Dreams for Haiti

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Presenting the church building campaign to the congregation

Church – The church is growing and they are ready to use the property that we bought several years ago to start building. Different members signed up to bring some gravel, a bag of cement or a sheet of tin. We had an anonymous donor give \$2,000 to get us started. It will be an open shelter with a roof. There will be a depot (storage area) to keep chairs, pulpit, and other misc. items. The people had been complaining that it was too hot where they are meeting in the school house so this will allow for a breeze under the coconut trees. Also we were blessed with a giant fan and generator which will keep everyone cool. If you would like to help build this church, donations can be made, or if you would like to travel and help hands on that would be highly appreciated. Can't you feel the excitement?



Golfers enjoying refreshment at halfway point

Fund Raising – Our golf tournament was a great success, even if it did rain most of the day, and a special thank you to Ken Strickland and Joe Mica for putting this together! Great job guys! See you next year!

A garage sale will be held on Sept 28th in O'Fallon, MO.

Later in the year we will host a Texas holdem game.



Animals- It was great to see all the new baby chicks, goats, pigs and ducks on a recent trip. It was even better hearing how the animals are helping the families and making a difference in their lives. The animal owners are very proud of being in the Noah Animal Program and are asking for t-shirts. If anyone has access to very inexpensive t-shirts or are able to put decals on it would be greatly appreciated.





New baby pigs, chicks, ducks and goats everywhere!

Trips- Haiti has been having a lot of political unrest in the last year but things are calming down now. Jackie went in July and felt very safe. We are planning a fall trip. Interested? Please let us know!

Haitian Proverb: No one hears the sound of a wooden bell and no one hears the cries of the poor.

Needs = Help make their dreams come true

\$300 – A nurse has finished all her schooling but needs \$300 to get her certificate so she can work. It would help the family a lot!

\$400 would buy a used scooter so a young man could get to University and save the expense of having to take a taxi each day. \$600 would pay a semester of university for him.

A young man is starting a trade school and is in need of tools or money to buy tools. He will train young men in carpentry, masonry, laying tile, and other skills. Any tools would be helpful. He has space donated for this.

With the 100 wedding dresses that have been purchased a young mother will be starting a salon offering the rental of bridal dresses, formals, men's suits and also offering a hair and nail parlor. Any nail polishes, face creams, black hair products you would like to donate to her would be appreciated. They are already fixing up a room and advertising for this.

School- will be starting in September. We are in need of more sponsors to help the children attend school. In July Jackie was in Haiti interviewing families that need to be sponsored so the children may go to school. \$25 a month gives the child an education, books, uniforms, shoes, backpack, and a warm meal each day. Would you help?



\$25 a month will help a child go to school

Container- A container was sent the end of April and arrived the end of May but due to unrest we were not able to get it unloaded until the end of July. Everyone was very happy to see their items after such a long wait. Plans are being made to send 2 more in Sept or Oct.



Frandlier was very happy but Haitians do not smile for the camera

Frandlier- Remember Frandlier? A 14 year old boy who had been burned when he was about 6? In January a hospital volunteered to do his surgery for free. He can now raise his arm over his head. In July Jackie was in Haiti and all of a sudden she felt arms thrown around her neck and kisses placed on her cheek! Frandlier is a very shy young man but he was so overwhelmed with joy he couldn't stop smiling. Thank you to his sponsor, Charleen, for raising the money for transportation and incidentals for the many weeks he was at the hospital.

Sewing-The sewing classes meet several times a week to learn to sew, embroider and macramé.



About 16 young ladies learning to sew

Childrens VBS- The children were attending 8 weeks of VBS this summer where they sang, learned bible stories, did crafts, ate lunch and played games such as jump rope, ball, hand clapping games and a really funny game about mama frog —which involved a lot of hopping!