

Generations of Hope, Haiti

Dear Friends and Partners,

It is hard for me to believe that we are already half way through 2012! I want to take this opportunity to update you on what God has been doing at GoHaiti, Inc. since our last newsletter (late 2011). At that time we reached out to our friends and supporters about our urgent initiative to complete the purchase of the GoHaiti property. This is an ideal piece of land not far from the Port-au-Prince airport where we have held our everyday operations since the earth quake. However, in the wake of this natural disaster, Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) have been competing for real-estate to establish their operations. The pressure exerted by these well-funded organizations jeopardized our original purchase agreement.

We circulated a newsletter that highlighted progress being made at the GoHaiti facility and included a plea for contributions to pay the remaining \$100,000.00 balance owed on this property.

We are thrilled to announce that, by the grace of God, we were blessed by friends, families, and organizations that allowed us to raise the required \$100,000 in only a few short months.

We want to extend a special thank you to the family of Elaine Bargaen and Christian Haitian Ministries (www.chmcanada.com). Their generosity and belief in our mission made all the difference in the world.

Regards,

Dr. Franco Jean-Louis, M.D.
President
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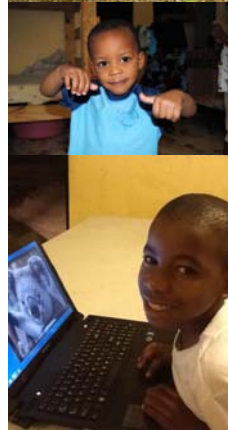
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Progress Report

Your support and contributions have allowed us to make tremendous progress in fulfilling the vision of Generations of Hope, Haiti. Here are a few of the highlights from the last 6 months...

- We hosted teams of volunteers from Florida, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, California, Washington DC, and British Columbia.
- Miami Baptist Church organized and celebrated Christmas with the children on the GoHaiti property.
- A generous businessman in Connecticut donated a Mack dump truck which will be used in our planned construction/expansion projects.
- We procured a vehicle with the assistance and dedication of Miami Baptist Church.
- We conducted medical clinics and medical supply distributions (donated by Miami Baptist Church).
- Improvements on the GoHaiti property continue, including Pastor Greg Main installing much needed window screens.
- The children completed their first year of school (courtesy of Deliverance Evangelical Church).
- We established English lessons for the children and adults.

GoHaiti wants to congratulate Sarah French and Dustin Schultz for winning Emmy Awards for their "Hope for Haiti" series chronicling to story of GoHaiti.



My Week at Generations of Hope, Haiti

By Cheryl Terris

Generations of Hope, Haiti is a wonderful place to visit and volunteer. Everyone knows the poor, abused and devastated side of Haiti. There is also another side of Haiti, rich in culture, natural beauty, and a rhythm that I don't find anywhere else.



GoHaiti is down the end of a quiet lane in what I would describe as a suburb of Port-au-Prince. It is cooler with many trees; the roads and houses are in much better repair than in Port-au-Prince. It is a busy area but moves at a slower, peaceful pace than Port-au-Prince.

Everybody at GoHaiti has their jobs to do, even the children have a few daily chores. I tried to help out where I could, so one day I decided I would help Madame Enock in the laundry area. It is much harder than it looks. She pounds the long bar of soap flat to roll into a ball and with a big bin of water you scrub the clothes, rubbing the soap onto the fabric across your knuckles. I had Emilson, age 8, teaching me how to scrub properly. My hands were raw and the muscles in my shoulders, back and arms were sore in less than an hour and a half. I now have a new found appreciation for my washing machine at home. We had so much fun, but I could hardly move.

Go Haiti operates like a large family. With a mother (either Sister Assefie, Rose or Viergenie) in charge of the little ones, everyone else including the older children, help with the little ones when needed, picking them up to cuddle, dancing or stop them from wandering out the front door.



The food is carefully and skillfully prepared, always well balanced, fresh and delicious! I was able to take some cooking lessons from Jocelyn; no short cuts, no premade mixes. She is in charge of nutrition and the kitchen. Her assistant, Miracienne, is truly dedicated to preparation and clean up including bleaching down all the kitchen counters after every meal.

There are weekly bible studies for the staff and neighbors led by Pastor Junior; one hour English classes 5 days a week from Widly, who is 17 years old. Young and old eagerly participate.

GoHaiti has church every Sunday morning and evening. There is a mid week service as well, and of course, fabulous worship on both days! Sometimes led by Jocelyn and sometimes led by Carlos (age 11) and Emilson (age 8). These two young brothers can sing and really inspire the people in worship.

I feel good about my choice to support and be part of Generations of Hope Haiti. I choose to give monthly and I see the fruits that GoHaiti are producing and the difference it has made for so many. I encourage and invite you to go spend a week. I am so thankful that I did. **Together We Can Continue to Build GoHaiti!**

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