



JANUARY 1, 2015 NEWSLETTER



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LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

The 7.0 earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010 shook the country and hearts of its people. The earthquake was alarming with a loud bang, and the land rolling beneath us. If the earthquake happened just 15 minutes prior, the deaths at our schools would have been in the thousands. We had no knowledge of the extent of damage and loss of life in Haiti. Quickly, we decided to evacuate our ocean campus and moved to higher ground at our high school site—just five miles away. While driving to the high school we were amazed to see Christian Haitians gathered—singing and praying in many locations. This is evidence of their faith in God.

The majority of all of our buildings were destroyed or severely damaged. Since then we've established six schools and churches in Haiti, and built 12 new church buildings. However, our work is a spiritual work. We need to keep our minds fixed upon what is positive and what is possible. All things are possible with God. Our mission is a Christian mission preaching the Gospel. We continue to build more schools and churches in Haiti, as God expands our vision. Thank you for your steadfast support. ~Charlie DeTellis



The church in Ti-Boucan was destroyed by the historic earthquake on January 12, 2010.



Middle: New church construction in Ti-Boucan is an open facility to promote safety and easy access while maximizing the views and fresh air. **Bottom:** New classrooms built since the earthquake welcome our students to make Haiti stronger together.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Teacher Training: This school year, 374 teachers are employed at New Missions. We are thrilled to see Haitians serving Haitians and Dominicans serving Dominicans. Our high school campus is located on the main highway in Haiti, near the town of Leogane. Recently, teachers from across the Leogane Plain came together for training. We are thankful for the continuing education of our teachers—for the purpose of serving our school children. Together, we are changing lives, because each child matters to God.

Local Employment: When a child attends school, local seamstresses are employed to make school uniforms. At all of our New Missions schools, a uniform is required. This promotes unity and prevents students from not having proper clothing for school. The elementary students wear a yellow checked top and khaki bottoms. The sixth grade students wear a white shirt or blouse to signify they are in their last year of elementary school. In high school, the students wear a pink top and grey bottoms, while seniors wear a white top to signify they are last year students.

Shoebox Delivery: Logistics help make the mission run. Our first cargo container arrived in Haiti filled with shoebox gifts the first week of December—in plenty of time for Christmas. We will continue to ship cargo containers to Haiti through March, due to our shoebox drive ending December 31. We are thankful for each child sponsor who sent a shoebox for their child, as well as each of you who sent a shoebox to an unsponsored child. We are also grateful for the countless volunteers who served. In addition, to each school, church, and office who hosted shoebox drives, thank you!

Student Scholarships: Join us in changing lives. Together, we can invest in these future leaders with the gift of a Christian based education. Let's not have a single child miss out on developing their God-given potential. We want to reach out and help more children in 2015. You can help by making a one-time gift to our *Student Scholarship Fund*—providing elementary and high school education to more students. Thank you for giving the gift of education, which leads to empowerment through employment. Together, we are making disciples because discipleship is the true measurement of success.



SHE DIED I LIVED

The day after the historic earthquake in Haiti, I stood at the mission and was greeted by one of our security guards. He told me Nadage Bertrand had died. I began to weep. She was the kindergarten teacher at our Bord-Mer school, and was attending nursing school in the town of Leogane that afternoon. She was only one year away from graduating to be a nurse.

Nadage's best friend, Erlande Charles, decided to skip nursing school classes on the day of the earthquake. Erlande survived the earthquake and Nadage died when the nursing school in Leogane collapsed.

Today, Erlande is the nurse at the very school where Nadage was the kindergarten teacher. Recently, I sat down with Erlande and asked her how she remembers Nadage. "She was my best friend and we loved going to church together. Nadage inspired me to become a nurse."

Both Nadage and Erlande graduated from New Missions. Their lives were impacted by the love of Jesus. Only God can change a life forever.

~Tim DeTellis



Nadage Bertrand died during the Haiti earthquake while attending nursing school in Leogane.



Erlande Charles, a graduate of New Missions, is now the nurse at the school she attended as a child.

EACH CHILD MATTERS

New Missions has thousands of children enrolled in our schools in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. But, each child is a unique gift from God who comes with their own life story. The story of their family, their survival, their pain and sorrow, their joy of coming to Christ, having love, and an opportunity for a future.

In Bombita, in the Dominican Republic, I just showed up one day, unannounced, and asked the teachers and children to be with me in the corner of the land. I asked the yardman for a shovel. The children were clutching my hands, arms and body, as I prayed that God would give them a school building. Our students had school in an open tent for seven years. Until that school was built, these children prayed every day. Building the school was giving them an opportunity to talk to Jesus, trust Jesus, and to know Jesus in a personal relationship. Their teachers are Christians first, licensed and educated by the country and culture, and the teachers live their dreams through the lives of their students.

Now, coming to their Bombita school campus is exciting and inspiring. We have seen many dreams come true. And...there are still children at the Bombita school waiting for a heart like yours to love them.

~Jeanne DeTellis O'Connor



Top: Thank you to each child sponsor who loves and cares for the children of New Missions.

Bottom: Remember our teachers in your prayers as they help raise a generation of Christian leaders.



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SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2015

7:00AM CHECK-IN

8:00AM RACE BEGINS

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CELEBRATE OTHERS

Sitting outside and reading is one of my favorite things to do. There is a park near my house with two bridges that go over a small pond. The views and outdoor time is rejuvenating. I'll enjoy a walk, and at the end, simply sit down and relax by reading. Often, I'll read a chapter from Proverbs. I also enjoy reading articles from a variety of writers.

During my prayer time as I walk, I frequently ask, "Lord, how can I be more like you?" Several times, the Bible verse that has come to my mind has been a Scripture I was taught during summer camp as a child. *"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."* (Matthew 6:33) I reflected on my life and noticed that I was seeking daily what mattered to me—not what mattered to God. This was particularly true after a busy day. I'd scan over my activities from that day and pray, "Lord, forgive me for forgetting what matters most—and that's what matters to You. Give me ears to hear, eyes to see, and a heart to respond." The truth is, sometimes I can live selfishly by thinking I am more important than others, and I need to ask God to help me on this journey.

On several occasions, I remember opening my Bible to Philippians 2:3, *"Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves."* I understand this and want this, however, my heart and mind don't always obey His Word. What clarified what I should be doing was the very next verse. *"Let each of you look not only to*

his own interests, but also to the interests of others." (Philippians 2:4) That was the focus I needed!

Maybe my issue with selfishness comes as a surprise to you since I serve people in Haiti and the Dominican Republic each day. The problem is sometimes "why" I do what I do. Do I serve because it makes me feel important, or because of how much it helps others?

One day, sitting outside at the park, I came across an article on how to have endless happiness. I was fascinated. Immediately, all my selfishness came back to a higher level, and I began to think about me, me, me...until I arrived near the end of the article and it shared how greater happiness

comes from being happy for other people. I then made a commitment to celebrate others more.

Now, at 7:00 a.m. each day, a reminder goes off on my phone with the question, "Who will you celebrate today?" Typically, I would see others and what I needed. Now, I see others and how God is working through them. It inspired me to celebrate.

Who can you celebrate today? Who will you celebrate tomorrow? This daily journey becomes an endless source of happiness. 1 Peter 3:8 says, *"Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind."* Let's go celebrate! God is at work through us as we surrender to Him.

~Tim DeTellis

WHO WILL YOU
CELEBRATE TODAY?

My word for 2015 is celebrate. Thank you for being a part of New Missions. Together, we are listening to God because He knows what's best for us, so we humbly seek Him. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."* Proverbs 3:5-6

Serving together,



Tim DeTellis
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P. S. Will you join me in honoring the people of Haiti at the Mango Run? Visit www.Mango5k.com.



Tim and Sheryl DeTellis in Haiti visiting with their sponsored triplets, Manoucheca, Mackendy and Magdala.



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WILL IT BE YOU?

When asked what he remembered most about being a student at New Missions, Gamma Gay, the third grade teacher responded, “My sponsors, Chuck and Jeannie Bruce. I remember the letters and encouragement I received from them.”

From doctors to pastors, graduates of New Missions represent changed lives, and it has been possible because of people like you. Lately, I’ve been asking myself, “Do I have a vision greater than my lifetime?” It’s easy to say I want a legacy; it’s different to live a life that leads to a legacy. Leaving a legacy is intentional and requires investing in others.

There are three ways you can make a life changing difference. First, become a child sponsor. You can have your own personal mission to be used of God to touch and inspire a child for godly change and success, just like Chuck and Jeannie Bruce. Second, give to our scholarship fund to help students without sponsors. Third, join the *I Am Hope Club* and reach children under five with critical care for their health, education and spiritual development at an early age. Will you prayerfully consider investing in the lives of these children? Will it be you?

~Tim DeTellis



What is the potential of each child? Only God knows. Together, we are investing in their lives.



Middle: New leaders are on the rise, and we celebrate our students as they host weekly chapel services at our high school.

Bottom: Previously sponsored by Chuck and Jeannie Bruce, Gamma Gay is now teaching school in Masson, Haiti, where he once attended.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Record Shipment: During our annual Christmas Shoebox Drive, we enjoy seeing churches, schools, and families from across the country making great effort to send their love to the students of New Missions. Our collection dates are Oct. 1 through Dec. 31—so mark your calendar for 2015. To maximize space when loading the 40-foot cargo containers for shipment to Haiti, we hand-load each case of shoeboxes versus simply placing pallets in the container. This year we reached a record when 5,700 shoebox gifts were sent to Haiti in just ONE cargo container! Thank you for your love and generosity.



Lives Changed: Students from our Tom Gateau Elementary School gathered to receive their shoebox gifts. They started by singing the hymn *How Great Thou Art*—proclaiming Jesus is still the answer for the world. After singing, students were asked who already knew Jesus as their Savior. Hands across the classroom went up. When asked if other students wanted to receive Jesus as their Savior, six students raised their hands. The pastor of the New Missions church in Tom Gateau was there to join these students in prayer as they made the most important decision of their lives.



Movie Night: Thanks to a video projector donation from Cambridge Christian School in Tampa, Florida, we are equipping our churches with new tools. Video projection provides opportunities for showing movies and gives attractive reasons for the community to come together. Sunday evening came, and with the projector in place, children and families gathered at our church in Neply, Haiti. The special feature was *The Life of Paul*. As the night grew dark, the film projected a Biblical story all ages could enjoy. As truth is proclaimed, the darkness is pierced with light.



Pastor Training: Pastor Johnny Hunt traveled to Haiti from First Baptist Church of Woodstock, Georgia, to train and encourage pastors and church leaders. Thirty-four pastors gathered at the Timothy Barnabas Training Facility at New Missions. The lesson was on the life and ministry of Moses. Following the training program, questions began and wonderful discussion continued as the pastors grew evermore passionate about their calling. Leadership is learned best in community. We are thankful for the steadfast commitment our church leaders demonstrate in serving the people of Haiti.



100% HAITIAN BUILT

Down a three-mile dirt road, with the ocean to the north, the mountains to the south, and surrounded by sugar cane fields—the sounds of progress can be heard. Pressure treated lumber is being cut to make trusses for churches and schools at New Missions. Our construction is 100% Haitian led. Better infrastructure becomes the pathway to raise a generation of Christian leaders. Churches and schools are the center point for development.

Since 1983, we have been under construction—both in the physical and spiritual sense. The buildings become places where people gather for food, medical care, and both educational and spiritual development. A country is only as strong as its people. Here at New Missions, we are equipping the people of Haiti to make Haiti better.

During 2015, we have plans to build three new church buildings, and we are praying for resources to build five. Partner with us in building more churches and schools, as together, we can make disciples.

~Tim DeTellis



We source construction supplies in Haiti and then assemble roof trusses at our warehouse.



Our carpenters are literally helping build a new Haiti—even living in the villages where the construction is taking place.

COMPASSION FOR PATIENTS

Our Dominican Republic health center has a licensed doctor, Jose Rivier Cepeda. He is 28 years of age, born in Santo Domingo, and grew up in a military family in LaUnion, Sosua. He is here to take care of our school children and people in the community. Dr. Cepeda goes the extra mile to search out medicines needed in caring for our patients, and shows compassion and mercy to each patient.

The mother of Henry Veras, a student supported through our *I Am Hope Club*, came running into the clinic and was crying. Henry had fallen and had a deep cut on his head. Dr. Cepeda lovingly cared for Henry and noticed that his breathing was labored. A further check revealed he had acute bronchitis. A touch of love and medical care, and Henry is now a healthy, active four-year-old boy running around the campus at Playa Chiquita.

I thank God for Dr. Cepeda and the health center staff. Their love for God is shown through touching the lives of many. ~Jeanne DeTellis O'Connor



Above left: Dr. Jose Rivier Cepeda serves children and families at our health center in Sosua, Dominican Republic each weekday.

Above right: The health center teammates do their best with a touch from God—helping them touch the lives of others. From left to right we have our director, Angelica, assistants Veronica and Ryna, along with Dr. Cepeda.

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KING'S KID MENTALITY

We all need a “King’s kid” mentality to make the right choices in our lives. There are some who never felt love growing up with their families. Let us look at our relationship with our Heavenly Father. In the story of the prodigal son, the son leaves his father’s house to live his life in the world. The son forsakes godly living. He puts his trust in his new friends and enjoys the pleasures of this world. We all need to be reminded of whose we are; we belong to Christ, our Lord and King. How would you live your life if you were literally a “King’s kid” in this life? Well, you are literally a “King’s kid” when you decide to follow Jesus! Our Father in Heaven is looking down at us and watching what decisions and actions we make.

In life, we will reap what we sow. In Romans 6:23 the Bible tells us, *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”* We all need to come back to God’s Word and see how it tells us to live our lives. The Jewish people were instructed to read the law and keep God’s commandments. Kings were also instructed to read God’s Word every day—so they would not sin against God. Should we not also have the discipline to open the Bible every day in order to help us have a godly kingdom mindset? In the natural, I would first go my own way and live a life similar to the prodigal son. God has a higher path for us to follow. He calls us to a lifestyle of holiness, as He is holy. God’s kingdom is an eternal kingdom.

**WE BELONG TO
CHRIST, OUR
LORD AND KING!**

We always need to recognize the love of God in our lives. The prodigal son returns to the father distraught and ashamed. He is dirty, hungry, and tired. The son returned barefooted—this represents slavery. The son confesses his sins and tells the father he is no longer worthy to be his son. He wishes to live as a hired hand amongst his father’s workers. The son’s confession of sin makes the difference, and the father completely restores the son to his original position in the family.

“But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms round him and kissed him. The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.

Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.” (Luke 15:20-24)

You see, it does not matter what you have done wrong in your life. It doesn’t matter what wrong road you have traveled down. God sees and knows all. After confessions comes forgiveness and restoration. Your Father is waiting for you to return home with a “King’s kid” mentality. A blessing and feast awaits you.

~Charlie DeTellis

It is nice to be reminded of God’s love in our lives again and again. This world is an amazing place. How much more will heaven be? It is wrong to feel trapped and distraught in this world. God has made a way of escape for us. Hebrews 2:3 says, *“How shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him.”*

Sincerely,

Charlie DeTellis

Charlie DeTellis

P. S. You will be rewarded for all that you do for your God and King.





CELEBRATE MARRIAGE

Proud and tall, Pastor Jean Guillaume walked his daughter down the aisle. Not only was she a pastor's daughter, but also a graduate of New Missions. Nearly 500 people attended the wedding celebration on Saturday, January 24, 2015, at 3:30 in the afternoon. They gathered at the New Missions church in the town of Leogane, Haiti.

In the country of Haiti, where marriage is rare and polygamy is still practiced, we are thankful and celebrate the marriage of Jean Valantin Edmond and Guilene Guillaume. *"He who finds a wife finds what is good and receives favor from the Lord."*
Proverbs 18:22

The bride is a school teacher at our Leogane Elementary School, where she herself attended school as a child. Her husband is a teacher at our high school. As role models, both husband and wife are helping to grow a new generation of Christian leaders for Haiti.

Together, we are changing lives—because each child matters to God. Both Jean Valantin Edmond and Guilene Guillaume are fruit of a steadfast commitment we have to our mission. Thank you for standing with us as we continue to serve strong and raise a generation of Christian leaders. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: Guilene Guillaume, shown above as a child, grew up in our school thanks to her sponsor from 1991-2004, William Horie.

Bottom left: We rejoice with Jean Valantin Edmond and Guilene on their marriage and commitment to God.

Bottom right: Pastor Jean Guillaume walked his daughter down the aisle as a crowd of nearly 500 people celebrated with them.

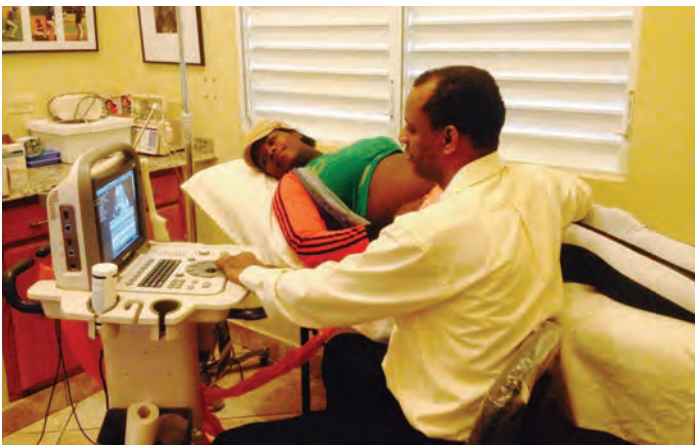
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Regional High Schools: This school year we opened four regional high schools in Haiti located in Mare-Chal, Masson, Leogane, and Tom Gateau. These locations help serve students in their local communities by preventing them from having a long commute to our main high school campus in Signeau. Currently in Haiti, only 15% of students ever attend high school. The challenge is a daunting one: Haiti has one of the lowest enrollment rates in the world—only 22% attending at the secondary level—according to the World Bank. Together, we are empowering this next generation.

Well Water: Polluted water is linked to more deaths for children around the world than any other reason. Part of our model at New Missions is to provide safe drinking water to the children and families we serve. We accomplish this by providing wells, cisterns, and solar water pumps (when necessary) to ensure water is available to even our most remote areas. Recently, our Signeau Elementary School benefited from a new well water distribution station and solar powered water pump. This well also serves the entire community.

Ultrasounds: Prenatal care is a priority at our health center in Sosua, Dominican Republic. Ultrasounds are provided each Thursday. Women come from the surrounding towns to benefit from this service provided under the care of our Dominican doctor Francisco Marte, M.D. During these exams, each mom is loved in Jesus' name and the Gospel message is shared. We know medical care is just an open door to present the true hope we each have in a personal relationship with Jesus. Please remember our medical staff in your prayers as they serve the children and their families.

Mango Run: We continue to show our steadfast support for the island of Hispaniola and the people we serve in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Congratulations to Drew de Armas, the first runner to cross the finish line at our Mango Run! A special thanks to each runner and walker who came to Lake Baldwin Park in Orlando, Florida, for our first annual Mango Run. Across the country, friends of New Missions joined as “sleep-in supporters.” Are you a runner? Join us next year. Save the date: 01/16/16 for our 2nd Annual Mango Run.





PLAYA LAGUNA CHURCH AND SCHOOL DEDICATION

New Missions began visiting the village of Playa Laguna with mission teams 10 years ago. We found the people open to hear the Gospel. After ministry with mission teams for two years, a home church began. The church met in homes for eight years, until we were able to purchase land. It was difficult to find land that had a legal deed. With the help of a Christian realtor, Jose Loinaz, and a Christian contractor, Francisco Martin, the land was purchased and the church was built. Once construction started on March 17, 2014, the project was completed quickly—much to the joy of the community. What helps us build a church is when we have a pastor such as John Pfeffer, from Seekonk, Massachusetts, who has a heart for missions, sees the need, and commits his support. Pastor John's church paid for the foundation along with furniture for the pastor's office.

My most inspiring moment was during the prayer dedication for the church, as Pastor Felix and his wife, Lisselot, called each person by name to come forward and stand with them. There is a loving church family in the Playa Laguna community, and we expect to see many lives changed and touched for eternity. ~Jeanne DeTellis O'Connor

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CHURCH AND SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION
Your gift helps us build new churches and schools. Together, we can spread the Gospel further and be a blessing to many communities.



GOT VBS?
Does your church host VBS during the summer? Plan now to partner with us and collect a special offering for our Student Scholarship Fund and together, we can change more lives.



Top: Jeanne DeTellis encouraged those attending the dedication service for our New Missions church in Playa Laguna on January 25, 2015.

Above left: Pastor John Pfeffer and his wife Anita presented Pastor Felix and his wife Lisselot with a commemorative church dedication plaque.

Above middle: Youth from the Playa Laguna church led worship during the dedication service.

Above right: Thank you for your generosity and giving toward the Playa Laguna church construction.

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WILL YOU CLAIM YOUR INHERITANCE?

One day I received a message and friend request on Facebook from Floriana DeTellis, a cousin living in Milan, Italy. DeTellis is an uncommon family name. There are fewer than 100 people with the last name DeTellis. All of the DeTellis people originate from the village of Terlizzi, Italy. A few generations ago, there was a father Gaetano DeTellis, and he had two sons. One son, Michele DeTellis, was my grandfather—who left Italy to move to Boston. Michele DeTellis was a peddler in Haymarket Square in Boston—selling fruits and vegetables at the market. When Michele was 54-years-old, a car crashed into his horse and buggy and he was killed there in Haymarket Square in Boston. His father, Gaetano DeTellis, lived to be 78-years-old back in Italy.

In December 2014, I had a trip planned to Milan, Italy, to preach in some local churches. I messaged my cousin Floriana and we made plans for a family reunion. Floriana and I were both born in 1961, and her father and my father were both born in 1935. Her father, Ferdinando DeTellis, began to tell me stories of my great-grandfather Gaetano DeTellis. He asked me why Michele DeTellis never came to Italy to claim his inheritance of Gaetano's house? I told him the family story of how my grandfather was killed in an accident. He told me that the house sat empty for years, and no one from the family would touch the house because the inheritance belonged to Michele DeTellis. After many years, squatters moved into the house. Under Italian law, if a house is left abandoned, a person can move

in and after 20 years they can claim legal title to the property. They showed me on Google maps a picture of the house in the town of Terlizzi, Italy. The thought of it...my family owned a house in Italy! But, we lost our inheritance because we did not claim it!

I know of another story of a woman who refused her inheritance. When she was a young child, her father abandoned her and her mother. She never saw the man again. But, one day she received a telephone call and a letter from an attorney telling her that her father had left her a house as an inheritance in his will. The woman was bitter and outraged at the father she never knew. She refused her inheritance. She said, "I never knew that man; he was not my

father. I want nothing from him. I have my own money!" After many requests from the lawyer for her to accept her inheritance, she signed a legal document "disclaiming" her inheritance. An heir cannot be forced to accept their inheritance.

The legal term for refusing an inheritance is called "disclaiming."

It takes the will of two people to execute an inheritance—the free will of the one making the gift and the free will of the recipient of the gift. We have an inheritance in Jesus Christ. He died for us, executing the will of the Father. The Bible is the will of the Father and details our inheritance as heirs. But, we must exercise our free will to accept our inheritance. Will you claim your inheritance?

~George DeTellis, Jr.

**THE HOLY SPIRIT IS
A DEPOSIT OF OUR
INHERITANCE.**

The decision is up to you. God cannot make you inherit eternal life. Will you fight for what is rightly your inheritance? *"In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things after the counsel of his own will."* Ephesians 1:11

George DeTellis, Jr

P.S. As believers, we have the Holy Spirit as a deposit of our inheritance. It is the Holy Spirit living in us that empowers us to live a victorious life. (Ephesians 1:13)





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A JUMP-START TO LIFE

Changing the life of a child begins early. We have 32 preschools caring for children under the age of five. We want to jump-start fighting sickness, educating the mind, and most importantly, sharing the truth of God's love with each child. I wish you could hear these young children quoting Bible verses and singing songs of praise in their classrooms.

God is changing lives...one at a time. Graduates of ours who began in our school at young ages are now working in Haiti to change even more lives. Manite Messidore is now the principal of the very school she attended as a child. Her life was not without struggle. Neither of her parents ever attended school. Today, as a Christian role model, Manite is impacting the future of Haiti.

You can open the door of hope for children. Right now, 482 children under the age of five do not have a sponsor. This is where the *I Am Hope Club* makes it possible for us to care for each one of these precious lives. Your help is so very important, as we make plans to enroll another 840 students for this fall. Please join us in caring for children under five—let's jump-start them to a better life.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Our goal is to celebrate more 5th birthdays and see children grow strong and fulfill their God-given potential.

Bottom left: Manite Messidore's parents never attended school; now she is a graduate of New Missions and school principal.

Bottom right: From our preschools in the DR to our preschools in Haiti, we are advocating for children—their hearts, minds, and health.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Chapel Service: The spiritual development of our students is the foundation of real growth and changed lives. All of our schools host weekly chapel services in addition to daily Bible classes. On Wednesdays, our high school students in Haiti come together for two chapel services. One is at 11:00 a.m. and the other at 1:00 p.m. The students lead the worship and their time together represents the unity they share in knowing Jesus. *“Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works!” (Psalm 105:2)* Together, we are making disciples because discipleship is the true measurement of success.

Church Benches: With your help, we are building a new Haiti. Providing local jobs—such as building church benches—strengthens families and communities. In addition, supplies for the church benches are sourced locally. Lucner Bertrand, the welder, is a graduate of New Missions. He welds the legs for the church benches. Carpenters mount planks of wood and sand them down. Then, painters make the finishing touches. Built by an all Haitian crew, these benches are delivered to our churches. Weekly, over 5,000 Haitians gather for worship at our 28 churches.

Musical Instruments: Worship teams at our churches are looking for some musical instruments. We are seeking the following instruments in working condition: acoustic, electric and bass guitars, drums, saxophones, trombones, trumpets, flutes, clarinets, etc. Please donate your musical instruments by sending them to: New Missions, 2500 Sand Lake Rd., Orlando, FL 32809. Your donated instrument will go a long way in blessing churches and communities. You can also make a donation and we will purchase new instruments for our churches. Thank you!

Advocate for Children: You can be a voice for the children of New Missions. *“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.” (Proverbs 31:8-9)* Your church can host a sponsorship Sunday and welcome others to sponsor a child. Be a voice for one life and open the door of hope for them. Contact Molly at 407-240-4058 or email molly@newmissions.org. Thank you for joining us in changing lives—because each child matters to God.





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GOT VBS?
Does your church host VBS during the summer? Plan now to partner with us and collect a special offering for our Student Scholarship Fund. Together, we can change more lives.



Top: Nerat Yadioule's life was changed, thanks to her child sponsor and the gift of education.

Above: The best solution for poverty is a job. Empowerment starts with education. Today, Nerat Yadioule is working in Haiti as a nurse.

NOW, I'M A NURSE

Barbara Mack from New Hampshire is a legacy child sponsor. She began her faithful sponsorship of Nerat Yadioule in April 1989. Barbara also began to pray for this little girl from Haiti when she was only two years old and had entered our preschool. We love caring for children under five during their critical years of development. Nerat grew up knowing the love of Jesus through the church and school at New Missions.

Now, fast forward to 2015, and at the age of 27, Nerat Yadioule is working in Haiti as a nurse. She is from the village of Nepty, and was born after the mission arrived. In a country where there is a 47 percent illiteracy rate, Nerat Yadioule is blessed to be educated and employed in Haiti—where unemployment is nearly 50 percent.

Nerat's sponsor gave faithfully and prayed for her during the years she was her sponsor. To God be the glory for the life change. *"For those who find Me find life and receive favor from the Lord."* Proverbs 8:35

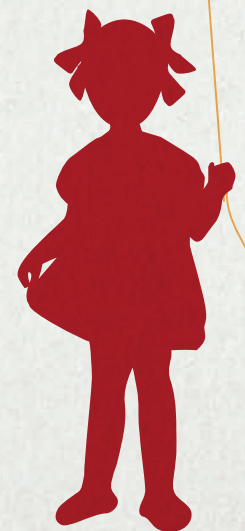
As a child sponsor, thank you for investing in the life of a child. ~Tim DeTellis

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HEADS UP!

I remember a teacher visiting my elementary classroom to instruct us in posture, who said, “Lift up your head!” David, in the Psalms declared, “*He’s the Glory and the Lifter of my head!*”

Heads up! Why?

“Rejoice, rejoice...lift up your heads and sing!”

The Easter hymns excite the heart and bring comfort to the pain of loved ones we’ve lost. These ancient songs describe all the feelings of death, sorrow and tragedy—just as we feel when singing, “*Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior.*” And while the loss is so painful, these feelings can actually be worse in poverty conditions. The loved ones stay during the lowering of the body. Men with shovels quickly throw the dirt on the coffin below. I recall in Haiti when a fight erupted with the grave diggers when a casket had to be wiggled to fit in the hole. I remember viewing young Edna in her coffin in Haiti, and someone had stolen the flowers I had placed in her hands. But, I have attended the most prestigious funerals in the Boston area of a loved one celebrated in the highest fashion, with provision of flowers, music, preaching and pomp and ceremony. You can’t spend enough money to take the sting out of death. Death is a final sentence indisputable. Six feet under. I don’t want that location.

But, the old song continues the drama and we hear the words, “*UP from the grave He arose. With a mighty triumph o’re his foes.*” (Satan is our foe, and the destroyer and killer of life.) Jesus Christ our Savior came out of His grave. “*He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!*”

**HEADS UP! WE WILL
SEE HIM RETURN IN
HIS SECOND COMING.**

For the believer, as painful and tragically overwhelming as every death experience can be, we rise above with a solid hope. Our hope is that Christ hated death and He defeated death. Our hope is that Christ paid the cost of destroying the grip of death upon us, by sacrificing His life on the cross. He conquered the grave! We have the confidence and the assurance that when we close our eyes on earth, we open them to the beginning of our life with Christ for eternity. The grip of fear is gone.

We look forward to our day of “Heads Up” when we see Him return in His second coming. We also have the confidence that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord—that is a “Heads UP” from here to heaven.

This Easter, sing louder. Buy more flowers. Fill the church altars with the sweet fragrance of lilies. Let the children’s ministry create a special time, and tell them the story of the most meaningful triumphant death, burial and resurrection. In your home, try a special dessert such as a Greek Easter walnut cake or your favorite family tradition. Ladies, get yourself an Easter bonnet with all the frills. We have no fear of death.

Remember when Jesus was walking through the crowd, and He saw a coffin containing the only son of a widow? He intentionally touched the coffin to bring an immediate resurrection. I am praying for you to feel the extended hand of Jesus touching the death of your mind, health, and heart—to bring new life and to live with your head up. Happy Resurrection Sunday!

~Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor

You can push the elevator button up or down. GOING UP? Your will to believe in Jesus gives you life now and forever more, with a powerful and loving God. That’s an UP button. The down button is our free will not to accept the work of the Easter cross.

Sincerely,

Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor

P.S. This Easter you are closer to seeing the One who paid it all for you. Love Him, praise and thank Him, serve Him.



Dennis and Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor



28TH CHURCH IN HAITI

Construction is taking place on our 28th church and school in Decouze, Haiti. Located in the mountains, children walk up to one hour each way to attend school. I'll never forget the day I met with our new students from Decouze—many with bleached out hair and bloated stomachs from lack of proper nutrition. I told them how they would be fed lunch at school, have a uniform, and receive Christmas gifts. When I later returned with the shoebox gifts and saw them eating lunch...my heart rejoiced because they would soon be healthy and strong.

For the first 25 years of our mission, we focused on serving across the Leogane Plain in Haiti. This was not a strategy when we arrived; it was a necessity. There were no churches or schools, and going from village to village to evangelize and educate children was critical. Today, we now have 25 churches and schools across the Leogane Plain.

Just five years ago we reached beyond Leogane and went to a mountain region called Tom Gateau. Now, in the mountain region, we have established three churches and schools for a total of 28 churches and schools in Haiti. Growth does not motivate us, changing lives does. We want to establish roots where we can have a long-term impact. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: Together, Haitians are building a new Haiti through construction jobs provided at New Missions. **Middle:** The church in Decouze, Haiti, will both transform the community and change lives with the power of the Gospel. **Bottom:** Open seven days a week, this new church in Decouze (our 28th location in Haiti) will serve as classrooms and the school dining hall during the week.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Darbonne Church: Here at New Missions, we see the local church as the center of our mission. Each of our churches has an elementary school on the same campus. In most locations, the pastor of the church serves as the director of the school. Construction has begun on our 14th new church building since the Haiti earthquake. Located in Darbonne, Haiti, on the Leogane Plain, this new building will be utilized by the school during the week as classrooms and a dining hall for lunchtime. We rejoice in employing Haitians to build these new buildings.

Volunteer Appreciation: Thank you to our volunteers. We are better because of you! There are many “behind the scenes” people who help New Missions function. Each year, over 300 individuals serve at New Missions in Orlando during our Christmas Shoebox Drive and other special projects. This summer, we will have additional opportunities for volunteers. If you are interested in spending a few hours serving at New Missions, contact Molly at 407-240-4058 or email her at molly@newmissions.org. We hope to see you soon.

Water Cistern: Across the Leogane Plain we have drilled many wells, and our churches and schools are blessed with the generous gift of clean water. However, in the mountain region of Tom Gateau, the elevation is too high for drilling a well. We have already installed two water cisterns in the mountains, and our third cistern is being built at our church and school in Decouze, Haiti. This cistern is a 7,000 gallon system to serve the school for preparing lunches. The community will benefit from this water supply, as well.

Cooking with Gas: Did you know the number one source of cooking fuel in Haiti is wood? Most people burn sticks or use charcoal to cook—which leads to the deforestation from trees being cut down. The common stove is simply three large stones where a pot will rest on top. Outdoor cooking is common, as are small indoor cooking huts that are protected from the elements. At New Missions, we are installing propane stoves in our school kitchens. These new stoves promote greater efficiency in our cooking, and also eliminate the use of charcoal for fuel.





SUMMER VBS

Is your church hosting VBS this summer?

Here are five ways you and the kids at your church can help kids in Haiti. You can have some extra fun by having the boys compete against the girls to see which group will collect more.

1. Collect spoons for Haiti. It's that simple, yet very helpful. Invite your kids to bring stainless steel teaspoons or tablespoons, and we will ship them to Haiti for our students to use during lunchtime at school. www.spoonsforHaiti.com
2. Collect *new* pairs of sneakers. Our students walk to school, and the gift of a new pair of sneakers is a great blessing. www.givesneakers.com
3. Pack shoebox gifts. Yes, you can celebrate Christmas in July! Host a shoebox packing party during your VBS and have kids bring some items to fill shoeboxes. www.shoeboxdrive.com
4. Collect a special offering to help feed children in Haiti. Just \$40 will purchase a 110-pound sack of rice—which prepares 335 meals.
5. Collect a special offering for children under five who are starting school for the first time.

Thank you for partnering with us to serve children and families. ~Tim DeTellis

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PRAYER REQUEST

Please remember our pastors in your prayers. Weekly, they are preparing messages for their churches and hosting Bibles studies.



CHURCH AND SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Your gift helps us build new churches and schools. Together, we can spread the Gospel further and be a blessing to many communities.



Top: God's Word is the fuel for better living, and our students have Bible classes each day at school.

Above left: This summer, collect items to pack in shoeboxes and you will be a blessing to our students and their families.

Above middle: A new pair of sneakers helps make the walk to school an easier journey.

Above right: From collecting stainless steel spoons to offerings for Rice for Children, your gift helps us say goodbye to hunger and hello to hope.



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CONTAGIOUS GENEROSITY

Lately, I've been reflecting on the power of generosity—mostly from the vantage point of how generosity is contagious. My thoughts have taken me back to a childhood memory with my great-grandmother on my mother's side of the family. I was asking myself, when did I first see generosity and how did it impact me? Great-grandmother Marian DeMarco is who I remember influencing my view of generosity as a young child.

As she sat in her kitchen, I recall walking up to her with an "ever so childlike" wrapped gift, and handing it to her. She reached forward with her old hands and placed both of them on my cheeks and pinched me! "You're so cute, Timmy," she would say...and then she kissed my cheeks. My cheeks hurt from the pinching, but her kiss made them better.

The gift I brought her was still on her lap. After her greeting filled with love, she began to ask what was inside my wrapped gift. I tried to have my great-grandmother open it, but she kept asking what it was. She wanted to know so she could thank me. But, she would graciously give the gift away at another time—never having opened it herself. As long as I can remember, my great-grandmother gave away what was given to her.

When I open the Bible to search for God's wisdom on this subject, my heart is moved by a short verse found in Matthew 6:21, "*For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*" This Scripture is clear in the order of the process of generosity. First comes the treasure; then follows the heart. Where the treasure goes, our heart follows. When we are giving the treasure, our heart goes

**GOD LOVES A
CHEERFUL GIVER.**

with it. In essence, where our treasures are points to what we treasure most.

We often see generosity associated with money. But, there are other acts of generosity which become contagious. The first year we lived in Haiti, my parents took the young people from our first church and planted trees alongside the stream that flowed through their village. Today, those trees are mature, strong, and provide shade to those who sit beneath them. The generosity of planting those trees was contagious. The same is true for the well we drilled in the village of Neply. That very first well still provides fresh water to the community.

Generosity is an attitude, not an amount. Jesus reflected on this when He saw a poor widow put two small copper coins in the offering box. He said, "*Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on.*" The widow's

attitude and action showed everything she had belonged to God.

In 2 Corinthians 9:7 we read, "*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*" This is an attitude, not an amount. It's an attitude of gratitude. Give because you've been given to. I leave you with the words my great-grandmother would say to me: "Keep-a-go!" Don't give up on giving because our giving is contagious—spreading from one life to the next.

~Tim DeTellis

Generosity started with God. "*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believed in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.*" God gave and His gift will keep on giving—forever! I encourage you to embrace the model of contagious generosity in your life and let God take your gift and spread it far and wide for greater impact.

Serving together,

Tim DeTellis
timothy@newmissions.org

P. S. I'm praying my life will model generosity, and lives around me will experience God's love because of what I give.



Tim and Sheryl DeTellis in Haiti visiting with their sponsored triplets, Manouchecca, Mackendy and Magdala.

10 YEAR REUNION

Students from our graduating class of 2005 recently gathered for a class reunion. “Most of us were raised in a miserably poor family,” said Roland Henry—now a school teacher in Haiti. “If it was not for New Missions, I ask what kind of people would we have become? It’s truly a grace from God! I cannot find a word to express the love I have for my graduating class.”

On a Thursday afternoon, they returned to the high school chapel where they had graduated from 10 years prior. The focus was: What’s happened since 2005? Reflecting back, they remembered fellow classmate, Durvil, who died during the earthquake in Haiti. “We miss him so much. I want you to stand to have a minute of silence in Durvil’s name,” stated Nerylne Movil. Their silence shouted how much they missed him.

From an architect to teachers, photographer, nurse and a pastor—the jobs these graduates found varied. They represent a new generation of Christian leaders.

Now an architect, Jules Estra spoke on how New Missions helped him. “I cannot give you back what you have done for me, but God can.” ~Tim DeTellis



Top: "Because of New Missions, I'm a nurse. I serve in the Leogane region. Thank you and may God bless you." Nerylne Movil, class of 2005

Middle: Marie Carminne Calix, now a teacher in the village of Ambas-Peres (where she was born), also graduated in 2005.

Bottom: Graduates from the class of 2005 came back to celebrate one another and how their lives are changed to the glory of God.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Decouze Church: Five years ago, we began to reach beyond the Leogane Plain of Haiti and ventured up into the mountain region of Tom Gateau. This year, we established our 28th church in Haiti, located in Decouze. Situated on the side of a mountain road, children walk up to an hour each way—just to have the opportunity to attend school. When we arrive in these new areas, we encounter signs of poverty—bleached hair and bloated bellies. Time will heal, and hearts and minds will grow closer to the love of Jesus.

Lumber Delivery: Currently, two churches are under construction in Decouze and Darbonne, Haiti. This summer, we will begin construction on a church in Mathieu, Haiti. Pressure treated lumber is used to make the trusses and roofing for these churches. The construction is done by an all-Haitian crew. Carpenters from local villages find dignity and pride by contributing to making their communities better. When you donate to “Church and School Construction” you are providing local jobs and building churches that will impact lives for generations to come. Thank you for your generosity.

Medical Care: We are thankful that the entire medical staff at our Health Center in Sosua, Dominican Republic, are all Dominican. They know the language, the culture, and most importantly...the people. Relationships are vital to our ministry, as we desire to build trust and respect where we serve. Dr. José R. Cepeda cared for a mom who came for some prenatal care. He also examined her four-year-old son, Angel, and diagnosed him with acute gastroenteritis. We are thankful to be serving children and families with medical care wrapped in God’s love.

Haitians Helping Haitians: When it comes to those who support our mission, we are thankful for each child sponsor and donor. Recently, two Haitian families living in the U.S. sponsored children in Haiti with New Missions. They were thrilled to learn how lives are being loved and cared for in their homeland. Haiti, less than 700 miles off the coast of Florida, is still the poorest in our hemisphere; the World Bank considers it one of the poorest in the world. Together, with your help, Haiti is becoming a country on the rise for the glory of God.



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JOBS SOLVE POVERTY

The year was 1988 when Peterson Salomon was born in Masson, Haiti. It was also the same year New Missions established a church and school in his village. Just five years prior, Pastor George and Jeanne DeTellis arrived in Haiti. Masson was the fifth location where New Missions planted a church and school.

Peterson Salomon attended our schools—graduating from New Missions High School, and went on to attend our Professional Trade School. He then opened a motorcycle repair shop in his village of Masson. Recently, he returned to teach classes on motorcycle mechanics at our trade school. In the country of Haiti, where unemployment is about 40 percent, Peterson is very thankful to be employed.

But, his success did not come without help. During his education through New Missions, he had four different sponsors. He met his wife at church, and they were married on November 16, 2013. They now have a one-year-old daughter.

Aside from sponsoring a child, you can also give to the *I Am Hope Club* (helping children under five) or our *Student Scholarship Fund* (providing for unsponsored children). You are making a life changing difference. Education empowers!

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Students from our Professional Trade School representing Haiti, a country on the rise, are learning skills which lead to employment.

Above left: Peterson Salomon began school at our Masson Elementary School, graduated from our high school and went on to graduate from our Professional Trade School. **Above middle and right:** Today, Peterson owns a motorcycle shop in Masson and is teaching mechanics at our trade school to the next generation of Christian leaders.


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THE GUIDANCE AND LOVE OF OUR FATHERS

My father led his family by example in his pursuit and service to God. I am thankful for my father, Pastor George DeTellis. He was saved and called into the ministry at the age of eighteen. He devoted his life to the preaching of the Gospel. My father loved life and people. He was an avid reader. He started two churches in the States and two overseas missions. He was a true “go-getter.” Our summer vacation consisted of attending the Christian camp he was running. Dad was a man of God. He finished the race well. He was a great example to us and led us correctly on the right path to know, love and serve God.

“Remember those who led you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the result of their conduct, imitate their faith.” Hebrews 13:7

I have tried my best to be a good father to my children. However, I feel I have failed at times. There seems to be a fine line between spoiling your children and neglecting your children. We need to always put our faith in God as a foundation for our lives and families. Dad insisted I go to church when I was a rebellious teenager. I thank him now for his insistence. My father also encouraged us to take music lessons, ski lessons and boating lessons. Although he was not one to take a lot of time off, on occasion he would enjoy visiting the beach. He said, “Johnny is a boring boy if he does not play a little.” My father loved his work; but it is important to also take some time off. Even though he has gone home to be with the Lord, I occasionally still tell him that I love him.

**WE SHOULD BE
MOTIVATED TO PLEASE
OUR HEAVENLY FATHER.**

We have a mighty, loving Father in Heaven. My father grew up Catholic and prayed the Lord’s Prayer when he gave his life to the Lord. *“Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.” (Matthew 6:9-13)* He told us that was all he knew about God at the time.

My father very much believed in peoples’ individual characters. We are all unique and have different gifts. We are not all called to be preachers, but we are to excel in our individual gifts. He believed each person could be a witness for God with any gift. We each have our sphere of influence, and should not be motivated to perform to please people. We should be motivated to please our Heavenly Father. We should be faithful with the gifts He has given to each of us. Often, God delights in using a weak person for his work.

Our Heavenly Father has a great plan for our lives on this earth and in the life to come. He has made a way to escape from the death and destruction of this world. Yes, we will all be reunited again in the kingdom of Heaven. So often we think of our daily toil in this life. We should have no fear of this world. Like my father said, “We should be about the Lord’s work and encourage others to put their faith in God.”

~Charlie DeTellis

God will not invade our lives. He is waiting for each of us to invite Him into our hearts. Come to God even in your limited faith. He will reveal Himself to you and you will have exceptional peace and love.

Sincerely,

Charlie DeTellis

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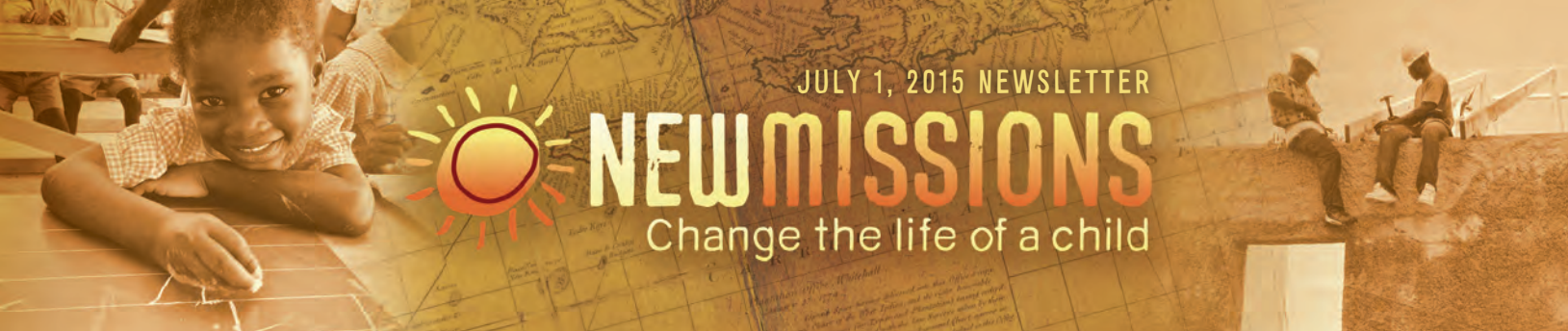
P. S. While I won't be able to visit with my grandfather, Charlie DiPietro, this Father's Day...maybe you can visit yours. My grandfather is 97 years old, in good health, and a pleasure to be with. He is also a great man of faith.





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MORE CHURCHES

Please join us in prayer. Over the past five years we have built 14 churches in Haiti, which serve as schools during the week. We have another six locations identified for new construction. Together, we are giving generously, because we steward what's not ours.

My brother Charlie told me how driving from village to village inspecting our churches and schools reminded him of how we are still greatly needed in Haiti. Unfortunately, there are villages without schools and churches, and we must not neglect their needs. This year, we started our 28th church and school in Haiti.

After reviewing all of our facilities, we have identified our next six churches waiting for new construction. They are located in Chateau, Flon, L'Acul, Lafferonay, Santo, and Vieux Court.

Since 1983, I've witnessed how churches established in villages transform communities—as the Gospel is proclaimed, and schools are established where food and medical care are delivered. At New Missions, the local church is the first responder to needs. Thank you for standing with us to build more churches and schools in Haiti. Today, we are educating 10,000 children and we are asking the Lord to help us expand to reach 12,000 children. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: School children from our Mathieu campus pump water from the well in front of the new church under construction.

Middle: The entire construction of our churches and schools is Haitian led—providing local jobs to support children and their families.

Bottom left: During the week, our churches are used as school classrooms and a dining hall. **Bottom right:** Your generosity is making it possible for us to continue to build churches. We have identified the next six locations for new church buildings.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



Class of 2015: Join us in prayer for the 2015 graduating class, as God guides them to become new leaders for Haiti. When our students wear a white shirt for their school uniforms, it signifies they are in the last year of school. For these seniors, New Missions has educated them since preschool. They represent a new generation of Christian leaders. Together, we are making disciples, because discipleship is the true measurement of success. Former graduates of New Missions will mentor these graduates as they continue their education at the university level, trade school or enter the workforce.



New Clinic: Greetings from Bire, Haiti, where a new medical clinic is under construction. Following the earthquake, our medical clinic near the ocean in Bord-Mer was destroyed, and we relocated the clinic to our Bire church and school campus. A new building is now under construction to be home to a medical clinic, pharmacy, and urgent care center for our children and their families. Since 1983, we have provided medical care in Haiti, and have 32 nurses on staff. The new construction is entirely Haitian built, and will be completed by the end of summer.



Growing Minds: Meet Augustina Salome Joseph, a second grade student at our Colegio Nueva Vida school in the Dominican Republic. Originally from Jamaica, she has attended school at New Missions since PK1. Augustina is an excellent student and is currently learning to break down words into syllables. With English as her first language, she is learning Spanish at school from her teacher, Ms. Lucia. She loves to read and visits the school library often—reading books in both English and Spanish.



Pastor Training: This year, we established our 28th church in Haiti, and our pastors enjoy coming together for training and encouragement on a regular basis. Throughout the year we host visiting pastors from our partner churches in the U.S., who come and train our pastors in Haiti. The highlight of the training time is when the group begins their question and answer session. They hear how the needs and issues facing their churches are similar. These pastors are encouraged through sharing life experiences. Studies are focused on church development, leadership, and life balance.



SNEAKERS ARE A BLESSING

Jean Etienne Marcelin is a wonderful pastor and school director at our Mathieu location. I consider Pastor Etienne a good friend of mine. Despite his slight speech impediment, he has been faithful to the call of God upon his life. The school is fully attended and orderly. Pastor Etienne has a great team of teachers working alongside him. It is amazing seeing this school in action.

We recently distributed sneakers to the students at our Mathieu school. It was the first time this school received sneakers from us. What a joy to see each child selecting his or her pair. All 300 students received new sneakers, and we were even able to leave some extra shoes at the school. Good quality sneakers are not readily available and are very costly—making them unaffordable for our students. These shoes are extremely essential, as the children walk to school each day. Having the proper footwear to attend school lifts their sense of dignity and self-worth. We would like to be able to provide sneakers for every one of our students attending our schools. The children were thrilled to receive these gifts.

Currently, a new church is being constructed in Mathieu. We look forward to the future growth of this church and school. ~Charlie DeTellis



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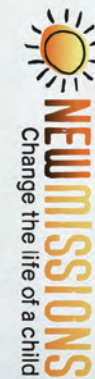
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Top: Jean Etienne Marcelin, pastor of our church and director of our elementary school in Mathieu, prays over the school children prior to receiving the gifts of new sneakers. **Above left:** Each pair of sneakers is a blessing in the life of a child. You can participate at GiveSneakers.com **Above middle:** Picking out a new pair of sneakers is something these children have never done before. Thank you for collecting sneakers for our students. **Above right:** Our kids are blessed because you care enough to love and pray for them.

HOW DOES GOD ANSWER PRAYER?

In the year 2000, I decided to go back to college to get my MBA. To get accepted I had to take the GMAT exam and get a minimum score of 500. I scheduled to take the exam with Sylvan Learning Center. When the exam day came, I thought about rescheduling because I had not studied. But, then I decided to take the exam for practice. Driving through downtown Orlando I became angry at the thought of wasting my time taking the exam twice. I began to pray, and I began to shout out loud, "In the name of Jesus I claim 500 on the GMAT!" I spent the next five hours penciling in black circles in a cubicle while reading questions on a computer screen. It was after 5:00 p.m. when I completed the exam. The lady said, "It's the end of the day and if you want to wait, I can give you your test score in 15 minutes." "OK...sounds great," I replied. After a few minutes, she came back with the test score and said, "Wow! I've never seen that happen before. You got exactly 500 on the GMAT." I smiled and said out loud, "I should have asked God for more!"

Two years later, in the spring of 2002, I graduated from Rollins College. I struggled the last month of school. I hurt my back and had a slipped disc. I started taking bottles of Aleve for pain and saw a chiropractor. Then, my doctor ordered an MRI. The MRI showed that I had a herniated disc. My doctor prescribed therapy, Prednisone and pain medication. My condition got worse over the summer.

Two Christian friends recommended Dr. Louis Jenis at New England Baptist Hospital. I wrote a letter to Dr. Jenis with a copy of my MRI requesting an appointment. But, his office manager told me he was booked for weeks. Labor Day weekend I went to stay with my aunt, Karen Legrow. On Tuesday morning after the holiday, she got me up early and drove me to the New England Baptist Hospital and marched me into Dr. Jenis' office, without an appointment. The office manager was furious with me and grabbed me by the sleeve—taking me into an exam room. I had my MRI report and X-ray film in my hand.

When I looked out the window there was a small brick chapel surrounded by hospital buildings. There was a weathervane at the top of the chapel steeple instead of a cross. The weathervane simply had the year "1961" on top as the arrow to show the direction of the wind. It just so happens 1961 was the year I was born.

For me it was a sign of God's providence. The doctor came in and we talked about doing surgery or a nerve block. He said, "You need to tell me what you want to do." I said, "You need to tell me when you can do it." He had a cancellation for surgery on Friday. "Book it! Let's do the surgery," I said. Three days later I had surgery and woke up healed without any pain—giving God the Glory. *"But as for me, I will look to the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me." Micah 7:7*

~George DeTellis, Jr.

DO YOU BELIEVE IN A GOD OF MIRACLES?

Sometimes God answers our prayers instantly. Sometimes our prayers are answered with a struggle and a journey. Sometimes God answers our prayers by calling our loved ones home to be with the Lord. My father had prostate cancer for nine years. We prayed and believed God for his healing. But, after much suffering, he went home to be with the Lord. I believe in miracles because I believe in God!



George DeTellis, Jr

P.S. Do you need a miracle? Would you like us to pray for you? We are a people of faith. We believe in the God of miracles. Write us today! "You are the God who performs miracles." Psalm 77:14



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DREAM AT SCHOOL

“When I grow up I want to be a mechanic because I like to fix stuff,” wrote Clervens Clervil. He was not the only one who was dreaming at school. “I want to be a doctor when I grow up,” said Samanda Valiere.

As our students are going back to school, your prayers and encouragement are important. Here at New Missions, we believe in the God-given potential of each child in our classrooms. Our teachers, many who are graduates of New Missions themselves, also want their students to dream about their future at school. First grade teacher Erlande Charles brings photos of herself as a child to show her students where she once attended school at New Missions. “I see myself in my students,” says Erlande.

Our Education Council, which oversees planning and special projects for our schools in Haiti, consists of five graduates of New Missions. They recently selected an eagle as the mascot for our schools. The council chose this Scripture as their theme, “*He fills my life with good things; my youth is renewed like the eagle’s.*” *Psalm 103:5*

This school year, you can change the life of a child with the gift of education. Your gift of \$360 helps make it possible for a student to attend school for one year. ~Tim DeTellis



Top: “When I grow up, I want to be a doctor.” ~Samanda Valiere; “When I grow up, I want to be a mechanic because I like to fix stuff.” ~Clervens Clervil **Bottom left:** “Now, I’m a pastor at New Missions in my home village of Neply, Haiti.” ~Yaguel Nerat, class of 2005 **Bottom right:** Together, we are raising a generation of Christian leaders to change the history of Haiti.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Mathieu Church: The roof is going on the New Missions church in Mathieu, Haiti. During the week, the church building will be utilized as a school classroom and dining hall for our school children. This church in Mathieu is a beacon of hope, as villages still practice Voodoo in Haiti. Together, we preach the Gospel, because only God changes lives forever. We are steadfast in our calling to establish churches and schools to help children and their families. Thank you for partnering with us.



Bible College: Training leaders at New Missions is a priority. Our churches and schools are led entirely by Haitians and Dominicans. Both countries have a Bible college where our staff can grow in their Biblical leadership. Graduates serve in our churches and schools across Haiti and the Dominican Republic. They also find employment and serve in other churches and organizations. Studies at our Bible college include evangelism, Old Testament, hermeneutics, theology, and the prophetic books. We celebrate these lives dedicated and equipped to serve and glorify God.



Child Sponsorship: Through our child sponsorship program, students such as Yeilerik Esther Hernandez Peña are now able to attend a New Missions school earlier than ever before. Sponsored by Joshua Johnson, Yeilerik began attending our school in Bombita, Dominican Republic, in 2014. She is one of four siblings and loves to dance, sing and play with dolls. For just \$1.00 a day, you can share God's love and change the life of a child. Prayerfully consider sponsoring a child—giving them hope for tomorrow.



Revival Services: At the center of New Missions are our churches. We have 32 New Missions churches between Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Our Lassale, Neply, and Bire churches hosted revival services and the pastors shared the responsibility of preaching. Members from the churches invited neighbors and friends to attend. This one-month revival welcomed dynamic preaching and special music from the Haitian churches. The theme was “*One Church in the Image of Christ.*” Together, these communities worshipped and proclaimed Jesus as the way, the truth, and the life.





SHOEBOX DRIVE

We are spreading hope and joy farther than ever! This past year, we distributed shoebox gifts to schools and churches outside of the New Missions network. We are blessed to be a blessing.

Will you join us this year in collecting more shoebox gifts than ever before? We have plans to reach out to the island of La Gonave with shoebox gifts. Our vision is expanding, and we cannot do it without you.

How can you help collect shoebox gifts? Host a packing party at your church, school, or office. Packing ideas are available at www.ShoeboxDrive.com. We are collecting from October 1 through December 31, 2015—so there is plenty of time for you to join in the fun.

If you sponsor a child through New Missions, you are encouraged to pack a special shoebox gift for your child. Details are available at www.ShoeboxDrive.com or call us at 407-240-4058.

God's love says there is hope for a better tomorrow. Together, we love, because He first loved us. ~Tim DeTellis

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS
You can donate drums, keyboards, guitars, microphones, and percussion instruments for use in our churches. For more information call 407-240-4058.



Top: Each shoebox gift blesses a child and their family. **Above left:** From school supplies to necessary hygiene items, your gifts go a long way in helping the children of New Missions. **Above middle:** How many shoeboxes will you pack this year? Discover packing ideas at www.ShoeboxDrive.com **Above right:** Make plans to host a shoebox packing party at your church, school, or office and bless the children of New Missions.

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HOLDING HANDS

The day is approaching for many parents to say “good-bye” to their children on their first day of school. Others reflect back to that day of holding their child’s hand during the first day of school, but are now entering a new phase of life as their children enter college. As a grandmother, I believe through my prayers I can go with God to hold the hands of each grandchild that I have going back to school or college.

In the June issue of *Christianity Today*, Krish Kandiah tells of his earliest memories of holding his mother’s hand on his first day of school. Krish said, “*I was so nervous as I entered the classroom that I wouldn’t let go. The smoothness of her palm and the warmth of her fingers reassured me as my heart pounded in my chest.*” A few years ago, Krish sat in a dark room, once again holding his mother’s hand—this time as his mother was dying. The comforted one was now the comforter.

Imagine my daughter-in-law, Rachel, as a five-year-old child of missionaries, growing up in India. One day, her mother took her to the train station to send her to a boarding school. As the train began to move, Rachel put her hand out of the train window, and her mother, Darleen Gillette, reached up to hold Rachel’s hand. Her mother ran alongside the train as far as she could, holding the hand of this very young girl who would be traveling a full day’s journey to a Christian boarding school in central India.

How can we be the best parent?

I had my first child at 19 years of age, with no books on raising children back in those days. I did have the Bible, and the role model set by my parents

and grandparents—who loved God, their children and grandchildren.

To be the best parent, I need a good relationship with God, and I need to be like God. Serve like God. Sacrifice for my children. I need to use my voice to speak encouragement and boost their inspiration. I must pray constantly—depending upon God’s wisdom, with faith—expecting my children and grandchildren to make good choices. Number one is to follow Jesus. When the children make good choices it’s time to praise, thank and glorify God. When the children appear to fail, it’s time to continue being like God—loving, serving and praying. It’s parenting and following the greatest role model of our Heavenly Father.

New Missions will begin a new school year for thousands of children in Haiti and in the Dominican Republic. We need people to hold their hands. We need your love, your inspiration, and your prayers to help these young children find their potential created in God’s image.

Will the warmth of your hand take the fear away from a child and give him or her courage to change their destiny? Will your prayers and finances be the warmth that is needed?

I ask God for you to always feel His Hand upon your life—with blessings of health and provision. And may your hands, His Hands, also be continually warming someone’s hands in need.

Let’s hold hands with each other so that we all can arrive at our final destination in God.

~Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor

**THE GREATEST ROLE
MODEL IS OUR
HEAVENLY FATHER.**

Parents may experience both joy and difficulties in raising children. We must maintain our relationship with Christ, give our children a Godly foundation in the home, love them, pray over them, and commit them to the Lord. When our children choose to follow Him, we know it’s only through His grace and power. “*Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.*” Proverbs 22:6

Sincerely,



Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor

P.S. Thank you for partnering with the parents of our students to give them the gift of education.



Dennis and Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor



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ON A MISSION

When a parent is leaving their children, the last communication is of most importance. Jesus said, “Go. Go into all the world.”

Many of you have been on a mission trip. There’s the excitement of preparing, the sacrifice of saving or raising funds, and the adventure of traveling off into the unknown with the intense focus of GOING to share the message of salvation.

In our early days in Haiti, we often went on mission trips with our people—carrying our woven straw mats and ample provision of food and water. The discomfort of the cement floors paled with the excitement of purpose.

To see our Haitian pastors inspiring their congregations, taking over 200 people this summer on mission trips throughout Haiti, more than makes my heart dance. We know God has truly called them, sincerely sent them, and His anointing and power enables them to speak. That same power of God brings people to salvation.

We ask God to give safety and protection, full provision to each mission team traveling in Haiti and, most of all, for hearts to be open to the Gospel message. We go, so that He may return for all of us. GO! GO! GO! The fields are already ripe for harvest.

~Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor



Top: Pastor Richard Gay from our Masson church prayed over 40 church members before they left on a mission trip to Anse-à-Veau, Haiti. **Middle:** Leaving from our church in Bire, Haiti, another 40 church members began their journey to Au-Cayes, Haiti, for a one-week mission trip. **Bottom left:** While in Jacmel on their mission trip, our church from Signeau, Haiti, baptized believers. **Bottom right:** This summer, 220 Haitians from our churches went across Haiti on mission trips to spread the Gospel and serve the people of Haiti.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Beautiful Haiti: Here at New Missions, we see Haiti as a country on the rise. Haiti was once known as the *Pearl of the Antilles*—a tropical paradise. Unfortunately, throughout the years, Haiti has declined, and is now the poorest country in our hemisphere. Today, a new generation of Christian leaders are on the rise and they're changing the face of Haiti's history. This photograph was taken by Jean Marc Fontaine, a graduate of New Missions, and current student in our school of journalism.



New Believers: Two young girls came forward for prayer at our Masson church in Haiti, as they dedicated their lives to Jesus. This is our mission: to see people find a personal relationship with Jesus and then become His disciples. Weekly, at our 32 churches across Haiti and the Dominican Republic, we witness lives being changed by the power of the Gospel. *"He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.' Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere."* Mark 16:15 & 20



New Land: Seventeen years ago, we started a school for Haitian children living in the Dominican Republic—mostly the children of sugarcane cutters. Over time the school changed and now meets in a building we don't own, on land without room to expand. Today, the school's population is a mix of Haitian and Dominican children. We now have the funding to purchase 3,773 square meters of land in Los Castillo, to eventually build a new school. Join us in prayer as we will begin raising funds to start construction early 2016.



Clinic Construction: The first Wednesday of each month, our medical clinic in Bire, Haiti, welcomes mothers and their children for health checkups on their newborns. The moms receive vitamins and vital information on caring for their precious, God-given children. Together, since 1983, we are delivering healthcare to children and families. Our new medical clinic facility is on track to be completed by the end of 2015. Thank you for your prayers for this construction.



NOW, I'M A TEACHER

This little girl walked a path that changed her life. There was no school or church in her village of Ambas-Peres, Haiti, so she walked to the closest New Missions school located in Concrab, 30 minutes away. Marie Carminne Calix was stepping out of poverty.

"All of my mother's children attended school at New Missions," Marie Carminne told me. "We came from a poor family; my mother never went to school and now, all of her children have gone to school at New Missions."

Graduating from New Missions High School, Marie Carminne saw her future much different than she could ever have imagined. In her home village of Ambas-Peres, New Missions established a church and school. There was a teaching position available, and she began working to help educate the next generation of children from her own village.

Together, we are changing lives, because each child matters to God. Marie Carminne is a testimony of how consistency over time delivers results of mature, godly leaders—now shaping Haiti's future. Thank you to our teachers serving our children across Haiti and the Dominican Republic. They are on the front row of seeing lives changed. Please remember them in your prayers. ~Tim DeTellis

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Top: Marie Carminne Calix is now a teacher in Ambas-Peres, Haiti, where she was born. **Above left:** She started school at New Missions in 1988 at the age of four. **Above middle left:** Barbara from New Hampshire began sponsoring her in 1990. **Above middle right:** Faithfully, her sponsor supported her education through high school when she graduated in 2005. **Above right:** The next generation of leaders now have a role model of change in Marie Carminne Calix.

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LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

For seven years, I lived in a house where I did not know the neighbors on either side of me, except by name. We did not go out together or really understand what was going on in each other's lives. I was guilty. I did not initiate any kind of meaningful relationship other than the cordial "hello and goodbye" when we would see each other in the front yard.

Earlier this year, my wife and I moved outside of Orlando to live closer to her mom. When we began to unpack, "I thought, 'This is a new place for both of us and I would like to meet and begin relationships with our neighbors.'" In less than two months, we went bowling with the neighbors on our left, and went out for breakfast with the neighbors to the right of us. We started with taking walks around the block, and now have shared some holidays together.

Being a neighbor is not about an address on the same street, it is about relationships and caring. Do I truly care about my neighbor? I can fly to another country and be compassionate and generous, yet I cannot walk next door and deliver a meal when someone is sick. My priorities were changing and I was taking new action to be a neighbor who cares.

Now, a group text messaging begins with, "Want to meet for dinner and bowling this Friday?" By Friday night, there were 17 of us together for dinner and 21 of us went bowling. I would say the conversations ranged from family issues, work demands, to spiritual questions. I find myself wondering what life would now be like without my neighbors.

One weekend I received a text from a neighbor needing help repairing his fence. I'm far from a "fixer upper" kind of guy, but I am not afraid to learn or help. I showed up early and for two hours we worked on making the much needed repairs. The best part is both of us have a daughter and can relate to each other's needs. Our conversations went beyond the superficial and into our concerns for our daughters' futures. We spoke of helping them live lives with moral convictions, respect for themselves and others, and foremost, to honor God.

When asked what is the greatest commandment of all, Jesus replied, "*Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.*" The second is this: "*Love your neighbor as yourself.*" There is no commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:30-31) He wants us to first love Him—so we are capable of loving our neighbors.

When you are neighbors who care, you're looking out for one another and you celebrate the joy life brings. I thank God for my neighbors. I love them.

Imagine what our world would be like with caring neighbors. Guess what? It starts with me and you. We often look outside our windows and become concerned at the decline of trust, faith, and compassion in our world. You and I can be the difference makers. Where you live, do you know your neighbors, really? Your mission field is right next door. Don't miss it. ~Tim DeTellis

**YOUR MISSION FIELD
IS RIGHT NEXT DOOR.
DON'T MISS IT.**

How does God give us an opportunity to show love in action? He places us next to people. We need each other. After a gathering with some of our neighbors, my wife turned to me and said, "Most people are lonely." I replied, "And we would be lonely, too, without them." Create a life of togetherness and take the steps to get to know your neighbors.

Serving together,



Tim DeTellis
timothy@newmissions.org

P. S. My prayer is for God to give me the courage to meet who He wants me to know and care about them as He does. May my life shine His love for others.



Tim and Sheryl DeTellis in Haiti visiting with their sponsored triplets, Manoucheca, Mackendy and Magdala.

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SEND MORE LOVE

Standing in the middle of the Mathieu Elementary School courtyard, I was surrounded by kids carrying their shoebox gifts. I jumped in line following the 1st graders into their classroom—where it turned into a party of giggles and smiles. Kids across the world are all the same. They just want to have fun!

Right now, you can be part of making Christmas extra special for the children of New Missions by collecting shoeboxes filled with gifts. Our collection runs from October 1 - December 31, 2015. We don't want a single student to miss out on a shoebox gift. In addition to our students, we use shoebox gifts for outreach during our church mission trips across Haiti.

Together with your friends, church or co-workers, you can host packing parties where volunteers bring in items in bulk for the group to fill and pack shoeboxes together. Simply divide up the list of contents you want to provide. Together, you will fill more shoeboxes. For packing ideas visit shoebboxdrive.com

"We love because He first loved us." (1 John 4:19)
This reminds us why we do what we do. Because we are blessed, we are able to be a blessing to others.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Our students can't wait to take their shoebox gifts home to share with their families. **Middle:** How many shoeboxes will you fill this year? For packing ideas visit shoebboxdrive.com. **Bottom left:** Each child matters to God, and each shoebox makes a difference. **Bottom right:** We are thankful for volunteers already serving during our 2015 shoebox drive.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

New Well: Safe drinking water prevents diseases. Clean water is vital for cooking and consumption. It also saves the lives of children under five by preventing extreme dysentery from unsafe water. Our church and school in Lassale, Haiti, has a new well located on its campus. The artesian well recently stopped, so it was replaced with a hand-pump well. Having safe water is of high importance for this coastal fishing community. For the Haitians, having clean water affects many areas of their lives.



Building Churches: Globally, the greatest force of good is the local Christian church. Right now, two churches are under construction in Haiti. Our campuses in L'Acul and Santo are seeing construction of new churches built by Haitians. These churches are vital for the infrastructure of these villages as our mission provides food, medical care, and education through these facilities. We have four additional campuses still waiting for a new church building. We welcome your prayers for the future construction of churches located in Flon, Lafferonay, Vieux Court, and Chateau, Haiti.



Dominican Health Clinic: María, who is four months pregnant, came to the health center with severe nausea. She was pale and also had low blood pressure. Dr. José Cepeda and his nurse, Marianely, immediately began treating her for dehydration. Two hours later, her blood pressure was normal and she was feeling much better. The health center treats 15-20 pregnant women monthly—half are under 18 years of age. We are in the process of starting a special ministry for pregnant women to provide them with much needed education.



Baptism Services: Our churches in Haiti host baptism services throughout the year. In Haitian culture, the outward expression of your dedication to Jesus through water baptism is significant, as it also represents the turning away from the practice of Voodoo. Recently, our church in Callitor, Haiti, hosted a baptism service. After completing discipleship classes at the church, these five members followed in believer's baptism—just yards away from their church. Together, we celebrate these lives being changed forever.



OUR TWO HANDS

New Missions uses both hands to help the people of Haiti. We love to preach, but we also love to use our hands to bring healing. Throughout the Bible, we see the use of the hand in helping and healing, such as Jesus extending His hand to lift up a sick child. The day we arrived in Haiti, our two nurses had medical supplies in their suitcases, and began touching the sick with their prayers, medical knowledge and medication.

Now, 33 years later, there are nurses in every school village. Most of these nurses were once students of New Missions. Our clinic was lost during the earthquake, but God has provided a new facility—centrally located for most of our villages.

One of our earliest aggressive health initiatives was to care for pregnant mothers. With good prenatal care, they started birthing healthy babies. We continued to care for the babies through “well baby” visits. The change was dramatic! There is a Christian nurse with her hand extended to touch your sponsored child in every village where we have a school. We rejoice in knowing the Hand of God is upon our hand—bringing healthcare to the people of Haiti.

~Jeanne DeTellis O'Connor



Top: Our new medical clinic facility in Bire, Haiti, now has a roof. **Above left:** With 32 nurses on staff at New Missions, we are able to provide healthcare to more families. **Above middle:** Marie Chantal Phillipe, a graduate of New Missions, directs our medical clinic and oversees our school nurses. **Above right:** Caring for children under five is a priority for us as we help these little children reach their fifth birthdays.

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There is a constant reminder of Voodoo on the Leogane Plain. A few months back, after hearing Voodoo drums for hours on our beach, I decided to investigate. They were sending a food sacrifice to the god of the sea on a boat—in order to help bless the fishing in this area. There were Voodoo drums and flags, and one man was hitting a metal hoe to make music. We have Voodoo temples in our area, where the Voodoo priests invite people to come and bring a sacrifice to the spirits in order to help them in their daily lives. Anything can be bought for a price...so they say. We know our sins have already been paid for in full by the blood of Christ, not by the blood of an animal. The people making the Voodoo sacrifices are only thinking about their daily needs and not their eternal security.

The true God is all that we need. No lasting good will ever come from seeking a blessing the wrong way. The Bible speaks against divination and evil spirits. In the end, these people will be judged for their disobedience. In Ephesians 2:8 we read that we are saved by grace and not by our works. *"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God."* When I came to faith in God, I came as I was. Our God is a loving, Holy and just God—yet He is also a jealous God. There is a blessing in obedience. The Holy Spirit guides us in walking on the path of righteousness.

We have come to Haiti to do a spiritual work. There is still much work to be done in the area of

evangelism and outreach. Stepping out in faith and starting more Christian schools and churches is a big commitment. I am always doing a little scouting for possible new location sites, and asking for God's direction to move forward. I thank God for our many Haitian Christian laborers in this ministry. Churches are being built and the kingdom of God is advancing. The army of the Lord is moving on.

Our Lord and Savior commands us to go into the whole world with the Gospel.

**WE ARE SAVED
BY GRACE AND NOT
BY OUR WORKS.**

Truly, the whole world is a mission field. We each have our sphere of influence. He has promised to be with us and to reward us. We have the task of presenting the Gospel and reaching out to peoples' needs. The

Holy Spirit does the drawing, and we must do our part and believe God to do the miraculous.

We live in a world full of chaos and confusion. While worldwide events can be overwhelming and even frightening, remember that Jesus is still the answer! With urgency we need to remember Jesus' words from The Great Commission: *"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. 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, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."* Matthew 28:18-20

~Charlie DeTellis

New Missions began with the principle of being content doing a small work. My father first came to Haiti to start one school, one church, and one clinic. Throughout the years God has blessed New Missions and enabled us to touch many lives in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Often, evangelism can begin with a friendship. Has God impressed upon your heart to share the message of salvation with someone?

Sincerely,

Charlie DeTellis

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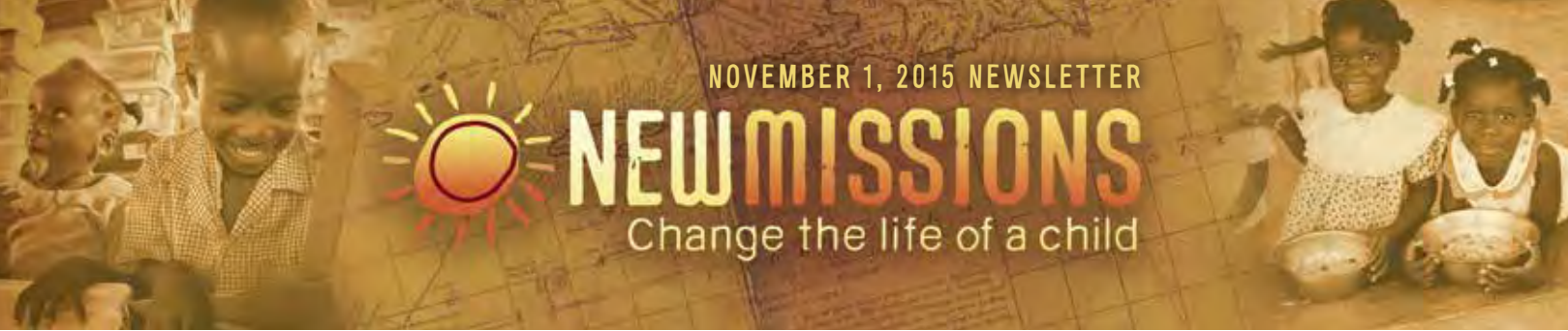
P. S. I remember a man who worked in the flower market in Boston. He would simply say to people, "Jesus loves you." There is power in the spoken word. Jesus loves you.





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FEEDING THE CHILDREN IN HAITI

This fall, I spent some extra time visiting different food dealers looking at food products and the prices to feed our 8,500 school children in Haiti. I was looking to provide other grains besides rice for the school meal. I value my food contacts highly. When buying in bulk, the price is critical, as thousands of dollars can be saved. New Missions was also able to purchase dried fish, garlic, and tomato paste to add to our school food, and we buy vegetables throughout the school year. Altogether, nine truckloads of food were delivered to our mission in September. We thank God for our new warehouses to store this food. We thank God for our donors who make this mission possible!

Feeding the children is vital to the success of our mission. The school lunch may be the only meal of the day for the Haitian child. Visiting a Haitian school will change your perspective on the world. Our schools are a positive impact upon the children. A devotional is given at the start of the school day, and before long...the school bell rings and it's time for a hot lunch.

~Charlie DeTellis



Recently, food trucks delivered 66 tons of rice! The rice delivery came in 2,400 sacks, each weighing 55 pounds.



Middle: In less than two months, all of this rice will be consumed by our school children.

Bottom left: Dry, salted and smoked herring, tomato paste, and garlic are in our warehouse and ready for feeding our school children.

Bottom right: Glory to God! Our students are growing healthy and strong thanks to your giving. Goodbye hunger, hello hope!

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

New Middle Schools: Our vision is to raise a generation of Christian leaders. Through our Christian schools, we are fulfilling this vision. This year, we now have eight middle schools in Haiti located in: Neply, Mare-Chal, Masson, Leogane, Tom Gateau, Signeau, Vieux Court, and Fond-Jacques. These middle schools welcome students in 7th and 8th grade who are advancing from our primary schools. Our middle schools are strategically located in the villages where the students live so they do not have a long commute.



Bless our Teachers: This school year, we have a record number of 453 teachers working at New Missions. Our teachers are on the front row of seeing lives changed. Did you know we collect shoebox gifts for our teachers? We want to bless them this Christmas with a special shoebox filled with items they can enjoy and share with their families. Visit www.BlessATeacher.com for packing ideas. Our collection for shoebox gifts runs through December 31, so you have plenty of time to participate.



Leadership in Haiti: In the village of Concrab, our school teachers and school director recently met for a planning meeting. Through chapel services and daily Bible classes, spiritual development is at the core of what we do through our schools. We are thankful for the leadership in each of our schools at New Missions—as they serve the children and families in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Our churches and schools are led and run entirely by Haitians and Dominicans who live locally. Please remember our pastors and teachers in your prayers.



Construction Continues: As we near the end of 2015, our church and school construction is not slowing down. This year, we have built five new churches located in Darbonne, Decouze, L'Acul, Mathieu and Santo. Four more locations are on the horizon as soon as funding is raised. For New Missions, the local church is at the center of everything we do when it comes to serving children and families. Thank you for your generosity as we continue to build more churches and schools—changing lives forever by the Gospel message.





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YEAR-END GIFT
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This year you can pack a shoebox for a New Missions nurse. Each school has a nurse who helps meet the needs of our students. Visit BlessANurse.com

SHARING MY CRACKERS

Last month, I spent a week with my mother, who is 95 years old. She told me a story from her time in Haiti. "I was in church and many children were sitting very close to me. I only had a few crackers with me. But, as I gave one child a cracker, they quickly shared that cracker with the next child."

I am telling you this story about the crackers because when you send your child a Christmas shoebox, this is exactly what happens. The items inside the box are not selfishly kept just for your sponsored child, but the child shares the contents with the whole family. Sharing in Haiti is their culture and their means of survival. Their mindset is, "I share with you today and tomorrow you will share with me."

In a village setting, when one family is eating and they know another family has no food, they share. They know this is an investment of provision that will come back to them when they are in need.

I encourage you to have great joy in your heart this holiday season to bless your child with the gift of a Christmas shoebox so there are enough crackers for all.

~Jeanne DeTellis O'Connor



Top: What's your shoebox packing goal? When you send shoebox gifts to our students, you bless their entire family.

Bottom left: We love our students and care for them by providing food, medical care, and education.

Bottom middle: You can send a shoebox gift to your sponsored child. Visit shoeboxdrive.com or call 407-240-4058.

Bottom right: Thank you to our volunteers who are serving this fall—helping pack and collect shoeboxes for Haiti.

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God's Love
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RUNNING ERRANDS OR DIVINE APPOINTMENTS?

When I was nineteen years old, I was attending Quinsigamond Community College in Worcester, Massachusetts. There was a nightclub in Worcester called Ralph's Diner. It was a diner by day with a second floor nightclub where there was a bar and place for music bands to perform at night. It was a place that attracted college kids. I got in the habit of going to Ralph's Diner on the weekends to go drinking and listen to the bands with some friends from college. My father would confront me about where I was going and what I was doing. So, I would sneak into the house quietly without turning on the lights. One night my father was waiting for me to come home. He was sitting in the dark in a chair by the door. After I gently opened and closed the door in the dark, my father softly said to me, "George, you do not want to lose God's blessing on your life." Those gentle words broke my heart.

As a young man in my father's church in Worcester, Massachusetts, I came to a place in my life where I rededicated my life to Christ. I prayed and asked God, "What do you want to do with my life?" I felt the Lord leading me with the words, "You can serve Me by serving your parents." I became my father's errand boy—the "go to" guy for getting things done. It was about this time that we started our missionary work in Haiti.

My first errand at New Missions was packing suitcases for mission trips going to Haiti. In 1983, my father gave me a job taking care of the child sponsors

at the mission in Haiti. Dad gave me three things before he left for Haiti. One was a key to our post office box. Then, he gave me a 3"x5" alphabetical file card box. Inside that box was a file card with the name of each of the child sponsors, and the handwritten records of their monthly child sponsorship payment. He gave me a duplicate receipt book for handwriting receipts for each donation received. Looking back on over thirty years of ministry, everything I have done has been errands that became divine appointments.

In 1 Samuel chapter 17, there is the story of a boy named David who was given the errand to take some food to his brothers who were fighting a battle against the Philistines. *Take these ten loaves of bread and these ten cheeses to the captain over your brothers and come home and tell me how your brothers are doing. (1 Samuel 17:17-18)* That errand turned into a divine appointment that would make David a victor in a

battle with a giant, and the future King of Israel. In the movies there is always an inciting incident that is the cause for the beginning of the story, and there is always the last act climax that is the culmination of the story. As I have gotten older, I often ask myself what will be my last act climax? When David was challenged by Goliath to fight him, David said, *I killed the lion and a bear to protect my father's sheep. I will do the same to this giant named Goliath.* The errands of life are preparation for the appointments.

~George DeTellis, Jr.

GOD IS THE MOVIE
PRODUCER OF
YOUR LIFE

No matter what we have accomplished in life, no matter what last year's success was, we can't live in the past. We can be thankful and grateful for all that God has done for us, but we can't be satisfied by living life looking backwards. Every day is a new day that cries out for us to go conquer, to do, to work, and to learn. When I think of my last act climax, I pray to God, "Do You have one more errand for me to run for The Master?"

George DeTellis, Jr

P.S. Everything you have experienced up to now is preparation for what God wants to do with you next! Read Romans 8:28.



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WHAT'S NEXT?

Frequently, I'm asked this question, "What's next for New Missions?" My common response is typically, "What's now?" I'm not trying to ignore the question, I'm trying to bring awareness to the power of the now. What we are doing today will make tomorrow better.

For example, I'm excited about today because of leaders such as Isaac Genel in Haiti. Today, Isaac is a teacher at our elementary school in Leogane. As a graduate of New Missions, he represents a role model of change to the next generation of five-year-olds starting school at New Missions.

You can be the difference maker in the life of a child. In 2015, we had 677 of our students celebrate their fifth birthdays. In 2016, there will be 701 students who will celebrate their fifth birthdays. This is a major milestone on their journey of growing strong in a country where the survival rate is greatly threatened for children under five.

Please consider making a donation to our *Student Scholarship Fund* by giving the gift of education to students awaiting a sponsor. Your special year-end gift will help us serve these students at New Missions—by providing proper medical care, food, and a quality education.

~Tim DeTellis



Greetings from our Leogane Elementary School where teacher and graduate of New Missions Isaac Genel and his students are grateful for the gift of education.



Middle: Here at New Missions, we believe in the God-given potential of each child in our classrooms.

Bottom left: Thank you for giving to help our students attend school and learn about Jesus.

Bottom right: New leaders are on the rise in Haiti, and with hope in God, lives are changed forever.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS



New Missions Eagles: The Scripture theme for our students at New Missions is, *“He fills my life with good things. My youth is renewed like the eagle’s.”* (Psalm 103:5) Our Haitian education counsel selected the eagle to be the school mascot, and then chose this verse. Here at New Missions, we believe in the God-given potential of each of our students. From our elementary school in Leogane, Haiti, these young women proudly received their New Missions eagle patches. Together, we are raising a new generation of Christian leaders.



What’s In Your Shoebox?: There’s still time to pack and send shoeboxes for our students in Haiti. Our collection runs through December 31, 2015. A great idea when packing your shoebox is to fill a reusable water bottle with school supplies such as: pencils, pens, erasers, a ruler, small calculator and watch. Even a comb could fit inside the bottle. Some fun game ideas include dominos, cards, jacks, and balls. Toothpaste, toothbrushes, face cloths and soap are always a blessing, too. *“We love because He first loved us.”* 1 John 4:19



Thankful Students: Because you show love to our students through your prayers and support, they are growing up with thankful hearts. Each day before lunch at school, the students gather for prayer. Did you know we prepare over 2 million meals each year at New Missions in Haiti? Thankfully, each school lunch helps strengthen our kids with proper nourishment. We purchase fish, vegetables, and beans to serve with rice. Your giving to *Rice for Children* helps us faithfully feed our students and say goodbye to hunger and hello to hope.



Redemption Village: Our preschool students at Redemption Village, in the Dominican Republic, are currently learning their colors and numbers. These four-year-old children love to interact with their teacher and other students in their classroom. This school has 201 students and holds both morning and afternoon classes. Many of the students attending this school are Haitian. All classes are taught in Spanish, which helps the children learn the language they need to live and eventually work in the Dominican Republic.



MAKING MORE ROOM

Seven Haitian workers are involved in the fabrication and installation of benches for our churches. Our church pews are made either 10 or 14-foot long (the 10 foot benches are for our smaller churches).

First, the metal legs are welded on by our welder, Luc Bertrand. The church pews are then bolted together, and a piece of angle iron is also welded at this time to the bottom of the church pew legs. The carpenters' names are Litnier, Paul, and Sony. The benches are then varnished and the metal is painted black by our painters Ton Ton, Cartier, and Jaune. Finally, the benches are delivered to the churches and bolted securely to the floor.

We recently finished delivering benches to our high school chapel, which is also used as our Signeau church. On several occasions we have seen people praying and seeking the Lord in the churches. I am sure the villagers rejoiced in seeing the delivery of more benches for their church.

"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men." Colossians 3:23

~Charlie DeTellis



Top: Our students and churches use the benches weekly for worship and chapel services.

Bottom left: Luc Bertrand, a graduate of New Missions from Nepley, Haiti, is our welder who makes the legs for our church benches.

Bottom middle: 100% Haitian made by our carpenters and welder, church benches provide more seating in our churches.

Bottom right: New church benches have been installed at our church in Signeau, Haiti, and also at our high school chapel.

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FOR THIS REASON...MERRY CHRISTMAS!

The Bible explains in 1 John 3:8 that FOR THIS REASON, Jesus came. The Phillips translation reads, “*Now the Son of God came to earth with the express purpose of liquidating the devil’s activities.*” What’s the devil doing in your life? For the reason of evil in the world, in your world, in your life, in all that you see that is not good and not of God...for this reason Jesus came into the world. For this reason Jesus came to destroy once and for all the works of the evil one.

I can remember visiting a special paternal aunt, Freda Masciarelli, just before Christmas. She was at the Dana Farber Hospital in Boston, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer at 53 years of age.

Aunt Freda owned a jewelry store in Framingham, Massachusetts, where we would visit her often. I remember as a child peering into the jewelry case with my eyes glued to a Mickey Mouse watch with a red strap. Now, my Aunt Freda was in her last days on earth. Visiting her for the last time with Pastor George, I heard him strongly give her two words, “MERRY CHRISTMAS!” I cringed. Pancreatic cancer is not Merry Christmas.

Currently, for my husband, Dennis, cancer is a “Goliath” in his life that needs a stone from David’s sling to destroy the giant. Cancer, like any other evil in the world, needs to hear the words of the young shepherd boy, David: “*You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the LORD Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.*” 1 Samuel 17:45

**KEEP CHEERING THE
WORLD WITH THE GREETING
OF MERRY CHRISTMAS.**

Merry Christmas to you and your world! Merry Christmas to every child fleeing with their parents as refugees. Merry Christmas to each one fighting a Goliath in their world. We pray for the Christ child to be with every description of evil and bring a glorious light—a sounding joy that cannot be made silent, and an everlasting peace that calms and comforts beyond any human understanding.

Only Jesus can see every evil on the face of the earth, and He can touch, respond, love, heal, and change the blackness into the noonday sunshine. The more days on earth I have, I hear stories of imperfect

lives. But, these lives are standing tall and shining in the image of their Savior, Healer, and most blessedly with assurance of a coming Jesus.

Yes, this is the reason Jesus came with a gift unlimited and big enough

to satisfy every pumping heart on earth with the Good News. Not just news of salvation and eternity, but a living gift constantly wrapped in the power of the Holy Spirit—encompassing our lives with hope and expecting a miracle.

As brothers and sisters, we know the reason. We know why He came. His love for you and for me gives us the joyous spirit of the season every moment until we begin our next life with Him in another world with no evil. The darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining (1 John 2:8b). We know Jesus is coming again!

Merry Christmas!

~Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor

The holiday season is especially difficult for families struggling for victory, for a miracle, or for survival. Jesus knows. You are never out of His powerful touching presence. He cares. He understands. This Christmas, I take a deep breath and exercise my faith to say, “Merry Christmas!” I take the life of a Living Babe into my deepest being. Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,

Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor

P.S. At the time of writing this article, my husband of five years, Dennis O’Connor, is fighting mesothelioma lung cancer and is under hospice care. Jesus came to this earth for this reason: for Dennis O’Connor, for you, and for me.



Dennis and Jeanne DeTellis O’Connor