

# Helping Haiti's Orphans

# September 2019 Newsletter

And call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me - Psalm 50:15



Although we do have some ministry news to share with you this month, unfortunately, this newsletter is also going to have a lot of missing pieces. Due to the gasoline shortage (no propane, diesel or gasoline), violent protests against the gas shortage, poor life conditions and the corruption in the government, you will see there are no sections in this newsletter about going to Haiti Teen Challenge, going down into the Ravine to share the Gospel or going out to Loving Hands Orphanage. Instead, we have spent weeks on end sheltering in place. Despite all of this, we trust in Almighty God and continue to pray for His plan to go forth in Haiti, for His glory.



#### **Good News**

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed – Proverbs 16:3



We are happy to announce our two High School Seniors officially passed the Government Exams! Nine out of thirteen students in their senior class at school passed. This is quite an accomplishment considering only one third of students in the Port Au Prince area were able to do so. They both hope to attend University. Jesula, whose mom suffers from mental illness, would like to study Psychology and Peterson, who is our resident fix it guy, would like to study Mechanical Engineering. Our prayers are the country will soon become stable enough so they can move forward in the process by acquiring their diplomas and applying to their desired schools.



#### Back to School

My son, eat honey because it is good and the honeycomb which is sweet to your taste; So shall the knowledge of wisdom be to your soul; If you have found it, there is a prospect, And your hope will not be cut off - Proverbs 24: 13-14

Olivier, Kasalineda, Mirlande and Moniteca were all able to move into the New Espere Kay with their house Mom before the start of school. Since their move, Olivier, Kasalineda and Mirlande have begun some of their High School classes. Unfortunately, due to the lack of gas for transportation and the safety concerns with protests, their days of school have been limited. Even on the few days they were able to make it, many of their professors could not. Moniteca celebrated her birthday this month and she is in the process of entering Professional School. Moniteca did not pass school this last year so, as is our policy, we have offered to help get her a trade. She is scheduled to start Cosmetology School next week. Please pray these demonstrations would end soon so all of our students can begin their classes. Please pray for Olivier, Kasalineda and Moniteca to adjust to their new schools and for a successful school year for all.





### Trip to Cap Haitien

For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God – Hebrews 3:4

We always love it when our young adults get to explore new parts of their country. Jhonn had the blessed opportunity to take a trip to Cap Haitien with his geology and construction classes at school. While there they had the opportunity to study some of the unique architecture of the buildings. This trip had been postponed due to the unrest here last February. We are so thankful he was able to go and return before things heated up here again.







# Bible Study

Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so – James 3:10



Dave has continued our study in James. He finished chapter 2 on the three types of faith we might exhibit (dead, demonic or dynamic). He asked the young adults to think about which faith they have. (Hint, you want to have a dynamic faith!) Then we began to look at the first part of chapter 3 on taming the tongue. It's amazing how tiny this part of our body is yet how powerful it can be. Do we use it as a blessing for God and others or as a curse? Please pray all our young adults continue to grow in the knowledge and understanding of God's Word. Pray they can take that knowledge and apply it to their lives.

## A Light in the Darkness

I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance – Luke 15:7

Even though things are difficult here right now, we want to leave you with hope. God is moving forward in Haiti. For example, while cleaning out front of our house, God opened the door to share the Gospel with several people and one young man in particular. We had a long conversation about his faith and the reason why he had not vet given his life to Christ. He knew a lot about the Christian religion but didn't understand why he couldn't wait to make a decision. We talked about the conditions of life here and how you never know when your time will come. We also talked about how it is too late to accept Christ after you die. It was a long, great conversation, mostly in Creole, with many onlookers taking it all in. He took the information we had and said he was excited to visit our church the next Sunday. This Sunday was the opening of the new, larger sanctuary which now seats 600 people. Even with all that was going on here, the sanctuary was full! God's plans will always prevail, and He will receive all the glory. Please continue to pray for our ministry and Haiti. We all need your prayers.



God bless,
Deb and Dave