

International Ministries of Hope, Inc.

Bringing the Water of Life to La Gonâve, Haiti

"Plant a Seed ~ Grow a Village"

Summer Newsletter 2008

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We have returned from our month long mission trip in Mapou Village, La Gonave, Haiti with a renewed affirmation that we are to continue the work the Lord has set before us. Praise the Lord for a successful trip. We obeyed and left our comfort zones with three small children. The Lord showed us that He was in charge and we should only keep our eyes on Him.

We thank all who prayed and encouraged us, believing God would answer our prayers. We praise Him for lessons learned immediately upon leaving for the trip: We learned the Lord will provide. God was to be in control and He had a special plan for us.

- From Tampa Airport, we found out no tubs are allowed in the summer season to Haiti. We had four tubs with us and obligated to buy duffle bags at \$30.00 each to replace the tubs we had.
- The money we brought for our expenses during our month long trip was lost by the time we arrived in the PAP airport. We had just enough to fly us to our final destination to La Gonave (with \$5.00 dollars to spare)
- We missed the aircraft flight out of the capital to the island upon our arrival Because American Airlines was delayed more than two hours from Miami.
- When we arrived we did not have the babies' clothes in our luggage because we had to leave a quantity of belongings at the airport due to the aircraft weight restrictions.

The forty foot container we had planned to send has been postponed due to insufficient funds; however we went with the Word of the Lord. Several individuals renewed their walk with the Lord and some were saved accepting Jesus as their Savior. One such individual was a Voodoo priest named Onique Leandre.

We want to remind you that the greatest problem of Haiti is not hunger, though people are starving; it is not poverty though people are poor, it is not political unrest, though there is revolution and turmoil... The people are under the dominion of Satan, the Bible says: the Shepherd comes to free... but the thief comes to steal, to kill, and to destroy. People are still practicing voodoo, what good can come from Satan? Haiti needs the Lord! These words are from Adline Cameus, National Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) of Haiti. This is why we are called to the field in Haiti. Remember to pray for us in your daily prayers.

Please continue to pray for rain. While we were there it sprinkled twice and water is very scarce. The building construction is looking great! The walls are completely up and the lintels were poured. Now we wait on the roofing materials to be bought and placed. After the roof is placed it will be used to collect rain water which will be used to mix concrete to pour on the ground.

Dominique had vacation bible school (VBS) with the children. We had no idea of what to expect, but we knew God was going to do a great work. Dominique took one week to train young men/ladies to become teachers to work alongside her. During the four daily morning sessions the children traveled miles and miles to hear the



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message to "Choose Jesus." Everyday more than one hundred twenty children came and listened to how they can choose to believe, obey, act, forgive, and to ultimately choose Jesus. The children had a wonderful life changing experience. For some, it was the first time ever sitting and listening to God's Word. Many stated how they had fun and clearly understood what was being taught from the God's Word, but most of all they had unconditional love. Pray that God will bless us with Bibles so we give them to those who accepted Christ Jesus as their Lord.

Serving Christ together,

Benis & Dominique Guerrier