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IMPACT: MISSION TEAMS

Despite the recent headlines in the US, many mission teams have remained faithful and traveled to Haiti for annual work trips. Dawn Adams traveled from Georgetown, Indiana in April with a team of fifteen from five different churches.

"This is my fifth trip. I have been coming back and forth here since 2012," she explains. "It's business as usual in Haiti. I adopted here in 2014 and have been in and out. Our first trip, we were pretty anxious, and things seemed a little scarier then. It doesn't feel any different now than any other time I have been here. It's a welcoming place to be."

Along with Dawn was John Bruns. "Haiti doesn't seem any different to us at least what we have seen from the last two years that we have been down here. There may be things going on in other parts of the city, but up here it is just calm and seems like normal Haiti to me." The team worked in Repatriote building office furniture and shelves as well as putting up cork on bulletin boards.

Leitha Levi of Paoli Christian Church in Indiana made her first trip to Haiti with the group having only left the state of Indiana once before. "This was a big get out of my comfort zone. I have enjoyed my time so far, honestly. I am humbled and so thankful that God called me to be here. Especially after all that has happened in the past month or so. Our Haitian brothers and sisters need us now more than ever. The Haitian people are so loving and welcoming. I would recommend that if you are called by God to come you have to come."

Pastor Leon Dorleans, HOM founding director, also encourages teams to come back especially now that the State Department has dropped the threat level to 3. "We miss some of you so much. I understand that there are some of you who have decided not to come based on the warning from the State



Alex Adams, Natali Sullivan (left) and Marlene Adams (above), Georgetown Christian team on a painting project.



Department," he explains. "I want you to know that things are still moving in Haiti and coming along very well. Please keep praying for us."

"Please do your very best to keep us going. The children need us more than ever right now. They need to receive the message of hope, the message of love, from us because we will not let them down. Our churches are growing like never before and more people are coming to church. The schools have more registrations than last year and we need more sponsors. We have the vocational school going on; the water purification is going. Everything is going on right now."

Pastor Leon emphasis that the teams that have not come have impacted the mission. "So many people depend on us and we cannot let them down. Not only the children but the construction workers, parents and the communities. This is a time that we need your partnership more than ever. Please don't give up on Haiti. Haiti needs you."

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Greetings from the Board Chair Chris Northup

Greetings from Haiti! As I write this our team from First Presbyterian and White Memorial Presbyterian churches in



Raleigh, NC has just concluded their fourth clinic day serving in both Cité Soleil and Repatriote. It is always gratifying to be able to serve in Haiti meeting the needs of our

Haitian communities and to work with wonderful people on our team. We were able to undertake the projects planned including running the medical clinic, re-roofing and distributing glasses with no problems due to the events over the past four months.

Teams coming to Haiti are a critical part of HOM's mission in serving alongside our Haitian partners. The teams and the services they provide range from medical to construction to vacation Bible school all of which are needed. These services supplement and complement the efforts of our MICECC colleagues in Haiti. With the cancellation of many team trips over the last four months, we have found the Haitians we interact with are grateful that we have come to visit and work. Our presence also helps the local economy. Translators and drivers are given jobs, hospitality workers are employed wherever we stay and eat, local stores benefit from the purchase of food, beverages and other items that are vital to provide income for Haitians at MICECC and the communities.

If it weren't for our Haitian translators, drivers, medical providers or countless others, we would be unable to do much during our week-long trips. I have also heard from so many and experienced many times myself--we receive as much from our Haitian brothers and sisters as we think we give. We learn that need to work on being patience, gracious, loving and compassionate among other things.

Please pray for Haiti and the communities served by HOM and MICECC. Please also pray that the country's political and economic situation might stabilize so that its citizens can focus on going to school, work and other of life's necessities.

Blessings,

Chris Northup

A LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GARY FULTON



Dear Friends:

What an interesting time to be engaged in ministry in Haiti! As I have been thinking about the situation in Haiti and the work of HOM the past few

months, the opening words of Charles Dickens' classic novel, *A Tale of Two Cities*, keep coming to mind: *"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, ... it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair..."*

While it hasn't been the worst of times, since February we have seen darkness in the civil and political unrest in Haiti and protests in and around Port-au-Prince causing several teams to cancel or reschedule their trips this spring.

It also hasn't been the best of times, but indeed there has been light. We were able to host teams again starting in mid-March. On June 11th the US State Department travel warning was lowered to level 3 making it easier to travel to Haiti! Many teams have rescheduled for the fall and into 2020.

HOM Board President, Chris Northup, and I traveled to Haiti in April to visit our campuses, to talk with our MICECC mission partners, and to visit with teams that were serving in Haiti.

We experienced the excitement of the children in school at Cité Soleil, Terre Noire, and Repatriote. It is wonderful to see the children singing and praying as they gathered for morning devotions at Terre Noire. We saw the new science lab at the Baryè Fè high school. We visited with the education team from Westminster Presbyterian Church and with the medical team from Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Profaute, Jacky, and Nadege all told us how important your support and the work of the teams are.

This spring Barry Boyd and our team of communications volunteers renewed our communication efforts using email blasts and posting updates on the HOM website (www.haitiom.org).

In April, the HOM school sponsorship program was spotlighted. Thank you to all who support our schools by sponsoring children giving them the opportunity for a good Christian faith-based education. Students learn basic skills in a nurturing, positive, loving environment. Young minds are being

developed and bodies are being fed with healthy meals at lunch. This is significant!

The summer schedule is busy with teams coming to Haiti to help with construction projects, the medical clinic, and Vacation Bible School.

Looking ahead we are excited about the next phase of our ministry as we focus on Economic Development. Pat Gunter and her team are at work planning our first life skills classes which will be held the last two weeks of September. I am working on a partnership with Mission of Hope to hold our first entrepreneur class for people engaged in small businesses to help them succeed and thrive.

Please continue to pray for our friends in Haiti and for peace and calm in Haiti. We know that God is alive and at work, and good things are happening.

We are grateful for your ongoing commitment to support the people we serve in Haiti through visits, prayers, student sponsorships, and other financial gifts.

Grace and Peace,

Gary,

Gary Fulton
Executive Director of
Haiti Outreach Ministries

SPOTLIGHT: JEAN GAUDY



Jean Gaudy, wife Berniz and daughter Berlinda

Jean Gaudy, as all HOM partners who travel to Haiti know, is the first smiling face we recognize on exit from the PAP airport. As Team Coordinator, Jean has the critical job of insuring that teams are met on arrival, delivered back to the airport on time for departure, and all team projects/activities are seamlessly managed... a tough job anywhere but certainly in Haiti.

“Jean Gaudy is a pleasure to work with and does whatever it takes to make a team’s stay in Haiti a good experience”, says Janet Horton, FNP, HOM medical team coordinator.

Jean Gaudy commenced working for MISECC in 2011 when Pastor Leon asked him to help and per Jean, “I did whatever they asked me to do!” He lived at Terre Noire for a year and

feels like he knows most, if not all, the ministry’s jobs.

Jean became the Team Coordinator in 2018 and really enjoys meeting the teams and telling them about the ministry. His goal is simple; to make sure all trips go smoothly so the teams are happy and return to Haiti.

Jean married his wife Berniz in 2018. They have a 6 year old daughter, Berlinda, and a 1 ½ year old son, Louis Larson. The family lives in Crois de Bouquet and attends the Terre Noire church. Berlinda goes to the Terre Noire school.

Jean Gaudy wants everyone to know that he loves God and his country. He asks that the teams tell their friends about the ministry and encourage them to come to Haiti to see what God is doing.

MEET: ISMAELENE ARISTILDE, LIBRARIAN AT TERRE NOIRE AND REPATRIOTE CAMPUSES

Twenty-five-year-old, Mademoiselle Ismaelene lives in Bon Repos. She is not yet married, and she lives with her mother. She must take a local tap tap traveling one and a half hour each day to get to her job as a librarian at the two campuses of Haiti Outreach Ministries, but she does not complain about the travel. She loves coming to work. At the university, she studied management.

Her history with the schools started when she was in 6th grade and she attended school at Cité Soleil. When she graduated from the university, Madame Jackie offered her the job as librarian.

Mademoiselle Ismaelene likes working with the students. “They teach me to be patient,” she laughs.

Students come to the library to be read to and to read independently. Mademoiselle Ismaelene also works on the sponsorship program. She helps the children write their letters to the



sponsors. “When students write thank you letters to the sponsors, I help them address them and make sure that all of the information is correct.”

She explained that the children in the schools do not have books at home.



Every student gets thirty minutes of library time once a week. Library is a fun and important time for the students.

When not working, she likes to read, listen to music and watch movies.

PARTNERS IN ACTION

The ministry of HOM/ MICECC is blessed by the support of visiting teams and sponsors who make all that we do possible. Sponsors enable our students to get a quality Christian education. Some sponsors are able to visit and meet their students in Haiti, a real win/win!



Quaker Memorial team (Lynchburg, VA), working on solar install at House of Hope.



Jolie Blankenship with her sponsored student, Soukainah.



Riley Adams, Nick Gunn and Mark Shuff, the Georgetown Christian team doing serious carpentry work.



Helen Harrison from Wesminster Presbyterian (Durham, NC) teaching sewing, assisted by Chinel St. Juste.



Dr. Nikita Lindsay (Fort Mill, SC) doing an in-class physical.



Dr. Dan Driscoll (Winston-Salem, NC), doing dental check-ups in the CS school. Assisted by Dawn Grider, Michelle Bascom, and Marline Jean Jacques.



Snyder Baptist Church Construction Team

CHURCH SPOTLIGHT: SNYDER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH OF FAYETTEVILLE, NC

Snyder Memorial has been a mission-minded church since it was first chartered in 1949. We have participated in and/or sponsored mission trips and missionaries all over the world. Our work in Haiti began in September of 2010, nine months after the most recent earthquake. We took a team of seven members who worked with the NC Baptist Men. We were building temporary huts for families displaced from their homes. Our work was primarily in the Titanyn area, northwest of Port Au Prince.

When the NC Baptist Men ended their construction efforts in Haiti, our church signed up for a trip in February of 2013 with Haiti Outreach Ministries. That was the beginning of a great relationship and was a clear calling from God for us to help share His love with those in Haiti.

Our mission trip work has primarily involved construction. We have built homes for families, replaced roofs, built bulletin boards and furniture in the schools. We have

worked extensively on the school and church buildings on the four campuses including pouring concrete, digging footings, building walls, roughing in the bathroom plumbing for the Baryè Fè high school, and many other projects. We are blessed to have commercial builders and engineers on our teams that have many valuable talents.

We had the unique experience of taking about 45 of our high school youth



Ken Smith and Ned Garber work with their Haitian partners on a wall at Baryè Fè.

choir members to Haiti in June of 2016. They held music camps with the Haitian youth choirs, performed in several services at the HOM churches, and held sports camps and outdoor activities with the Haitian youth as well. They also began a program of building picnic tables at the schools.

We have been very successful in recruiting church members to sponsor children within the HOM schools. Much of this success was through sponsorship drives that included photos of eligible children and their details printed and available. Our members could select their own student to sponsor and sign up on the spot. We now sponsor over 50 children in the HOM schools and that number is growing.

Our relationship has blessed our congregation greatly, and hopefully the same can be said of those that we have touched. We thank God and Haiti Outreach Ministries for allowing us to be a part of their efforts.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

by Bob O'Brien

OVERVIEW

Again, blessings and thanks to all the visiting teams for their help on much-needed repairs and additions. Thanks also to those teams who were unable to travel but graciously provided money for projects.

- All four schools are working on completing items of critical maintenance this summer. Much more maintenance work needs to be accomplished in the next few months if funding is available. Several teams have committed to completing items on the "HOM/MICECC Project List". The list is updated bi-monthly and contains approximately 100 projects at any time.
- Several teams have selected roofing or housing projects in the community which benefits families in need of housing or roof repair.



Baryè Fè science students in their lab coats.

BARYÈ FÈ CAMPUS

- Sunshades have been hung on the 3rd floor of the Phase II building.
- The glass blocks have been raised on the roof to prevent leaks and provide a level surface.
- The Science Laboratory is in full use and the students love it!!



Cité Soleil Children's Church roof.

CITÉ SOLEIL CAMPUS

Medical/Dental Clinic

- Treatment room expansion and Dr. Quency's new office is complete.
- Stairs to the roof with security bars complete. \$8,520 in funding needed to complete the project.
- Project to add awnings over new patient waiting area is 50% complete. \$1,500 funding needed to complete.

Children's Church Phase III

- Church roof complete and braced for hurricane/seismic events.
- Critical items to make space usable are stair railings and entrance doors. \$3,500 needed.
- Other funding needed to finish building: windows and security shutters (\$8,000) and painting, lighting and floor finishes (\$18,000).

Other CS Projects

- School kitchen project is complete with new stoves, storage areas, food prep area and clean water prep sink. Thanks to the Kairos and FPC Spartanburg teams.
- Relocated entry gate and site drainage work beginning to raise and relocate the entrance gate, allowing vehicles to turn in safely and prohibit storm water from flowing in the compound.

REPATRIOTE (MENELAS) CAMPUS

- Curtains being hung on 2nd floor of Phase IV classrooms
- Phase IV kitchen is now in full use with larger propane tanks. New sidewalk constructed between kitchen and cafeteria and new curtains hung in kitchen.

- Phase I Youth Building – funding allocated to finish the stucco on the building. Painting of building and window and door installation completed. Funding needed to complete the electrical/lighting (\$3,000) and for completion of the youth activities center(\$19,800).
- Exterior solar powered lighting for night security approved. Two solar lights to be purchased for Repatriote and Cité Soleil.

TERRE NOIRE CAMPUS

- The sanctuary ceiling has been painted white using church funds, improving the lighting/brightness of the space. Funding also provided to add a center section of lighting.



New, brighter Terre Noire sanctuary.

- Thanks to Douglasville Presbyterian team for sending money for sanctuary and church office expansion. Project to bump out two walls of the sanctuary is complete. Plan for a future team to paint the expansion.
- \$15,000 funding needed to pour the 2nd floor of the church expansion.

FUTURE FIFTH CAMPUS SITE

- This site will be the home of our Economic Development initiative with vocational training classrooms, construction and skilled trades areas. The medical clinic will be relocated here.
- Architect Bill McLees is heading up developing the master plan for this campus!

CLINIC CORNER by Janet Horton, FNP

CLINIC BY THE NUMBERS* - 2019

25,000

Patients

20

Medical Teams

2

Dental Teams

1

Ophthalmologist

**Note that 2019 numbers depressed by 1st quarter unrest in Haiti.*

- MICECC staff changes- 2 part-time docs have resigned, OBGYN and GP, effective this summer. OBGYN to be replaced by another p-t but hope to hire a full-time GP.
- Hire date for Haitian dentist is mid-late summer. Upgrading the facility first - get water, suction and compression to the hygienist rooms and outfit a 3rd dental exam room.
- Donations received to purchase an Ultrasound! Dr Q trained at Mayo Clinic (Fla) to use the equipment and read results.
- Translators are being trained for more specific clinic tasks. For example, Marlene will be the lead for dental teams and Calvin is trained to coordinate the school physicals. This will enhance their value to the teams and also help maintain the clinic and equipment.

Looking Forward

- School health program- Our dental, vision and medical teams have been enlisted to provide student health screenings, targeting 1st, 3rd and 5th primary grades and 7th, 9th, 11th, and 13th at Baryè Fè. The goal is to complete screening all grades by year-end. We are excited about this program to identify and resolve health issues that impact a child's well being and ability to learn.
- The clinic always needs funds! Most critical non equipment need is extra space to accommodate staff growth.



Clinic Equipment "Wish List"

- A/C for MICECC pharmacy and treatment room (\$300)
- Chairs (\$20)
- B/P cuffs (\$20)
- Nebulizers (\$40)
- Otoscope/Ophth.scopes (\$150)

*Mike Henning, NP, and Sarah Turner, PA, Team 4
Haiti team doing student physicals.*

QUESTIONS ON THE CLINIC?

Contact Janet Horton, FNP at medtrips@haitiom.org. Clinic donations are always appreciated at haitiom.org/donate.

DONATIONS

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—Jacky Dorleans, Superintendent of Schools

1925 STUDENTS are enrolled in HOM/MISECC schools for the 2018-19 school year. **496 STUDENTS CURRENTLY NEED SPONSORS.**

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For \$35/month you can sponsor a primary student (Prek-6). For \$60/month you can sponsor a secondary student (7-13).



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