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### Our Founder John Leininger

On March 26th The Ocala Star Banner printed the following article about the Founder of Harvest International, Inc. Dr. John Leininger.

#### Mission Founder Amazed By Growth

Retired doctor stepped down in February, but still active with missions.

By: Marian Rizzo

OCALA - Dr. John Leininger, a retired Ocala optometrist, has had In

one foot in Haiti for 33 years.

Leininger, the founder of Harvest International Inc., an Ocala-

based mission, retired as president of the organization in February, while the mission celebrated its 20th anniversary. Even so, Leininger plans to travel to Haiti at least twice a year.

In a telephone interview from his cattle ranch in San Antonio, Leininger reflected on the images that keep drawing him back to Haiti since his first mission trip in 1974.

"I remember very vividly a woman living in boxes," Leininger said. "It had a big impact on me. I just couldn't imagine that nobody was there taking care of her. It was near a busy street. Tons of people were driving by, and there she was."

More recently, Leininger encountered a 6-yearold girl who had backed into a cooking fire and had severe burns down her back to her knees.

"We got there 10 days after she was burned," Leininger said. "She had no health care at all, other than antibiotics. Not even a pain pill. We were able to get her to good health care. Now, we're trying to get her to the United States to get skin grafts."

Executive Director Danny Thomas described Leininger as "a tremendous blessing."

"I've learned many, many things from Dr. Leininger," Thomas said "Our trips to Haiti have always been an adventure and an experience. We have walked through some deep waters together - literally.

In 1991, he and I got caught in a coup in Haiti. The roads were all blocked. The only way we could get out was through the ocean. We had 17 or 18 Americans with us. We commandeered three sailboats and took them from Haiti to Guantanamo, Cuba. We were refugees for awhile."

Most of the mission trips are not quite so dramatic, but more laborious. Mission teams usually build churches, schools and community centers. Medical teams trek into the woods carrying backpacks filled with medicine. And children are fed meals provided through interest from a \$130,000 endowment fund that was established in Marion County.

Previously of Ocala, Leininger and his wife, Diane, also helped found the Women's Pregnancy Center. Leininger recently was named president emeritus of Harvest International. Now he marvels at how the mission has grown to include seven different countries and multiple mission teams.

"I guess my initial vision was that we would run a few teams to Haiti and do as much ministry as we could," Leininger said. "I didn't expect it to grow this fast and this big."

Leininger's latest venture, a "barefoot doctor program," trains Haitians to dispense vitamins, bandages and over-the-counter medicines to

the poor. He also wants to find a way to get patients to health care facilities. There are not many in Haiti, he said.

And Leininger has another goal that is closer to home.

"I would love to see everyone in Marion County take a trip to Haiti or some Third World country - and not a hotel trip, but to go to some location and live in the homes that the people live in and see what their life is like. Obviously, Harvest International can always use funding and prayer. But, the No. 1 thing for anyone to do is to go and see for himself."

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#### LUTHER & CAROL HANSLEY

Luther has been gearing up for the 14 teams he has between now and the end of June. He has been working on all the preparation for the teams and moving load after load of material to different project sites. He is also working on getting a 40 foot container out to Cayes and unloaded. He has had three teams that he has hosted, which blessed the people and area where they visited and worked.

Please pray for all the up-coming teams, both for Luther's and the team's travels, as well as strength and wisdom to accomplish God's plans and purposes for these teams. One of the urgent prayer needs Luther has is vehicles out of commission. Because of hard service, his vehicles are broken down. The roads and the number of trips Luther has to make to all the different project sites and Port Au Prince for teams



and supplies have taken their toll. In my last conversation with Luther, our discussion was to arrange to get parts sent into Haiti either via team members, MFI or planning to send parts with someone that might be coming to Haiti. As of that time, Luther was working on two of the Chevy trucks and the Toyota was down and out. One morning as I was reading my E-mail here at the Harvest office, I had a call from Luther about the need of funds to be transferred so he could get parts. He called me back as he was being towed back through the streets of Port Au Prince by a helpful friend. As much time and use Luther's trucks get, he is in need of all his vehicles in working order and 2~3 new vehicles soon.

We thank you all who have given support to go towards the Hansley's work in Haiti and toward his new truck. Please continue to pray for Luther & Carol and the work they do for the Lord.

-Tom Schmidt for Luther

#### CULLIE & SANDY WOODALL



As many of you know we have been praying for a long time for the papers needed for David to travel to the states. Our prayers were answered when David was given a five year visa from the US Embassy and the Haitian government gave us permission to take him out of Haiti. It was a lengthy process and we were not sure if David's mother was going to give us any resistance. It all went smooth and just before we left Haiti David's mother told us that she had given her life to the Lord. Immediately we realized why she was so cooperative. God had softened her heart and drawn her to Him. Praise the LORD!

We arrived in Florida near the end of October tired and weary from all the preparation required to leave our house in Haiti. Sandy was recovering from dengue fever and as she regained her strength we began traveling and visiting supporters. We are thankful for safety and no mechanical problems in our travels.

During our time away from Haiti we have maintained communication with Pastor Bessa on the works in the church, school and feeding center. Several missionaries and Haitian friends have called or emailed wanting to know our ETA in Haiti. We are looking forward to returning to Haiti and what God has in store for us there. We know "He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youth shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." Isaiah 41:29-31

We are energized through the power of the LORD to return and we value your prayers and support as we prepare to reenter the mission field.

-Cullie & Sandy

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January 30, 2007

Daniel Thomas Harvest International P.O. Box 6690 Ocala, FL 34478

Dear Daniel Thomas:

On behalf of Charity Navigator, I wish to congratulate Harvest International on achieving our coveted 4-star rating for sound fiscal management.

As the nonprofit sector continues to grow at an unprecedented pace, savvy donors are demanding more accountability, transparency and quantifiable results from the charities they choose to support with their hardearned dollars. In this competitive philanthropic marketplace, Charity Navigator, America's premier charity evaluator, highlights the fine work of efficient charities such as your own, and provides donors with essential information needed to give them greater confidence in the charitable choices they make.

Based on the most recent financial information available, we have calculated a new rating for your organization. We are proud to announce Harvest International has earned our 4-star rating for its ability to efficiently manage and grow its finances. Less than a quarter of the charities we evaluate have received our highest rating, indicating that Harvest International outperforms the majority of nonprofits in America with respect to fiscal responsibility. This "exceptional" designation from Charity Navigator differentiates Harvest International from its peers and demonstrates to the public it is worthy of their trust.

The New York Times, NPR and The Chronicle of Philanthropy, among others, have profiled and celebrated our unique method of applying data-driven analysis to the charitable sector. We evaluate ten times more charities than our nearest competitor and currently attract more visitors to our website than all other charity rating groups combined, thus making us the leading charity evaluator in America. Our irrefutable data shows that users of our site gave more than they planned to before viewing our findings, and in fact, last year Charity Navigator visitors gave over \$3 billion in charitable gifts.

We believe our service will enhance your organization's fundraising and public relations efforts. Our favorable review of Harvest International's fiscal health will be visible on our website as of February 1st and to help you share this significant accomplishment with your donors, we will be sending you a direct link to Harvest International's rating page and our 4-star logos. We will email these links on February 6th to the following email address, danny@harvestinternational.org. If you would like this forthcoming email sent to an email address other than the one listed above, please contact Matthew Viola at mviola@charitvnavigator.org and identify your organization in the subject heading. Should you have further questions, feel free to email or call Matthew at (201)818-1288, extension 107.

Our ministry in Romania is continuing to grow with God's blessings and 2007 is going to be another exciting time. Here is our schedule thus far:

> March/April (no specific time yet) **Children's Hospital Renovation Construction Team**

July 5th - 15th FBC Ocala Summer Camp Team

July 19th - 29th Baylor University Summer Camp Team

August 2<sup>nd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Richfork Baptist Church Summer Camp Team

August 20th - 25th Hospice Summer Camp



We would ask you to pray that God will use each of the team members to bless those they come in contact with and also that God will touch the hearts and lives of the children this summer. We personally experienced God's grace and mercy last year and we anxiously look forward to what will happen this summer!

-Randy & Debbie

#### THOMAS & AMY



Thomas and Amy Kay and their family have been busy this past year! Here are a few pictures from some teams that they have had. You can also find a complete photo gallery and information on the Kay's on their website. There is a link from Harvest's website to view it. Thank you for all you do to support & minister to the Kays!







LELA STEEL

My Dear Support Family:

Thank you for your prayers. I recently came home for 3 months in mid October for the weddings of two grandsons (brothers who married sisters!) The Lord had brought us soon after the new 2006-07 School began two new boys, Andrey and Sasha.

Of course it is always an adjustment time, but I do much talking, hugging, and encouraging. Andrey loved this, and adjusted quicker than Sasha. Sasha ran to the street and when they found him and brought him back I cried with joy. I was so happy to see he was O.K. He promised to never run again. Now both boys love to sit near me, hold a finger, hug my arm, and tell me often they love me. These boys are doing good now PRAISE THE LORD! Thank you for your prayers and support. I could not be here without both of the above.

I love each one of you! Remember you are present here also. I tell the children about you!! I wish I had a photo of each one of you—I would make a Big Poster! Not to build up man, except the love of Christ in you is why you financially support this work. You have touched many lives of boys and girls through your gifts, prayers and love!! Thank you over and over and over!
-Your Lela / Grandma Steel / Bahbushka Lela

Here are some of the children that are in our Internot 88 on the NEW Ukraine Sponsorship Program. Because of your support, these children can be shown God's love!

Please let us know if you would like to sponsor a child in Ukraine!!! Contact: Cassie Shipley (352) 622-1818









### Affica uganda

As we enter the 12th year of the Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project it has always focused on the needs of the children, whether it was the sponsorship project, the Hope Primary School or others the Lord brings into our path. Such is the case with the Rwengoma church in Ft. Portal. This is the church of Pastor John Kalenzi whom we have worked with for many years. The Lord gave him a vision for a nursery school a few years ago. The Lord had provided a new church building for his congregation and he wanted to start an outreach to the local community.



So, after about a year, there are now 52 children attending the Hill Top Nursery school with all the children three to five years old. After sharing with our local church about the nursery school, our church's sewing circle began making dresses for the little girls of the school. These dresses have been a true blessing to the children and their parents. During my (Dick) last visit the school teachers had a special program to show their appreciation for that great outreach of Jesus' love to them. One of the mothers, Monica, even wrote us a letter expressing her thanks for this gift of love shown to her daughter, Safrin; a Muslim mother thanking a Christian church for Jesus' love. -Dick & Barbara

#### Kenya

#### ALAN & PAM MAY

The children of The Haven in Eldoret, Kenya are thriving. They have experienced good health, physical growth, and spiritual growth. Pam and I are so encouraged by Cosmas' laughter, speech and stature. When he came to us



he had been starved, burned and caged like an animal. He was catatonic, and he was not potty trained. We just thought all we could do was keep him fed, clean and protected from harm. We did not imagine he would become "just one of the kids" in such a good way. He brings joy to all of our lives.

The other 22 kids in The Haven have made pro gress in varying degrees. We have cast a vision for

their future. A permanent home, a school staffed by short term missionary teachers, a polytechnical school to provide job skills training for those who choose not to go to university, and a Bible-believing church near the

new home site. -Alan & Pam

#### EDWIN & BETTY



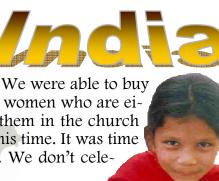
We thank you all very much for the support that you send to us. We were able to buy gifts for nearly 75 children who are coming from a poor family and 80 women who are either widows or under the poverty line. We celebrated Christmas with them in the church

by feeding nearly 600 people this time. It was time for joy and the real Christmas. We don't celebrate anything at home.

We are praying for all of you. With much love for you and your family. Much love,

-Edwin & Betty





### Moving Into a New Season From the Child Sponsorship Coordinator

I never thought I would be writing this letter, but here it goes. It's a new season for me and my family as I move out of my four year position as Harvest International's Child Sponsorship Coordinator. What a joy it has been for me these past years. When I came to Harvest back in 2003, I was a single girl dating the man (Aaron Johnson) that would soon become my husband. When, in September that year, I announced to Danny that Aaron proposed, he both congratulated me and sighed at the same time. I will never forget what he said next: "You know what this means don't you? A baby is going to come and that means you are going to leave us." I came back with "Are you kidding? I will never leave Harvest! This is one of the great loves of my life!" Well, needless to say, Aaron and I were married, and a little over 2 years later (June 26, 2006 to be exact), my precious daughter, Felicity, was born. I missed 6 weeks from work for maternity leave and Danny had pretty much expected me to bring him the news that I could no longer work for Harvest. Well, to his surprise, I was back to work part-time. He graciously allowed me to bring Felicity to work with me every day that I came in. My office looked like a nursery! I had her pack-n-play, swing, walker, bouncer, changing table... you name it, it's in my office! Every day that she gets older keeps me more and more busy. My husband has been so

kind to put up with dishes not being done, dinner not being served, laundry half folded and thrown all over the living room floor. I've been trying to juggle

room floor. I've been trying to juggle housework, bills, being a wife, mother, AND keep my job at Harvest all at the



Well, the time has come that Danny foresaw 3½ years ago when I walked into his office and announced: "I'M ENGAGED!!!"

No, I am not leaving my family at Harvest, nor am I leaving my position as an employee. But, the Children's Ministry that I once headed up here at the office, has now moved to my home.

The love, excitement and motivation that once beamed from my body for the Harvest Children's Ministry has merely transferred to my own special children's ministry at home. Felicity is now my ministry. I must give her my

all if I want to raise and train her to be a unique and precious daughter of our King in Heaven. I am handing my position at Harvest over to someone else and it is my prayer that they will love this ministry as much as I do. As I said before, I am still an employee of Harvest, in that, I will still be designing all of the newsletters for Harvest and each one of the missionaries and I will be doing all of the graphic design work that needs to be done from my home computer. You might catch me at the office on Wednesdays entering the donations into the computer system.

You can still reach me through my email which is: Princessil5@earthlink.net, and you can always call the office if you have any questions. I want to thank every one of you, so much, for being a part in making the past four years of my employment seem more like a family to me than a job. I would love to hear from any of you if you have any questions or comments. It has been my absolute pleasure and joy to have worked here as head of the Children's Ministry. I am excited about this new season of my life and what all the Lord has in store for me and my family. Be truly blessed in Jesus' precious name.

In His Love, Jali Jonson

### The Children's Sponsorship Coordinator

same time.

Hi my name is Cassie Shipley and I am the new "Children's Sponsorship Coordinator" for Harvest International. I have only been here for a month but I am very excited about this new ministry that the Lord has allowed me to be a part of. Being a member of the Harvest family is truly a blessing for me and I am eager to get to know all the missionaries and sponsors. I feel for sure that my personality and creativity will fit right in. If you have any questions or would just like to say hi, please feel free to call me. May the Lord bless you in his loving way.

~ Cassie Shipley

### Why I Love Being a

An interview with Harvest's youngest Child Sponsor, Destiney Carreiro (6 years old).





Have you ever considered sponsoring a child in a foreign country? Would you like to hear about it from a child sponsor's perspective? We asked Destiney Carreiro, Harvest's youngest Child Sponsor, a few questions about why she loves sponsoring a child so much.

May this touch your heart and encourage you to either sponsor a child yourself, or spread the word to your family and friends. You're never too old or too young to help a precious child in need!

We currently have sponsorship in Haiti, Uganda, Kenya, and now, Ukraine! The cost for you to sponsor a child is \$25 per month. Please contact Cassie Shipley at the office: 352-622-1818 or by email: <a href="mailto:cassie@harvestinternational.org">cassie@harvestinternational.org</a> for more information.

Q: Why did you choose to sponsor a child?

A: Because I wanted to help the kids in another country and I wanted a girl the same age as me so we could be friends.

Q: How do you pay for your sponsorship?

A: I have a job! I help my Granny at work. I put stickers on envelopes and I stuff paper inside envelopes at Harvest to help out. Today I got \$5 and last time I got \$4. I give it to my girl in Haiti because I want to help her so that she can have everything she needs. Maybe if I can give her \$100 she could build a house for her family!

Q: Why do you like sponsoring a child?

A: Because it's fun and I like helping her and it makes me feel happy inside when I give her money.

Q: Do you think other people should become Child Sponsors as well?

A: YES! Because there's sooo many kids and we should help them ALL because they need us!

Destiney Carreiro with her hard, earned money that she sends to her sponsored child in







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## Haiti Missions Director Tom Schmidt



"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure. "-Philippians 2:13

I'm very encouraged how I see God working in the Haitian people . There seems to be a turning to the one true God of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. There are groups of men who are praying for the country and a turning away from the past, and the ways that things use to be done . These Christians are trying to encourage their Christian brothers and sisters to work together on spreading the

There have been a lot of teams in the last few months and the reports coming from those returning have been a new desire to serve the Lord and renew their depth and commitment in their faith in Christ. There are others who are looking to how they might make an impact in this world for Gods kingdom. And, since my last writing, things in Haiti have improved even more, physically, throughout most of the country.

The biggest news from Haiti is that Luther Hansley is leaving after almost 19 years of commitment to the people of Haiti. Luther has encouraged and blessed team members and nationals alike, and we will miss him greatly. Please pray with us that God will direct Luther and Carol on their next venture. We will never be able to replace Luther, but we are committed to continuing the projects in the villages that so many of you have been part of in the Cayes area.

We continue to try to help with the projects and children in Port-Au-Prince and Gonaives . The children have finished another school year and we are looking with excitement to the new school year. We have seen two different places, provided with the funds needed from the USA, to drill water wells. One in Modell will provide clean drinking water which will improve the health of the people living

in that village tremendously. The other well will provide irrigation to farmers who have, in the past, had to count on the rains to grow their crops.

Lastly, there are some new children that are going to be supported in the Jerusalem School Project, started by Harvest and a partner in the north part of the United States. Please pray with us for this new undertaking and the funds needed for all our projects in Haiti. We would not be able to have any of these children cared for or projects completed without your gifts. Thank you and please pray with us for wisdom and guidance as we labor toaether in Haiti.





### Mission Accomplish in (JKRAI)

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What a powerful trip we had to Odessa, Ukraine. The Lord granted us favor with everyone we came in contact with. The goal of this trip was to ensure that the 30 pieces of surgical equipment we shipped was appropriate and functioning. God allowed us to witness the very first surgery with the new equipment and we were very blessed. Visit our website www.harvestinternational.org to read more about our trip.

The best way to express to you what the Lord has done is to let you hear from Dr. Mykolia Bayazitov, Chief of Surgery, for the Odessa Regional Hospital in Ukraine. Below is a letter that has been translated.

#### **ODESSA MINISTRY OF HEALTH AFFAIRS** LETTER OF GRATITUDE

Administration, doctors, nurses and all the medical staff of Odessa Oblast Hospital, would like to express their gratitude to God and the American organization "Harvest International"; its staff on behalf of Danny Thomas, Dan and Judy Standish, Rick Wood, Richard Warren, Karen Warren and Clinton Warren and many other wonderful American Christians for the great help in medical equipment: anesthesia machines, operating tables, surgery lamps, electric surgical unit (coagulators), and many other medical equipment and supplies which are very needed and necessary in the hospital.

Your hearts overflowing with Christian zeal came to help to many needy people. Due to your gracious help thousands of needy Ukrainians will be able to receive medical help in time. The medical staff at the hospital will be telling every patient about great Christians from America. Your example of sincere ministry to God will help many to receive Jesus Christ and follow His commands.

May the Lord bless your hearts and your gracious hands.

Dr. Mykolia Bayazitov, Chief of Surgery, Medical Director of Oblast Hospital



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Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white for harvest! ~John 4:35

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#### LUTHER & CAROL HANSLEY ~ A Journey At An End



Dear Friends and Family,

For the past 18 years our family has served our Haitian brothers and sisters, ministering to them in the name of Jesus Christ. It has been our joy and blessing to be used in God's service.

As I reflect, I see how content our four children were growing up in Haiti, how supportive and faithful my wife has been, how God has always given peace in the midst of much chaos, how many lives were touched and changed as they came on a work team for a short visit, how God always supplied all our needs as we were faithfully prayed for and financially provided for by our wonderful team of supporters, and only eternity will reveal God's work in the lives of the many Haitians we've been in contact with throughout these years. I thank God for using us as instruments in His hands to work in other's lives.

As Carol and I have spent time praying and seeking God's direction for our future, we've decided God would have our time of service in Haiti come to a conclusion this summer at the end of our current three year term. We are excited as we follow God's leading in our lifelong adventure with Him. We know He only has His best for our lives.

The work will always be here in Haiti, and we have no doubt that God will continue to work in lives through those willing to come or through whatever means He chooses. God's work will always go on.

We thank all of you from the depths of our hearts for your faithfulness in praying for us and supporting us with finances and encouragement through the years. We couldn't have asked for a greater team of supporters who have come along beside us. You have all been such a significant part of God's work here in Haiti through the ministry. We pray you will continue to minister wherever and through whatever means God leads you.

Please continue to pray and support us with your gifts through July 2007, at which time we'll be in transition back to the US.

Commit to the Lord whatever you do and your plans will succeed. In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps. ~ Proverbs 16:3 & 9

The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

In His Love.

Luther + Carof

Luther & Carol Hansley





#### DANIEL & BETTY EDWIN

Hallelujah, God is great! He has blessed our new school project and the building is moving right along. The children are excited to start a new year in a new place. Now we need help with supplying the children with school supplies. We need support for uniforms, school books, paper, pens and pencils, ect. If you would like to help with our school supplies fund, please make contributions to Harvest International and indicate "India School Supply" on your donations.

- Daniel & Betty Edwin

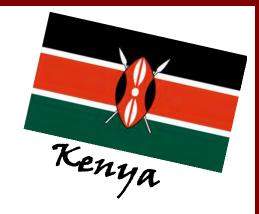








### AFRICA



#### DICK & BARB JOHNSON—UGANDA

In July a medical team will go to Uganda for the second year in a row. We are thrilled to be able to continue to meet the medical needs of the children of the Hope Primary School, the Good Samaritan Project, Hill Top Nursery and hopefully another local community called Kiswa. The medical funds are being provided in large part by the Boy Scout Troop #113 in Weirsdale, Florida. They have been very instrumental in helping the Hope Primary School and to promote their brother troop #113 at the Hope School.



This year while there Dr. Picky Pares will be doing some training with the Boy Scouts



in First Aid. The Weirsdale troop has provided First Aid kits, the Scout First Aid Books and upon completion of the training the scouts will receive a First Aid Badge. Then as a further reward we will give certificates and a gift of mosquito netting. We hope that this training will equip the Scouts to be more helpful in handling medical issues that arise on a daily basis. As you can imagine small medical issues turn into big ones with the lack of basic medical attention. And even further we are praying for some Scouts who may want to give their lives to the service of Christ in the medical field.

- Dick & Barb Johnson

#### ALAN & PAM MAY—KENYA

A father to the fatherless...is God in his holy dwelling. Psalm 68:5

We praise the LORD, and we thank him for all he is doing in the lives of orphaned children in Kenya. While visiting the US we have had many opportunities to share our vision for the future of The Haven, and the LORD has provided gifts and pledges to build a new home and a school for the kids. We are excited about beginning these major construction projects immediately upon our return to Kenya.

We have maintained close contact with our friends in Eldoret, and we get regular reports from The Haven. The children continue to thrive. They are celebrating the addition of another child to their home! The parents at The Haven, Joseph and Lilian Simiyu, have a new baby girl named Deborah Baraka.



People have been so generous to donate gifts of bed linens, school supplies, tooth brushes, shoes, art supplies, toys, bibles, books and other things for the kids and adults at The Haven and Fresh Start orphanages. We are all so grateful for every expression of love and support shown through your gifts, prayers, cards and letters.

- Alan & Pan May



"The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; The LORD raises up those who are bowed down; The LORD loves the righteous; The LORD protects the strangers; He supports the fatherless and the widow, But He thwarts the way of the wicked. The LORD will reign forever, Your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!"

~Psalm 146:8-10





### ROMANIA



#### RANDY & DEBBIE BULLOCK



We are now in Romania gearing up for a fast and furious 2007 summer camp schedule. We have two summer interns, Laurie Phipps and Sarah Kerbdle, who are ready and willing to help out wherever they are needed. This is Laurie's second summer as one of our interns so she is helping to show Sarah the ropes. They are great young Christian ladies who have a willing heart and desire to serve wherever the Lord leads them.

Please pray specifically for these camps that the children will have open hearts and minds to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ taught and see it lived before them by the

teams coming from the United States, the United Kingdom and Romania. For the second camp listed we need your very special prayers because this is the camp that does not have a sponsor. Randy and I felt the Lord wanted us to proceed with this camp even without a team or sponsors. So our ministry will be putting on this camp by ourselves, our interns and our Romanian helpers/translators. We would like to ask one last time for your financial support of this

camp. We have received about one-half of the \$6,000 needed to cover the expenses of this camp and we are trusting that the Lord will provide the remaining funds. Thank you for those who have already given!

July 5th—15th August 2nd—12th August 20th—25th

HI, Randy, Debbie, Sum. Interns & Translators Richfork Baptist Church, Thomasville, NC

We have also been first-hand witnesses the amazing power of prayer and how God changed the life of one of our Romanian helpers, literally overnight. WOW!! It was truly a wonderful reminder of how God is in control and we are privileged to be a part of His plan.

- Randy & Debbie Bullock

#### THOMAS & AMY KAY



We have been in Romania for almost two years now. We are still looking for the Lord to make clear the way of ministry for our family here in Romania, but in the mean time, we are staying busy loving the people God brings in our path. Mobile medical clinics are a wonderful way that God is using Thomas' medical skills and heart for the under-served. This allows the chance to meet the medical needs of people living in villages and offer pastors in those areas time to talk with people who might otherwise not come near a church. What an honor to be a part of what God is doing here. Thomas spent a good portion of time this spring in serious language classes, and Amy really worked with our children home schooling. These are things we know we must do whatever ministry God opens up for us in the future. While we are looking for ministry and "what to do," we realize that God has us here in Romania "to be." Thank you for prayers in this wonderful and challenging life adventure.

- Thomas, Amy, Daniel, Elizabeth, & Kristina Kay









### HAITI

#### CULLIE & SANDY WOODALL



After seven years of ministering/serving in Haiti you think you have it figured out. When the rock wall around the mountain home we are living in started to fall during the rainy season, the landlord asked if Cullie would oversee a crew of men that would make the repairs. Cullie said he would be glad to. Then reality set in and he realized for the next month no mechanical repairs would be done, no trips to the school and feeding center and we would be confined to the house overseeing the work.

WOW! This isn't our ministry; this is not what we came to do. Through prayer and consideration Cullie got a peace from the Lord that he is doing exactly what God wants him to do. While working with eight Haitian men

> Cullie is teaching proper work ethics, correct use of tools and respect for each other. Haitian culture is work from 7am to 4pm non-stop, nothing provided and no breaks. The landlord hired the crew to work at 61 cents an hour. We provide purified drinking water, and give them coffee and something to eat everyday. Cullie is able to share God's love and his testimony with them. WOW, isn't that what our ministry is? Isn't that what God called each of us to do? Ministry/witnessina don't just happen at church, feeding centers, school, etc. You can share your testimony while 🌠

building a wall or riding your bicycle across America. As believers God has commissioned each of us to share the

aospel. We are thankful for God's call on our lives and for your support of our family in Haiti. We request your prayers for the Miller family as they share Christ while cycling across the United States. Their 50 day journey begins in Oregon and ends in New Hampshire. You can follow their journey at http://mikenbern.tripod.com.

- Callie & Sandy Woodall



### UKRAINE

#### LELA STEEL



Happy Birthday! Lela celebrated her 82<sup>nd</sup> birthday on June 28, 2007, with a surprise party at one of the local restaurants in Odessa, Ukraine. The staff of Internot #4 and #88 got together and gave her a beautiful vase with a floral arrangement in her honor. Pizza and cokes were the main party favorites and everyone had a areat time.

House of Hope is nearing completion and now is in need of appliances and furniture. The goal is to be able to have 6-8 boys in the house by the end of September. There is a need for 2 large capacity refrigerators and 2 large capacity

washers. The estimated cost to equip each room is \$3,500.00 and there are 6 rooms. The \$3,500.00 is for the purchase of 4 beds, 4 mattresses, 2 closets (there are no closets built in Ukrainian homes), 1 table

4 chairs, 4 desks. This covers a portion of what is needed for dining room table, chairs, appliances (Refrigerators, Freezer, Stove, Washer), bathroom needs, etc. Please indicate "House of Hope Furnishing" on your contributions.











#### **Baptist Church Endorses**



Pastor Stanley Jacobs, Senior Pastor at New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church in Ocala Florida has endorsed his first ROCK GROUP. The group is made up of 9 members of his church, each having a unique talent and ability to ROCK babies in an orphanage in Haiti.

The New ROCK GROUP leader is Joan Smiley who arranged the first "concert" at God's Littlest Angels" or phanage in Haiti from June 4-11, 2007. The group spent hours each day rocking children who are malnourished and in need of some cuddling. It was a very successful first visit for some of the team members and a rewarding time for all.









### CUBA



Currently, Echo is in the process of opening a new project in Holquin, one of the most important provinces on the East of Cuba. This project features all of the classic outreach areas of a humanitarian development: aid to the needy and sick, and to the old. However, there are two very new concepts that have been added to the project. One focuses on fellowship with prisoners that have accepted Christ as their Savior and continue to be incarcerated. The other outreach area focuses on counseling for addicts (mainly alcoholics, but others too).

try tries to keep in mind that even though what's being done is to assist with physical and material needs, the main goal is to expand

the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, and so, everyone will know that HE is the Lord.





In addition to this, there's a chain of similar projects that target children and the elderly throughout Cuba. The minis-







Love A Child Be A Sponsor

# Cassie's Children's Corner

Children around the world are singing their praises for their sponsors. They are now living lives where they receive food daily, have clothes to wear, get an education, and have a place to call home. Most importantly they are learning about their savior, Jesus Christ. Many children have been blessed, but there are still many more who need help. Sponsorship is a way to give a little boy or girl a better life. Sponsorship is \$25.00 a month or \$300.00 a year. If you or someone you know are interested in being a Child Sponsor please call our office, email me at Cassie@harvestinternational.org, or visit our website www.harvestinternational.org A beautiful gift is giving a child a better life.

#### A Visit With The Children

In March Chrissy Jacola went with a team to Haiti and spent some time at In His Hands and Charlie's Champion's orphanages. Chrissy got to meet and play with the children. Below is a letter she wrote about her trip.

So much happens in one week in Haiti, where do I start? God's mighty hand and gentle spirit is at work there, that is for sure. Our team of ten Ocalians, consisting of six who went on the trip last year plus four new members, went to Gonaives in late March with the goal of building tables for the "In His Hands (IHH)" orphans and also helping with construction on housing for the "Charlie's Champions" orphans. Of course, there were other ministry opportunities that we had the privilege of taking part in, such as a Women's Conference at Pastor Joshua's church on the Ebenezer Compound.

There was much productivity: the tables were built (after a major change of building plans and a valuable lesson on staying flexible), a foundation was laid and the house was well on its way to being finished, the children were able to do some arts and crafts along with Bible stories, and each of Pastor Sylvestre's 89 children at IHH were weighed, measured, and photographed. I say all of that to say that the most rewarding part, and probably the place where the most ministry was done, was during the quality times spent with the children at the orphanages. Jumping rope, drawing, singing, and playing their games was the highlight of my entire year so far!



God worked in so many ways and He is continuing His work there as we speak. Please continue to pray for Pastor Charlie and Pastor Sylvestre as God has given them the important responsibility of fathering over 103 children between the two orphanages, not to mention the churches they pastor and their families on top of that. Also there is great need for a new orphanage building for Pastor Sylvestre and his 89 children, so please be in prayer that God would make a way for that.

Bondye Beni Ou (God Bless You)

Chrissy







### Armor of God



We are in a battle whether we acknowledge it or not, Ephesians 6:11-18, tells us to, "put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Vs.12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

My latest trip to Haiti with the office staff and my trip the month before alone, have shown me that Haiti is the calm~ est and has the most positive outlook it has had in recent years. Most of Haiti has a very positive air about it. It would be partly to do with the

country's president and his stand against crime at any level and him being supported by others in this stand. But I believe it has also to do with the Haitian church taking a stand in Christ's name against Satan's principalities and his power in Haiti. There are many churches and church groups who are openly praying and taking a public stand against voodoo and Satan.

There are many physical problems in Haiti, but the main concern in Haiti is the same in our country. The main concern is for the battle going on in both countries for children, parents and the family. The armor that is explained in Ephesians 6:11-18, is Haiti's and the United States' only hope. And if we or our children or our families are not committed to Christ as our

Savior and the one that gave His blood to pay for our sins, we have no armor to put on. Haiti, as you may know, is very busy, just to survive from day to day. Haiti is just trying to find basic food and health, so they can make it through the day. We are busy in this country getting stuff that will not satisfy or last in eternity. What Tom, Ethel, Ginger, Kaley, Cassie, Thomas, and Pam I, Haiti, and the United States needs is to commit the time

> needed to read God's word the Bible, meditate on it and put on the "Armor" so we can fight this battle for our children and our families. The United States' only hope is Haiti's and the world's only Hope, "Jesus Christ".



- Tom Schmidt Haiti Missions Director



# Pam's Journey with CALEY & THOMAS

Wow! Our staff trip to Haiti was an event that has changed my view of the world. There are so many things that I "knew" but that now I truly know. I knew that free public education is a blessing enjoyed by few in the world. Now I know this means that children as young as 5 and 6 are laboring beside their parents in the field and marketplace, barely eking out enough to pay for that night's meal, and with no avenue to improve their circumstances regardless of how hard they work. I knew that when survival is at risk there is no energy left over for the niceties of litter control and appearances. After seeing women with babies, cripples and small children begging beside garbage dumps, I know that it is truly petty to get upset the garbage truck ran early/late or just missed my pick-up and I get to store my trash a couple more days. I knew that much of the world does not have clean drinking water. After having to run water from a Culligan water cooler to take in the bathroom to brush my teeth, I know what a blessing it is to turn on the faucet and be able to drink, bathe and brush without fear. I knew that Satan is alive and well. Now I know the chill of seeing people dressed proudly in colors to signify their allegiance to him. I knew that what I do at Harvest impacts the world. Now I know that the difference in the lives of the people we minister to is significant enough to be a witness to the community. I thought I knew about the world we live in. Now I know that I know very little outside my own little sphere.

The people of Haiti are amazing. Young, old, even teenagers, are some of the most polite and friendly people I have ever seen as a whole. Everywhere we went people waved or spoke, "Bon Jour" (Good day) in greeting as they passed. We had been warned that in Haiti the pedestrian has no rights so to be careful in crossing any roads. While in Port-au-Prince, we attempted to cross the road and traffic stopped for us to finish crossing. "Unbelievable!" was the response of our guide. They recognized our ignorance and had compassion. To help you understand, the traffic rules in Haiti are remarkably simple. The largest vehicle has the right of way. Period. The crowds of people and vehicles in Port-au-Prince surprised me also. I did not expect the huge numbers of people all crowded into such small areas. They have small (10x10) huts or sheds for sleeping but they live on the street or sidewalk in front of them. They cook, eat and peddle their goods on the sidewalk or right of way in front of their homes. Even in the countryside, the majority of life is lived outside in the open, right next to their neighbor. This really adds to the feeling of community.

The dichotomy of life in Haiti is undeniable. There are beautiful beaches and rainforests littered with garbage dumps and beside deserts. There is poverty living next door to opulence. There is multi-lingual education striving next to ignorance beyond our imagination. There is the evil of satanic worship next to the dedication of pastors who give their all to their congregations. There is the history of repression and oppression giving way to the life giving knowledge of Jesus Christ.





# Ethel's Trip to Haiti

My trip to Haiti was an experience that I shall never forget. Like seeing the beauty of the Island itself. The mountains, the ocean, palm trees and the beautiful flowers all gave testimony of the creative work of the Lord. I understood why the name Haiti meant "beautiful mountain". In the midst of all this beauty though was the awareness of poverty and confusion. I was shocked by all the trash everywhere you looked! What a contrast from America!

One of the saddest things that I saw was how many people were controlled by voodoo. They wore red and blue clothing to proudly proclaim that they, in fact, belong to Satan. I was told that the voodoo people chant all night and that it is quite fearful to hear! On the positive side, one morning I woke up to a man's voice echoing through the mountains. It was around 4:00 in the morning. I mentioned this to Tom and he told me about a Church of God pastor that gets up at 4:00 every morning and prays for the salvation and blessings of Haiti! That was very moving to me!

The town square was filled with hundreds of people walking or traveling by bicycle or maybe a donkey. I saw all kinds of trays of food, flowers and various other items being carried on the Haitians' heads. You couldn't drive through the town square without being approached by someone knocking on your window hoping that you would buy their goods.

We were blessed to spend time with our missionaries Cullie and Sandy Woodall. They showed us the church cistern and the walking bridge that Cullie built. They also shared what their ministry to the church was about. Cullie said that his goal was not only to help the Haitians with needed projects, but he also wanted to teach them how to do the work for themselves.

Meeting with our new missionary family the Wray's was also a real blessing. They have accomplished so many different projects like building a hospital, as well as paving a driveway in front of it. Also, picking up and transporting food to one of our schools in St. Martin (which is a few hours journey).

Before leaving Le Cayes, the Wrays wanted us to meet with some who they called the most despairing people on the Island. They called them the squatters. They were living on the dirt infested ground beside the river and were dying of diseases because of this living condition. The Wrays apparently were greatly instrumental in saving lives by having concrete flooring poured for them.

I was told that 72,000 people are homeless! I remember asking the Lord how anyone could possibly make even a remote difference with so many needs. It was then that He opened my eyes so that I could see for myself what the body of Christ has been doing in Haiti for the past 20 years.

In closing I cannot leave out my beautiful experience of visiting with the children at the orphanages and the schools. Their happy faces, the songs that were sung when the children greeted us were heart warming!

Even the children's beautiful ironed uniforms (heated by hot coals) were so colorful, and so were the berets and hair bands they used to braid their hair. The girls kept feeling my hair and seemed fascinated with the differences of the textures of our hair .They decided to take out my pony tail and laughed while they tossed my long hair around my head! We had a great time and I will not forget to pray for them.

Coming back to my office after my trip, I began to see things with a new perspective. I have a new appreciation of all the people that have financially supported, either a missionary, a pastor, a team of laborers, or have sponsored a child, and even though they might not be the laborers in the fields, they are equipping those who can go.





### Cassie's Haiti Trip



I never would have imagined that I would get the opportunity to travel to a different country. When I first started at Harvest and was told that I would go to Haiti, I was a bit nervous about it. When Danny said he thought the entire staff should go to Haiti, I felt relieved that I was not going by myself and scared of what I was about to see.

The moment we opened the doors to go out into Port-au-Prince I could tell I was in a whole new place. The biggest surprise to me is the driving. The roads are bumpy and the rule of thumb is "The biggest vehicle has the right away." Least to say, it was an experience.

We went up to Gonaives and visited Charlie's Champions and In His Hands orphanages. I was so happy to meet Pastor Charlie's wife. The children were so cute. I was very impressed with the way they were dressed and how well they behaved while they were in school. Pastor Sylvester has broken In His Hands up into two groups. The boys stay in a two story building and the girls stay at Pastor Sylvester's house with his wife. The boys were very well behaved and posed readily for the camera. The girls were so energetic. The first sight I saw of them they were all dancing together and singing.

As we went though villages we got to see every day life for Haitians. Families were gathered around pots in their yard either washing or cooking. Little children were running and the livestock were roaming around looking for food. It really makes you think of how blessed you are and all that you take for granted. When we went back to Port-au-Prince, we met up with Cullie Woodall and he showed us some of his projects. I really had a good time with him and Sandy. They were so excited to be able to show us what their ministry has been working on.

One of the most exciting things for me was driving up the mountain. You see so many houses sitting on the side of the mountain and people walking up and down everywhere. We made a stop at Garden of Joy, but unfortunately we could not meet up with the Coordinator, Ann Farquharson, to take updated pictures. We did see several children in uniforms doing lessons. They are currently adding a second story to the school building.

We went to Le Cayes met the Wray family. The vegetation in Le Cayes was more lush and their livestock was healthier than in Port-au-Prince. The Wrays took us to a hospital they are renovating. They have a doctor that comes in once a month for one week and does almost 80 surgeries. Then we were taken to a school out in the country side and met Pastor Max. His story is so inspiring. Pastor Max was dying of AIDS and God completely healed him. The Lord told him to go and labor with his two hands to do the work of the Lord. He worked little by little to buy a piece of land, and then worked more to build a school. When he started digging to find a water well, he dug up gravel which was needed for building and then found a spring. Next they took us to see a very poverty stricken area. We had to go through a river where people were washing to get to the village. Children where running around in rags following us as we walked down a path. It was heart breaking. There were many sick people in the village and the Wrays are working on bringing in medical teams to try to help them.

The biggest impact that Haiti had on me was how beautiful the country and people are. I never expected it to be beautiful. You can look one way and see piles of garbage on the ground and then look another way and see mountains and oceans. Each city is different and in its own way beautiful. The people, although clearly poverty stricken, had such beautiful faces and the children had such sweet smiles. I can now see why people want to come here to be missionaries. The Lord opened my eyes and I feel blessed by his gift.





# Children's Sponsorship Program

#### Love A Child Be A Sponsor



The number of children on the Sponsorship Program is growing. More and more children are being added and I need help. I'm asking you to please give serious prayer for the children on this program. If you feel the Lord leading you to support a child or an orphanage please e-mail me at cassie@harvestinternational.org or visit our website www.harvestinternational.org. I can't wait to set you up with a little boy or girl to start loving. Sponsorship is \$25.00 a month or \$300.00 for the year. This allows the children to be in a caring environment where they receive shelter, food, clothing, education, support, friendship, family and a knowledge of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



### Harvest International's

Children's Sponsorship Program

presents Shoe Boxes for Kids

This year the Children's Program is initiating Shoe Boxes for Kids and we want **EVERYONE** to participate. Just get an empty shoe box, fill it with the items requested, include \$5.00 for shipping and send it to Harvest. We will then ship it to Haiti so it can be distributed among Charlie's Champions, In His Hands, and New Life Children's Home orphanages and Garden of Joy School.

Tump In and Join the Fun!

#### Items:

T-Shirts, Socks, Hairbrush, Barrettes/Headbands, Underwear, Washcloths, Bar Soap, Toothbrush, & Toothpaste Do Not Send: Food, Candy or Gum, Liquids or Lotions, Stuffed Animals, Toy Guns or Knives, and Glass Items.

#### Have your boxes in no later than November 23, 2007

We request that you send \$5.00 for each box you send. This will help with the shipping cost to Haiti. Just include your check or money order inside your box and we will credit your account. Please indicate on your donation "Shoe Boxes for Kids".

Make your box out for a Boy or a Girl: 🗸 the correct age category, then cut & paste the ticket on the top of your box.



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The Wray Family: Rod, Debbie, Christie, Tim,

The Wrays

Rod and Debbie Wray have served in Haiti for 5 years. They have five children, four of which are still on the mission

field with them. They serve in the areas of construction and maintenance at the mission hospital, hosting work teams and medical teams, and "Aids" awareness and prevention, especially amongst youth. The Wrays have also been involved in starting a girls volleyball team in Les Cayes area to engage local youth in activities that are easily combined with Bible teaching. The Wrays have a desire to also reach out to the poorest of the poor in the areas around Cayes. They have helped by helping provide cement floors in some people's humble homes and looking to meet some basic medical and physical needs. Rod, Debbie and their children participate in their communitie's local church, ministering to their fellow missionaries and nationals alike. Rod is the head of the maintenance committee, and leads the missionary Bible study.

# Rod, Debbie, Chin. Kara, and Katie The Guerriers Haiti

Benis Guerrier was born in Haiti on the Island of La Gonave and now lives in Ocala, Florida, with his wife Dominique and three children. He became a believer at ten years of age and was baptized in Haiti. The Lord has called Benis back to his homeland and given him a heart to serve the Lord in his home village of Mapou. Benis' desire is to help his village by providing a church/school building with the help of churches and friends in the United States. Work has begun on a church/school building for the community. Lord willing, soon the church that meets under a primitive shelter will have protection from sun and rain and you will see all the children of Mapou have a chance to be educated. Benis' prayer is for this church to be a lighthouse to the village and that the Gospel will spread to the surrounding villages.



The Guerrier Family: Benis, Dominique, Tristine, Celianne, and Benden

#### Dhan and Dolly Lalsee



The Lasees

with churchesin the region offering training in evangelism and discipleship, planned and hosted leadership conferences for pastors and helped them devalue economic and service with the region of the first 17 years, they worked Dhan and Dolly, originally from the Caribbean, have been career

economic and service ministries for the improvement of their communities. Dhan also coordinated two national evangelistic crusades in Grenada and helped in planning similar outreaches in Dominica (Dolly's homeland) and St Croix, US Virgin Islands. Since 2003, he has served in administration in Miami while still conducting training in the English-speaking Caribbean. Dhan studied law in England where he was called to the bar in

1973 before returning home to Grenada where he practiced for 13 years. He came to know the Lord in 1977, and Dolly in 1980, in rather unique circumstances but independently of each other. In 1986, certain of the Lord's call into fulltime ministry, he wound up his law practice where Dolly also assisted him. The Lord has now called them to a new ministry in Zimbabwe, mobilizing and equipping the church for world missions. They are convinced that the Lord is using the present political and economic situation there to prepare the church for a significant role in reaching the world with the gospel. They are compelled, by the love of Christ, with a burning desire to respond to this call.

HAITI

Cullie & Sandy Woodall

The end of summer is a busy time in Haiti. Missionaries are returning from furlough hoping their mechanical needs have been taken care of while they were away. We have been getting for the new school year which involves enrollment, purchasing books, purchasing material for

five students ready for the new school year which involves enrollment, purchasing books, purchasing material for uniforms and then having them made. The mechanical repair ministry is never ending as Cullie is busy either repairing, helping diagnose and locating parts. Sometimes people just need his expertise and he instructs them how to diag-

nose or make their own repairs. We get involved in a lot of welding projects such as repairing gates and doors, and fabricating school desks, roof trusses, etc. Upgrades continue at the school in Desca as we are building a depot which will be used for storing food and supplies when completed. Every week we meet with Pastor Bessa and discuss plans for the school year. Our latest 'big' project is repairing a house for one of our neighbors. Her home was missing half the roof and the walls were deteriorating. She did not ask for our help but God put her on our heart. I

big' project is repairing a house for one of our neighbors. Her home was missing half the roof and the walls were deteriorating. She did not ask for our help but God put her on our heart. It is our prayer Marie Claire will come to know the LORD. God continues to show His mercy and grace to the people of Haiti. Thank you to those of you who support us in Haiti, you have enabled us to put five children in school, supply food for a feeding program, meet basic medical needs in our neighborhood as well as the various projects God puts on our hearts. Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. Hebrews 13:15&16

#### Dick & Barb Johnson

#### uganda AFRICA



Who would have ever thought 12 years ago that so many students would have graduated high schools, vocational schools, teachers' colleges and even universities to become contributing citizens of Uganda through this project? These young Christian men and women now

have an opportunity to help expand their county's future as they develop their skills which the Lord has given them and then share their faith in Christ, the source of all strength. We are extremely pleased to share the photo of Uganda professional teachers that have come up through the Good Samaritan Project. Three of the five teach at Hope Primary school with one missing from the photo, Sarah Kasemiire, also teaching there. Hope Primary school also ranked third in the Kabarole district last year with all

the students scoring in the top two academic divisions. There are also two other professional teachers not pictured who are actively teaching: Flavia Nakayiza and Grace Kisemererwa.

It is wonderful to see opportunities present themselves for our students and such was the case with Luke Busobozi who will graduate from Ndejje University next month. During our most recent visit we met with Pastor Francis Xavier who has just completed his seminary work and is the pastor of the New Life Presbyterian church in Mabaale, which is about a 2 hour drive north of Ft. Portal. Luke is from his home district and Pastor Francis spoke to us of an opportunity for Luke. He has been offered a position to work in the government with the LC 5 chairman of his district in Uganda. The LC 5 chairman is the representative in parliament in Kampala, the capital of Uganda, which has one seat per district. In order to fill this position however, he needs to do some postgraduate work at the university for 9 months and then he would fill this position working alongside the LC 5 chairman. Praise the Lord that finances have been secured for Luke to continue with his studies. We are very proud of Luke, as not only does he do well in his studies, but he is very active in the Christian Fellowship League at the University. Thank you Jesus for your mighty work in Uganda and allowing us to be of service to you there!



John Mugisha, Fred Asiimwe, Saul Rugjumba, Lucy Kabagenyi & Patrick Kyomuhendo

#### Kenya Africa

Alan & Pam May

We returned to Kenya in July to find all the children doing well. They were out of school for the month of August and, since it rained nearly every day, they spent some time learning new song and dance routines. One of the older boys, Allan, wrote a rap song describing his faith relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. We are so impressed with the spiritual maturity of some of these kids who came to us orphaned or abandoned, hungry, abused and neglected.

Plans to begin construction of new homes to house 128 kids are well under way. We hope to break ground soon. Please pray for the children who are currently in The Haven and Fresh Start children's homes. These kids will move to the new homes when they are constructed, and we'll have room to bring in many more children, so pray for these yet to be identified children as well. God is working in the lives of many Kenyan children. We see faith and spiritual growth in them that we do not see among many adults.





We are gearing up for a very busy and exciting next few months. In addition to building projects, we have many visitors scheduled to come from several U.S. states on mis-

sion trips. We have resumed our teaching of children in the church and adults outside of the church. We have just had a young lady, Sara, join us from the States. She will work with the children in The Haven and Fresh Start homes, the Rescue Center and the local hospital. We are glad to have the help and the company. Please pray for Sara to make the adjustments to life in Africa.

The kids' annual camp is scheduled for December, and we anticipate a mission team to come and lead this camp. Please pray for the children who will come from our church and three orphanages, and pray for the mission team from Tennessee who will be here to work with the kids through that venue.

Thanks for your ongoing prayer and financial support to reach Kenya for Jesus!





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Stop on in to Harvest for our Christmas Open House.

Join us for food and fellowship on

December 12, 2007 between 11:00am and 2:00pm.

We can't wait to see you!

### Have a Heart for Hawest

Our annual fundraiser has returned.

Join us on February 16<sup>th</sup> for a formal dinner while enjoying presentations by guest speakers.

We hope to see you there.



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