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Walking By Faith

The Crisis

"Today, September 27th, Haiti is practically on fire. The population took to the streets destroying and burning. They said they will not stop until the president leaves. No one knows where the president is at this time.

So far all is well with the Village and the Hospital. Fuel was delivered yesterday and there is food for the next 4 days.

Let us continue to pray for Haiti. God brought us all together for times like these. Thank you so much."

These words from Gladys Thomas, President, Fondation pour les Enfants d'Haiti, only begin to describe the horror and difficulties of life in Haiti at this time.

Desperate people do desperate things. For the last year and a



half, the consequence of extreme financial failure have grown from frustration to violence. With annual incomes at about \$400, having the local currency worth about half of its prior value and the cost of living increasing by about 25%, it is no wonder Haitians are angry with the government. A gasoline shortage has resulted in a 3-gallon limit per purchase at prices up to \$15 per gallon.

Vandalism, looting, and general terrorism is rampant to the point that the gates at Hope Hospital are kept closed. Guards open them for the sick and injured. Having the third-year nursing school interns from C-tech at the hospital is a great support for the medical staff who risk their lives to get to work.

If ever there were a time to pray for the people of Haiti, for God-led leadership, and for God's provision for His children, now is the time.

Ways to Help:

See WWW.USFCH.ORG for instructions

- Donate to General Fund Relief
- Sponsor a child at Hope Home
- Sponsor a high school scholar
- Donate to C-tech scholarship fund
- Shop: Amazon List



Needs for 2019-2020

Delivery address:
Gladys Thomas's
Gift Registry

And PRAY, always!





Education Update

We believe that education is the most powerful way to create sustainable positive change for Haiti. Breaking the cycle of poverty means educating the children. For USFCH, investing in education is a key component of our mission.

New Academy of Excellence (NAE), located in Port-au-Prince at Children’s Village of Hope had 113 students last year. All students who took the national year-end final exams did well. We continue to provide one of the few special ed classrooms available with 16 students in attendance.

Despite the political turmoil that kept many schools closed this fall, NAE opened on schedule. Sadly, the national unrest has forced FEH schools to close until it is safer to be on the streets..

Education for thirty high school students living at Children’s Village of Hope has been interrupted. They are attending a local secondary school with high standards. The tuition fee at *College Methodiste de Puits Blains* is \$862 per year for each student. Additionally, there are uniforms, shoes, and school supplies. Costs add up quickly with so many now continuing their education. The consequence is additional stress on an already tight budget.

Four hours from Port-au-Prince, in the rural village of Musotte, is the *School of the Good Sower*. This elementary school has been a blessing to the people of that area and has grown to 11 teachers and 204 students. Enrollment is outpacing our ability to build more classrooms. We are looking for the means to provide for improvements so that we can offer the highest quality education to these children as well.

The Consequence

Income is down:

- For months insurance payments have not been made by the government for health care provided to government employees. This important revenue stream is significant to the hospital.
- During the last year, teams bringing supplies and paying fees have not been going to Haiti.
- When medicine can be found, it costs ten times more.
- Fruits, vegetables, chickens, eggs, and other foods are impossible to find. Markets are closed, and roadblocks keep sellers from getting to the city.
- blocks keep local sellers from getting to the city. Foundation property has been damaged by thrown rocks. Necessary repairs are costing more. Unexpected repairs to the septic system at the Village recently cost \$11,000.

Expenses are up:

- Little or no municipal electricity, and the hospital must depend on generators. Diesel fuel is hard to get and increasingly expensive. The generators are requiring frequent repairs because of the hard, steady use. It is not always possible for the repairman to get to the hospital.
- Hospital supplies are hard to get. The company that supplied them was burned by demonstrators. Oxygen deliveries are also unreliable.

The Response

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DONATE

Thank you to our back-to-school shoppers!! >>>

We would like to send a big THANK YOU to all our back-to-school shoppers. Your purchases made via the Amazon shopping list, allowed the kids to return to school fully prepared and ready to go!



AMAZON WISH LIST

List: Needs for 2019—2020

Address: Gladys Thomas’ Gift Registry

Prime will deliver free to Florida

Shoes — Clothes — School Supplies