Thousand Hills

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Ministry

to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up. Ephesians 4:12

The Joy of giving and going GIVING

Sunday worship was in full swing when a time of tithes and offerings came. It was understood by all when two Elders stand with plastics baskets in hand, people come forth with the worship of tithes. This might be similar to your local congregation, but my guess is that very seldom would you see a family walk forth with two goats as their offering! That is what our June team witnessed. The Church worshiping in Lacienne had a family who experienced the JOY to give back something they were given.

I spoke with the family and heard this joy they had in being able to give, was overwhelming. They said they were thankful for YOU our partners, for the leaders in the church, and they credit God that this was possible. The church leaders anticipate other families will tithe around forty more goats this year. Thank you for your part in giving that this church is being supported by their congregation in this multiplying and worship-filled way. Praise God with us!



GOING

I first met Donnson in 2003, he was leading a crew men constructing one of the Open Door Churches. Today, Pastor Donnson is responsible for church leadership & development, and youth discipling for the 14 churches in the Open Door network. He was in Lacienne with us this month working on the logistics for the Open Door annual crusade to be held in a nearby town. One-hundred and fifty church members from all the

churches are planning to serve the crusade; Pastor Donnson anticipates five-thousand people will be in



attendance. The crusade is a large operation. Kathy, my wife was blessed to attend the crusade of 2007 on her first-ever visit to Haiti. It was life changing and marked in her a compelling sensitivity to continue a partnership to support the Haiti church in their ministry to go and do likewise. As Donnson prepares for this upcoming crusade please pray for him, for the event, and for each one who will attend. Donnson expects over 100 lives changed for Christ!

After the week long crusade, Pastor Donnson will lead the launch of a **new church plant**. Donnson asked if THM would equip *this* and *every* church plant with a goat program and/or other tools to support the church to provide outreach ministry like we do in Lacienne and Maguayave. God is at work and we trust him to keep our steps steady in *building His kingdom*.

Thank you, everyone for your part!

With affection, Brian & Kathy





With my home church, we visited Lacienne, Haiti this month. Here is a glimpse of what it looked like to be home in Haiti.

Together, we are the hands and feet of Jesus; TOGETHER the Haiti church and the US church. Installing a fence around the banana farm, painting the Maguyave church, giving medical care to those with need, and hosting over 250 children for Vacation Bible School; playing games, feeding children meals, and sharing with them the message of salvation... the days were busy. With full hearts our mission team experienced God in ways that spoke both his love for Haiti and also for us. When we say yes to God He shows up. He gave favor to our team and to those we served. To be at home in Haiti is to see with God's heart, the beauty of God is in his people, together for God's glory and kingdom... Thank you for your part!

WE ARE MISSIONARIES



Jesus was sent. From glory to poverty to show, to listen, to join; all underlined by love. And it is also with us. We are sent. Leaving the comfort of our cushy life (glorious AC in the summertime) to arrive in poverty-stricken Haiti where needs are great. We see, we listen, and we act as Jesus did. We serve and we are served, we share like Jesus, we love, invest, touch, see. We are brothers and sisters in Christ, we are united under his love.

BLESSED BY ALGEBRA

Sue, always smiling is a busy mom, and also recently went back to school. Desiring to serve alongside her son who had invited her to go to Haiti she believed God would take care of all the details. Bringing her algebra homework to Haiti she began to work at it during team

down-time. It was then she learned one of our own team members (Ashley) was a High School algebra teacher! What?! Yep! And to add to the sweetness a group of Haitian teens gathered around watching the two ladies working out the math. The teens were so eager, leaning-in to hear this algebra. Ashley later told us how taken aback she was as the Haitians picked up the math so quickly! A divine appointment around algebra. Ashley never expected



she would teach algebra in Haitito anyone... Perhaps you have a gift or talent you can bring to Haiti. You never know who you will entertain.

FEELS LIKE HOME

What does it look like to be at home in a Haiti? This young group reports that it is simply to trust God and he does the rest. Sit back and see... well they don't really sit back, they work, willingly. So beautiful.



CARING FOR THE SICK

Affectionately, Dr. Mark who now on his 3rd visit to Haiti again provided care and compassion for the sick. Patients were treated- and seeds for expanding medical care on a regular basis through the church in Lacienne were planted! So exciting! God moving.



TWO PASTORS - AND A WATER BALLOON LAUNCHER

Bringing people together in Haiti and in Florida these pastors are investing in God's word and his people. Their example of unity in following Christ together is building up the church and multiplying friendships we only imagined.



STRESS-FREE ZONE

Seeing with the eyes of God really impacted Emma. She laughs now about not knowing what day or time it was while in Haiti. Serving in the cool of the day "God's time" puts life in perspective for all of us.



Thank you for all your support and prayers. We can't do this without YOU!

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