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WHAT A YEAR...BUT THERE IS GOOD NEWS: AND GREAT MEMORIES TOO!

The past 18 months have been particularly difficult for Haiti. Political and civil unrest in February and March, and then again from the end of September through November of 2019 closed schools, increased hunger, and limited team travel for months.

At the end of 2019 we looked forward to 2020 when we could get back to more normal activity and support for our friends in Haiti. Of course, no one anticipated COVID-19 to develop and spread throughout the world making things worse. Schools have been closed since March 20. Hunger is increasing and the economy is getting even worse.

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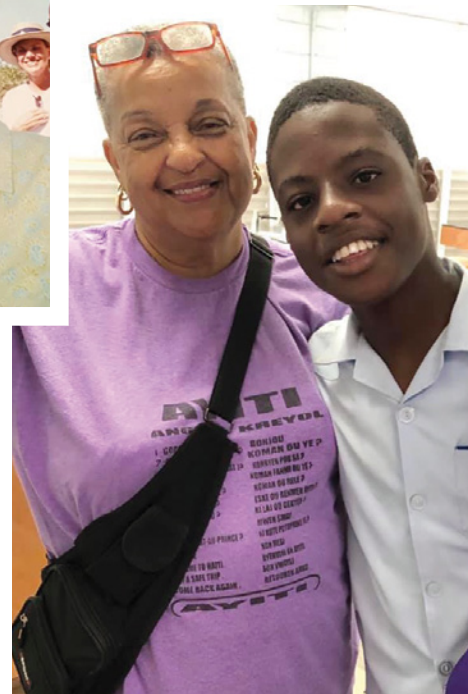
"VBS 2019 at Terre Noire Sweet Faces" - Nancy Jayne Holton



Ives Moliare and Carolyn Dickson at Ibo Beach school in 2003! Palms Presbyterian Church first mission trip. Laughter and tears! Love and Lingering memories!



"Medicine is my calling. VBS is my JOY!" - Lera Joseph



Jewel E. Williams with her sponsored student of fourteen years, Samuel Doristin.

"One of my favorite memories was spending this evening playing with these beautiful kiddos. Running around the courtyard area, while listening to the church service happening inside."
- Katie Bostic

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But there is good news from HOM and MICECC!

- Distribution of food continues to our primary school students, families, and to our communities. Your generosity is allowing us to increase the funds we are sending for this.
- Our pastors continue to nurture church members sharing daily morning devotions, prayers at noon, Bible studies, and Sunday worship through WhatsApp technology.
- Schools are preparing to reopen in August.
- Construction on the last classroom building at Repatriote is almost complete.

We miss seeing you in Haiti, but we appreciate your support and prayers. **Thank you for sharing your wonderful memories and pictures of past trips.**



*"One of the most special moments of visiting Haiti. I loved every second of fundraising, building, and dedicating these families' homes. This is just one of three that we fund raised for and finished a few summers ago."
- Kaylin Peer*



"We loved visiting the girls!!" - Julie Lowe Lunsford



*"Completing school physicals for 1st graders in March 2019. Lindsay Team Medical Mission. These physicals brought us the most joy and smiles."
- Nikita Williams Lindsay*



Emma West from Snyder Memorial Baptist - June 2016 trip.



*"So many HOM memories over the years, so it's hard to pick just one picture. I need to put together a collage! So many wonderful people above all else."
- Rhonda Fischer*



BEAM team, from Elizabeth City, NC and Mechanicsville, VA.

Greetings from Board Chair Wick Smith



In mid-June, the HOM Board of Directors had the chance to spend time with Leon and Jacky Dorleans as well as Pastor Profaité, Pastor Jean Charles, Nadege,

and our medical clinic director, Dr. Quency, in a Zoom meeting that served as our semi-annual board meeting. It was an exciting time, not just because we got to catch up with our friends there. We also heard reports from each of them, as well as all the committee chairs within HOM. Our energy was renewed in listening to the wonderful efforts that are being made and the progress on new initiatives, even with the hurdles we face.

We heard reports about the current programs to help the students and their

families as well as the church families through emergency feeding programs we have instituted since the closing of the schools due to the pandemic. So many of our donors have been quite generous to help fund this much needed service. Our building programs are still in place and progressing, with the near completion of the newest classroom building on the Repatriote campus and the planning for the next classroom building at Baryè Fè.

We heard reports also about the wonderful efforts by the medical clinic staff to provide for those in Cité Soleil and the possibility of opening a temporary clinic in Terre Noire. As you have seen from previous newsletters, we have also added dental services within the clinic at Cité Soleil. We look forward to that continuing to grow with the help from our US partners.

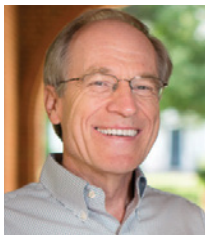
The four schools have big plans to open soon to finish out the 2019-2020 school year, then quickly transition to the 2020-2021 school year. The generous sponsors we have that fund many of our students in these schools continue to be great partners in this effort. We thank you for that from the bottom of our hearts.

We also have very exciting plans for vocational programs and the building of a new bible college that has been Leon's dream for 30 years or more. These two, along with other programs will be part of what is now called the "Fifth Campus".

We hope and pray that you are as energized as we are when reviewing these initiatives and the great work the Lord is doing through MICECC and HOM. We thank you again for your generosity, your prayers, and your encouragement.

Wick Smith
Board Chair

A LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GARY FULTON



Recently on Facebook we asked people to share pictures and their favorite memories of their experiences serving in Haiti with Haiti Outreach Ministries.

As I look at the pictures and read the memories I experience great joy and am filled with hope.

Since March we have been experiencing the traumatic and deadly effects of the coronavirus in our world. Most recently we have been experiencing unrest in our communities as we come to terms with the painful reality of racism and inequality.

I imagine all of us have been affected in some way by the coronavirus and unrest. I have largely been staying home except for walks and occasionally doing curbside food pickups and visiting our grandchildren from a safe distance. Many people have lost their jobs, others have shifted to reduced schedules, while others have shifted to working from home and meeting with co-workers virtually. Others are quarantined in retirement and care facilities. Because of the coronavirus we have not been able to travel to Haiti since the end of March. For years our Haitian

brothers and sisters have also been feeling the effects of all that is going on in the world.

All of this has left me physically and emotionally drained. It is hard to see people hurting in so many ways. It is hard to experience so much change when much of it is negative.

So, it is refreshing to read the comments of past trips to Haiti and to see the smiling, caring, and loving pictures of our times in Haiti. As people described their pictures and wrote about their experiences they used words such as:

Old friends...Opportunity...Joy...Smiles... Family...Not just friends but family... wonderful...people above all else... beautiful memories...generosity...special ... laughter and tears...

Amy Stahl Andrews wrote, "I love this picture - it represents white and black American and Haitian becoming friends."



Our ministry in Haiti was started by Leon Dorleans as he saw a great need in Cité Soleil. Over the years the ministry has expanded from

providing spiritual care in one church to providing education and health care. There have been setbacks in Haiti such as earthquakes, political and civil unrest, hurricanes and now a pandemic, but we have not been deterred in our mission to serve God's people in Haiti. Our ministry has not only brought new life, opportunity, and hope to the people of Haiti, but as you can see from the words and pictures people sent, we too are experiencing new life and hope. This is a gift!

I am grateful for you, the many faithful and steadfast supporters of Haiti Outreach Ministries. Your continued support - even in the midst of pandemics, unrest, and personal pain - encourages us, and enables us to continue to serve the people in Haiti who face so much in their daily lives. In this newsletter you will read more about the vital ministry that HOM is doing in Haiti with our MICECC mission partners. Thank you for your gifts of prayer, service, and financial support. You are providing hope!

Grace and Peace,

Gary

Gary Fulton
Executive Director of
Haiti Outreach Ministries

SPOTLIGHT: MARCELIN JOSEPH

Anyone who has been to Haiti in the past 10 years has been in at least one of the 70+ HOM/MICECC projects that Marcelin has had a major hand in constructing in the post earthquake period.

Marcelin has been an integral part of the HOM construction team from the time in 2010 he began working for Stephen as one of his construction supervisors building houses to today as the HOM Construction Project Manager responsible for all facilities construction within our campuses.

Marcelin was born in 1984 and grew up in Cité Soleil, going to primary school and secondary school, graduating in 2001. He moved with his mother, Elianne Gey Janvier and his stepfather to Terre Noire in 2001, and began university majoring in computer science. However, in 2005 during the unrest in the country he found himself in the Bahamas working for a British construction company for almost three years gaining construction skills and English.

Shortly after the earthquake Stephen hired Marcelin to supervise the roofing crews on the many homes HOM began building. Recognizing his construction skills and command of English, Leon asked him to join the construction group as a construction supervisor, working directly with the Chief Engineer on all construction, remodeling and upgrading projects.

Since that time, Marcelin has been instrumental in developing a very skilled construction group from within the communities HOM/MICECC serves. He has used his leadership skills to continuously push his workers to develop new construction skills and has developed a very reliable group of sub contractors working alongside each other.



Marcelin working for Mdm. FloAnne.



Marcelin going to work.



Marcelin accepting his "HOM Engineering Bag" after graduation.



Marcelin loves Lebron.

Since the last US long term construction volunteer left in 2015, Marcelin assumed the leadership role as the Haitian construction manager responsible for the construction of three classroom buildings at Repatriote, the second classroom building at Baryè Fè, numerous small projects at all campuses and the initial layout and clearing of the new fifth campus.

In early 2013, Marcelin felt a desire to return to university, studying civil engineering at GOC University, one of Haiti's premier engineering universities. Recognizing the importance of continuing education, he was encouraged by HOM to continue his education while continuing his full time job directing our various projects. In 2018 Marcelin graduated from GOC with his civil engineering degree and is currently finishing the requirements to become a registered civil engineer.

Marcelin and Genese Masseur Joseph have a three year old daughter,



Marcelin reviewing work in progress.

Clara Ashley who is the apple in her parents' eyes.

Under Leon's and Profaité's leadership Marcelin continues work on all new construction projects as well as working with the maintenance group improving all of our sites as HOM/MICECC work together in all things for the glory of God. Bondye ap travay.

MINISTRY IMPACT BEYOND THE CAMPUSES:

SPOTLIGHT ON A LOCAL PARTNER

by Caroline Chambre Hammock



One of JOCA's craftsmen at work.



JOCA makes an array of beautiful furniture.

When we think about the work of HOM and MICECC, typically what probably comes to mind are our primary and secondary schools, our health clinic, the churches, vocational training, and clean water provided to the communities. But what may be less obvious is the impact these initiatives have on the greater community.

Joseph Casimir, a local furniture maker, is a great example of this impact. His company JOCA has been a source of essential school furniture for the MICECC schools for many years now. Joseph and his team have built desks for both the primary schools and the Baryè Fè secondary school, all the swivel stools for the Baryè Fè science lab, and all the cafeteria tables and benches for the cafeteria at Repatriote. Under his leadership, Joseph's company has been a great partner for the ministry.

Ever since childhood, Joseph loved to play with wood and pretend he was a



Science lab tables at Baryè Fè built by JOCA.

furniture maker. In the late 1970s, he was old enough to start learning a trade and was asked to study four different areas in order to determine the one he liked the most. After experimenting with mechanics, electricity, and tailoring, he quickly turned to his childhood love of woodworking. He graduated from trade school in 1982 and went to work for a manufacturing business in Port-au-Prince where he made furniture for five years. He then decided he'd rather work for himself, so he left manufacturing and drove a taxi for several years. Then, in 1991, he started his own furniture-

making business which has been in existence ever since.

Today, Joseph has a full-time staff of 12 employees as well as 30 contract employees. Two of his employees have been with him since JOCA's founding in 1991. After all these years, Joseph says he still loves working with wood - it is his passion. His focus is on making furniture that is solid and long-lasting. Having worked with HOM and MICECC for many years now, Joseph says he makes sure his team works with care to assure the students' safety and comfort so they are free to learn with "quiétude d'esprit" (peace of mind).

HOM and MICECC always seek to support the Haitian economy and contracting with local vendors such as Joseph is a key way to do this by keeping money in the Port-au-Prince area. Our furniture orders help keep this small business going, impacting not just Joseph's family of six but his team of 40+ woodworkers as well. We are thankful for Joseph's craftsmanship and his long-term partnership with the ministry.

OVERVIEW

- With the troubles within Haiti and the COVID-19 quarantine, only one construction field trip was made this past six months. Also, with no team trip support since February, our Haitian construction team led by Marcelin Joseph has done a great job, including completion of a major project, the Repatriote Phase V classroom building.
- Maintenance issues are being addressed at all four campuses. The work will have to be completed by Haitian workers but without team provided funds for the work. This issue will be a funding challenge for HOM/MICECC.
- The clean water systems are all up and running. It is encouraging to note that the CS water system is now able to provide water to the community through a window in the wall so people do not need to enter the campus.
- HOM Construction Group leadership includes, Bob O'Brien, Chief Engineer, Tad Prewitt who handles team coordination, and Rick Giles who initially reviews projects, inspects construction in progress, and is focusing on Fifth Campus development.

BARYÈ FÈ CAMPUS

- A team was able to fund the electrical wiring of outlets and lighting to the third floor of both buildings on the campus.
- Security grating was built over the air shafts on both buildings to make the third floor more accessible for students.
- Air conditioning was installed for the assistant principal and teacher preparation rooms and installed in the library/computer classroom.
- Six additional picnic tables were built to accommodate the additional students next fall.



New Repatriote classroom building

CITÉ SOLEIL CAMPUS

Medical/Dental Clinic

- The project to add an awning over the patient waiting area is complete adding 70 covered patient waiting area spaces.
- A third dental surgery suite with air conditioning, sink, air & suction, cabinets and jalousie windows was constructed.
- New dental chairs, exam lights and tables were received in February.
- Sinks, clean water and vacuum lines were added to the two dental hygiene rooms and a sink with clean water was re-introduced in the HOM pharmacy.

Children's Church, Phase III

- A donation was received to add exterior stair railings and exterior doors to the space.
- Funding is needed for windows & shutters, interior stucco, interior paint, lighting, and interior finishes. \$35,000 is needed to complete the space.

Campus Upgrades

- Security grade jalousie windows were provided in the two 6th grade classrooms to provide rain protection.
- The primary electrical power to the 2nd floor of the school was completed.
- An exterior water distribution window was added to the clean water room so community folks could access water without having to come inside.

REPATRIOTE (MENELAS) CAMPUS

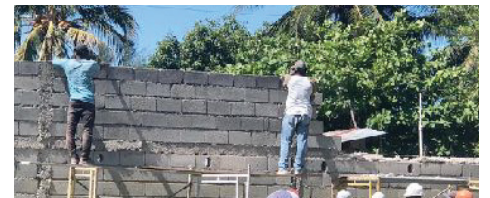
- School Classroom Building V- work started on this building in January and is now complete. We came within budget. A project is underway to enlarge the library/media/computer center. A team came in February

and built new library tables for the expanded library.

- The upper grades toilet building is now complete and looks great!
- The Repatriote campus master plan has been digitized, showing all the structures and play fields on the campus.

TERRE NOIRE CAMPUS

- A great deal of work has been required after an incident of vandalism. All debris has been removed and neighbor's roofs damaged by water tanks have been repaired. Work is complete on restoring the water system and replacing 5 ac units.
- An interior security gate between the church and guest house was installed and a higher wall on the west side of the play field was built for security.
- In danger of collapse, the south wall of the play field was demolished and re built. Additional buttresses were installed to strengthen the east wall.



Wall work at Terre Noire

- Additional concertina wire was installed throughout the campus.
- A new community water supply to the east of the campus has been installed.

FIFTH CAMPUS

- Planning is ongoing to complete the master plan to allow construction to begin. Bill Mclees has submitted several iterations of the plan with the latest iteration featuring the entrance road from Rue 9 entering the site south of the drainage swale easement.
- Initial construction would include the entrance road, clearing the site and a security wall. The first building is currently planned to be the Bible College.
- If funds are available additional land will be purchased to accommodate added medical facilities.
- Most of the buildings are being planned as single-story to reduce the structural elements needed for seismic resistance in multi-story buildings.

OVERVIEW

We hoped 2020 would be a better year for our health care efforts in Haiti, but COVID-19 created even more challenges and effectively stopped team participation. We estimate the number of patients seen since January is approximately 5,000 to 6,000. Dr. Quency does not believe we have seen any COVID-19 positive patients in our clinic.

HOM TEAMS

- Three medical teams, a dental team, and an individual dentist served in February and March. All teams scheduled from mid-March to September have cancelled. We anticipate additional cancellations.
- The 1st, 3rd, and 5th grade school children at Terre Noire had dental and medical screenings.
- Several teams who cancelled, donated part or all of their team funds to HOM and/or the clinic.
- We are optimistic most teams will return to Haiti in 2021.

MICECC STAFF

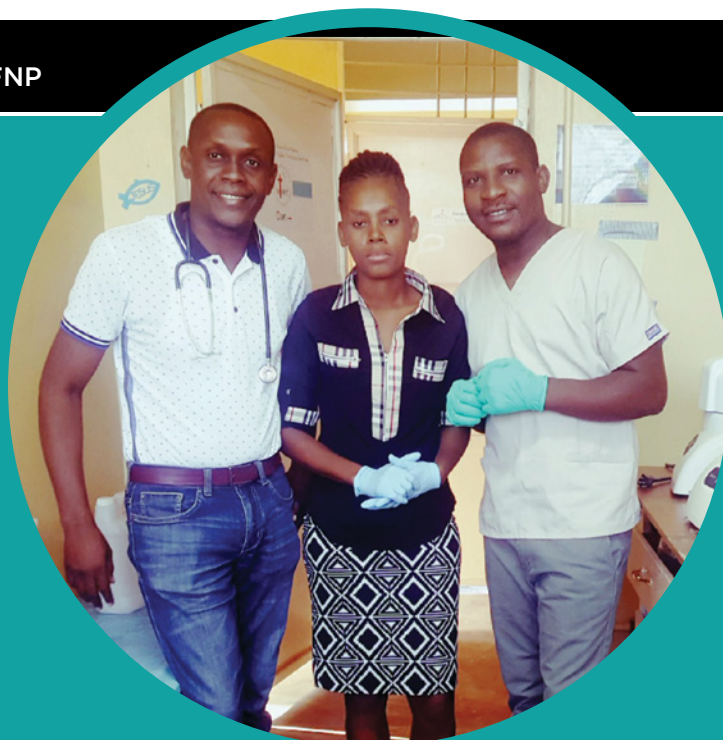
- Our new dentist, Dr. Patrick St. Germaine, DDS started work in January 2020. He sees approximately 15 patients a day and has been very busy – and much appreciated.
- Marline Alexis Jean Jacques, a long-time medical and dental translator, was hired as Dr. St. Germaine's assistant.
- The staff spent considerable time and effort to make the clinic meet MSPP's requirements to protect the staff and patients.
- Jethro, our clinic registrar, welcomed a healthy baby boy in December. Congratulations!

CLINIC NEWS

- We received a donation of urine test machines, A1C machines (for diabetes testing) and an otoscope/ophthalmoscope wall unit. These are awaiting transport to Haiti.

Clinic Equipment "Wish List"

- Chairs for patients \$20 (need 20)
- Fans \$30 (need 10)
- B/P monitors \$25 (need 2)
- Scales, adult and infant, \$25 and \$50 (need 1 of each)
- Fire Extinguishers \$50 (need 2)
- A/C for the pharmacy \$220



Dr. Quency, Marline Jean Jacques and Dr. St. Germaine.

- Due to the challenges caused by COVID-19, there has been less stability in Cité Soleil which frequently disrupted the clinic operation. Fortunately, the clinic building on the Terre Noire campus was vacated as Family Health Ministries is focusing their work at other sites. We decided to temporarily move to the Terre Noire clinic. In just a few weeks, our medical staff cleaned, organized and set up the clinic to meet all of MSPP's requirements to protect staff and patients from COVID-19. The clinic opened Wednesday July 13th and welcomed familiar faces from the Cité Soleil clinic as well as new patients from the Terre Noire community.
- When the COVID restrictions ease and the situation improves we hope to be able to return to the clinic at Cité Soleil and operating the mobile clinic once a week at Repatriote and at Terre Noire.

PARTNERSHIP

The Curamericas/HOM project to provide community based maternal/child health initiatives in the Repatriote community has gained momentum. We have had several Zoom meetings to gather information and plan the next steps. Pastor Leon, Pastor Jean Charles, and Dr. Quency will be meeting with key leaders in Repatriote and MSPP officials in the next few months. We hope to start recruiting for a project manager soon.

QUESTIONS ON THE CLINIC?

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

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YOUR GIFTS KEEP OUR MINISTRY GOING.

Teams have not been able to travel to Haiti this year, but the ministry is thriving in spite of complicating factors. Team trips not only bring essential volunteers to our programs but also much-needed resources such as school and medical supplies. We particularly need your ongoing support and gifts as we move toward the fall.

EDUCATE A CHILD

Schools are set to reopen in Haiti in August! Even when schools are closed we continue to pay our teachers and staff so we will be ready to reopen and they can support their families.

- Primary school (\$420 annually)
- Secondary school (\$720 annually)

HEALTH

Our clinic provides much needed medical and dental care in communities with few other options.

- Clean water for a month (\$1250)
- A week of nurse care in the clinic (\$70)
- PPEs for our staff (\$50)

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