

## Meet a sister in Christ ~ Erisia Monpoint

Erisia is a courageous woman in Christ and yet thanks to her tenacity and the grace of God, Erisia achieved what no one expected.

Erisia suffers from a degenerative disease. At the age of 48, she is condemned to never walk, she then loses all sensation in her lower limbs and she is unable to stand on her legs, essentially moving around in a wheelchair.

Erisia is now 61 years old, and lives in Laciennne. She is a widow with 3 children she's is a grandma as well.

In the first goat project that THM partners provided to the church, she received a goat and decided to keep it as her first economic activity. That single goat gives birth to 2 little goats it was extraordinary blessing for her at the



Erisia Monpoint & neighbor

time and little did she know how God was going to bless her activity.

She sold the goat to invest in other agricultural activities. Thanks to close friends and family members who helped her, she began planting pistachio and corn, the harvest was so big that she found enough money to buy a cow (in picture below) and reinvest for next season. She also gives work to people in the area and encourages several other women to get involved in pistachio planting. Thanks to her character as an Christ following entrepreneurial woman, she pursues several economic activities and financial independence despite her disability.

This year again she received another goat in the project and already she promises that she will do her best to multiply it.

Story written by Zachary,



*Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear. Isaiah 59:1*

For the last several months, Pastor Wiljean has been dealing with medical issues that resulted in a two night stay in a Haitian hospital for pain relief and tests of all manners. He and Ma Pas, (his wife) traveled to the Dominican Republic to have more intensive testing. All this resulted in the need for surgery in the DR scheduled for March 8th.

Pastor Wiljean called on Feb 26 to update me on his progress and to let me know all of the medical issues in the DR will amount to 10K. He does not have 10K and I told him I will share with our partners in the Feb newsletter. The letter you are reading now. March 3rd, I received a call from Charles Schwab Charitable foundation informing me they had an anonymous client that is donating 10k to THM and I needed to verify our Tax ID number. I did, and the check is in the mail.



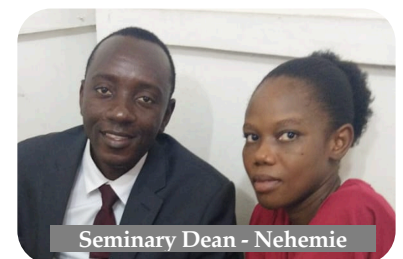
Pastor Wiljean

I hung up the phone with Schwab and called Wiljean informing him that God has already provided the funds and I will not be sharing the need, but rather the praise with our partners. ***If you are that anonymous donor, please know this gift and the timing of it has encouraged more people than you know. THANK YOU for being obedient. Christ be glorified! AMEN***

Last month we announced the new Dean of the seminary and shared with you a need he has. Nehemie needs a motorcycle to travel back and forth to school to get his doctorate in biblical studies.

We are encouraged to inform you that we have received more than half of the funds needed for the motorcycle. Praise God. We are also encouraged to inform you that some of our partners are raising funds now to pay for all of Nehemie's tuition and gas for the motorcycle.

Look how God moves in and through the church for his glory and our good! AMEN



Seminary Dean - Nehemie

## Shade Tree Ministry has its third location - my backyard



Exciting February news...

Last December I received a text from Pastor JoJo in Haiti telling me to keep the eyes of my heart open to another country. Perplexed as to what country this might be, I called him to inquire. He said he had no idea, he felt led by God to tell me that and JoJo encouraged me to ask God. And that is what I have been doing. What other country???



The relational side of ministry has always been such a faith encouraging aspect of working in ministry and facilitating "team time" each evening in Haiti where we would share "where we saw God today" on mission trips, a highlight for me and everyone on the team. Partners, as you well know, due to covid scares and political unrest in Haiti, that part of ministry has been missing.

Recently I was sharing this missing part of ministry with a Pastor who has sent many teams to Haiti with THM in the past about this stirring in my heart for local ministry. I told him I had been driving an hour each week to fellowship with a group of men under a big tree and how powerful and spirit filled our time spent together was. I told him I heard a calling to have men gather under a tree in my backyard for this kind of discipleship.

I will still support, train, and encourage Haitian church leaders through THM, AND something is being added.

He affirmed that calling and told me, "Brian, you would be doing the same thing you do with teams in Haiti, just in another country". When he said that I remembered JoJo's text and now it is clear. The other country is the US! Not just the US, but where I live. We agreed that God was directing me down this path.

The next day, this same pastor called me to offer financial resources for a sturdy deck and bathroom to be built in my backyard, right under a big oak tree casting loads of shade. A place to intentionally gather to explore the mysteries of God and fellowship with men.

February was full of construction, a type of ministry where over 12 men pitched-in and labored together to build a deck under a tree in my backyard...



March, let's see what God has planned



All glory be upon Christ.

February I traveled to Phoenix, my home town, for a missions conference. What an encouraging conference that was. Seeing what God is doing to bring glory to Jesus.

Visiting family and playing games is a fun filled occasion.

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

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