



Helping Haiti's Orphans

November 2018 Newsletter

*Give thanks to the Lord
for He is good. His love endures forever –
Psalm 118:1*

Ravine Update

*And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach
the gospel to every creature" - Mark 16:15*

Before we left on our vacation, we went into the ravine. We visited several families who all said they follow Christ. We encouraged these brothers and sisters by praying for them and by giving them Bibles and tracts so they could in turn spread the gospel. With one Catholic family we were blessed to be able to talk to them about praying to God and Jesus only. They agreed. One woman told us it was her birthday and God made it special by having us come visit with her. With another family we had a woman ask us to pray for physical healing. As always it was an honor to share Christ's love with these precious people.



Thanksgiving Homecoming!

*Enter into His gates with Thanksgiving and into His courts
with praise – Psalm 100:4a*



We got excited with anticipation when we saw these turkeys out at Loving Hands Orphanage. We knew they were a foreshadow of things to come. God made a way for us to travel home to Rhode Island for Thanksgiving this year! What a blessing it was to spend time with our children, their spouses, our families and friends, not to mention the joy of being able to eat lots of good food! Yum! We just want to take a moment to say thank you to all those who had us over for meals, who housed us, visited with us and prayed with us. Most of all we want to say thank you to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for His sacrifice for us. *Mesi Jezi!!*



Haiti Ladies Conference

We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not abandoned; struck down but not destroyed – 2 Corinthians 4: 8-9



The first weekend in November the women at our church held their first annual Ladies Conference. The conference lasted for two days and all the girls from Espere Kay attended. Deb was involved with some of the preparations as well as serving on the prayer team. During the conference this team of ladies took turns praying so the entire conference was continually being lifted up in prayer. There were also times of prayer offered at the alter at the end of each session and individually during the break time on Saturday. Life can be very difficult for women in Haiti. They can often be treated as second class citizens. Many have experienced physical and sexual abuse. This can leave scars only Jesus can heal. This conference brought that healing and hope to women of all ages and incomes through personal testimony, worship and prayer. It was truly a blessing to all.



Planning team



400 cupcakes were baked at Teen Challenge, and 400 bags for the conference were filled

Second Homecoming

For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything – Hebrews 3:4



When we returned to Espere Kay we were greeted by a group of excited young adults. They could not wait to show us what they had done. While we were away some of them had worked on the yard. They cleaned out all the weeds and planted flowers. It looks so beautiful! Upstairs we found this message on our scripture board. It is Psalm 103: 1 – 4 written in Creole along with a few love notes. What a joyous reunion of hugs, love and whispered sentiments about how we missed each other.

Prayer

The zombification still practiced today in Haiti will now be included in Haitian law. The zombie, in the new legislation will be able to obtain “an act of reappearance” and to enjoy again the rights like all the other citizens of the country. I imagine you are thinking, “What is this?” Believe it or not, this is new legislation in Haiti. It sounds crazy to us, but it is part of the culture here. There are voodoo ceremonies in which a person is drugged, buried, and then “brought back from the dead,” by being unburied and revived. This is just one example of the ongoing spiritual battle here. Though we often hear God’s praises ringing out from the local churches, or we hear one of the children in the ravine singing praise songs to God, we also hear the drums of voodoo being beaten all night long or the loud party music coming from the local bars. We believe God wants to do away with all of this. Please join with us in praying for the salvation of Haiti and for it to be declared a Christian nation. Pray the gospel will go forward in all power and truth. Please pray our young adults will be part of that plan. Pray God will give us His wisdom as we lead, guide and encourage them and others in their walk with Christ. Thank you!

From our home to yours...



have a blessed and merry Christmas!