



HOPE

Mission International

“Because of the LORD’s great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, “The LORD is my portion; therefore I will wait for Him.” The LORD is good to those whose hope is in Him, to the one who seeks Him... For no one is cast off by the Lord forever. Though He brings grief, He will show compassion, so great is His unfailing love.” Lamentations 22-32

January 2011

Dear Faithful Supporters and Friends,

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While the January earthquake did not severely effect the area where HOPE Mission is located, we did experience damage from Hurricane Tomas. Thank you to those who gave toward fixing building damage. It has been repaired and we await the next rainstorm to see if the repairs were successful. Our three key co-workers’s homes all sustained damage. Gifts given toward Hurricane Relief enabled us to give each of these three dear men monies to repair (everything from roofs to entire homes). Pray for Pastor Zacharie, Josaphat and Odilien as they continue to serve the Lord in the Pestel community and care for their families. Cholera has hit our community and many have taken ill, including Josaphat’s wife. Our sponsored boy Patrick also lost his father to the disease. This has created a fear to gather in groups, so our weekly Bible Study is not currently meeting. Pray peace is restored and ministry outreaches can resume.

Library Construction- Update

Recent gifts allowed us to continue construction. Workers are currently installing windows and doors. The septic system and finishing the outer walls are also in progress. We recently were able to ship the doors, 1000 lbs of books and 40 chairs to Haiti. In order to finish the first floor and fully furnish it with books and computers, we need approximatley \$45,000. Thank you to all who have helped us this far. Please consider helping us complete the library construction project.

Child Sponsorship Program

One way you can make an immediate, tangible impact in Pestel is to sponsor a child. Sponsorship provides a year of education, school uniform and school materials for \$20/month. More importantly, it provides *HOPE*. Your sponsorship gift can be given monthly, quarterly or yearly. You will receive a sponsor packet including a picture of your child and their biographical information. Perhaps one day, you will be able to travel to Pestel to meet your child! We currently have 40 children who are in need of sponsorship. If you can sponsor one of them, please contact Elisabeth. Rebecca (left), is in need of a sponsor immediately. Contact Elisabeth for more information:



The HOPE
Community Library



Rebecca Louis



Sponsored Children from
Duchity Baptist School

elisabethanne@hotmail.com or 860-861-2314

Ways YOU Can Help

We need approximately \$45,000 to complete all construction of the Main Floor of the library and to outfit it with books, furniture and computers. Consider contributing in one of the following ways:

100 supporters willing to give \$500.00 200 supporters willing to give \$250.00 400 supporters willing to give \$125.00

Your donation can be mailed to P.O. Box 265 Canterbury, CT 06331. HOPE is a tax-exempt 501[c] 3 corporation.

Material Needs

- Plastic plates and cups
- Silverware, Serving and cooking utensils
- Serving dishes,
- Children's books in English
- Children's puzzles and games
- Metal bookends
- Gently used clothing
- Twin sheet sets and pillows (new)
- Medical Supplies
- 15 Passenger Van

Help us Expand our Literary Collection

Donate a Book to the

HOPE Community Library

Visit our Amazon Wish List:

<http://amzn.com/w/11XNKOL85JZYV>

You can purchase a book for the library and it will be mailed directly to us!

We will update the list as more French/English and Creole materials become available.

HOPE Benefit Dinner for the HOPE Community Library

Saturday, May 14, 2011

7:00 p.m. at the Stamford Italian Center

1620 Newfield Avenue, Stamford CT

Dinner Ticket ~ \$25

HOPE receives no profit from the dinner.

A free-will love offering will be taken to meet the \$45,000 needed to finish library construction

The evening will include Musical Entertainment, Slide presentation and Update on HOPE's current work.

Summer Ministry Trip

Consider joining us this summer in Haiti. Plans are being made to travel to Pestel July 16th-23rd. You will be able to participate in work projects, ministry outreach, relationship building and encouragement. Come see what Christ is doing!

God for the way in which He supplies our needs.

Thank you for being His hands and feet!

For Haiti ~ Wilfrid Decossard and Elisabeth Hamburg