Dreams for Haiti

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Container news

Yea!! 2 of our containers went out the middle of January. There was such a variety of items on them from food to solar equipment and everything in between. Lots of hard work but a lot of dedicated people. Thank you to everyone that came out and helped tape, make lists, lifted heavy boxes and even those who watched kids so others could participate. Please pray that these 2 containers get to their intended destination. Haiti is running rampant with gangs and thieves right now so it is perilous for all involved in moving these containers.

Kidnappings

Dreams for Haiti always hires a large truck to come to the unloading spot and pick up our items. For many years we have used Jackson who has a large truck and a smaller truck. 3 weeks ago Jackson was kidnapped and the gang was asking \$300,000 for his release. The family scraped together a much smaller amount and Jackson's brother delivered the money and they promised to release Jackson. It has been 3 weeks and he has not been seen. The family now believes he has been killed. This is the case many times. Prayers for his family.

Celebration

January 1st is not only New Years Day in Haiti but also their independence day. Much celebration and pumpkin soup marked the day.

Container #3

We also have a container full of food going out on the first of February. We were to divide this container with another group. At the last minute they decided it is too dangerous to try to get the food so we are left paying for a full container of food. There are one million meals on this container and the people are begging for food as they are starving. It is very important to get it there. BUT, we now need help financing this container. It is a little over \$13,000 for this container that is coming from Canada, going down the coast and passing through the Panama Canal and then on to Haiti. If you would like to help please send Checks to above address or visit our website at

www.dreamsforhaiti.com

One of the containers leaving the loading dock.



<u>Tax statements</u> are enclosed if you gave monetary donations during 2021. Thank you so much for helping Dreams for Haiti help the people of Haiti.

The Settles are recovering from their surgeries!



A family's new goat. Sticks keep her out of the garden.

Animal project

We were able to give away a lot of goats and chickens over the holidays. One home group collected money to provide animals to people in Haiti. Several people that sponsor children gave their sponsored families an animal as a Christmas gift. We are so excited at how well this project is working. Pastor Charles is now able to buy animals from some of the participants in the animal program so it is now helping 2 families. Isn't that awesome??

Churches

Congratulations go out to Pastor Gilbert Jules who has started another new church! This is his calling and it brings him much joy to spread the Word and plant new churches. He quite often will go into a heavy Voodoo area and plant his church right next to their voodoo temple.

Pastor Charles had many Christmas programs in his church and every second Sunday night of the month They have a prayer time, a singing time and a pot luck dinner. It is a lot of fun and the people all look forward to it. There is a lot of laughter and so good for the families that come.

School

The school is continuing to grow. They are out of food for their lunches and we have been trying to help send money to buy rice. It will be so good when the food container arrives.

If you pay your sponsorship on a yearly basis I will try and include a note that states when a year has passed.

Earthquake update

Ariol and his friends made a second trip to the area devastated by the earthquake to deliver tarps, food, clothes, hygiene items and bibles. We are now preparing for Dr. Leggette Jules and 7 nurses to go to an area that needs medical attention. We will report on her trip in the next newsletter. We truly appreciate their efforts to help their fellow man as this is a very dangerous trip to make. Praying for Dr. Leggette.

Recently there have been more rumblings of earthquakes registering 3.0 to 5.0. This is a traumatic time for the Haitians as they have strong memories of other killing earthquakes.

Golf Tournament

Are you a golfer or know one? We are planning a golf tournament this spring. We have already collected some great prizes. If you want to sponsor a hole with a sign and your name or company on it or if you have a prize to donate please let us know. More later.

