



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

A Quarterly Newsletter

WINTER 2013

SAMSON DESAMOUR



Samson has been a favorite of teams for the past 6 years. With the help of Dr. Jill Ratner, he has moved to N.Y. to begin a two year EMT program. While his smiling face will be missed, we are excited for his opportunity.

JUNIOR CASSAUS

Junior is one of the first people to greet teams when they arrive at Open Door. He has a huge servant's heart, helping teams with their project needs and fixing things around the ministry house.



DIEULA TOUSSAINT



Dr. Dieula has finished her medical training in the D.R. and began working at Open Door Clinic this month. We are so proud to have her back home in Haiti serving the people of her village.

JENNY COMPERE

Jenny, Pastor Wiljean's daughter, has recovered well from the health issues she suffered from this past year. Keep praying for complete healing. Jenny is a gifted student and sings on Open Door's worship team.



MOISE TOUSSAINT



Moise (Dr. Dieula's brother) completed our SOYM program in 2011 and has been studying to be a Pastor at Emmaus Biblical Seminary for the past two years. Moise is a promising young leader for our ministry.

CATIA GUERRIER

Catia is pursuing her dream of becoming a doctor, studying at University in the Dominican Republic. She is in need of scholarship assistance and wants to come back and serve in Haiti.



New Church Partnerships

At the heart of our ministry is an army of churches and volunteers who support our work in Haiti by praying, giving and going! Churches all across the US (FL, OH,, AZ, IA, NJ, MN, IL, VA, NC, NE, IN...) have all partnered together with us. Many have sent teams. Others have hosted a child sponsorship weekend. Some are supporting our missionaries, or raising funds for relief or other projects. We could not accomplish all that God has laid before us without the church here in the US coming alongside the church in Haiti, locking arms, and laboring together.

Northland, A Church Distributed

One of our newest partners is Northland, the home church of Todd and Gina McLennan, our newest missionary staff. Along with supporting Todd and Gina as missionaries, Northland invited Open Door to have a ministry booth at their Missions Weekend recently to promote trips targeted at Northland attendees. Northland sends out dozens



of teams throughout the year all across the world and now Open Door will be their official ministry partner to send teams to in Haiti.

Safe Harbor Christian Church

Safe Harbor has adopted Open Door as one its official mission partners, putting ODH in their mission's budget. But they want to do more than



just give money. They want to be involved. Child sponsorships, mission trips and food packing events are all possible avenues for greater involvement for their congregation.

Camp Orchard Hill & Xtreme Camp

Camp Orchard Hill in PA and Xtreme Camp in KS, two camps that I have spoken at, are both very interested in helping Open Door develop a youth summer camp program where they could resource the program with staff, training, equipment and funding. Both are camps affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America.

These are just a few of the new church partnerships God has provided for Open Door in the last few months. If your church has not yet partnered with Open Door, we would love the opportunity to speak with your pastor or missions committee about the many amazing opportunities for involvement God has at Open Door Haiti in 2013.

Serving Christ together,

Doug Holliday

President, Open Door Haiti - USA

ABSOLUTELY UNFORGETTABLE!

"I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. The Savior- yes, the Messiah, the Lord- has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David." Luke 2:10-11

Bringing Hope and Joy at Christmas

This past Christmas, you helped us send over 700 Christmas Hope Boxes to the children of Open Door. What excitement and joy when the Hope Boxes were delivered. Julie Laramie, our Director of Media & Marketing, captured the moment on film for the school (Facebook.com/pages/Open-Door-Haiti) and the orphanage (Vimeo.com/56391144).

ORPHANAGE CHRISTMAS PARTY



A SPECIAL DAY

A team that came to Open Door in December brought Christmas decorations... a tree, lights, ornaments, garland... and decorated the orphanage for a grand celebration.

NEW CLOTHES

Each of our 26 orphans received new clothes; dresses for the girls; pants, shirts, ties and vests for the boys; new shoes for everyone. They looked so beautiful, and were so proud of their new clothes.

A GRAND CELEBRATION

A feast was prepared, along with special music & candles by the children, and each one received a wrapped present with their name on it!

CHRISTMAS HOPE BOXES



OPEN DOOR SCHOOL

All the children from the school gathered, anxious to receive their Christmas Hope Box and discover what treasures awaited under the box lid. They received their first semester report cards, so it was an exciting day.

OPEN DOOR ORPHANAGE

Our orphan sponsors, along with Neighborhood Alliance Church in FL, prepared Hope Boxes for all the children in the orphanage as well as care packages for the staff. Each child also received a pair of Crocs, thanks to a generous donation from the company. The children's joy and excitement was contagious!

CARING FOR THE ELDERLY



"If you can't feed 100, feed just one." Mother Teresa

MR. & MRS. RENAUD

Luc Renaud and Madame Luc, ages 93 & 75, have 5 children who live in Port-Au-Prince and are of no help to them. They need food and medicine.

ELISENA DERILLA

This widow lives with her daughter and granddaughter. They would often beg for food at our school, but stopped because of their shame. They often go three or four days without food.

MEETING THE NEED

\$20 a month will help provide food for the elderly.

SCHOOL UPDATE: 1ST SEMESTER



LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION

Our school in Bois De Lance is expanding with a new office, storage, and library building. The library will enhance the children's education, allowing them to read a variety of books and expand their horizons. We are currently collecting books... creole, french and english titles.

NEW FEEDING PROGRAM

This Fall, we expanded our feeding program to our school in Quanamthe, where almost 400 children are now receiving a nutritious meal each day at school. Our school in the remote mountain village of Maguayave just received their shipment of food to begin feeding as well.

THE GIFT OF A GOAT



HELPING FAMILIES

This past Christmas, we had several families here in the US donate funds so that the families of the children they are sponsoring in Haiti could be given a goat. The goats produce milk, as well as offspring, that can be sold to help provide income for impoverished families. Often, it is the sponsor children themselves who are given the family responsibility to care for the new goat.

FUTURE FARMERS

Other gifts came in this Christmas to help families expand on their farming initiatives, where vegetables can be grown to be sold in the market at a premium price.

Would you like to sponsor a child, sponsor an orphan, care for the elderly or take a trip? Visit us on Facebook or the web to learn more.



Dear Friends,

Thanks for your generous support of our ministry this past year. Along with all that God is doing in Haiti with the opening of the orphanage, new churches and schools opening, and adding women leaders for the first time to our SOYM training program, we have been privileged to serve in 2012 in Kenya, Tanzania, Zanzibar, Cameroon and the Philippines as well. Leaders have been encouraged and equipped in their discipling efforts in all these countries, and many students have put their faith and trust in Christ as the Gospel has been shared. A new ministry partnership with Dare2Share will give even more opportunities to speak and train in youth ministry here in the US. Your generosity and your prayers are making a difference!

God Bless,
Doug & Jennifer

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