



GO TEAM NEW MISSIONS

Happy 39th birthday New Missions—serving in Haiti since January 6, 1983. Over the years, the people who have helped New Missions serve strong are the missionaries and volunteers.

At our office in Orlando, when the doorbell rings on volunteer days, we know help has arrived. Our vision is too great to accomplish alone. During our Shoebox Drive, churches from across Central Florida and even churches from out-of-state send their members as volunteers. As they do the physical work of sorting shoebox gifts, counting donated shoes, or packing spoons, a spiritual work begins. Our groups pray that what they are doing will impact the lives of many.

Recently, I received a text message from Dana Matiak with the Matiak Foundation saying, “Loaded up and ready to head your way bright and early tomorrow morning!” Dana and her husband Robbie were driving to Orlando from outside of Atlanta hauling a trailer filled with 2,720 brand new pairs of shoes donated by Okabashi shoes. When they opened the doors of the trailer, my jaw dropped and I began to think... they took the time to find these gifts and delivered them personally. Thank you to each volunteer for your dedication. Your love is seen and heard. Together, we are making a greater difference. Go team New Missions! ~Tim DeTellis



The Matiak Foundation and Okabashi Shoes donated 2,720 shoes and sandals for Haiti to bless the children, women and men.



Middle: “We love because He first loved us!” (1 John 4:19) Thank you to this volunteer group from Family Church in Windermere, FL.

Bottom left: Serve strong! Volunteers from Lifebridge Church packed over 600 shoebox gifts at our Orlando office.

Bottom right: Students from Providence Christian Academy in Starke, Florida, faithfully come to serve at New Missions.

SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

For the majority of people who are reading this article, there is no doubt in their mind that when they turn on a faucet, water will come out. However, for people living here in the Dominican Republic, water is a precious commodity, and they often go without. In the Sosua area, water may be “delivered” through the pipes every three to four days but many areas can go months without getting any street water. Our properties are no exception. Thanks to some very generous donors, we were able to drill not one...but two wells in 2021!

The first well was drilled at our property in Playa Chiquita, where we have our health center, a church, and preschool. We had gone months without getting street water and would often have to buy trucks of water. Praise the Lord...we were able to drill a well there in September! The second well was drilled in Los Castillos, where we have a church and a school. God blessed us and we were able to find water there on our second drilling attempt! We thank God for His provision of water for our schools and churches.

~Heather Williams Katz



We praise the Lord that we now have a steady supply of water in Playa Chiquita and Los Castillos.



The preschool children in Playa Chiquita are so happy to have clean running water at their school.



Aryan loves to read God's word. His favorite Scripture passage is Ezekiel 37. He's so thankful for God's grace.



Faby, in all white, participating in a service before her baptism. Her favorite Bible verse is Psalm 120:1.

THANKFUL TO GOD

We rejoice whenever we see spiritual growth and fruit in our churches. The Leogane-Guillaume church just held a baptism. This time, there were eight baptized, two of whom were New Missions students.

Aryan Zetrenne was a student of New Missions. As a young child, Aryan's mother was practicing Voodoo, but when he was six years old, the pastor came and held a service in his neighborhood. Both he and his mom were saved! His mom recently reminded him of how Satan wants to hinder him in his walk with God, and of how he is special to God and should serve him. He took a new stand for God by being baptized.

Faby Edlande Cenatus, a 2021 graduate, has had a godly influence in her life for years. Both her mother and grandmother were examples to her. She accepted Christ as a child and was one of the eight baptized. Her mother passed away about a year ago due to complications in childbirth. She has felt God's help through her sorrow; God has changed her sorrow into joy.

We are thankful to God for the great things He has done! ~Rachel DeTellis



MISSION TRIPS MATTER

Over the years, there have been many intense discussions concerning the effectiveness of mission trips. Some say they are ineffective and are nothing more than an American church summer vacation. Others might say we should take care of people in our own country before we concern ourselves with other countries. In Matthew 28:19 Jesus says, "...go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

Over the past 20 years, I've been on mission trips from Cambodia to Spain. My wife and I host teams to the Dominican Republic for New Missions. Although we were unable to take trips during 2020 and 2021, during 2019, I can give you 62 reasons why "mission trips matter." These teams assisted in leading 62 people into a relationship with Christ! Our trips consist of relational ministry. They support our existing churches and schools through VBS programs—encouraging the children to accept Jesus as their Savior. If a team member sponsors a child, they usually have the opportunity to meet the student and their family.

If you speak with people who have been on a mission trip, they'll tell you they received more than they ever gave. So, do mission trips matter? Ask the 62 who committed to follow Christ and were baptized in 2019. ~Rob Arms

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Top: This team from Indiana helped beautify our campus at Colegio Nueva Vidap—ainting lines and logos on our basketball court.

Bottom left: Mission groups bring craft projects for our students. They are forming relationships to last a lifetime.

Bottom middle: Our "Leaders for Christ" group encourages spiritual growth in our schools; mission teams assist with teaching and worship.

Bottom right: Recreation is always a top priority for students when our mission teams visit any of our five campuses.



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THANKFUL ATTITUDE

I wake up on the optimistic side of the bed. However, much of the world seems negative and hurtful. How can we live in an environment where attitudes are toxic and unhealthy? This leads me to a much deeper question. Am I spiritually healthy? What we see and hear from others is truly a spiritual issue. What's inside of us comes out in our words and actions, and it begins with our thoughts and values. *"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will."* Romans 12:2

Our senses drive our learning: what we see, hear, touch, taste, and smell. Unfortunately, we have to be very intentional...more than ever...on what to be cautious of and even avoid, as it can pollute our mind, body, and soul. How do we stay clear of unhealthy content? The Apostle Paul gives us a clear guide for our daily thoughts. *"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."* Philippians 4:8

During a difficult time of my life, I was going through a challenging situation that was out of my control. Feelings were hurt. Relationships were broken. Even in a moment of sensing my purpose was being lost, I began to say, "I'm thankful." It was like a Job moment for me. What could I do, really? I began to give thanks because a greater work was happening inside of me. In my deepest hurt, hope was growing

and a spiritual root was birthing a new tree that could grow healthy again.

What about you? Have you had a season when it seems like all is lost? Hope is gone? Fear took over? Can you turn from the pain and seek gratitude and live with a thankful heart? These attitudes will lead us to a place of greater faith. Let's trust God to do exceedingly and abundantly beyond anything we can think or imagine.

A role model for me when it comes to being thankful is my mom. She lost four children before I was born. She has suffered battles with malaria, the loss of two husbands, and countless other illnesses.

Still, she remains positive and thankful in the midst of challenges. Why? Because she knows how strong God is, even in our weakness. I have memorized 1 Thessalonians 5:18 *"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ*

Jesus for you." Let's give thanks and seek God's will. He is still working even when it does not look like anything is changing.

How can we live each day to guard our attitudes? Do we speak helpful words versus hurtful words? Do we have positive thoughts versus negative thoughts? How can we be more proactive to choose a contagious attitude on the positive side of life? We know how negative attitudes spread...like gossip, arrogance, and discouraging words. Somehow, we never forget that sting and pain. Let's take a walk on the optimistic side of the street and ask how we can pour out a positive influence starting with being thankful. ~Tim DeTellis

**A THANKFUL ATTITUDE
WILL LEAD US TO A PLACE
OF GREATER FAITH.**

I am thankful for God's strength in the midst of my weakness. *"But He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me... For when I am weak, then I am strong."*
2 Corinthians 12:9-11

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PS: Who are you thankful for?



Speaking at Central Life Church in Cocoa, Florida

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FEEDING THE 8,000

Standing in front of our two warehouse buildings, Pastor Richard Gay and Pastor Yaguel Nerat discuss what’s happening before them...a miracle! Feeding the 8,000 students across our 30 church and school campuses takes logistics and leadership.

Our school directors, who also pastor the church on each campus, assure the loading and delivery of the food inventory for their students. This is very much a hands-on process led by local Haitian leadership. Pastor Richard Gay from our Masson campus has served with New Missions for 31 years. Pastor Yaguel just celebrated his 11th year as the pastor in Neply, Haiti.

When the students step on campus, the sound of food being cooked at school is music to their ears. Each child at New Missions knows they can eat as much as they want. Their smiles are a picture of gratitude. A full lunch bowl releases them from the fear and concern of their daily food needs—especially in a country where resources are so limited. May we not overlook the impact or importance of feeding our students. The food costs fluctuate, but we continue to source our supplies of rice, beans, cooking oil, and other ingredients in Haiti. Feeding the 8,000 children is possible thanks to your love and generosity. ~Tim DeTellis



A representative from each of our 30 campuses comes to receive their monthly food inventory.



Middle: Pastor Richard Gay from our Masson church and school faithfully oversees his food delivery and distribution.

Bottom left: Annually, we prepare 2 million meals and purchase 500 tons of food to feed our 8,000 students in Haiti.

Bottom right: Thank you for making it possible for us to feed our students—giving them strong minds and bodies to learn.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

Here in the Dominican Republic, we have close to 80 people who work with the mission. I am consistently impressed by their love and dedication to the mission and the work they are doing. They arrive early at their jobs, ready to serve. They stay late when necessary and are more than happy to help with other mission activities that are not part of their jobs.

Many of our students come from unstable homes, and our schools offer a safe haven and place of stability. I remember one student a few years ago who missed class on his birthday. I assumed he had stayed out of school because his family was doing something special. When he came back to school the next day, I asked him what he had done for his birthday. Huge tears began to fall down his face as he told me that no one had even remembered that it was his birthday. The love and care that our students receive from their teachers and our staff is often much more than they receive at home. Please continue to pray for each of our employees as they share God's love daily with those they serve.

~Heather Williams Katz



Teacher Maria A tagracia Fernández working with some of her students; she teaches the three and five-year-olds in Bombita.



School assistant director K omara Peralta working with a student; she has worked with the mission for seventeen years.



Attempts were made by thieves to steal the mission land behind the high school; this boundary has been started.



Having the clinic property enclosed will provide a safer workplace and protection for future needs...such as solar panels.

PROPERTY WALLS

In Haiti, we have recently started some wall projects. Typically, these projects are not talked about much because they don't sound exciting. Two walls at the Bire school/clinic campus (behind the high school soccer field) and the rear side of the main Bord-Mer property have been built.

It's become clear that we need to do more of this for the safety of the children at school and to solidify our ownership, as encroachment and land theft is a regular threat. Many of our churches are open concept with no enclosure walls, where goats and chickens like to visit and make for constant cleaning.

Our list of locations that need boundary walls are: the completion of the Bire school/clinic, the Bord-Mer (main campus), and our high school property. Other locations where work has not yet begun are Signeau, TiRiviere, Masson, Concrab, and Lassale. The school programs will be enhanced with this protection. The enclosure will help facilitate a cleaner yard and discourage excessive loitering and vandalism. Building these walls is a huge undertaking. Please pray with us as we endeavor to move forward with these projects. ~Rachel DeTellis



BIBLES FOR STUDENTS

How many Bibles do you own? Your spouse? Your children? Honestly, many Haitian homes would love a Bible but don't have one. Most people don't have their very own Bible, but instead have to share. When I am in Haitian churches, I usually notice about one or two Bibles or songbooks per pew. Why this scarcity? Poverty. Not only do they not have many Bibles, but they also have few other printed resources to help them grow spiritually. We want to continue working to change this situation.

The Bible is described as being "living and active." It's God's word to us and is vital for renewing our mind and gaining knowledge of God, ourselves, and how to live. The Holy Spirit gives us understanding and conviction as we read the Bible, and transforms lives as a result. That is why we see Bible distribution as such an important factor.

This spring, we are having a campaign to fund a Bible distribution to our students. We will begin with French Bibles for our older students. Then, we will distribute Haitian Creole Bibles to our younger students. Each Bible donated has amazing potential to change a life. Please consider helping us get a Bible into the hands of as many students as possible.

~Rachel DeTellis

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Top: Twelve-year-old Jonas Gene, a 7th grade student at our Leogane-Guillaume school, reads from the Bible during chapel services.

Bottom left: Emmanitha François (L) Laissa Hilaire (C) and Habigael Jeanty (R) enjoy being able to share a borrowed songbook.

Bottom middle: Aly Peter Clermilus has the privilege of using a Bible during chapel; most students don't have their own.

Bottom right: Students are welcome to sing in church or chapel. Mithsaida Jean Baptiiste, a 6th grader, singing in a chapel service.

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MEMORIES OF LOVE

When I was born, my maternal grandmother received me in her arms and bathed me. I was born in her home in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Her home was my spiritual refuge, and on her kitchen table I always saw food and her open Bible.

As a young girl, I spent vacation time with my paternal grandmother. We walked together on the dirt country roads to the highway to take a bus to the city... to evangelize new immigrants from Italy in three-story homes in Worcester, Massachusetts.

At 11 years of age, the love from my Sunday school class led me to fall in love with Jesus. I said yes to Him as my Savior and I received a call to missions.

At 18 years of age, I married a pioneer pastor, George DeTellis. I loved and was loved by the people of the church. Later, with three children and George's salary of \$25 per week, the Sunday school director regularly came and put meat in our freezer.

I loved my first mission trip to India in 1977 with my sister Elizabeth, as our hearts flowed and melted together with women in ministries in Chennai and Madurai.

In 1978, my heart broke to see hungry children in Haiti. Our church then started a feeding program.

In 1983, I saw love from God as He worked through us—pitching tents in rural Haiti and living life among the people we were serving. I saw love in the spiritual ministries initiated with our weak language skills, the miracles of feeding, educating, and medical assistance.

In 2000, my love was stretched beyond my human will, as we pioneered a new mission in the Dominican Republic with no family or team, a new language

in a new culture, and with my husband carrying an aggressive form of cancer. I saw God's love when people accepted Jesus and schools began for children from other countries.

In 2008, I saw love when people poured into our home throughout the day and night, as my first husband lived his last days with cancer, and missionaries supported me with their presence and help.

In 2015, I saw love when we signed to buy land for a new campus in the DR. But my second husband had fourth-stage cancer and he was my mission. A woman I never met, paid for the land in Los Castillos. My second husband passed away, and I went to live with my parents who were 96 and 98 years of age at that time. I gave love and received love again and again.

In 2017, I saw love again with a man who matched my heart to serve God. Then, three years later, I felt God's love as my third husband went through cancer treatment and the subsequent MRI's showed him cancer-free!

I've been loved, and I love to love. As a human, my love is imperfect, but I know the perfect love of God. God's love saved me, healed me, and gives me promises. It is all through the powerful, everlasting love of Jesus. *"So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him."* 1 John 4:16.

This love, the perfect love of God, is for you. It is what I want to share with the world.

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon

LOVE IS GOOD,
BECAUSE
GOD IS LOVE.

Near the end of 2021, I experienced the sustaining perfect love of God as I went through COVID-19. Knowing God loves me was all I needed to know and all I wanted to know. He promised, and He cannot lie nor will He fail. His perfect love gives us salvation and eternal life. Such perfect love—powerful to give and limitless to receive.

Sincerely,

Jeanne DeTellis Loudon

*P.S. I will tell the story of Jesus;
He's all we need.*





OUR NURSES MATTER

In January 1983, just days after we arrived in Haiti, our nurses Cindy and Diane were working under palm trees with a table and chair, along with a suitcase filled with various medications. They were able to save the lives of twin girls suffering from severe dehydration and diarrhea.

Our nurses worked and were on call 24 hours a day, sometimes going to remote villages in the middle of the night. I remember when our only nurse was sick with malaria, and she pushed herself to take care of others.

We started in Haiti with American nurses, and then trained and hired Haitian nurses. One of the nurses we hired was Claudine. Her heart was tender and full of mercy to care for the children.

When there was a pandemic of cholera in Haiti, our Haitian-trained nurses were physically present at our schools—educating about proper hygiene. Soap and water were provided, and by God’s mercy not one incident of cholera was found among our students. In the Dominican Republic, we offer medical care ministering or bringing healing to the Dominican and international community. Prayer is always part of our connection with the sick. Ultimately, God is the Healer!

Our nurses are like Jesus to touch the sick. Their voice speaks to the health of the patient’s soul, as well as the body. Nurses are His hands and heart.

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon



Why do nurses matter? They matter because they speak hope in times of hurt. Pictured here is Wideline Louis, who trains the community on health issues.



Middle: We are raising up a new generation of Christian nurses at New Missions.

Bottom left: Community health workers trained at New Missions serve families in times of need.

Bottom right: Please pray for Dr. Katz along with our nurses and health workers in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

HELP FOR THE HURTING

As we all have been reminded during this pandemic, our physical health is something to be cherished. At our health center in the Dominican Republic, we offer free health consultations and medicines for everyone—regardless of their race, color, or beliefs. It is because of the great care we provide that people often travel from over an hour away to be treated. They appreciate the efficient and compassionate care.

We thank the Lord that last year we were able to help more than 4,000 people at our health center. Our staff are Christians and they minister to people medically as well as emotionally and spiritually. As our director Llenifer Santos Morrobel notes, people often come and just need someone to talk to. Our staff takes the time to listen to their stories and pray with them. We are also praising the Lord that we were able to hire a specialist in December who comes once a week to our clinic and performs ultrasounds. It is such a blessing to care for and minister to those in the community. God is working through the health center to help those who are hurting.

~Heather Williams Katz



The compassionate care our medical staff provides brings people from far away to be treated at our health center.



Johanna Mercedes Hernandez loves caring for each patient and is thankful for the help we can give them.



New Missions construction crews work well as a team. They are an immense blessing to the mission.



Roofing supplies are now available. Pictured here, the roof in Lassale is almost finished.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT

New Missions has always been busy with construction. In our early years, the mission depended heavily on American workers, but also employed Haitians who were being trained. Now, the whole work crew is Haitian...made up of nine full-time tradesmen: two masons, three carpenters, and four painters. Each one recognizes the privilege of having a job—especially for the long haul. The community is strengthened through employment—the blessing spreads far.

Two of the carpenters have worked for the mission since 1984, a painter since 1989, and the masons since 2003. With so much experience, supplies are purchased and then they can independently complete the projects.

Recently, the crew put on roofs at our locations in Masson and Bire. At present, they are finishing up a project in Lassale. It was one of the earliest schools we built and needed to be renovated. They have raised walls, put on a new roof, will install new windows and doors, and pour a new floor and sidewalk. By employing local tradesmen, work can go on even with instability in the country. But most importantly, it blesses the community. ~Rachel DeTellis



GROWING LEADERS

When it comes to any organization, vision and direction are driven by the leader. Here at New Missions, we fulfill our mission through a church and school model and rely greatly on pastors who also serve as the school directors on their campuses. The pastor is influential in the direction of the local ministry and they empower the teachers and administrative staff to serve families within their communities.

The unique history of New Missions is how our pastors and teachers grow together. *“As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.” (Proverbs 27:17)* Pastors mentor pastors. At New Missions, we will pair a pastor with an older man who has served faithfully over time. Monthly, our pastors and school directors meet to share best practices and procedures. Gathering for encouragement and prayer strengthens the bond of unity around the common vision of seeing lives changed.

Pastor Denis Plaisimond who serves our Ti-Riviere church and school campus graduated in 2006. He was mentored by Pastor Ernst LeRoy who sadly passed away last year after serving as our Bible college director for 20 years, and a pastor for 25 years. Growing leaders takes mentors discipling their mentees. We are thankful for the 35 church and school leaders of New Missions serving together. ~Tim DeTellis



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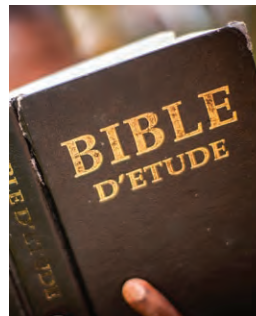
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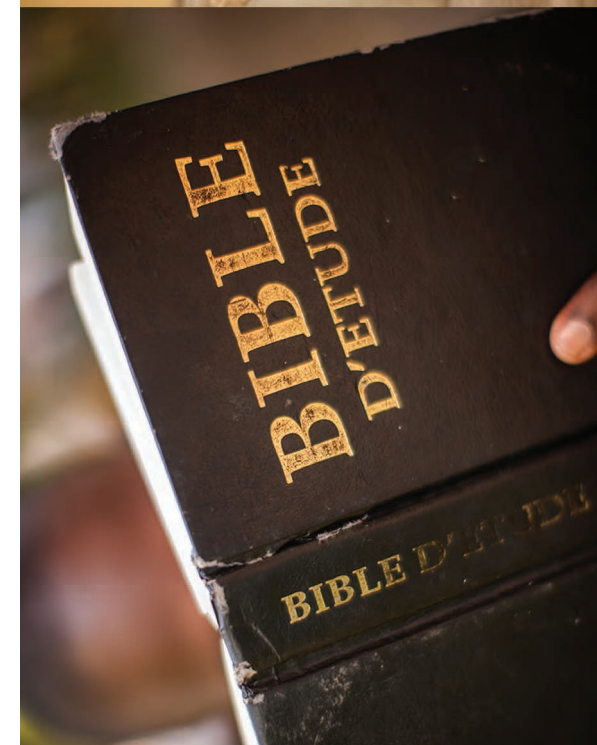


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Top: Pastor Denis Plaisimond and his church leadership from our Ti-Riviere campus are helping families flourish.

Bottom left: Pastor Guillame Jean hosted a baptism service, as together, we are baptizing and making disciples.

Bottom middle: Pastor Ernst LeRoy served as our Bible college director for 20 years and as pastor in Leogane for 25 years.

Bottom right: Monthly, our pastors and school directors gather for a time of encouragement and prayer.

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BEING STRONG IN BODY, MIND, AND SPIRIT

I realize how important it is to be strong in body, mind, and spirit. It's not enough to be strong in one area of your life. It seems if one part of our life suffers, the other areas will also suffer. It is amazing how these three areas of our lives are interconnected. When I start having greater discipline in one area, I often have greater discipline in all of these areas. God offers us a life of peace and fellowship with Him. His Word instructs us in how we should live our lives. *"Therefore, we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away."* Hebrews 2:1.

Most people want their physical bodies to be strong first, as we need good health to be active and work. We need to endeavor to be physically healthy. I recently had a physical and was told I needed to lose twenty pounds. I am returning for another check-up in five months. While I am doing intermittent fasting, I know I also need to increase my amount of exercise. It is easy to be sedentary, as many of us do not have physically intensive jobs. *"For you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body."* 1 Corinthians 6:20

We need to be mentally strong. It's easy to spend too much time watching television—which will not strengthen our minds. God's Word trains our minds for right thinking and action. He will write His laws upon our hearts and minds. God knows what is best for us. We are to renew our minds. *"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may*

discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2

We need to feed the spirit within us, as it is vital to stay in a close relationship with God. This can be done through reading God's Word daily, staying in close fellowship with other Christians, and praising the Lord through worship and song. Eph. 6:10-11 says, *"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil."* It does not matter what troubles we are facing...because our God is greater!

I try to focus on being strong in body, mind, and spirit. Sometimes I feel weak in all of these areas. Jesus was asked what is the greatest commandment. His reply, *"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."* (Matthew 22:37) The verb in this verse is love. We are not to be strong just for ourselves—as we have a purpose and calling in life. It is about putting God first in our lives. When we walk on the narrow path following Christ we are often alone. Christ also promised us that He would never leave us. We need patience to endure this journey. Be strong for God. *"May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."* 1 Thessalonians 5:23

~Charlie DeTellis

IT IS TIME TO
GET STRONG.

We need to be strong in life. *"...to those who by perseverance in doing good seek glory, honor, and immortality, He will give eternal life."* (Romans 2:7) Don't get tired of doing the right thing. The world will offer you pleasure for the moment. God offers us a deep joy within our souls. The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Sincerely,

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A TEACHER'S LASTING IMPACT

This school year, I have had the privilege to teach an advanced English class in our high school. Through this experience, I have been reminded of just how important and difficult being a teacher can be! Becoming a teacher is truly a special calling. Many of our students come from unstable homes and their teachers offer them a safe place where they feel loved and cherished.

Proverbs 22:6 tells us, *“Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.”* Our teachers love the Lord and their students—sharing God’s love and the Gospel with them comes naturally. Irma Mendoza teaches her three-year-old students about God’s love through the wonders of creation. When it is raining, she teaches her students that God sends the rain because He loves us.

As students grow older and become more independent, our teachers come alongside them to support them in the highs and lows of their lives. When students face loss and hardship, or question the hard truths of life, our teachers lovingly support and guide them. When our students succeed, our teachers rejoice and celebrate with them. Please pray for our teachers as they teach and guide our students to become Christian leaders for the next generation.

~Heather Williams Katz



Starting in preschool, students learn about God's love and how to treat others from the example set by their teachers.



Middle: Science teacher Orvis Safe mentors students to help them discover God and learn the steps needed to succeed in life.

Bottom left: High school English teacher Misael Reyes Ventura shares God's Word daily and demonstrates a godly example for his students.

Bottom right: Teacher Irma Mendoza enjoys sharing Bible stories about God's beautiful creation with her three-year-old students.

YOUR WORDS MATTER

Giving out Christmas shoeboxes and the gifts you send to your sponsored child is such a joy! I wish you could be here to see the huge smiles on their faces when they receive them. Every letter and gift you send to your sponsored child is special and serves as a reminder of how important they are to God. Laura Padilla recently graduated from our high school. She fondly remembers the letters and gifts that she received from her sponsor, Serena Gralla. As Laura so wonderfully states, the letters made her feel happy, appreciated, and motivated to keep doing well in school and to keep learning about God. In every letter Serena sent she always told me that I was beautiful, that she loved me, and that God loved me, too!

Laura is now working with us and is in charge of our child sponsorship program. She gets to give the letters and gifts you send to your sponsored child and share in their joy and excitement. If you have not had a chance to send a letter to your sponsored child recently, I encourage you to sit down and write one today!

~Heather Williams Katz



The gifts and letters you send are a highlight in the life of your sponsored child.



Fabiola Duarte Vasquez is writing a letter to her sponsor, DeWayne Verhest, thanking him for the gift he sent.

LEADERS OF INTEGRITY

God has blessed New Missions in Haiti with many godly leaders who perform their responsibilities faithfully and with integrity day in and day out—just like Joseph in the Bible. Potiphar, Joseph’s master, trusted him and did not have to worry about anything except what to eat, with Joseph working for him. Osmique, our warehouse manager, reminds me of Joseph; this year he will complete 20 years of employment with New Missions. When Charlie is not able to be there, he receives truckloads of valuable food and supplies...even containers shipped from the U.S. He also oversees distributions from the warehouse and daily disbursements of construction supplies. His faithful character shines brightly.

Anyone who has met Osmique knows his easy-going ways, pleasant nature, and amazing smile. He loves the Lord, was baptized in 2008, and serves in the Bord-Mer church. It was a serious childhood illness that drove him and his family to the Lord. He attended New Missions schools until 12th grade and was first employed as a yard helper. Over time, his responsibilities grew and now his uprightness and service are a blessing each day. ~Rachel DeTellis



Osmique holding black beans; monthly he confirms that each school receives what they need to feed the children.



Osmique oversees hiring additional help to unload, and verifies the delivery amount with an invoice before storing in warehouse.



ALUMNI AT WORK

Alumni working in Haiti represent hope in a very challenging environment. Our graduates' stories range from becoming teachers, doctors, pastors, attorneys, engineers, nurses, business owners...and great employees of other organizations and companies. Our vision is to raise a generation of Christian leaders.

Genel Issac accepted Jesus as his personal Savior on April 20, 2008 while attending the New Missions church in downtown Leogane. He graduated from New Missions in 2010 and was just recognized as Teacher of the Month at New Missions in February 2022.

Jonas Bertrand, at the age of eleven, was given away by his parents to be a child servant. They did not have enough money to feed him so they brought him to the capitol city of Port-au-Prince to serve in a home. When his parents heard New Missions was opening a school in their village and children could attend for free, they went to find Jonas. After enrolling him in the New Missions school, they learned he could eat as much as he wanted for lunch. Today in Haiti, Jonas is an attorney and judge. He has also served as the deputy mayor in the town of Leogane where New Missions is established.

Pray for our students today because they are becoming the leaders Haiti needs. ~Tim DeTellis

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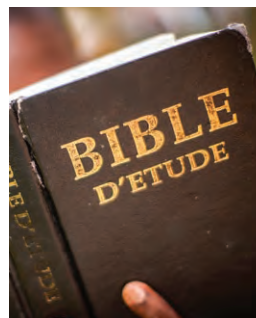
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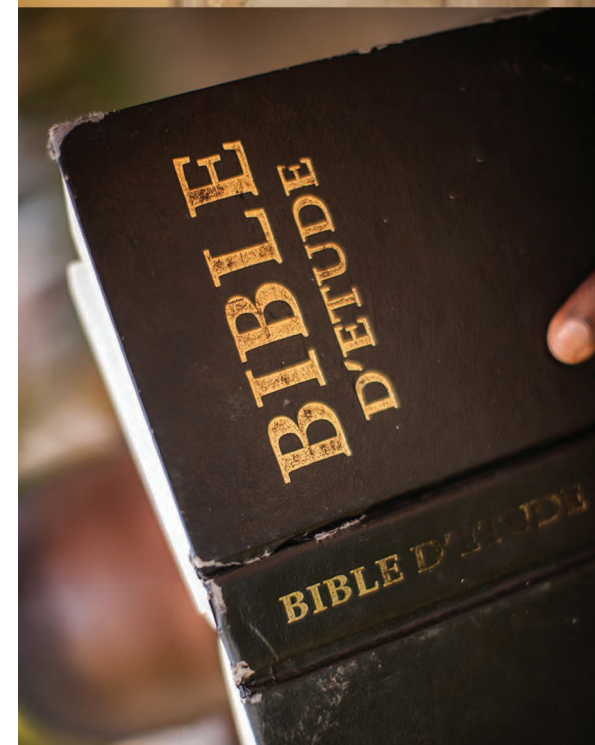


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Top: "New Missions began a revolution in the mind." ~Jonas Bertrand who works as an attorney and judge.

Bottom left: "I'm teaching new leaders in Haiti because we need change." ~Genel Issac, Teacher of the Month.

Bottom middle: "I love teaching because I was once a student at New Missions." ~Acius Christnide, teacher at Masson.

Bottom right: "My sponsors Robert & Joyce Sylvester gave me this opportunity." ~Jean Kenson Pierre; teacher, currently attending seminary.

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come true.



DID I TELL YOU I LOVE YOU TODAY?

I enjoy reading older, out of print books that I have to purchase used on eBay. One book usually leads to the next when the author makes reference to a title. Often, the unknown book can be a disappointment. But sometimes you find a diamond. A gem of a book that I discovered is titled *All You Need is More and More of Jesus* by Andy Arbuthnot. Andy was a merchant banker in the city of London when at the age of forty-one he felt led by the Lord to become an Anglican priest in the Church of England. He continued in his profession, and at the same time pursued training to become an ordained priest. He was given a position assisting in a local parish, but through God's providence was given the leadership of a ministry called The London Healing Mission. The London Healing Mission did not have services on Sunday. It was a place for people to come for prayer and counseling during the week.

Andy shares some great spiritual insights in this book about his ministry. I share his story with you to give him credit for my words. Andy said, "When people I haven't met before ask me to pray for them I always ask three questions: Does Jesus love you? Do you love Him? Have you given your life to Him?" After meeting with Andy he would tell them you may not remember everything I told you today, but just remember all you need is more and more of Jesus. Then he would encourage them to acknowledge Jesus' love for them by declaring throughout the day, "Thank You Jesus that You love me!" He called it the one hundred times prayer.

THANK YOU
JESUS FOR
LOVING ME!

When my children were in elementary school I would ask them, "Did I tell you I love you today?" Then I would just smile and wait for them to give me an answer to my question. Sometimes they would reply, "Yes Daddy, you already told me you loved me today." Regardless of their response, I would hug them and tell them again, "I love you" instead of me just telling them over and over. Asking them the question forced them to stop and think, and declare

with their own words my love for them. Did you tell Jesus you love Him today?

When Jesus was teaching, one of the Pharisees who was a lawyer asked him, "*Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?*" And He said to him, "*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.*" (Matthew 22:36-37) The most important thing in our relationship with Jesus is that we love Him. After Jesus was resurrected and met with Peter and the disciples on the shore, three times He asked Peter, "Do you love me?" Jesus is asking you the same question today.

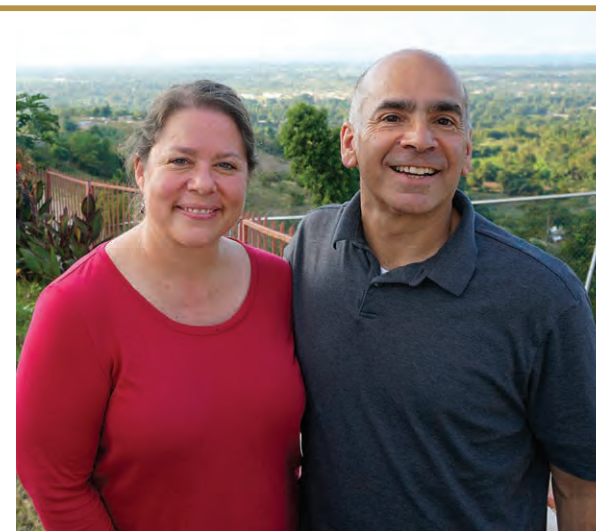
Andy Arbuthnot says, "If this relationship of love is the most important thing in my life, then it's the most important thing in the life of people who come to me for ministry. Therefore, whatever problem they come with I always go for this personal relationship of love with Jesus. It is as true for you as it is for me. It is this: All you need is more and more of Jesus."

~George DeTellis, Jr.

There is a classic children's Sunday school song that says, "Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so." Like asking my children if I told them I love them, this classic song declares the words, "Jesus loves me!" How do I know? The Bible tells me so! We must acknowledge His love. We must accept His love. We must return His love.

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P.S. We love because he
first loved us." I John 4:19



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FAMILIES AT CHURCH

Graduates of New Missions are getting married and raising their families to walk in faith together. This is a change in history for the country of Haiti, where men would typically have children from multiple women and not marry. The story of Gregory Doirin and Sonya (who met at church) is one of faith, hope, and love. Gregory began his education at New Missions when he was five years old. He accepted Jesus as his Lord and Savior in March 2003 at church, graduated from our high school in 2006, and started working for New Missions in 2008.

Gregory and Sonya married in 2016 and attend our New Missions church in downtown Leogane, Haiti. They have two children, Grednyael Christie and Chris Bryan. “My wife Sonya and I love our church; having our children at church with us is a blessing.” As a graduate of New Missions, Gregory works as a photographer and a translator—helping with letter writing between students and their sponsors. He gets to see up close how important each child is to God. At our Leogane church, he serves as the church secretary assisting Pastor Guillaume.

Thank you for partnering with New Missions as together, we are seeing lives changed forever. The life change for Gregory was made possible because of his sponsor Sharon Hennen. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: Gregory Doirin leads his family to church and he volunteers as secretary for the church, as well. **Middle:** Families attending church together represent faith for today and hope for the next generation. **Bottom left:** Adeline from Nepley, Haiti, enjoys going to church with her family. **Bottom right:** Children make the sound of church come alive at our Leogane Guillaume church and school in downtown Leogane, Haiti.

TIME TO SHINE

Recently, some of our high school boys in the DR had the opportunity to compete in a local basketball competition. Prior to this competition, we did not have a formal basketball team at the school, so the boys had to work extra hard to learn to play together as a team. Our physical education teacher, Omarlin Juma, worked with the boys every afternoon to get them ready. Many of them did not have proper basketball shoes so he helped them get some.

All of the other teams in the competition had formal basketball teams that practiced regularly. Our team showed up as the underdog with no jerseys or sponsors...but they all had the desire to play to win! Although there were many people who thought our team would lose in the first round, they won their first game by one point! They kept winning games and went on to win the competition! Teacher Juma thanks God for His help and is grateful to all of the boys who worked so hard to bring home the trophy! As you can imagine, we are now in the process of getting uniforms and forming a permanent basketball team!

~Heather Williams Katz



Our players practiced together for weeks to get ready for the competition and their efforts paid off!



Many thanks to the Foundation Academy in Winter Garden, FL, for donating the jerseys worn in the championship game.

BIBLE COLLEGE STUDENTS

I've heard my husband Charlie say that during the earliest days of the mission he used to wonder how the church, full of mainly children, would take root. Amazingly, it did! Obed St. Vil, an assistant pastor in our Flon church, says his church is also primarily children. He not only works with the children in Sunday school, but also helps lead the church and preaches. He accepted the Lord as his Savior after the 2010 earthquake. The Lord used a dream of a Haitian missionary group preaching in Obed's yard—then giving him a Bible and song book to bring him to salvation. He loves the Lord and is attending Bible college because he wants to not only gain knowledge and skill in preaching, but to be able to train the children in his church effectively.

Evens Auguste is also active in his church—our Bossier campus. He is part of the church leadership, helps lead services, and preaches. He's thankful for the opportunity afforded him to attend the Bible college, and feels very satisfied with what he's learning to become a better servant for God.

~Rachel DeTellis



Both Evens (left) and Obed (right) are second grade teachers at Bossier and Flon campuses, respectively.



Please pray for these second-year Bible college students who will be finishing up their studies this June.



ENCOURAGEMENT NEEDED

1 Thessalonians 5:11 says, “Encourage one another and build each other up...” Each of us needs to both give and receive encouragement. The stereotypical Third World school tends to use more punishment than reward to improve the students’ behavior and performance. So, a couple years ago, I decided to order Student/Teacher of the Month plaques for each of our schools as a means of encouragement and motivation. It was a small thing for the schools to utilize and I didn’t know if they would really be used or appreciated. However, recently I have received feedback that this small change has been a good tool for encouragement.

Every month, the schools pick both a Teacher of the Month and a Student of the Month for each grade. Teachers who perform well in their job, have a pleasant attitude, and go above and beyond in making the environment at school safe and happy are considered for the recognition. Just like in America, young children have a lot of needs and that means teachers always have an ample amount on their plates. For students to receive the Student of the Month award they must have good classroom behavior, be faithful in homework completion, and be attentive in class. The school directors are happy to honor their teachers and students. ~Rachel DeTellis

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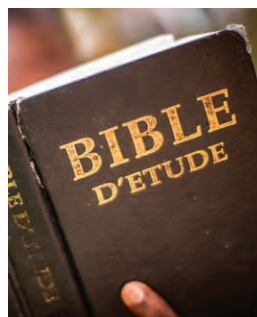
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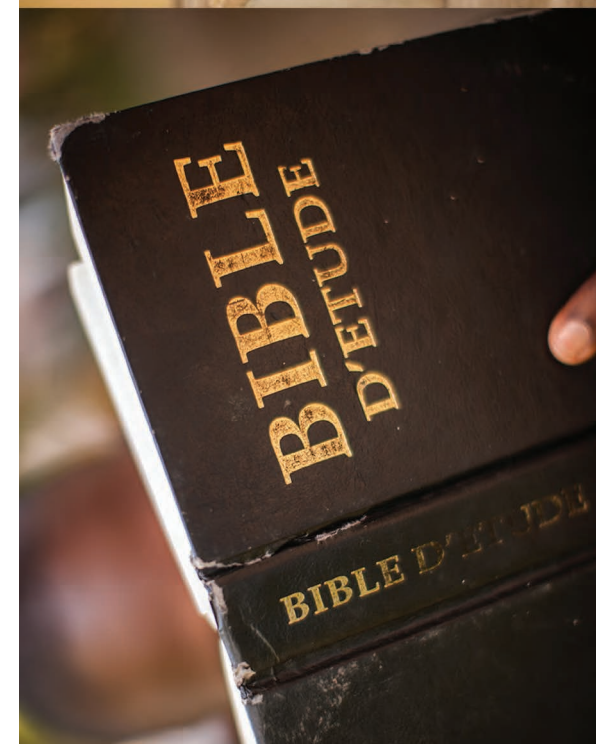
Top: For students hard at work, the sound of a bells—ignifying the end of class or a break—s always welcomed.

Bottom left: Simon Silbert, New Missions graduate and sixth grade teacher at Leogane Guillaume school, is a huge help during recess.

Bottom middle: Maylove Eximond and Jeffly Casimir attend our Darbonne campus. They enjoy school, and Maylove wants to be a nurse.

Bottom right: Jessica Furcy, a PK3 teacher at our Signeau campus, spending extra time with some of the students.

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SPIRITUAL WAR

Today, there is a battle raging for souls everywhere. However, the urgency to fight for the saving of those souls is paramount during these times. We are watching physical wars, yet the greater fight is spiritual and our role in God's army is essential to His Gospel being proclaimed. Jesus is still the answer for our world today. How do we become more involved in this spiritual war to help reach those who are lost? Because God so loves the world He sends us.

A few years ago, I began asking God to give me more non-Christian friends. Shocker, right? This began because of an intentionality to know my neighbors better and I knew not all my neighbors would be Christians. The apostle Paul wrote, *"To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings."* (1 Corinthians 9:22-23) However, it's harder and harder to connect with non-Christian friends if the only circles I spend time in represent people of the same faith and belief system.

I want to propose a position and posture of proactive urgency for spiritual war to battle for those who are lost. The gap between someone who is far from God is you and me, literally. We do not play the role of the Holy Spirit to change their hearts, but we do play the role of representing Christ and being the ambassadors of Christ into their lives. Yes, war is a strong word. However, spiritually, the war we are potentially ignoring is still being fought...even without our engagement. Let's step into the fight.

**BECAUSE GOD SO
LOVES THE WORLD
HE SENDS US.**

How? We arm ourselves with these two weapons: prayer and Scripture.

Prayer matters, and I could share endlessly how the only answers I need are found in Scripture. However, for my non-Christian friends who are not praying or reading God's Word, we become the salt and light in their lives. We must show them love and truth. *"You are the salt of the earth ... You are the light of the world ... In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your*

good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:13-16) Right now, the world would prefer we are silent and hidden. Don't hide your faith!

Recently, I was having lunch with a friend and donor of New Missions.

We went to a Mexican restaurant that was owned by someone from his church. Sitting under the table glass so you could easily read it was a card of the ABCs of salvation.

- A. Acknowledge that you are a sinner. (Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23).
- B. Believe that Jesus is Lord and that God raised Him from the dead. (Romans 10:9; John 3:16)
- C. Confess—ask forgiveness with your mouth and verbalize your belief. (Romans 10:9) *"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."*

Right now, there is a war going on; either we engage in it or ignore it. Souls are lost and need us to stand in the gap.

~Tim DeTellis

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." (Ephesians 6:12) Today, who do you know who does not yet have a personal relationship with Jesus? Pray for them. Invite them to share a meal with you or a cup of coffee...that could lead into a Gospel conversation.



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P.S. Dear Lord, please use me to help reach others with Your message of hope and salvation.





JUNE 1, 2022 NEWSLETTER

NEW MISSIONS

Change the life of a child

PLANTING CHURCHES

What do you need to plant a church? You need people called by God. *“I learned John 3:16 as a child at New Missions,”* Pastor Alix told me as we enjoyed lunch together. Now a church planter in Mount Dora, Florida, Alix Hilaire shared how he once sat under a mango tree as a young teenager in Haiti and told God, *“I will serve you the rest of my life.”* He reminded me of a school policy during our founding years: *“Your dad made it mandatory to attend Sunday School as your ticket to go to school on Monday and I never missed.”*

Because we made it a priority since 1983 to preach the Gospel, we are now seeing more churches being planted. The calling to pastor is falling upon others who have grown up in our existing churches and now they are stepping out to be pastors. Where are these additional churches? From Paris, France, to Mount Dora, Florida, and to remote areas of Haiti.

Pastor Johnny Fontaine is a pastor at a church in Paris, France. He served as a Sunday school teacher at our very first church in Bord-Mer, Haiti. We rejoice in God’s calling upon these pastors’ lives, and pray for more Christian leaders to rise up through our mission to reach around the world.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: All Nations Church in Mount Dora, Florida, is pastored by Alix Hilaire, a former student of New Missions.

Middle: The power of the Gospel changes lives forever, and church planting is the fruit of our mission.

Bottom left: At the age of 17, while attending our high school, Pastor Sheguer Marc felt a calling to become a pastor.

Bottom right: Pastor Johnny Fontaine was baptized at New Missions in September 1997 and now serves as a pastor in Paris, France.

FINANCIAL FREEDOM SEMINAR

A short time ago, we were able to host a special finance seminar for some of our employees in the Dominican Republic. We decided to host this class because we wanted to help them succeed in their lives and learn how to manage their money. The Bible talks about money very often as it is no doubt something that every human struggles to manage with a Biblical mindset.

We created a panel with three of our employees to share their experiences in getting out of debt and learning how to save money. The class was extremely helpful for our employees and many of them reported that this class helped them recognize how they were spending money on unnecessary items. They also learned practical ways to evaluate their spending and set a budget to meet their financial goals. Each of the participants received a book and workbook to help them in their journey to get out of debt and become financially stable, just as we read in Romans 13:8, *“Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.”*

~Heather Williams Katz



Our panel shared their personal experiences about learning how to manage money in a way that is pleasing to God.



Each of the participants received a financial book and workbook to use as guides to help manage their finances.

FRUIT OF OUR LABOR

We love seeing our graduates fulfilling different callings in their lives. When we observe them working, serving, or preaching we are witnessing the fruit of New Missions...thanks to God's blessings. However, we are also encouraged to see fruit from our churches. In 1995, Joseph Martin Cyriaque, a young man from Neply, was attending church when Pastor George DeTellis was speaking. That day Joseph gave his life to the Lord and was baptized later that year.

Joseph sensed God leading him to start a church. And in 2000, he chose a location in desperate need of one: Fauché. He started with a simple thatch and stick structure for a number of years, and he reported God moved and people were saved. He now has members who encourage him with their steadfast faith. Four years later, he started a school as an outreach and ministry to the community. In 2019, Joseph approached us regarding becoming a part of our New Missions program, and we decided to adopt this church and school. Please pray for continued fruit and provision for this church, school and community.

~Rachel DeTellis



Pastor Joseph Cyriaque is at his church location in Fauché which is off of the Leogane Plain heading up into the mountains.



Eschtaelle Jean Louis, a 4th grade student at our Fauché campus, singing during a week-long revival meeting at the church in Fauché.



READY...SET...GO!

Have you ever attended an exciting sporting event that had you on the edge of your seat? That's how life seems with New Missions in the Dominican Republic. Here's a play-by-play of current events.

We have Saturday morning Bible clubs at three campuses. Our amazing leaders make learning the Bible fun for kids. At Colegio Nueva Vida, our Leaders for Christ high school group travels to rural public schools sharing the Gospel of Christ through VBS programs. Currently, we offer English classes for our surrounding church community at Los Castillos. These classes are led by the director of our high school, and have been received with a huge amount of enthusiasm.

Want more? The newly assembled Colegio Nueva Vida boys' basketball team won their first tournament against teams from all over the island. We just concluded with two mission teams from Florida and Georgia, respectively. They were a blessing to our staff and students, as they encouraged them in their walk with Christ.

That's just a glimpse of what God is doing here in the DR. We are not on the sidelines watching. Through your prayers, financial support, and child sponsorship you're in the game with us—spreading the Gospel to the island of Hispaniola! ~Rob Arms

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Top: The Leaders for Christ team from Colegio Nueva Vida share the Gospel through song, drama, and games in a public school.

Bottom left: Our Assistant School Director, Jendry, provides a luncheon for our staff at the Financial Success Seminar.

Bottom middle: Students from Foundation Academy in Winter Garden, FL, helping DR students become more proficient in English.

Bottom right: The mission team from New Providence Baptist in Macon, GA sorts clothing to be shared with our church communities.

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CELEBRATING CHILDREN'S DAY

The month of June gives us the special celebration of Children's Day. We are blessed to see many of our mission leaders have their sons and daughters working with them. This is a work that can't be created with concrete blocks. God speaking to our children and their children is the greatest joy for a Christian parent.

On Children's Day in 1961, I was playing the organ at the Medford Assembly of God. It was two weeks before my due date for my first pregnancy. Our Sunday School Superintendent was timing my contractions. Experiencing a first pregnancy, what did I know? That day, George, Jr. was born. As a mother, I can remember saying, "It's okay if he grows up to be a garbage collector, as long as he follows God." My son George now blesses thousands of children with a day camp ministry—in the same state not too far from where he was born.

Children are my calling. Before I turned 12 years old, I gave my life to Jesus and my desire was to open an orphanage in Italy! God trusted me with one Italian orphan, George John DeTellis, my boyfriend at 15 and husband at 18. But God's blessings are not seen in a day but in a lifetime. And sometimes we leave this life in faith that "the blessing" will come to our children and their children.

I am blessed to know New Missions has fed and spiritually nurtured thousands and thousands of children in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Some of these children are scattered all over the world following Jesus; in South America, Europe, Canada, and in the USA. For me, to see the face

of a child is to see God's perfect love. The blessing of God is to your children, their children, and their children's children. Presently, New Missions schools are reaching about 9,000 students in Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

In our early days in Haiti, mothers were losing many children before they reached five years of age. They often hoped to get an empty wooden fish box from the mission to bury a child. After one year of mission ministry, we heard the village people talking about how no one in our area died from starvation. The Haitian name given to a child who reaches the age of five is, "Ti Chape," translated "rescued." We remember God's blessing to the children, and we celebrate with a birthday party when they reach five years old.

This month, I had the amazing blessing to meet a former student, Alix Hilaire of Neply, Haiti. When he heard about Jesus at school at the age of 10, Alix promised God he would obey Him if God would help him "chape" (escape) from Haiti. At the age of 16, his father brought him to the United States. Alix Hilaire accepted Christ, graduated from Bible School, and he is now pastoring an English and Haitian speaking church in Mt. Dora, Florida. That's the blessing! Pastor Hilaire is a "gro chape" (big escaper). You never know when you love a child through sponsorship where that child will reach in God's plan and purpose. The greatest blessing in sponsorship is seeing children accept Jesus and many receiving a call to serve God in ministry.

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon

**CHILDREN ARE
A BLESSING.**

As a grandmother, I now look to my 10 grandchildren to give me great-grandchildren. A child is a miracle gift. And I look forward to meeting four of my eight children already in heaven. Each one unique with the imprint and image of God our Maker. God has no orphans, but He does have sons and daughters. You, too, are a precious child of God.

Sincerely,

Jeanne DeTellis Loudon

P.S. "Blessed is the man whose quiver is full." Psalm 127:5





NEWMISSIONS

Change the life of a child

CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE!

Parents set an example to influence children into what they will become. My parents loved missions. Our Sunday dinner table was often graced with visiting missionaries. Our home was open to them even if they had experienced recent diseases. In 1954, my mother suggested I write to the daughter of a missionary, Esther, in the Belgium Congo. My “pen pal” Esther died from malaria that same year and that year, I accepted Christ as my Savior and received a call to missions.

My parents were supportive of my missionary call. They visited the mission field, prayed, and financially supported the mission until their last month of life. They planted seeds in my life and I am sure my life’s calling brought them joy.

Jesus, the perfect Son of God, pleased His father by following His will for His life.

Are you training your children to carry the Gospel to future generations? Psalm 45:16 says, “*Your sons will take the place of your father,*” and in Psalm 71:18 we read, “*I declare your power to the next generation.*”

You’ve heard, “Like father, like son.” Help them prepare to carry the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the next generations. Our children are our future.

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon



Top: My father, Charlie DiPietro, worked on our first building in 1983 with my nephews Peter Cavallaro Jr. and Joe Cavallaro.

Middle: Baby dedications at our Bord-Mer church in Haiti help our parents lead their families spiritually.

Bottom left: Students celebrate “Teacher’s Day” with gratitude for teachers who positively influence their lives.

Bottom right: Jeanne holding twin boys from Lassale, Haiti, in 1987. They were named after her husband George and son George, Jr.

LEADERS UNITED

We recently organized a mini retreat for the directors and assistant directors of our schools, churches, and health center. We hosted the event in the beautiful mountains of the Dominican Republic—which allowed our leaders to disconnect for the day and be refreshed and renewed. During this day, we had various team building exercises to help our team grow closer together. We shared encouraging words with them and listened to their thoughts and needs. In the past few months, we have seen God working in amazing ways; we want our leaders to remain unified.

Each of our directors and assistant directors are doing an excellent job, but they encounter many challenges in their work. I am constantly amazed at how they so capably manage these difficult situations. I ask you to pray for each of our school directors (Daniel, Bethania, Keyla, Jendry, Vilenny and Xiomara), church director (Arismendy) and health center director (Jennifer). Pray for their physical, mental, and spiritual health as they minister to children, parents, patients, and the community. Pray for continued unity as we work together to raise a generation of Christian leaders.

~Heather Williams Katz



Our directors enjoyed their day away to share their challenges, triumphs, and words of encouragement with each other.



Please pray for each of our directors (left to right): Jendry, Arismendy, Jennifer, Vilenny, Keyla, Bethania, Xiomara, and Daniel.

FOCUS ON YOUNG GRADUATES

At the end of each school year, we celebrate our graduating class as well as the students finishing kindergarten and sixth grade. These celebrations are truly important, as most families can't afford birthday parties or festivities for the holidays. The young students enjoy receiving a small gift, a new outfit, a special meal, and the recognition and attention. We congratulate every student and family working together to make these milestones a reality.

Both Wilner Disilien and Nadege Alexis were sent from other parts of Haiti to live with family in order to go to school. Wilner lives with his grandmother and enjoys going to church and school. His grandmother had a huge smile in her heart seeing him at his kindergarten graduation. Nadege learned her alphabet and how to count from other children, but was unable to attend school until she entered our Masson school in third grade. She just graduated from sixth grade, and says she loves math and would like to learn several languages. We would like to thank our sponsors who help make these celebrations possible.

~Rachel DeTellis



Wilner, with his grandmother and cousin, likes all food, enjoys riding bikes, and learning how to write, sing, and dance.



Nadege lives with her aunt. She likes cooking so that she can have a big plate of food!



GENEROSITY CHANGES LIVES

“What’s in it for me?” WIIFM is the most popular radio station individuals tune in to daily, but it drives selfishness. However, when we surrender our lives to Christ, we see the world through a new lens of helping and serving others. This causes us to live a generous life. When I think of generosity, I think of three different buckets: Time. Money. Influence. Each of these three areas gives us unique opportunities to change lives.

“Generosity changes lives” was a statement introduced to me by a pastor friend, Trevor Barton, from The Creek Church in London, Kentucky. The first time I met Trevor was during a mission trip to Haiti. *Generosity changes lives* is a core value at their church.

I am thankful to witness what generosity looks like. My heart is encouraged during phone calls with donors, and while attending events where children find a sponsor. I am inspired by conversations with pastors about churches equipping their congregation to live life on mission.

Through New Missions, we see hundreds of people volunteer and serve during the year. Volunteers are the behind-the-scenes strength that make New Missions better. Your influence and introducing New Missions to others is also important. Thank you for being generous. Together, we are seeing lives changed. Our vision is too great to accomplish alone. ~Tim DeTellis

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Top: Pastor Trevor Barton participated in a baptism festival in Haiti during his first visit in September 2010.

Bottom left: Volunteers Julie and Cindy helped find child sponsors after an event in Olympia, WA, at Evergreen Christian Community Church.

Bottom middle: Shoebox Drive welcomes generosity on many levels from packing boxes to serving in Orlando.

Bottom right: Comedian David Dean performing at The Creek Church in London, KY, for the Laugh All Night event benefiting New Missions.

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DO YOU GO TO CHURCH?

When I was 17 years old, I did not want to go to church. I believe my father told my mother to tell me, "If you do not go to church...you can leave the house." Well, I took fast notice of my nice bedroom and my mother's good cooking and decided to keep going to church. I would often sit on the very back row at church. I believe faith began to grow in my heart and mind by hearing my father preach. Yes, I grew up the son of a pastor and we went to church four times a week. I especially enjoyed the Friday night coffee house meetings. In 1981, at the age of 18, sometime after finishing high school, I prayed in my bedroom. I told God I wanted to try being a Christian for one week. I also reasoned, if God was the maker of everything, why not serve Him? Well, the next day I felt the Holy Spirit in my life and had an awakening experience. I then moved up to about the fifth row in church and would often go to the altar for prayer at the end of the service. At 19 years of age, I was in Haiti serving God. Today, I find myself asking many people that I meet, "Do you go to church?"

I am not ashamed to ask people if they are going to church. I was extremely shy as a child and young adult due to a speech impediment; I would not talk to anyone. Our society today is very fragmented where few people engage other people in conversation. People can do everything online in the comfort of their homes. Now, I enjoy talking with people and I love when people talk to me. But just going to church

does not prove you are in a right relationship with God. It is proof that you are searching and seeking in the right direction. Asking the question do you go to church is a good ice breaker for me. I explain to people how the church may have imperfections.

It is not our responsibility to judge the church or each other. God remains true, perfect, and pure. The Bible does not say you will inherit the kingdom of God by being a good person. Jesus said, "*I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*" (John 14:6)

Being in Christian fellowship brings admonishment and accountability. We are stronger being knitted into a community. We need to keep seeking and abiding in Christ. Proverbs 27:17 says, "*Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.*"

Are you going to church? People often have their excuses for not going to church. Don't examine the church to look for any imperfections. The prayer I prayed at age 18 did not make any sense doctrinally. However, I made a step towards God, and He graciously came into my life. Everyone needs to make that leap of faith and trust God. How would you ever know what a Coke tasted like if you never tried it? People need to ask God to reveal Himself to them. He will not simply invade your life...He will become your all in all. I am thankful that my whole family attends church. There is hope and a future with God.

~Charlie DeTellis

**"OH, TASTE AND SEE THAT
THE LORD IS GOOD!"
PSALM 34:8**

Now, I am thankful that my father made me go to church. We do not have the ability to save anyone; only God can draw people unto Himself. I do believe we have the responsibility to be a witness. "*The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.*" Proverbs 18:21

Sincerely,

Charlie DeTellis

Charlie DeTellis

P.S. My biggest prayer is for my whole family to know God and His power. We all face various trials and afflictions. Allow God to be the strength of your life.





PROMOTING FROM WITHIN

Once a student himself, Jameson Verdry is now a teacher at the New Missions school in Concrab, Haiti. His son, Kervenson, attends the same school in Concrab. Valliere Eslene has a similar story as today her son attends school where she is a school teacher. The longevity in ministry has given us deeper roots in communities, and graduates of New Missions are leading locally. Thankfully, we can rely more on internal recruitment for our staffing needs.

My father-in-law worked for the Publix grocery store chain as a district manager. Publix has an internal culture to promote from within. If you want to manage a grocery store, you have to be promoted up the ranks. Stories of cashiers who are now store managers are common. At New Missions, we also seek to promote from within. This provides vital training and understanding of our values and mission systems and procedures. From our warehouse manager in Haiti to nurses, teachers, photographers, translators, and pastors...we are seeing our graduates leading the mission forward.

Without exception, a teacher who grew up attending a New Missions school and is now leading a classroom has a strong passion to share hope and educate this next generation. Pray for our teachers during this 2022-2023 school year. Because of your support 383 teachers are employed at New Missions. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: Greetings from Concrab, Haiti. Together, we are raising a generation of Christian leaders.

Middle: Jameson Verdry is a graduate and school teacher at the New Missions school in Concrab where his son attends school.

Bottom left: Pray for the 383 school teachers serving at New Missions for the 2022-2023 school year.

Bottom right: Valliere Eslene sees hope for each student because she was once a student and is now a school teacher.

YOUTH ON THE RISE

Our vision at New Missions is to raise a generation of Christian leaders, and we work daily to attain that goal. Having started a children's Bible class in Los Castillos over five years ago, many of those students who started with us are now teenagers and have become well versed in their knowledge of Scripture. Recently, a group of them came to talk to me because they wanted to begin leading the children's classes in Los Castillos. Of course I agreed, as this is a great opportunity for our youth to grow and become Christian leaders.

Not only are the youth leading classes along with their adult teachers in Los Castillos every week, they are now helping at our children's Bible class in Playa Laguna. Lately, we have had a lot more students attending this class. We currently have around 50 children attending every Saturday, and our two volunteer teachers appreciate the extra help. This has been an excellent opportunity for our youth to practice being servant leaders. We look forward to seeing how God is going to use them in these classes and in the future. To God be the glory!

~Heather Williams Katz



High school students George Jean and Clivens Codio teaching the younger students a Bible story in Los Castillos.



The teen leaders teach the Bible lessons and help the younger students with their crafts every Saturday morning.

GRADUATES MINISTERING

A special invitation was given to New Missions high school graduates to attend the year-end prayer and worship event. About 50 graduates attended—working alongside the students in planning and serving. The school chapel was full, and two graduates and one student led worship. The members of the high school prayer group, Guerrier Shalom, served the meal and everyone enjoyed their time together. The speaker was Jefferson Deceus, a 2016 graduate who is studying both engineering and theology. He desires to grow in knowledge and ability, as he is an assistant pastor at his church where he preaches and teaches.

The theme for the service was The Mystery of Meeting Jesus. *“For whoever finds me finds life and obtains favor from the Lord.” (Proverbs 8:35)* For this reason, the students and graduates continue to faithfully proclaim the hope of the Gospel. The Holy Spirit was at work and six students prayed to receive Christ as their Savior. They will be mentored by an adult leader of the prayer group who will also help get them established in a church.

~Rachel DeTellis



New Missions 2015 graduate, Christo Michel, helps to lead worship. Main speaker, Jefferson Deceus, shown standing in the back row.



The high school prayer group meets each school day during recess to pray and help organize chapels and events.



HERE COME SHOEBOXES

It's the most wonderful (and my absolute favorite) time of the year! Christmas is coming...which means "Shoebox Season" has arrived! Here at New Missions, our staff has already been busy preparing to host volunteer groups who will help assemble our prepacked shoebox gifts! Deliveries of supplies needing to be unboxed and sorted arrive almost daily. There is a sense of excitement and anticipation each day because we look forward to our annual shoebox gift project. This important endeavor may provide the only gift many of our students will receive this Christmas season.

We are thrilled to include two faith-building books: *The Jesus Story Book Bible*, and *25 Favorite Stories from the Bible*—both in Haitian Creole. Along with the books and everyday essentials, we love to include sunglasses, flip-flops, and t-shirts. These are carefully selected for each age and gender. Toys, games, and soccer balls are sure to bring a smile to each face. I don't know about you, but I find that giving brings such deep joy! Acts 20:35 reminds us that Jesus Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive..." If you would like to order a prepacked shoebox and bless your sponsored child (or a child without a sponsor) simply visit newmissions.org/gift. Won't you join us in sharing some joy this Christmas? ~Emily Pearson

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Top: Volunteers fill our office helping us to put together these gifts that will put a smile on a child's face this Christmas.

Bottom left: Prepacked shoeboxes are filled with essential items such as water bottles, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and age appropriate gifts.

Bottom middle: Students from Providence Christian Academy in Starke, Florida, praying over packaged shoeboxes.

Bottom right: Did you know you can order a shoebox for your sponsor child? Visit newmissions.org/gift.

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POWERFUL PEACEMAKERS

My first experience with fighting was during elementary school. Walking home from school one afternoon, I found myself in an awkward situation when one classmate pushed me to the ground and another student jumped on top of me and began to punch me in the stomach. I was in the fourth grade and all of a sudden was being beat up for no apparent reason. I broke free and began to run home. The first thought I had as a young boy was I should learn how to fight better. Then reality hit me: Nope, I don't like the sight of blood.

With all the traveling I do on airplanes, I often wondered if I should learn hand-to-hand combat to protect myself on a flight in case violence broke out. I have a close friend who owns his own private security business. We met at a fight training gym in downtown Orlando, where I showed up for my first class. Jeff began to tell me how you can hide, fight, or flee the situation. Then, he told me how even the best trained fighters choose to flee. "No one leaves happy after a fight," he said. I never went back for another class on hand-to-hand combat.

We can look at our world and realize there is more than hand-to-hand combat going on. Nations are fighting nations. Neighbors are fighting neighbors. Plus, we could honestly observe another level of violence...verbal combat. People post, tweet, and blog even about people they have never met. It's almost like social media has become a grand collision of gossip and opinion. Comedian Tim Hawkins says it best: "Gossip to God." My prayer is: Dear Lord, may

my words be helpful and not hurtful. The power of our tongue can destroy or build up those around us. *"The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing."* Proverbs 12:18

How can we become powerful peacemakers and influence the climate around us? Just like a thermostat we can turn up the heat around us or cool off the issues. However, the key idea is what can we do to influence the temperature of the environment we are in? It comes down to what we add with our words and actions. I can protest what I'm against or I can promote what I am for.

In John 14:27 Jesus said: *"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."* We start spreading peace when we live with love and integrity. Life can be filled with war or peace. Proverbs 6:16-19 makes it very clear: *"There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to Him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a person who stirs up conflict in the community."*

I believe we can be powerful peacemakers. We are where we are for a reason—a powerful reason! May we bring peace. *"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."* Matthew 5:19

~Tim DeTellis

DEAR LORD, MAY MY WORDS BE HELPFUL AND NOT HURTFUL.

We can share God's love for others by the way we spread peace. *"But the wisdom from above is first all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere."* (James 3:17) May God's peace be with you.

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P.S. Do you know someone experiencing a war in their life? Introduce them to the source of peace—a personal relationship with Jesus.





WEEKLY CHAPEL SERVICES

What song are you singing today? The sound coming from our chapel services across our school campuses is one of hope and proclaiming Jesus as Lord. A favorite song sung at chapel services is, "There is power, power, wonder working power, in the blood, of the Lamb!" The Haitians translate the word power to the word force, as this truly paints the picture for the powerful force the blood of Jesus has over our lives.

Esdras Dimanche, a high school graduate, led a time of prayer over his classmates. With Christ, all things are possible! Without a vision, the people perish...and for our students the vision we have for them is to become Christian leaders.

Naphtali and Salina attend high school together and are best friends. Chapel service is the highlight of their week, as they dress up and sit together. Growing up in an area where Voodoo is still practiced, these two represent a bright light shining in the darkness.

Thankfully, our students are personally involved in hosting weekly chapel services. Wednesday is chapel day, so when it arrives on your calendar, please remember to pray for our students.

We see the spiritual work as the most important aspect happening through our mission. The most important gift we give our students is leading them into a growing relationship with Jesus. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: "With Christ all things are possible," Esdras Dimanche a student leader for chapel proclaimed.

Middle: Naphtali and Salina attend high school together and worship together.

Bottom left: Music is a big part of the Haitian culture; students join together to make bands at chapel and church services.

Bottom right: The sounds of chapel include saying out loud: "Merci Jésus" (Thank You, Jesus) and the students repeat it back.

TAMING THE TONGUE

Undoubtedly, we have all had times when we said something that we wish we could have taken back the minute it came out of our mouth. It is a subject that is not easy to talk about, but is so important in our Christian walk. Recently, we hosted a women's mini retreat with the theme "Taming the Tongue." Close to 30 women attended this special event and were immensely blessed and challenged. I want to thank Ronda Kline for all the work she did to prepare for this wonderful retreat!

During the retreat, we discussed many verses in Proverbs and James about controlling our tongues. One of the most thought-provoking questions we discussed was, "How frightened would you be if God could play a tape that would publicly reveal everything you ever said...even things you've said in private moments?" During the small group sessions, the women were able to discuss questions such as these to help learn how to use our words to edify and lift up rather than tear down and destroy. We covet your prayers as we continue to develop and grow our ministries for women, men, children, and teenagers.

~Heather Williams Katz



Each of the ladies who attended the retreat were blessed and challenged by the topics discussed throughout the day.



The ladies really enjoyed playing this game where they had to put the books of the Bible in order.



Nerldard Vil, third from right, is leading worship with other girls from Neply. She loves God and her church family.



The Neply church recognizes and honors local students and challenges them to love Jesus most.

REVIVAL SERVICES

One special event we had this summer was hosting three evenings of revival services for children, organized by the Bord-Mer church. Two of our graduates and one other member took the lead. Pastor Yaguel and his assistant pastors were the speakers, but the services were led by the children and youth from the Bord-Mer, LaSalle, and Bire churches. In order to have a nice meal together on Sunday, each child took home a slip of paper with a food item listed on it for the family to contribute to the event. So together, they were able to enjoy rice and beans with fried chicken and Coke.

The theme for the meetings was, "You are not too young to serve God." Pastor Yaguel says he sees future leaders when he looks at the kids. One rising seventh grader, Nerldard Vil, helped to lead worship. As a young girl, she was sent to Neply because her parents didn't have the means to care for or educate her. Pray for the seed planted in these young hearts, and that each student who attended would choose to serve God.

~Rachel DeTellis



CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS

Surrounded in prayer, Pastor Richard Gay from Masson, and Pastor Panel from Bire, traveled with missionary teams of Haitians to serve across their country this summer. Our New Missions church in Bire sent a record 98 missionaries over the mountains and onto the Caribbean Sea side of Haiti to the town of Port-Salut. They were ready to go preach the Gospel in buses packed with musical instruments, a sound system, and supplies for their one-week journey.

To appreciate this today, you have to understand the history of the church in Bire. We began this church by hosting outdoor evangelism services, without walls, in the middle of the carrefour (intersection) of three dirt roads. One of the dirt roads led to our mission on the ocean in Nepty, Bord-Mer where we planted our first church. Another road led to LaSalle where we planted our second church. The final dirt road led to the third church we planted in Concrab. Then, in the year 1985, Bire would become the fourth church we planted—where only Voodoo was prominent and there was no school or well.

Today, the New Missions Bire church campus is home to our medical clinic, an elementary school with 234 students, and a church without walls—sending missionaries all across Haiti. The local church is unstoppable because it is without walls.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Traveling across Haiti is challenging and both teams had their vehicles break down.

Bottom left: Pastor Richard Gay from our Masson church led a team of missionaries to Petit-Goâve.

Bottom middle: The Bire church, established in 1985, sent 98 missionaries to Port-Salut for one week.

Bottom right: Pastor Panel and his family went on the mission trip with our Bire church. His wife, Venia Axi, helped lead worship.

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LOVE YOUR CITY

I was born in Boston, Massachusetts. Located in the north end of Boston, is my favorite pizza at Regina Pizzeria...plus Mike's Pastry for dessert, of course. We lived on Campground Road in West Boylston, Massachusetts, and I never remember locking the front door of the house. The phone never rang before people came over—they just knocked on the door. Mom always seemed to have something baked and ready to give away. September 28 is National Good Neighbor Day, and my mom should surely receive the award for good neighbor.

However, times have changed. Harvard University did a study on what it means to be a good neighbor. Fifty years ago, it was having a pie ready to share. Welcoming neighbors unannounced to enter your home was the norm. Today, being a good neighbor is defined by Harvard research as “leave me alone and be a quiet neighbor.” We are more distant and removed from the people and cities around us.

I was scheduled to speak at First Baptist Church Bentonville, Arkansas, where Chris Dixon is the senior pastor. Chris and his wife Amy are close friends with me and my wife, Sheryl. Prior to traveling to visit them, they sent me a t-shirt from their church. On the front of it were the words: “LOVE YOUR CITY” in all caps. It was a very catchy statement and it made me pause because I read it as: love your city as “God’s city” and not “our city.”

I arrived in Bentonville on Friday because we were hosting the Laugh All Night comedy concert at the church, as part of the Bentonville’s First Friday event. The next morning, I was picked up at the hotel

by Pastor Chris. During breakfast I asked him, “What else is your church doing to reach the community?” I was curious because the night before, I witnessed how their church set up tents and gave out bottles of water during the First Friday festival. Plus, they had a play area set up outdoors for kids. Chris began to share with me story after story about how their church family spreads love and generosity into the community. They serve the local high school football team, bring lunch to teachers, and pack school supplies for back to school, to name a few ways they give to their community. Then Chris said something I will never forget. “We will serve those who serve.” From teachers to first responders and community leaders, this church wanted to encourage those who make their city better.

The idea to to love your city is Biblical and powerful. In Jeremiah 29:7 we read, “*Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.*” Personally, I love the part of the definition of “prosper” where it says: flourish physically; grow strong and healthy. As Christians, we are to help others flourish...spiritually, physically, and emotionally. Together, we trust God to meet all of our needs. “*And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of His glory in Christ Jesus.*” *Philippians 4:19*

What would we do if we woke up each day and saw the place we live...the city...as God’s—and we were truly His stewards of what’s been entrusted to us? May where you live be better because of the God who lives inside of you. ~Tim DeTellis

**WE WILL SERVE,
LOVE, AND PRAY
FOR OUR CITIES.**

We all have a God-given purpose. If you’re breathing, someone needs your encouragement and prayers. And you and I need their encouragement and prayers, too! Our mutual purpose is service and love towards one another. “*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.*” *1 Peter 4:10*

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P.S. Since God's love has been poured into our hearts, may we love others.





SHOEBOX GIFTS

In October, our children begin to giggle, sing, and wildly imagine about Christmas gifts. Fantasizing can be a joyful substitute for reality. We thank you for your love to make their dreams come true.

Their parents struggle to survive due to no fault of their own, but due to the political and economic instability and corruption in Haiti. Also, natural disasters add to their daily struggle to survive. This month, my son Charlie (in Haiti) reported rampant inflation, with the cost of some basic food items doubling in price.

How about we give the joy of Christmas this year that will bless the entire family? When you shop and pack a box for our students, consider including items such as: flashlights (with batteries), ponchos, small umbrellas, pens, pencils (and pencil sharpeners), water bottles, spiral notebooks, socks, underwear, sunglasses and flip flops. They are also in need of hygiene items: toothbrush and toothpaste, bars of soap, washcloth, hand towel, feminine products, hair brush and comb, and deodorant. And last but not least...the children love toys and games. Here are a few suggestions: playing cards, jacks, stuffed animals, balls, dolls, stickers, and lip balm. For a complete list, visit shoeboxdrive.com. Your gift will have even greater value this year. Jingle as you shop and pack! ~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon



Top: Ruth Crichlow and her friends pack shoeboxes each year from Beyond the Walls Ministries in Port St. Lucie, Florida.

Middle: As you pack shoeboxes, remember you are sending your love and prayers to a child and their entire family.

Bottom left: Thank you Jacob Knost, Ted Loudon, and Rob Arms for your extra help in loading our cargo containers.

Bottom right: Our warehouses in Haiti welcome the shoebox gifts for distribution to each of our schools led by our pastors.

NEVER STOP LEARNING

Our teachers and staff are constantly giving of themselves to teach and minister to children, parents, patients, and people in need. As you can imagine, this can be physically and mentally draining at times. We are always looking for ways to refresh, encourage, and build up our staff so they may better serve others. We plan several fun and renewing activities for our entire staff during the year to recognize and thank them for their hard work. Additionally, because continuing education is not readily available in the DR, we are always looking for ways we can help our staff better themselves academically and professionally.

In the past few months, in addition to normal back to school training, we have had two special seminars for our staff. The first one for our teachers was about classroom management and was taught by an experienced teacher from Venezuela. The second seminar was about conflict management—how to correctly handle conflict with students, parents, and coworkers. These seminars addressed two very important issues, and we hope to be able to offer more during the school year in order to edify our staff who work so hard serving others. ~Heather Williams Katz



Dr. Arismendy Katz organized a special seminar to teach employees about conflict and the best ways to manage certain situations.



Employees participated in a small group activity to help them learn more skills to work together as a team.



Many items were loaded for the mission trips: food, bedding, and musical instruments. We're so thankful for the safety of our teams.



The Bire church prepared for their mission trip with prayer and planning. Glory be to God! Souls were saved!

MISSION TRIPS

Despite the ongoing danger in Haiti, several of our churches sent out a total of 186 individuals on local mission trips this summer. These trips were totally Haitian led. Our Bire church had contributions from former members who now live abroad—enabling some to participate in these trips who never would have been able to afford to take part. We are thankful for the health and maturity in our churches that propel them to fulfill the Great Commission; to go and preach the Gospel of Christ.

The Mathieu church ministered in an area without a church and helped construct a shelter as a meeting place. Along with preaching and VBS, the Bire church provided some clothing and footwear for those in need. The church from Masson placed their emphasis on teaching about prayer. They provided instruction on first aid, and also a small business idea accessible to many. Through these efforts, God worked and 84 people accepted Jesus as Savior! The theme verse of several churches was from Revelation—challenging and reminding them that Christ will return and each one needs to have their name written in the Lamb's book of life. ~Rachel DeTellis



SERVE DAYS

October 1, 2022 officially launched our Shoebox Drive. However, the preparation to host this annual campaign takes an army of volunteers who come and participate in “serve days” at our home office in Orlando. Our campaign Scripture is: *“We love because He first loved us.” (1 John 4:19)* Together, these teams of volunteers truly show their love and generosity of time.

A big thanks to the administration staff of Foundation Academy in Winter Garden, Florida. During the summer, they helped kickoff our shoebox drive packing. The strength of a team serving strong takes our shoebox drive to a higher level of accomplishment. Our vision is too great to accomplish alone.

Journey Christian Fellowship from Quinton, Virginia, has traveled and volunteered 13 times to help pack and process shoebox gifts with New Missions. Sarah Pulling leads this team of women and children traveling to Orlando several times each year. They are not just hard working, but are praying strong and having a blast making memories while they serve.

During the summer, our serve days volunteers helped pack 3,750 shoebox gifts. These are available for sponsors to order on behalf of their students in our schools. You can order a shoebox gift at newmissions.org/gift and bless the life of a child and their entire family. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: Thank you to Sarah Pulling, the ladies, and the kids who help the students of New Missions by packing shoebox gifts.

Bottom left: Journey Christian Fellowship from Quinton, Virginia, led their thirteenth team to serve at New Missions.

Bottom middle: Dave Buckles, president of Foundation Academy, has role modeled serving others as a value for their staff and students.

Bottom right: Foundation Academy in Winter Garden, Florida, sent members of their team to serve a day at New Missions.

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DON'T SIN AND DON'T WORRY

Forty years ago, we were negotiating with the Haitian government to send an old 1970 Dodge pickup truck to our mission. The government had a ban on any vehicles more than 10 years old being imported. I was at a family wedding, and shared our challenge with a relative. He eyeballed me with these words, “Be right with God, and He’ll give you everything you need for the mission.” I took these words as a holy command, and prayed on a daily basis—trusting God to provide. Don’t sin; don’t worry.

I remember memorizing this Scripture at age 11, *“I have hidden Your word in my heart that I might not sin against You.”* (Psalm 119:11) I came to Jesus and He took my sins away. I was a sinner, but I am still prone to sin.

Both my mother and my grandmother had strokes. Living with long Covid heart symptoms for six months, and elevated cholesterol, my doctor recommended an exam of the carotid arteries. I prayed while the exam was in process. When the exam was over, young Dr. Alicia said to me, “I wish my arteries were as good as yours.” Don’t sin; don’t worry.

Ted and I were invited to a church retreat in Paradise, Pennsylvania. I went in faith with happy anticipation, but also with persistent long Covid symptoms. I spent all day Saturday in bed while Ted graciously spoke at two sessions. At the third and fourth sessions, I spoke for five minutes and Ted finished the session.

At the retreat, I heard a South Korean pastor humbly confess his sinful life. He told us how he would be a follower of Jesus on Sunday, but the rest of the

week he’d fall into sin and repeat his behavior week after week. He was at war within and finally sought counsel. The counsel he received was two words, “Don’t sin!” We have the free will and power to choose. The God who lives in us is perfect and holy. *“You shall be holy, for I am holy.” 1 Peter 1:16*

I looked around the room; what were they wondering? Certainly, an 80-year-old woman is done sinning. Wrong! I confess I am guilty of insulting my Savior, Father, and Creator when I do not trust Him with everything. This results in needless worry that leads to distress and destruction of spiritual and physical health. “Don’t sin, Jeanne!” The arrows of truth hit the bull’s-eye! Or, “Go and sin no more.” Charles Spurgeon said, “God will not allow His children to sin successfully.”

I love the song lyrics to, Oh happy day...when Jesus washed my sins away, and these Bible verses: *“Create in me a clean heart, O God.”* (Psalm 51:10) *“Search me, O God, and know my heart.”* (Psalm 139:23)

A billboard advertisement for the Marines on the Pennsylvania highway reads, “Battles are won within.” 1 Corinthians 15:57 says, *“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

Don’t sin! I remember in Haiti during days of anarchy, no flights or stable government...I would go to bed praying, and then clench my teeth against my lower lip. The consequences were broken blood vessels in my bottom lip. Don’t sin and don’t worry! Lord, help me to be holy. Keep me from being prone to sin. Your power can make me what I want to be.

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon

**"GO AND SIN
NO MORE."**

When we fail in following Jesus, we need to *“...confess our sins, as He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”* (1 John 1:9) We are human, but we also have a perfect God living in us to give us the strength to see Him, love Him, and follow Him.

Sincerely,

Jeanne DeTellis Loudon

P.S. Ted and I are anticipating being at three mission conferences this fall.





SPECIAL PROJECTS

I want to give God thanks because I remember so many times when He has provided for our mission. *“I will give thanks to you, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonderful deeds.” Psalm 9:1*

In January 2023, New Missions will celebrate our 40th anniversary! When the mission began, we did not own a generator or a truck. We started with five tents and camped out on five acres of land on the ocean in Neply, Bordmer, Haiti. Piece by piece we began to build one block at a time. I remember just the idea of a new wheelbarrow was a big deal. Today, I don't take for granted running water or even electricity because I remember not having either.

Fast forward 39 years, and here we are spread out across the island of Hispaniola where our churches and schools with 110 buildings now serve families representing 607 villages. Would you like to give a gift toward one of our *12 Days of Christmas* projects? We have identified some special projects available for funding. From maternity and prenatal programs to chalkboards, solar power systems, and funding our Leaders in Christ mentoring program in the Dominican Republic, there's something at various levels of need for your prayerful consideration. Learn more at newmissions.org/projects and together we will continue to give thanks for God's provision as we serve others.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Our Leaders in Christ mentoring program in the Dominican Republic is developing strong leaders.

Middle: Join us in building a cafeteria for our Bombita, Dominican Republic, church and school campus.

Bottom left: Solar electricity runs our Haiti office, and now we want to set up a similar system at our medical clinic in Bire, Haiti.

Bottom right: Moms matter and providing prenatal and postnatal care is vital for healthy and safe pregnancies.

READ YOUR BIBLE

At each of our schools, the Gospel is shared daily with our students. One of the ways we do that is by celebrating Bible Day every year. Normally, the students have special presentations prepared to share during the morning assembly. However, this year, our school director of Colegio Nueva Vida, Keyla Mercado, wanted to do something more special. As she so poignantly states, “We celebrate dates less important than God’s Word. Why not praise Him with a big activity?”

For this special day, each class prepared different Bible stories and dramas to share with their fellow students and parents. In the weeks leading up to this school program, the students were reminded daily of how important the Bible is to us and why we should always be reading it. Our continued mission is to help our students and their parents know God better through His Word. We ask for your prayers for our teachers and school staff as they continue to share God’s love with our students and teach them about God through His precious Word to us, the Bible.

~Heather Williams Katz



Kindergarten students sharing a part during the program about the power of God's Word in our lives.



Our fourth grade students enjoyed dressing up to present the story of Jesus' birth during this special event.



Edeline at her graduation. Because of high gas prices, she is thankful her nursing program was close by in Leogane.



Wideline's graduation. She'd like to work with patients who have various diseases and serve the most needy in her community.

NURSING GRADUATES

In September, two of our graduates finished four years of nursing school, thanks to their hard work and their sponsors' generosity. It was a dream come true for Edeline Jean Baptiste and Wideline Andre to be afforded the opportunity to have full scholarships to their nursing programs. They are so grateful to the Lord and to their sponsors. New Missions also thanks their sponsors and each of you who participate in God's work through sponsorship!

Francine Myre (a nurse herself) from Quebec, Canada, chose to sponsor Edeline in 2000. Edeline was a tiny four-year-old in our Leogane school. She is still small but has a big heart. She states, “I want to serve using my profession with all my heart.” Diane Zizelman and her daughter Stephanie, from Stephenson, Michigan, visited Haiti on mission trips multiple times and felt especially connected to Wideline. They sponsored her in 2001 and have grown to love her and her family. Wideline knew Stephanie completed a nursing program and that became her passion, too. They feel privileged to have had this opportunity to be a part of Wideline's life and education. ~Rachel DeTellis



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SHIPPING CARGO CONTAINERS

In Orlando, we call it "Container Day" when we load a tractor trailer with supplies for shipment to Haiti. We always begin the day in prayer as a team asking God for protection and provision for the delivery to arrive safely at our warehouse in Haiti. My brother, George, pointed out that the blue cargo container was longer and taller than normal as it was being loaded. Thank you, Jesus, because the boxes fit snug and tight right to the ceiling which meant more supplies were on their way to our mission.

Logistics keep the mission running. Typically, I say it simply: "It's a miracle!" A forklift was donated to our Orlando office years ago and it continues to run smoothly. The pallets are placed inside the cargo container and then several men repack the boxes one at a time to fill every space inside.

Recently, due to gang-controlled areas in Port-au-Prince, the tractor trailer was unable to drive through and pass safely. My brother, Charlie, organized for the cargo container to be delivered by boat further south of our mission and then drive the shipment to our mission safely. Prayerfully consider being part of our Shoebox Drive happening now through December 31. Learn more about collecting gifts for our students and their families at ShooboxDrive.com.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Our team in Orlando enjoys container loading days as we see the blessings of so many shoebox gifts.

Bottom left: In Haiti, we have two warehouses for receiving deliveries of shoebox gifts, food, and construction supplies.

Bottom middle: Unloading a cargo container is a joy because our workers know these gifts will bless thousands of children.

Bottom right: We look forward to receiving your shoebox gifts before December 31, 2022. For packing ideas visit ShooboxDrive.com.

"We love because He first loved us."

1 John 4:19



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SEEKING AFTER A GREAT PEARL

I recently became familiar with conch pearls in Haiti. Conch pearls are extremely rare and valuable. Very few conchs produce a pearl and very few pearls are gem quality. The pearls come in various shapes, sizes, and colors. The colors can be white, brown, pink, orange, and red for example. I have purchased some pearls from the fishermen, but I am realizing many of the pearls do not have much value. I have learned to look for blemishes. However, I do know I may find an exceptional pearl of great value. *“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls, When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.” (Matthew 13:45-46)*

One Biblical commentary suggests the merchant not only sold all that he had, but also became a bond servant in order to purchase the pearl. It is also suggested that the merchant did not sell the pearl but wanted to keep it for himself.

Our salvation in Jesus Christ can be compared to a treasure. *“...if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.” (Proverbs 2:4-5)* I had great joy when I came to know the Lord. We must continue seeking after God with all of our heart, mind, and strength. *“And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.” (Hebrews 11:6)* Give God first priority in your life.

We cannot purchase or earn our salvation. However, just as the merchant gave all to acquire the treasure he recognized as invaluable, Jesus teaches us to give ourselves totally to Him. The merchant who found the great pearl did not earn his income by physical labor. He earned his income by buying and selling pearls. He must have a knowledge of pearls. We also cannot labor to obtain our salvation. We put our faith in God by having knowledge of God. I’m certain the merchant believed he was getting a good deal. But we are getting the best deal by putting our faith in Christ. We will be spending eternity with God, friends, and family in a city which has twelve gates carved out of pearls.

A pearl reflects the light. We also need to reflect the light of Christ in our lives. We are to be a light in the world which points men to Christ. When Jesus spoke again to the people, He said, *“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” (John 8:12)* The disciples left everything behind in order to follow Christ. Paul declares, *“But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ.” (Philippians 3:7-8)* Paul knew who he believed in. We need to keep our eyes upon our greatest treasure.

~Charlie DeTellis

**HAVE YOU
FOUND THE
GREATEST PEARL?**

We need to keep our eyes, devotion, and love upon the treasure we have in Christ Jesus. Our ultimate reward will take place in heaven. *“But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Matthew 6:20-21*

Sincerely,

Charlie DeTellis

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PS. Allow the treasure of Christ to fill your life with all joy, peace and love. Soon and very soon we will be with Him.



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YEAR IN REVIEW

If someone asked you what you remember most about this year, what would you say? Personally, reflecting on our mission this year leads me to believe God’s hand of protection and provision was upon us. In the midst of economic uncertainty, and Haiti still facing unrest halting our visiting teams, we are still moving forward.

We rejoiced this year in seeing wells drilled at our Bombita, Playa Laguna, and Playa Chiquita locations in the Dominican Republic. God’s provision of water is a tremendous blessing to the families and communities we serve. Our churches in Haiti sent a record number of 186 Haitian missionaries on mission trips in their country.

When the unrest increased in Haiti, we did not stop functioning—as our churches and local leaders were already in place to serve. Charlie DeTellis found ways to return to the mission even if it meant taking mountain roads to avoid gang-controlled areas. We shipped cargo containers filled with shoebox gifts further south than the capital city of Port-au-Prince, then drove them to our mission to protect the cargo from thieves.

Because of God’s provision and protection, our mission continues on. Join me in praying Psalm 90:17, *“May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us — yes, establish the work of our hands.”* This is God’s mission; we are surrendered to His calling upon us and I thank you for your faithfulness of love and prayers. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: The local church is the greatest force for good, as our churches are sending their missionaries across Haiti.

Middle: Three wells were drilled this year on our Playa Chiquita, Playa Laguna, and Bombita campuses.

Bottom left: Our Leaders for Christ mentoring program in the DR is fulfilling our vision of developing Christian leaders.

Bottom right: Because of your love and generosity we will provide all of our students in Haiti a Christmas shoebox gift.

SAFE AND LOVED

If you have never had the opportunity to visit our schools here in the Dominican Republic, I wish you could come and see the happy smiles on children's faces and hear sounds of laughter throughout our campuses. The students love our schools because of the love and security they feel when they are here. Sixth grader Jeremy Yonael Jaquez loves everything about his school in Los Castillos: the big classrooms, the outdoor play area where he gets to socialize with his friends, and how his teachers lovingly teach and guide him.

The love and protection that is felt on all of our school campuses comes from God, and it is our mission to love Him and love others. I am touched every time I see a teacher or staff member comforting a child who is hurt or upset for some reason. Sadly, many of our students come from unstable homes or places where they do not feel secure and loved. I praise the Lord for our Christian teachers and staff who love God and the children they are teaching.

~Heather Williams Katz



Sixth grader Jeremy Yonael Jaquez is one of the many students who looks forward to coming to school every day.



Students cheering on their teammates as they play outside during a recent school day at Colegio Nueva Vida.



Pastor Michel is blessed with a godly wife and daughter. His wife helps with worship and their daughter in children's ministry.



The truth of God's Word being proclaimed every week is changing lives in Vieux Court, Haiti!

GOD'S WORKING

The churches in Haiti are the backbone of the mission. We are always thankful for the faithful service and leadership of our pastors, but especially during these perilous times in Haiti. The Vieux Court church and school are led by Pastor Michel Souverain. He pastors about 500 people and has 450 students in the school. Through generous gifts, the mission was able to purchase land, and a church was constructed in 2013. More recently, a donor helped with other projects needed to complete and enhance the campus.

The church has special ministry times for children, youth, men, and women. In late October, they had a conference with spiritual warfare as the theme. Faith is alive! One testimony from the church comes from a deacon, Pierre Antoine. He was unable to walk without crutches. He was scheduled for surgery but was never able to get to the hospital because of ongoing unrest. The church began praying for his healing and God blessed him with a healing without surgery! Please continue praying for our churches, schools, and for change in the country of Haiti.

~Rachel DeTellis



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PLEASE PRAY WITH ME

Will you pray with me? Prayer is not the only action but the first and best action to any need or desire. In one of Plato's writings Timaeus said, "...all men who possess even a small share of good sense call upon God always at the outset of every undertaking, be it small or great;" Is there a need to pray? Yes! There is an urgent need for a bold prayer with groaning and consistent, continual petitions. People everywhere need the Lord, and people everywhere on earth have needs for health and provision.

Jesus asked His friends to pray with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane, but they could not stay awake. When I pray in bed, I usually fall asleep. And then when I cannot sleep, I usually pray. Praying is to be like Jesus, and He often passed the whole night in prayer. Be encouraged and stubborn when you pray.

New Missions is hosting 21 Days of Prayer and you can read our prayer requests at newmissions.org/prayer. Praying is effective and essential to our spiritual lives. Can you be like Jesus and follow His example to pray? Thank you for praying with us for spiritual penetration into the hearts of our people for salvation and maturity, and for supernatural gifts and provision to bring the Kingdom of God to earth.

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon



Top: A mother was calling out to God during the prayer and fasting service at our Signeau church in Haiti.

Bottom left: Children at New Missions in the Dominican Republic are learning the value of prayer and Bible reading.

Bottom middle: Our 21 Days of Prayer includes praying for our events. Pastor Jonathan Pearson serving with his family.

Bottom right: Thank you for praying for the churches of New Missions. The downtown Leogane church in Haiti is full of families.



YOUR IMAGINATION IS YOUR FAITH

She heard the story of faith and believed it. She heard that there was a prophet from Galilee; a man named Jesus of Nazareth. He was traveling throughout Judea healing the sick and preaching a new gospel. She had an issue. She had a problem she didn't want anybody to know about. She had to hide the fact that she was ceremonially unclean and not allowed into the synagogue for worship. She needed a miracle but was afraid to ask. Nobody could ever know about her health problems. So, she devised a scheme in her imagination. In her mind she imagined a plan to get a healing from Jesus without him ever knowing about it. She imagined that if she could just touch him that miracle power would come out of him and heal her of this terrible bleeding. She made plans to attend his next public meeting where he would be preaching. She slowly worked her way to the center of the crowd. She saw him for the first time—Jesus the healer standing with his disciples. Then at the right moment she pretended to fall and touched the hem of his garment. In that moment she was healed. She felt it; she knew it. And Jesus knew it too. He felt the power go out of him. "Who touched me?" he asked.

There was a huge crowd surrounding him. But something spiritual had just taken place. She was healed! Healing power went from Jesus to this woman. Her imagination that if she could just touch him, her act of faith to reach out and touch him, created a miracle. She believed that Jesus had the

power to heal her and she imagined that if she could just touch him she would be healed. Whose idea was it to touch Jesus? Who told her to touch Jesus? Her imagination was her faith. Desperate people do desperate things. She was a desperate woman. Do you have an issue today? Do you need a miracle? Press into the crowd and reach out and touch the hem of Jesus' garment in faith. What was she thinking? What was she imagining? I want you to think

**DAUGHTER,
YOUR FAITH HAS
HEALED YOU.
GO IN PEACE.**

about this story in the Bible from the imagination of a woman who received a healing from Jesus. The healing was an act of a woman's faith—created first in her imagination before she acted it out. Her imagination was her faith!

"As Jesus was on his way, the crowds almost crushed him. And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her. She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped. "Who touched me?" Jesus asked. When they all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the people are crowding and pressing against you." But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out of me." Then the woman, seeing that she could not go unnoticed, came trembling and fell at his feet. In the presence of all the people, she told why she had touched him and how she had been instantly healed. Then he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace." Luke 8:42-48 ~George DeTellis, Jr.

We need to imagine ourselves fulfilling God's vision for our lives. We need to act out on what the Bible says about us. We need to imagine a great God: a powerful God. A God who is able to do more than we can imagine or believe. Imagination is at the heart of faith. It is a faith fueled imagination that calls us to believe.



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*P.S. "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."
Ephesians 3:20*



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