

# Holliday Adventures!

*"Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations!" Matthew 28:19*

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## IGNITE NIGERIA / AUG



Nigerian Pastor Emem Jacob (J-Life Leader) has invited me to preach the gospel at a 3 day conference to thousands of his nation's youth.

## OPEN DOOR SCHOOL

Our school building in Haiti is finally complete as the government has helped to plaster and paint the walls and install doors upstairs.



## CAMP SPEAKER / WI



In June, I spoke to over 300 middle school students at Timber Lee Camp in WI, where many students put their faith in Christ.

## GIRLS@FUGE.CAMP.NC



Marisa and Jaclyn went with 77 youth and leaders from our church for an amazing week of camp at Ridgecrest in the mountains of NC.

## MARISA GRADUATES

We are so proud of our big girl, though it is hard to believe she will begin high school this August. She makes school look effortless.



## CHANGED LIVES / HAITI



God again did miracles with the mission team from Morningside College in Iowa. Four players trusted Christ as Savior on the trip!

**CAN YOU HELP SEND US WITH THE MESSAGE OF GOD'S LOVE TO THE YOUTH OF HAITI & NIGERIA THIS SUMMER? MAKE GIFTS PAYABLE TO DHM.**

## Achieving Excellence!

*"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men." Colossians 3:23*

**Marisa** finished middle school with a flourish. She was one of only four graduating eighth graders to finish Millennium Middle School having earned straight "A's" all three years. She also applied for the yearbook staff at high school, becoming the only incoming freshman to be accepted.

**Jaclyn and Emma** both made the "A Honor Roll" with straight A's all year. They both also had excellent scores on their FCAT tests, grading in the top 10% of all students in the State of Florida. Jaclyn tried out for and made vocal ensemble and will also be in drama at Millennium.

**Mary-Faith** made the "A-B Honor Roll" with straight A's in all her classes with the exception of math, where she worked hard to earn a B. Mary-Faith loves to read and write, and she had the fourth highest reading achievement score in second grade.



**We're so proud of our girls!  
Their hard work has paid off.**

## Open Door School Achieves

2010-2011 has been a banner year at Open Door. Our schools are increasing their enrollment as we have had an additional 150 children sponsored just since December. With 100% of our outgoing students passing the government exam last year, the government wanted to help the school improve its service to the community. They provided the funds and just finished a project to complete our school building. It has now been plastered and painted, inside and out, and has new doors installed on the second floor. We hope to open our first secondary school by the Fall of 2012.

## School Of Youth Ministry

Our third class of students completed the internship phase of their training, graduating on June 26th. Two of the graduates have already been sponsored to go on to Seminary, while another two are praying for God to provide. Tuition for the Seminary in Haiti is about \$500 a year. We have had 5 other SOYM graduates from previous years go on to Seminary, preparing to plant churches and change their nation for Christ.

Our graduates are challenged to memorize 2 Timothy 2 in order to graduate, along with several other assignments. One of our graduates, Moses, took it a step further and memorized the entire book of 2 Timothy. I told Moses that I will do the same. I love it when my students challenge me to continue growing, which happens every year in SOYM.

What a joy to see our children (here in FL, at Open Door School and at SOYM) work at something with all their heart! Our Heavenly Father says, "Well done, good and faithful ones!"

*Serving Christ together.*

*Doug & Jennifer*



# Celebrating Freedom

*"And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are the gift of God?" Thomas Jefferson, 1782*

## ADOPTION UPDATE: FOUR SISTERS



It had been three months since my last visit to Haiti, my longest stretch during the year. I missed our girls and was anxious to see them.

When Edline's and Edithe's mother died in 2008, they had been living with their father while their two older sisters were living with their aunt in another village. After their mother's death, their father decided he did not want the responsibility of taking care of the little girls, then 7 and 4. Mona, a good samaritan, took them in and has cared for them the last three years.

Liliane, now 16, and Ediane, 14, continued to live with their aunt, only seeing their younger sisters every few weeks as they would make the hour long walk back and forth to school. It has been hard for these girls to live with their aunt, and the long walk to school is tough, so they have asked Mona if they can also come and live with her. For the first time in over three years, all four sisters will be living together under one roof (at least until our adoption takes place).

Liliane asked if we could adopt her and Ediane also. It was heartbreaking to have to tell her that the law does not permit 16 year old's to be adopted. We have offered to help with their school fees though, and to bring them clothes, shoes and school supplies, adopting them "unofficially."

## ORPHANAGE UPDATE: AUGUST?



We are getting close...

A team from Westgate Resorts and Hope Link International came to help bring us nearer to completion with our orphanage project in Haiti. It was so exciting to walk out to the orphanage property this past month and see paint on the walls... bright green and orange paint! The team was also busy installing cabinets in the kitchen. Teams coming the end of July and beginning of August will finish the painting, while Haitian contractors will install the plumbing and tile select portions of the building. A small team will travel to do the electrical later this Summer. A shipping container will go later this month with supplies and some furnishings, though we plan on having a team build the bunk beds the children will sleep on.

Pray with us for a speedy approval process with the Haitian government. We currently have a lawyer drawing up the papers so we can get government approval to welcome the orphans into their new home. It is our earnest prayer that we can move children in by the time school starts in September.

## KENYA UPDATE: MIRACLES IN KAGER



It had been four years since my last visit to the small farming village of Kager in rural western Kenya. Kager is the home of my dear friend, Pastor Hammre Kayando, and the place where their church planting movement is centered.

On my first visit to Kager in 2004, the church had a small building and a medical dispensary. At that time, there were 14 churches they had planted throughout the region. In 2006, Pastor Hammre asked for help to build a new, larger church building to house their growing ministry. On my last visit, the church had just had the roof installed. The building is now complete. Wow!

In 2007, the church asked for our help in digging a well for the ministry and community. \$20,000 was raised to dig a well deep enough to hit a consistent water source, almost and now the village has clean water, even during their frequent droughts. Wow!

Since 2005, we have been providing help for the medical dispensary, allowing them to purchase medicines and provide affordable health care for villagers. They have been asking for a reliable power source for years, and through the help of a group in Indiana, this past year a transformer was installed and power lines were brought from the main road up into the village. Wow!

God is doing miracles in Kager!

