



**3-IN-1 The Voice
SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT**

HAITI

**Exclusive Interview with
Pastor Bill Wilson**

HAITI - A Humanitarian Disaster



3-in-1 The Voice interviewed Pastor Bill Wilson – Metro Ministries International on Thurs 14th January 2010. The interview had been scheduled prior to the Haiti Earthquake Disaster, however, 3-in-1 The Voice has decided to respond by publishing a special supplement of Pastor Bill Wilson's urgent appeal during the interview as aid and supplies are desperately needed in Haiti and they have ships ready to take out essential supplies... Metro Ministries has had a presence in Haiti for some time now and their base was in Port au Prince, the epicentre of the quake. With staff injured, families distraught and the country in chaos, I asked Pastor Bill how the body of Christ could help, after all an event of such biblical proportions requires a biblical response...he takes up the story...

'The building where our headquarters are, where our team meets has been totally demolished. One of our main girls was hurt, it looks bad but we don't know exactly how bad because the communication is still very sketchy and the kids that we're ministering to there in the Carrefour neighbourhood of Port au Prince where our base is – right in the middle of it. Now all of those folks from our team, their families on down to the families that they minister to are right in the middle of it.

A long time friend of mine has two container ships. We're loading it up, getting help from people all around the world as soon as possible, and sending it to Port au Prince. Unfortunately because of the Government corruption much of the help and aid, and we've seen this happen there before, does not get to the people, and that's the tragedy of Haiti; and quite honestly that's why it's still in the mess it's in because of the Government, because of the corruption, because of the theft. That's why we know we are confident we can deliver because we know it's our people, because it's us dealing directly with the people we deal

with so that the supplies are taken directly to our people, so we eliminate the 'middle man'. And I think it's very important that people understand that.

I have witnessed another agency who sent a shipment of aid down there several years ago, they were not willing to play the game, which you have to play whenever you ship stuff to a



country like Haiti - I witnessed firsthand their cargo being dumped in the water by the people at the docks. Now you will not read that in their newsletter but that's the facts.

The aid will not get to the children because of the corruption that exists, but our staff in Haiti are very streetwise people – we were brought up in a rough area, have learned over the years to adapt to different circumstances, I am direct and determined to get the job done. I deal with the negotiations and you can't mess about. We are dealing with life and death situations here, so I believe in a direct adaptable strategy that works and gets the job done. That's why I do what I do, most people are scared to go where I go.

**Pastor Bill Wilson Founder & Snr Pastor
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Haiti was an uncontrollable situation before now it's really going to be a mess, and this relief effort in Haiti is

going to go on and on for years, we have made a year commitment at least. At any point if people go to our website they will be able to give a gift of around \$8 to put a package together per family. We can keep the costs down because we do it in bulk. However, we need to raise money immediately to start buying the fuel for the tankers and once we get the fuel for the tankers then we're going to go! We'll be sending water, dried food packets, blankets, and some medical supplies. For instance if someone has a broken bone they don't even know where the bone is broken cause there is no power, no X-ray machines so that is where we are at, it's terrible.

You can curse the darkness or light a candle. Numbers Chapter 16 – the people were dying and Moses told Aaron to do something, and in Numbers 16 verse 48 it is written ‘and he stood between the living and the dead, and where he stood the death stopped’ so I believe that one person can make a difference. I hope you can be that one!

Bill Wilson was speaking to Karin McBride 14/01/10

UPDATE

Since my interview with Pastor Bill, the 1st ship arrived in Haiti and the supplies have been distributed. The supplies for the 2nd ship are still being gathered and will leave as soon as the funds are raised for the fuel. It’s a 25,000 gallon ship; \$2 a gallon for #2 diesel. That’s a big chunk.

Also, there are 4,000 people staying in their church parking lot with no shelter, no tents, nothing. Obviously tents are another necessity right now and have added it to the list of supplies. Please check the website for updates as things continue to evolve.

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