

Fellow Followers of Jesus,

"We don't minister to this land. We minister to these people." That's how one missionary put it. You know something? He's absolutely right! Our hearts are filled with love for Haiti as a people. Supply and Multiply will always have a strong and growing presence of ministry in the island nation of Haiti. Our hearts are anchored in Haiti.

We also recognize God's growing leading to minister to "Haiti" wherever we find her. Haitian refugees in America are Haiti. Haitian people in South America are Haiti. God's call to mission is a call to minister to people in places, not necessarily to places, as though the rocks, the mountains, or the beaches are our mission fields.

Mission trips aren't excursions. They are simply going where the people are. Sometimes God brings the mission field to your front door... "Bwa pi wo di li wè lwen, men grenn pwomennen di li wè pi lwen pase l." That means, the tallest tree says that it sees far, but the seed that travels says that it sees even further. We continue to plant and nurture seeds of hope in Haiti. We are also praying for the leading of the Lord in our ministry to Haiti wherever she is found.

Due to the civil, social, and humanitarian crisis in Haiti, the United States Government has implemented a "Parole Process" for Haitians. Under this program, eligible Haitian people can and are being sponsored by American individuals and families. There are a number of Haitian people connected to our ministry family who are interested in being sponsored and a number of us who are in the process of sponsoring them to come to America on this program.

Some of you have reached out and asked how you can be a part of or a help to this process. Some are called to sponsor directly. If you believe God is leading you to do so, contact us and we can help with information on the process. However, we are going to need a community of support network to answer the call to minister to Haitian people in this way. Here are some ways you can potentially help:

- **Financial Support**: We will keep you informed of related costs. Please continue to contribute to the ministry.
- **Direct Support**: We will keep you informed of associated needs. We anticipate needing school supplies, work opportunities in the future, household items, and other direct support opportunities.
- **Mentoring**: Life in America is very different than Haiti. We envision a need for direct mentoring and mature Christian influence.
- **Respite**: Not everyone can be a sponsor. But perhaps you or your church could host Haitian youth for VBS or camp? **To learn more**: (https://www.uscis.gov/CHNV)





Our Matthew 25 House residents are doing very well. Sweet and Sassy Marisil (pictured to the left) recently said to Director Gary, "M kontan anpil pour Bondye ban mwen misyon sa. Si m pa gen, mwen pa konnen kijan mwen manje." She said, "I'm happy for God giving me this mission. If I didn't have it, I don't know how I would eat. Heartbreaking and heartwarming.

That's the impact your friendship, partnership, donations, and prayers are making through our elderly care, community care, outreach, and evangelism ministries. Collectively, and to God's glory alone, we are making a tremendous difference in the lives of real people.

"When I cannot read, when I cannot think, when I cannot even pray, I can trust." — Hudson Taylor, (19th Century Missionary Pioneer)





Within a day of the writing of this newsletter, Gary reported that the schools in our community are all operating normally! This is a tremendous blessing as many of the schools in our community had ceased activity do to widespread fear of harm because of the unrest and violence in Haiti in this season of unrest. We are excited that our kids are all back in school, receiving education and stability.

Also, for many of the students, a snack or meal at their school is a major part of their nutritional life. Praise God!

Once again, Supply and Multiply is honored to be a host ministry for "Night to Shine" sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation. We received a grant for the event and Gary, along with other ministry staff and friends in the community, will host the event at Gary's Church. Unfortunately, given the current political climate, we will not be bringing any mission team members to the event.

Our staff and friends will do a fantastic job providing this blessing to the special needs children in our community!

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- Pastor Chris Surber