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FAITH, RESILIENCE, AND HOPE: AN UPDATE FROM HAITI AMIDST THE UNREST

Despite the immense challenges Haiti currently faces, particularly the ever-present threat of gang violence and political instability, Wesley Altime – Pastor at Path to Salvation Church, his leadership team and their congregation navigate this difficult time with resilience and faith.

"The people of Titanyen are doing their best to survive," Pastor Wesley explains. With limited government support, market days have become essential for buying and selling food. The presence of gangs, however, has increased stress, making daily life difficult. While the deployment of Kenyan troops to assist local police offers hope, the situation remains tense.

"The secret of stability is trust in God," he says. Even with the adversity, Path to Salvation Church continues to play a central role in the lives of many. Although some members of the congregation fled to the countryside for safety, the church has stayed steadfast in its mission. "We are not giving up," Wesley insists. "We continue to keep our focus on our mission, which is to make disciples."

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BACK TO SCHOOL: A SEASON OF HOPE FOR HAITI'S CHILDREN

Despite the ongoing challenges faced by their country, students from Path to Salvation Church's congregation are eager to return to their classrooms.

This year, the start of the school year has been delayed until October due to heightened violence and unrest across Haiti. Yet, amid this uncertainty, there is a palpable sense of hope and resilience among the children. Education is not merely a means to an end; for these children, it represents a lifeline to a brighter future.

Through the kindness and generosity of our supporters, seven children from Path to Salvation Church's congregation have already been sponsored for the upcoming school year. These sponsorships, which cover essential needs such as tuition, books, and uniforms, are more than just financial contributions; they are investments in the potential and promise of Haiti's future leaders.

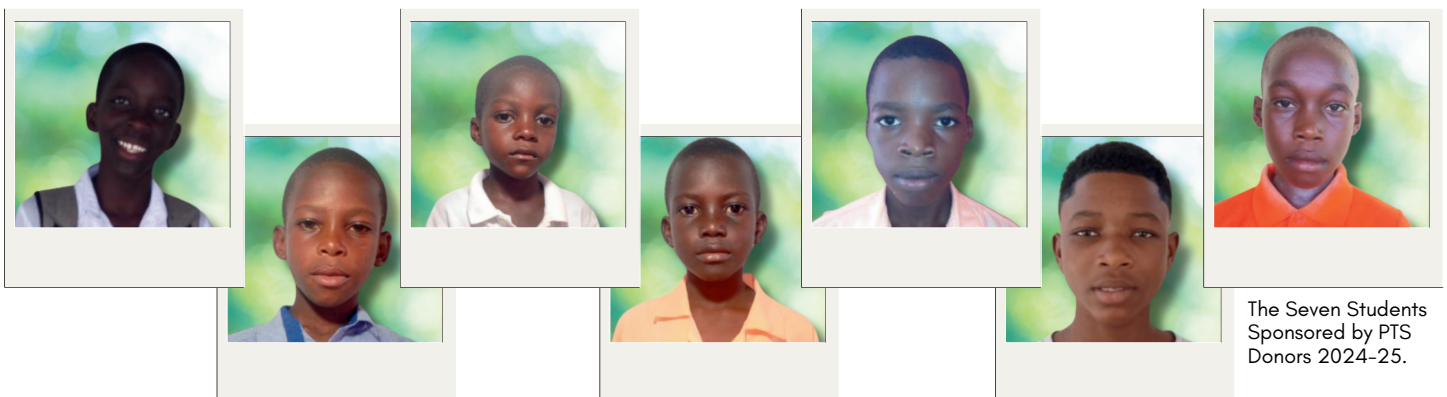
For many of these children, the chance to attend school is a dream come true. It provides them with the tools and knowledge to break the cycle of poverty and envision a future filled with opportunity.

Our ministry at Path to Salvation began with a dream—a calling that Pastor Wesley felt deeply in his heart. Over the years, this vision has grown into a vibrant community where both children and their families are introduced to the love of Christ. Education plays a central role in this mission, offering not just knowledge but hope, inspiration, and a foundation for a better future.

In spite of the uncertainties in Haiti, we remain committed to our mission. The recent arrival of the Multinational Security Support (MSS) mission brings a glimmer of hope as efforts to stabilize the region are underway. We continue to pray for peace and safety for all Haitians, especially the children who are eager to return to their studies.

As the new school year approaches, we are filled with hope and gratitude for the ways God continues to provide for His children. Proverbs 22:6 reminds us, "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it." Through your support, we are fulfilling this biblical mandate, investing in the lives of children who will carry the light of the Gospel into the future.

We invite you to continue walking with us on this journey. Whether through financial support or through your prayers, you are making a difference in the lives of these precious children.



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In his recent sermons, Pastor Wesley has turned to themes that remind his congregation of God's strength and love. "God's Grace, which is God's ability and power to help us do what we could never do by our flesh-man," he says, reminding the congregation of God's power in times of difficulty. Messages from John 15 and other scriptures help his followers stay rooted in their faith.

Since January, the church has served 1,800+ plates of food—feeding the entire congregation twice a month. In addition, 10 people have accepted Christ, and 3 children have been dedicated to the Lord. Path to Salvation donors have also been able to sponsor seven children to attend school this coming year.

To those who have supported Path to Salvation, Pastor Wesley offers his heartfelt thanks: "Thank you again for your faithfulness to God and to Path to Salvation. I stand for you before God through my prayer. My team and I will never stop lifting you up and asking God to add many stars to your crowns."

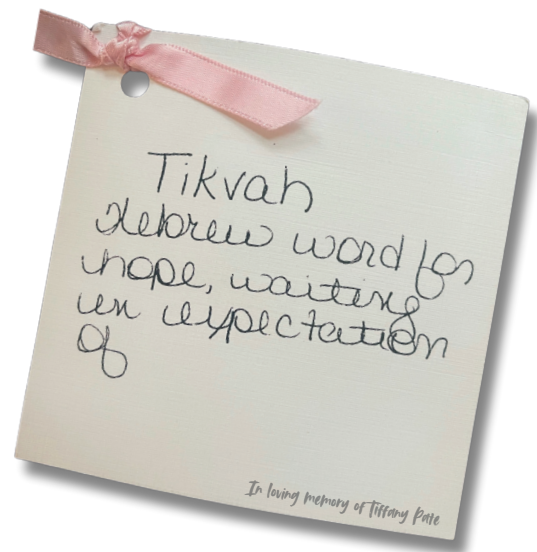
As the people of Titanyen navigate the challenges ahead, their trust in God remains their greatest strength—and Path to Salvation stands as a testament to what can be achieved when faith and action meet.



Path to Salvation Church Team

THE SPIRIT OF TIKVAH: ANTICIPATING GOD'S PROMISES

In Hebrew, the word *tikvah* means hope. But it's more than just a passive wish; it's an active anticipation, a confident expectation that God will move. It's the kind of hope that renews our hearts daily and draws us closer to God's vision. *Tikvah* calls us to wait with eagerness, not anxiety—to trust that in His perfect timing, God will bring about His promises.



This same spirit of anticipation is what sustains us each day. In a world filled with uncertainty, we must anchor our hearts in *tikvah*. We renew our minds, align ourselves with God's spirit, and move forward, not with worry, but with the assurance that He is at work. This active hope not only strengthens us but also empowers us to be vessels of hope for others—including the people of Haiti, who depend on our prayers and support.

Each step of faith, no matter how small, carries the anticipation that God will take it and multiply it for His glory. With *tikvah*, we wait on the Lord with confidence, knowing He is faithful to fulfill all He has promised.

TRUST IN GOD'S MULTIPLICATION

Charles Swindoll writes, "You take care of the addition (offering what you have); I'll be in charge of the multiplication." This perfectly reflects the story of Jesus feeding the five thousand in John 6. With just five loaves and two fish, Jesus fed a crowd, showing that no offering is too small when placed in His hands.

Like the boy who gave what little he had, we too may feel our contributions are small in the face of overwhelming need. But God invites us to trust that He can multiply our efforts, no matter how small they seem. As we see in the stories shared throughout this newsletter—from the resilience of Pastor Wesley to the generosity of churches like The Pointe—the impact grows when we offer what we have to God.

As we reflect on Jesus' miracle, we are reminded that God doesn't ask us to do everything—He asks us to give what we can and trust Him with the rest. Supporting Path to Salvation Church is one way we can offer our "loaves and fish" to see God bring lasting change to Haiti. Every prayer, donation, or word of encouragement becomes part of something much bigger when placed in God's hands, and together, we can make a difference.

"Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think."

- Ephesians 3:20 (NLT)

ABOUT THE BOARD

Path to Salvation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in the US that partners with Path to Salvation Church in Titanyen, Haiti to help them achieve their goals.

A Board of Directors meet on the first Monday of each month via Zoom. Board members are comprised of seven people from all over the US.

MEET JEFF SLYE



I currently live in Clover, South Carolina, with my son, whom I share a close bond. I serve as a Sales Field Account Manager for CR3 American Exteriors, where I assist homeowners with exterior projects and roofing solutions. But beyond my professional life, my heart has always been called to serve.

In 2014, I embarked on a couple of mission trips to Haiti, where I connected with Pastor Wesley. From there, God led me to sponsor Pastor Wesley, his family, and his ministry. Since then, I've witnessed Pastor Wesley's unwavering faith in ministering to the Haitian people, even to his own detriment at times. Scripture calls us to love others as ourselves and to care for the widows and orphans, and I humbled and honored to be part of a mission that lives out these words.

I love the Lord with all my heart, and I know He is the answer to every aspect of our lives. I believe we are called to focus on what is unseen and eternal, rather than the fleeting things of this world, and it is this belief that drives my passion for this ministry.

MEET THE CHURCH TEAM: MERLIN

Could you share your salvation testimony (your call to ministry)? As a member who make part of Christ body, today I'm so very happy to share my salvation testimony: I remember the first time I had to come to PTS church, it wasn't easy for me, because I didn't have habit to go to church. I was in the streets of the dark and spiritually my eyes wasn't open at all! But, when I begin to go to PTS church, with so much supports and encouragement I received from brothers and sisters of PTS church, with their advices and the grace of God that they were talking about, I gave my life to Christ Jesus. These things were pushing me to keep going to PTS church and that's where I begin to understand the grace of God and know more about faith.

What has it been like living in Titanyen these last couple years? These couple years, living in Titanyen is a negative aspect. But I learn a lot of things also positive too, for example I have learned to trust God. Living in place where without any police and there is anyone that you call in case of needs to go to hospital. You know, I only count on God and my pastor who's always keeping me in touch and support me. I live without no electricity, no good water among the gangsters. So praise be the lord God who keeps me alive because I count on him.



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How would you describe the culture of PTS?

All that I can say concerning the culture of PTS, it is normal, and in each time, we meet in PTS church, we feel God's grace in it, and feel his spirit invade us. And also, we have are leader who is responsible the church, the one who is always there for us, who is there to train us, and who is always teaching us how to live as a family, help us to have fun in a lot of things which is good for us it is completely normal.

What intentional steps do you take to maintain personal holiness? It's not easy to maintain personal holiness, but with God's grace in PTS church we have are leader whose name Pastor Wesley, who is always there for us to train us, for we can stay active in holiness all efforts he makes to help us put them into practice, in bible study, on Sunday morning they help us to grow into faith.

How can we support you in your ministry? Normally, pray for me to keep my eyes focus on God and on the work that I do for the Lord.

This interview was conducted via email in December 2023. The responses were written by a member of Path to Salvation Church in Haiti and reflect their exact words. Some grammatical errors may be present due to language differences.

DONOR SPOTLIGHT: THE POINTE CHURCH'S IMPACT ON PATH TO SALVATION

The Pointe Church, located in Belmont, NC, has long believed in making a meaningful difference in the world, and their support for Path to Salvation (PTS) exemplifies this. Their involvement began when trusted friends, Elizabeth {PTS Board President} and Reese, introduced them to the work being done in Haiti by Pastor Wesley Altime and his team.

"We were familiar with the continuing plight in Haiti and wanted to make an impact," says Pastor Ray Hardee from The Pointe Church. Knowing the significant challenges faced by the Haitian people, their church leadership felt drawn to support an organization that not only serves their local community but also empowers local leaders to bring about lasting change. Pastor Wesley and his team, who lead the effort in-country, are trusted with the resources provided by The Pointe Church. The church believes that the local leadership is key to creating a sustainable and effective impact. "They know what needs to be done and can impact the students most effectively as indigenous leaders," Pastor Hardee share.

Within the church, the congregation has embraced this partnership wholeheartedly. As stories from Haiti are shared, highlighting the life-changing efforts of PTS, the members are continually moved by the resilience and hope that radiate from the Haitian community. These stories serve as powerful reminders of the tangible difference their contributions are making in the lives of children and families.

For The Pointe Church, supporting Path to Salvation is about more than just financial contributions—it's about coming together to be part of something bigger. Their approach to

global missions can be summed up simply: "We want to make a difference with people who want to make a difference, doing something that makes a difference, at a time that makes a difference." This clear sense of purpose is what drives their support for PTS and what they hope to inspire in others who are considering joining the cause.

To potential donors, The Pointe Church offers this message: "Wesley, his wife, and his team are trustworthy, grateful, and resilient."

To learn more about The Pointe Church, please visit www.thepointechurch.cc.

WHAT IS PATH TO SALVATION, INC.?

Path to Salvation, Inc. is a nonprofit made up of volunteer board members from across the U.S. dedicated to supporting the ministry of Path to Salvation in Titanyen, Haiti, led by Pastor Wesley. Our board and donors have worked together to raise the funds necessary to establish and maintain the construction of an open-air sanctuary, establish a church feeding program, sponsor seven students to attend school 2024-25, and help provide salaries for church leadership, just to name a few.

If you'd like to get involved or learn more about joining the mission, email us at pathtosalvationhaiti@gmail.com!

CONSIDER DONATING

Make checks payable to "Path to Salvation, Inc." and mail to 402 Reese Wilson Road, Belmont, NC 28012. Or give online at pathtosalvationhaiti.org/donate (a small convenience fee will be added).