and there are always tears on both sides every time we leave. I love her smile and her love for Jesus. There is our translator turned son/brother/friend whose heart is huge for the people in his country of Haiti and all those he meets elsewhere. God put Daniel in our path several years ago and we never dreamed of how God would use him not just through HHSM, but just as a loving human being who prays for others and just wants the best for them. He puts up with my constant barrage of questions and ideas, and also my bad memory. I have watched him talk to adults he'd never met before and you immediately see the respect between them. He loves the children and they totally respect him and laugh at his trying to be funny. And Daniel even sponsors a child in Danda. What a witness he is to those around him. And we love his family! We are always touched by the Pastors, directors, and teachers who show their own hearts for the children in their schools. My heart and prayers go out to each and every one of these who have touched me in some way and to those who I've not had the privilege to meet yet. God knows just when and where to put someone in our path.

These are my words from my heart and there are many more I could put into print, but they would basically say the same thing. **I.am.grateful. I.am.blessed.** And though these are my words, there are many who go to Haiti as a part of the team that I know they have these same heartfelt feelings. If you would like to feel what we feel we always have room for you on a team trip. Pray about it and see where God is leading you. Talk to us, ask questions. We're here waiting to add you to our team. ♥

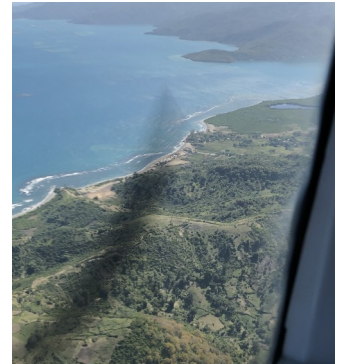
By Lorna Hupper Faircloth, Coordinator for the Haiti program

Please keep Haiti and her people in your prayer. Never cease praying.

Psalm 61:1-2 Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer. From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.



Feeding Children



Please visit our website at [His Hands Support Ministries](http://HisHandsSupportMinistries.org) . To go straight to the Haiti children in need page start here: [Children in Need - Haiti \(hishandssupportministries.org\)](http://ChildreninNeed-Haiti(hishandssupportministries.org)) .

If you would like to make a general donation to Haiti for medical or other needs, please be sure to add a note what the donation is for. Ex: Haiti/general needs or Haiti/medical

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Or simply mail a check to His Hands Support Ministries, PO Box 72, Peru, ME 04290 and be sure to add a note as to where you would like the donation to be used.

We pray each and every one of you are doing well, have much to be grateful and thankful for, and remember that God is with you every step of the way. **Happy Fall**, **Happy Thanksgiving**, and **Merry Christmas**.



Romeo

Savane Carreè



Cap Haitien



Garde Saline



Trou du Nord



Paulette



Terrier Rouge



DuHaut



Saturday Feeding Program

