

November 2015 Haiti Trip Report

Haitian Support Alliance



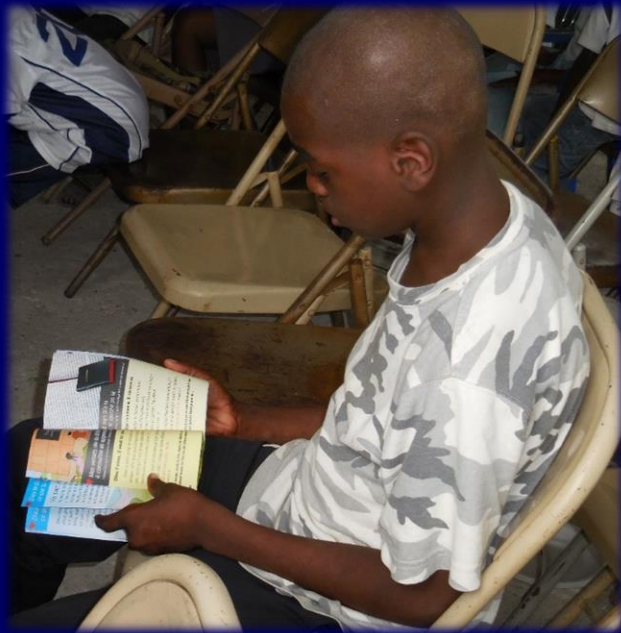
Providing help to the Haitian people

Thanks to all who helped as we gathered supplies and made plans for this past November's trip to Haiti. We apologize for the length of time in getting this report to you, but we are excited to share updates from our visits to programs.



We visited the children's program at the Tabernacle de Morija Church in Petit Goave. Genia and Ger continue to help with this weekly program. The children enjoy singing, games, and Bible lessons while volunteers from the church help to prepare and serve a meal to all of the children who attend. Thanks to several faithful donors, Haitian Support Alliance has been able to provide meals for this program for over 4 years.





We met Harold Herr with Life Literature for the first time this past November. Harold has served in Haiti since 1995 and his home is close to Petit Goave. We appreciated him meeting us there with several boxes of Kreyol Bibles and Christian books!



Also, thanks to Grace Bible Church for purchasing the literature for us to distribute.



We again were able to visit and take supplies to several families who are supported by Little Footprints, Big Steps – a Canadian non-profit that seeks to ensure children have the opportunity to succeed once they are rescued from the streets or corrupt orphanages.

We have visited many of these children for several years. Some we first met in an abusive orphanage while others have been reunited with their families from other dangerous situations.



A big thanks to members of Faith Community Fellowship in Bristol, Garden City Baptist Church in Roanoke, Grace Bible Church in Kingsport, and employees of The Summit Companies for the generous donations of supplies for these families.

On Sunday morning, we were able to join a worship service with an EFCA church in Turbe, Haiti. We enjoyed meeting in their new church building and also hearing plans from Pastor Steve Exantus to share the Gospel with the community around their church site.



On Sunday afternoon/evening, we visited several more families with Sam who works with Little Footprints Big Steps.



Sam (above, wearing sunglasses) served as our guide and driver during our entire trip this year. We really appreciate all of his help and the time he spent with us!

Thanks to the Bristol Noon Rotary Club and other corporate gifts, a new literacy and numeracy program has started in several villages of Haiti. This training is provided by the Fonkoze organization which has a proven record of success in financing small businesses. The loans and business training enables Haitian women to support their families. (Without a source of reliable income, women often struggle through abusive relationships just to have shelter and food for themselves and their children). We were able to visit one of the training programs in Hinche, Haiti. It was eye-opening to listen to the ladies share how learning to read and write would immediately help them in their work. A few Haitian men also attend the training sessions as Fonkoze opens up the opportunity to all.



Thank you for your interest and support of our trip
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