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Great is God's Faithfulness

As I look back on 2019, this verse comes to mind as the best way to sum up the year. Lamentations 3:22-23, The Lord's lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, For His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.



2019 was the year of the roller coaster. We started the year with our 10-year celebration, and what a celebration it was! Over 200 missionaries were trained and sent throughout the nation of Haiti, and some even traveling to other countries to pass on what they learned and know to be

our leadership class full time in March, and graduated 2 classes of church leadtrained ers. We hired Sephora (Pastor Marc's daughter) to be our communication director and she has been doing a great job keeping us updated with stories, pictures, and events going on in Ti Goave.

We also started



We have also seen serious turmoil in the country, leading to the cancellation of trips, graduations, and even classes for 2 months. The situation caused food to become scarce, many businesses to close, schools to close, and many missionaries to move away or missions to close. We praise God through this for our national staff who pressed forward, and reached out to the community with food and the hope of the gospel while classes were postponed.



Through the highs and the lows, God's hand could be seen, and His Spirit felt as His Kingdom moved forward. We praise God that classes have resumed and we anticipate a great 2020! Our God is the everlasting, faithful God!

Meet Roosevelt



This is Roosevelt, a 48 year old married man with two children. He has been serving God for 30 years now. Roosevelt has worked at EDTC as the kid's mentor for 9 years and he sometimes works there as a carpenter too. He is althe pastor's assistant at SO Ebenezer church in Vialet. He feels happy because God has chosen him to help those children, the majority of whom are not from a Christian family. He enjoys teaching them the Bible and to walk in the right way.



Share the Good News

In the new year, I wanted to remind us of us our purpose in Christ and part of the Great Commission to make disciples and share the Good News.

6 Ways To Reach

God's World (omf.org):

Learn-Take a class like Perspectives, tune into Voice of the Martyrs podcast, listen to missionaries tell their stories when they visit your church.

Pray-Start a prayer group for the nations and all the missionaries you know who are in the mission field, either on the home front or abroad.

Go-If God is calling you to the mission field, then GO!! Obey Him and He will bless you beyond belief.

Send-Not everyone is able to go, whether because of health or age, but you can support missionaries financially, long term and short term. Join your church's mission focus group and help your brothers and sisters go when called.

Welcome-Most long term missions have to come back home to raise support every few years. Open your home to these individuals or families. Open your home to international students who are studying here and show them God's love.

So whether you are 20 years old or 70 years old, you have a part in missions. Whether you apply these to Ebenezer's ministry or another, hold up your cross and obey God's calling to Christians to make disciples of all nations.

God Bless

EDTC Needs You

We have been blessed as Ebenezer's Board of Directors to work with individuals who were like family and served the ministry with their talents for the given period of their term. As some have come and gone, we wanted to share with you a couple positions that are open for our Board of Directors 2020. We pray that you would prayfully consider a position for yourself or someone you may know who would be interested. These are volunteer positions, as are all of our Board of Director positions. We would be seeking individuals who already demonstrate a love for Christ in their everyday life and a spiritual maturity to lead and use their talents for the kingdom.

The positions open include; a Director of Biblical Partnerships (Fundraising) and a Director of Teams. The Director of Fundraising would be responsible for building a team whose task is to fundraise for the ministry of EDTC. The Director of Teams would oversee teams traveling to Haiti, educate team members to prepare, and be a liaison with our staff in Haiti to organize the itinerary for the team. All of our positions collaborate and work closely with the remaining Board of Directors.

If you would like the extended description or to hear more about these positions, please email us and we would love to send you info, chat on the phone or in person.



Upcoming Mission Trip Opportunities

Date	Leaders		Contact Information
TBD	TBD	This could be you or your	ebenezerdtc08@gmail.com
		organization	

Discipleship Immersion Trips

Through the years we have led Vision Trips to Ebenezer DTC to see what God is doing through EDTC and our ministry partners. That is still occurring but we recently changed the name to Discipleship Immersion Trips to fully encompass the purpose of this short term trip to Haiti. We want teams to feel immersed in the discipleship culture at Ebenezer DTC and be empowered and encouraged to live as Christ's disciples when they return home. This experience will encourage spiritual growth and challenge teams to use the gifts God has given them to serve His Kingdom in Haiti and in their home state. We are flexible and open to all teams if you or your church has a group of up to ten people that would like to engage in this impactful trip with Ebenezer DTC. If you are interested, check out our website at <u>ebenezerdtc.org</u> for more details or contact us via email at <u>ebenezerdtc08@gmail.com</u>.

Blessed 2019

God truly blessed us in 2019. We want to take a minute to thank everyone for your huge support of our 2019 Christmas catalog! With the donations from the catalog we will be able to:

*Provide 100 seedlings to Fond De Negres



*Cover a teachers salary for a month

*Build Mdm. Saintobert (a widow in the church who is on our kitchen staff) a house.

*Purchase a 30' ladder to help maintain our buildings *Remodel our kitchen with a new wall and food prep area, and possible bathrooms.

*Start work on the final portion of security wall.



*Finish purchasing furniture for the new dorms.

*We'll have the final CEF training and graduation.



We also received support for our 2020 budget from the catalog. God is so good! Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

We look forward to see what God has planned for 2020!

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory ... Ps 115:1



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Featured in Haitian Harvest: Haitian Coffee

The Haitian Harvest online store was recently updated. If you have not checked it out yet please visit http:// www.ebenezerdtc.org, click on "Haitian Harvest" and under the "find out more" tab at the bottom of the page you can find the online store. We have local pickup available and shipping is free when you order \$100 or more. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for new items and specials. Our biggest need is to move more coffee, more often. We are looking for more locations to sell our coffee, more churches to offer our coffee and more individuals to drink our coffee. If you can help in any of these areas please let us know.

Did you know that Haitian Harvest products can be used as a "And I will give you shepherds according to my heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding"

Jeremiah 3:15

We are on the web! www.ebenezerdtc.org

mission statement:

Ebenezer Discipleship Training Center seeks to raise up and equip indigenous disciples of Jesus Christ in Haiti while helping to transform the community in which it operates, through the local church, by joining in what Christ has already started. We also seek to encourage spiritual growth in the short term missionaries who visit and to help them understand that when they go home they are indigenous missionaries as well.



fundraiser for your mission event? Maybe you're a craft vendor that would be willing to display our products or know of a retail location that would offer our products on consignment. We are able to offer up to a 20% commission on our products. We can even set it up for you in our online store. Bottom line is the more product we sell, especially coffee, the more often we are able to ship a container from Haiti to the US. This does so much for the Haitian people. Starting with the Haitian Farmer. They get to sell their coffee at a fair-trade price to our roaster, Selecto. Some of the profits from the coffee are then used to buy more coffee seedlings that are given to new farmers where

the gospel has also been planted. The employees at Selecto have work and Haitian Harvest benefits all of the other vendors as they are able to ship their goods with our coffee shipment. We hope to add many more new items in the coming year and thank you in advance for purchasing Haitian Harvest products.

Sandy

