

*Our Mission: to transform communities in Haiti spiritually, educationally, economically, physically and socially to further the Gospel of Jesus Christ.* 

#### **A Quarterly Newsletter**

#### **ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP**



We are in need of friends like you to sponsor one of the 26 precious orphans at our children's home. For only \$50 a month, you can be a part of changing an orphans life... forever! **MEDICAL MISSIONS** *Dr. Jill Ratner and her team from Hands Up* 

For Haiti returned from another successful trip to Open Door where pediatricians, nurses & ophthamologists cared for many children and their families.



#### HINCHE OUTREACH



Pastor Gerald Brown of Lifeway Church led our first team ever to stay and minister to the people of Hinche. Over the course of four days, they saw 63 people put their trust in Christ as Savior.

#### **PARTNER CHURCHES**

We would be honored to come to your church to share the Open Door story, do a Child Sponsorship Sunday or recruit a team for a mission trip adventure. Connect us with your Pastor or Missions Director...



#### NEW DOCTOR IN TOWN



Dieula Toussaint has spent the last five years in medical school in the Dominican Republic and will return to Open Door this October to live in the village and work in our clinic!

#### SPRING 2012

#### **JAMES 1:27 FOUNDATION**

Along with 23 other ministry leaders, three board members from the James 1:27 Foundation joined us for our Orphanage Dedication in February. We are so grateful for their support.



### Transforming Young Leaders

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12

In 2008, we started our School Of Youth Ministry (SOYM), a training program aimed at raising up young leaders in the church with both the character and the competence to become leaders who would transform their nation. Over the last four years, we have seen God do amazing things in and through these young men. After four months of an intense residential training program, they are sent back to their churches with six months of specific ministry assignments to complete.

In his first three months of ministry assignments this year, Junior had personally led 25 youth to faith in Jesus Christ. Jocelyn did outreaches in Borgne, Quanaminthe and Marmelade where he saw 114 put their trust in Christ as Savior. He is discipling a group of 130 believers in how to share their faith. Molliere has started a youth ministry at his church and held a youth conference. Jonas is working with his pastor every day. He has a group of 12 disciples he is leading and has seen 70 put their faith in Christ . Walky is helping with our new church plant in Quanaminthe and has led 10 to faith in Christ



#### **Ongoing Impact**

Former students in our SOYM program are pastoring churches, leading youth ministries, teaching in our schools, working in administration at our clinic and leading our poultry project. We now have 10 of our former students in seminary, getting additional training for ministry. Six of our ten current SOYM students are looking for scholarship help to start seminary in the fall. As these young leaders are transformed, God is birthing in them a vision for their churches, communities and country... a vision that with transform their nation.

#### What about Women Leaders?

Almost from the start of SOYM, we have had women in Haiti crying out for there to be a training program for them as well. We have always had a vision for training women leaders, we just haven't had the manpower, space or capacity to do it. With the assistance of Melissa Heiland of Beautiful Feet Intl & Lead Her and the new SOYM training Center we are building, we will now be able to include young women leaders in our training program. We are currently taking applications and raising scholarship funds (\$500 per student), trusting God that our Training Center will be complete by September for the start of SOYM.

Serving Christ together,

Doug Holliday

President, Open Door Haiti - USA

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## VISION 2012: EXPAND OUR BORDERS

### Open Door Haiti now has churches in Bois De Lance, Cap Haitien, Hinche, Cerca Carvajal, Terrier Rouge and Quanaminthe. Where will God send us next?

# Opportunities to Give & Serve in 2012

We are trusting God to provide both the teams and the funds this year to complete our SOYM training center, build a second dormitory wing on our orphanage, complete our ministry house, school & church building in Hinche, and install solar power for our main ministry compound and our orphanage compound in Bois De Lance.

#### S.O.Y.M. TRAINING CENTER



Our School Of Youth Ministry program is having a great impact on young leaders. With our new dorm space, this will be our first year that we are able to have both men and women in the program. A generous \$13,000 gift has allowed us to purchase land and begin construction. Once finished, the training center will have a large training/ dining area, two dorm rooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen and staff quarters.

Funds & Projects to help finish the Training Center include: concrete roof, doors & windows, tile, plumbing, electrical. It is estimated that this project can be completed for \$30,000.



**ORPHANAGE EXPANSION** 

With Phase One of our Orphans & Widows Project complete, we now hope to add a second dormitory wing, expanding the capacity for our care to 50 orphans. Phase Two will cost \$75,000.

We are also hoping to have teams come in 2012 to do landscaping & beautification of the grounds, build a playground for the children, install a solar power system, sew and install curtains in the dorm area, build coops for our poultry project and more.

We also hope to start building homes in our widows' village, giving women and their children a future full of hope and promise.

#### HINCHE MINISTRY HOUSE



With no help from American teams or from funds raised in the US, Open Door Church in Hinche sacrificed and built a ministry house for our team that just traveled to minister there. The team installed electrical in the church, did a VBS program, did a Jesus Film outreach and much more. After doing a day trip to visit Hinche a year ago, this team was blown away by what the church had prepared for them to return.

Funds & Projects to help finish the Ministry House include: concrete roof, doors & windows, electrical. It is estimated that this project can be completed for \$10,000.

#### **OPEN DOOR CHURCH / HINCHE**



Our vision for our ministry in Hinche is to duplicate what God has done in Bois De Lance. We planted a church there four years ago and now have a school and feeding center serving over 250 children. The ministry house that is being built will not only house mission teams, but also house a SOYM training program for the Central Plateau as well as a small medical clinic. One day, we envision having an orphanage in Hinche as well.

Funds & Projects to help finish the church building: pouring a concrete floor will cost about \$5,000 and building benches for the people to sit on will cost about \$3,000.

#### **SOLAR POWER INSTALLATION**



We have an electrical engineer and contractor devising plans for the installation of solar power for our ministry compound (school, church, clinic, ministry house) and our orphanage compound. Without any power in our village and the high cost of diesel fuel and even higher cost of propane fuel, the time has come for ODH to go green and go solar. This will allow our school to have power for evening classes and the secondary school that will start this fall.

Funds & Projects for solar power: installation of solar, completion of electrical wiring. Estimated cost of project is \$20,000 per system.

If you or your group would be interested in partnering with Open Door on one of these projects, please email doug@opendoorhaiti.org.



Dear Friends,

Besides all that God has been doing at Open Door in Haiti, we have had a busy season of ministry, traveling to South Africa & the Philippines over the past two months, and Kenya & Tanzania this May. In between these international trips, speaking opportunities at churches and events here in

the US have kept us busy. Find us on Facebook for up-to-date news on family and our adoption. We got to see the girls on a recent trip to Haiti. On the last night of our trip, the girls sat on Jennifer's lap and cried for over an hour because we would be leaving the next day without them. Heartbreaking. Thank you for praying for us, encouraging us, and supporting us in all that God has called us to, not only in Haiti, but across the US and around the world.

#### God Bless,

Doug & Jennifer

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