

HIS HANDS FOR HAITI NEWS



HIS HANDS SUPPORT MINISTRIES

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Sadly, northeast Haiti has lost a beloved Pastor and that loss will be felt for years. We know that he loved the Lord and is now in the arms of Jesus, but many of those who looked to him for help or advice or worked beside him planting churches will feel the loss greatly.

Pastor Apollon Noël spent more than 65 of his 90 years of life working in service for the Lord in Haiti. One of those services was opening a school in Terrier Rouge. In his church plantings other schools were also open. In his heart for the children he looked for support and partnership in providing tuition for students. That is when His Hands Support Ministries was born. Through your donations over the years, Pastor Noël and the other Pastors at these schools have been able to keep children in school giving them much needed educations. He was instrumental in making preparations for our visits to see all the schools. His guidance will truly be missed by us all.

We would love to be able to send a donation to Marie Noël to help cover expenses for Pas Noël's "going home" celebration. We are quite sure these expenses will exceed \$3000. Every cent will help lighten their burdens. They do not have social security or retirement plans.

The funeral will be on 4 November so we're hoping to send donations by end of October. We know this is short notice, but we know that anything sent even after that time will also be a huge help. Unfortunately this is a time that many families in Haiti have to take on a loan to be able to bury their loved ones. With Pas Noël and Marie's service to the Lord helping others we want to be of service to them by helping at this time, trying to make things just a bit easier in such a very difficult time.

**"Whoever oppresses a poor man
insults his Maker, but he who is
generous to the needy honors
him."**



We had been planning our next trip to Haiti for 19 October, but due to unrest and the possibility of the airports closing with no notice, we decided it was best to postpone our plans. We do hope to be there in February or March 2024, if we can't get there sooner.

In the meantime we have put together lists for each school in the hopes that the Pastors/directors will let us know which students are still attending. Due to the loss of Pas Noël and his funeral service in early November, it could be late November before we hear from any of the schools.

We know that it has been quite some time since we have visited a few of our schools and for some we have been able to give you info this year. If you have any questions or concerns please email us. And please bear with us as we strive to do our best in getting answers for you.

If you have not yet sent in your sponsorship donations up through October we need those in please. Donations should be in no later than the first of each month for monthly donations and by 1 January for yearly donations. Please note that PayPal now charges a fee that we do not have the funds to cover so please add enough to cover those fees. Any questions or concerns please contact us.

You should receive Pledges for 2024 by the end of December and your EOY statements by the end of January. If you do not, please email Karen (karen@HisHandsForHaiti.org) or Lorna (lorna@HisHandsForHaiti.org). Also let us know of any email/mailling address changes.

THANK YOU!