

Learning in a Land of Contrast

In the ravaged country of Haiti, there is amazing beauty seeing ... the **silhouette of the mountains** from the porch of the boy's home as the sun rises, chasing the **darkness** away.

... the **joy** among the young people at the children's home and schools as they are nurtured and taught in **rough cement structures** and tin.

... the **worship** of believers in church as they praise their Creator, unmoved by the **sweltering heat** of the day.

... the **testimonies of gratitude** voiced in a land where there are **very few conveniences**.

In Haiti, there is a richness that defies the extreme poverty that many of our brothers and sisters face daily. And we at HHH are so grateful that through partnership with Haitian leaders, we can touch the lives of some of these children and families, in the name of Christ.

We may be **sharing** our blessings, yet it is from God's presence in this



'land of contrast' that we all **learn** valuable lessons!

Stan & Patty Wiebe, HHH Office

Haiti, that Onion of the Caribbean

Onions make me cry. I slice them quick with my eyes half-closed to avoid the painful tears they bring. But I still cry.

Similarly in Haiti, it didn't matter that I tried to view her many layers of poverty and filth through half-closed eyes, I still cried. Though my tears were not entirely out of pity that people who looked like me would be forced to live in such squalor but I cried out of joy over her beauty and order and great strength. And there too was Jesus with His arms around the motherless and the childless, the hungry and the forgotten.

And to Him I say, Turn our eyes upon Your work in Haiti, Lord. Help us look full in her wonderful face, that the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of her returning glory and grace. Help us to see Your work in that land of onions and join it with eyes wide open.

Linda Leigh Hargrove, NC

Isaiah 35:1-2

*The desert and the parched land will be glad;
the wilderness will rejoice and blossom.
Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom;
it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.*

The Haitian Mango

O to have the faith of a Haitian mango tree!

This daring tree often survives in thin, washed out, sandy soil. Not only does it survive, but then it has the audacity to produce some of the sweetest fruit on the planet. The mango provides shade and nourishment, a true cause of gladness for those living in the parched land of Haiti.

The work that our Father is doing through HHH strongly resembles the miracle of the mango tree.



Dozens of orphaned and vulnerable children are provided food, shelter and the hope of a future.

Local churches are supported and strengthened. The good news of Christ is preached in a land where voodoo is strong.

Hundreds of rural children are flooding to HHH supported schools. These children, once destined for educational malnourishment, are now learning to read and write.

God is truly causing Haiti to rejoice and blossom. His kingdom is advancing and we celebrate and shout for joy at the sight of it.

Aaron Van Heest, MI

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A Haiti Herald, February 2008

Giving Thanks!

- Eighteen people professed their **faith in Christ** at a recent crusade held in Poteau! PTL!
- Due to a designated donation, we are now able to **feed the students** at the Pacot school everyday.
- As the Haitian and state-side leaders have felt the need to **better equip** the staff and young people in Haiti, the Lord has begun to send qualified folks who are willing to help!
- A small **team in January** brought big blessings through staff training classes, making the computer lab operational and assisting with sponsorship work. What a blessing - thank you!
- The **computer lab**, in the Poteau vocational school, reopened for classes with 97 students in January.

- HHH is so blessed to have **Board Members** with a passion for the ministry in Haiti. Many thanks to each of you.
- With the help of many generous financial donors, HHH reached its **annual budget** in 2007.
- How thankful we are for **new sponsors** that have committed to love and support children in Haiti.

Please Pray For ...

- All of our **800+ students** who have an opportunity to attend school. Please pray that they will be able to learn well and receive the spiritual truths that are taught.
- **More sponsors** at \$20/mth for a student and \$25/mth for a home resident. (Please join us!)
- Wisdom, discernment and strength for our **leaders in Haiti**

as they faithfully minister.

- Healing and strength for **Anthony Edmond**, our university student in the DR. His ongoing health issues made it necessary to withdraw from school for a semester to seek medical assistance.



Upcoming Events

- February 18-24, 2008 - **Jean Pere Nadieul**, co-founder of the children's home will visit Raleigh, NC.
- Mid-March 2008 - An HHH team will participate in **teacher/staff training** and establish additional **adult literacy classes**.
- April 2008 - An **Indiana group** will work to renovate the girls' home bathrooms.
- July 2008 - A team from Christ Covenant Church in Raleigh plans to participate in **Summer Bible Camp**.
- Fall 2008 - An HHH team will share in the vocational school **dedication**.



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