



*1st Quarter 2019
Newsletter*

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2019 Have A Heart For Harvest Banquet
Connecting the Hearts
of local ministries in Marion County Florida

This year's fundraiser was a great success. We raised over

\$37,000

to help support Harvest and our ministry endeavors.

Thank you to everyone who attended.
Your continued love and support of this ministry is what allows
us to remain in world and local missions year after year.

God bless you all.

Physically & Spiritually Touching Lives

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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Help Us Grow In Social Media

Over the past few years Harvest has experimented in communicating through social media. We started out with posting updates on Facebook and Twitter, and last year we expanded into Instagram and YouTube. Slowly we started acquiring followers and now many of our supporters get regular digital updates on our ministry. We want more. Our goal is to get connected with as many supporters as we can. We want YOU to know more about Harvest and the ministry works we do.

At the beginning of this year the United States Post Office increased stamps to 55 cents each. It now costs Harvest and our missionaries much more to send you updates through the mail. This is money donated by you that needs to be used on the field helping those in need.

Help us stay better connected by emailing your email address to Cassie@harvestinternational.org so that we can put you on our digital mailing list to receive newsletters and follow us on all our Social Media avenues.

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Just search for Harvest International, Inc. on any of these platforms. For YouTube be sure to click the “Thumbs Up” icon on each of our videos and don’t forget to Subscribe. We post a Director’s Update and at least one Ministry Moments each month.

We look forward to connecting with you!

Harvesting at Home *with The Carreiro Family* *David, Yvonne, Destiney, Dawson & Jaylen*

Serving the Lord in Marion County FL



Hello Harvesting at Home friends. We hope the New Year has been blessed and welcoming for you and your families. This quarter has been packed for our family with all sorts of activities. Harvest finished their annual fundraiser which was a wonderful success.

Along with the hustle and bustle of the fundraiser, we also had our first community project with The Heart of Florida Youth Ranch. Our group of volunteers executed a Barn and Barn Yard Cleanup day. We also built shelving units in the tack room to house helmets and boots for each of the children. All in all, we completed a week's worth of work in one day.

Our goal for the summer is to help complete several projects with The Heart of Florida Youth Ranch. Our hearts have been touched with compassion for the children who live on The Ranch. We are excited to know the impact this will be when all has been completed. If you are interested in signing up to volunteer with us in our upcoming projects, please contact me directly at 352-207-5110.



Lloyd & Elaine Cook

Serving the Lord in Jamaica



Restaurant Encounter: Life-Giving Results

It was 4:15 p.m. on Tuesday and I had stopped in at my favorite fast-food restaurant, before beginning a three hour teaching assignment at the Graduate School in Kingston, Jamaica.

This was a new assignment at a Seminary where I would be teaching for the first time. I was a bit apprehensive and anxious to get going. As I placed my tray in front of a twentyish young man and began, (he was not eating, but was doing what seemed like school work) he asked me “What time is it?” I responded to his question, then dug into my baked potato and hot chili-con-carne. A few minutes later the voice behind me was overheard to say, “I just don’t feel like going...!”

Was he addressing me, or talking to himself? It was not clear which, so I continued with my meal. Nothing more was said. But, as I continued eating the Spirit of God began conversing with me: “When you are through do not leave before finding out if he was addressing you!” The divine impression was strong, and the voice within repeated His instruction a number of times. So I determined to be obedient!

As I finished and prepared to leave, I turned my chair around and faced him: “earlier, after you asked me the time, you muttered something that I am not sure whether you were addressing me or talking to yourself. You said “I just don’t feel like... Do you mind explaining what you said, and what you meant by that?” Yes, he said, and began a heart-rending tale of woe. He had lost his wife to cancer just before Christmas. His five year old daughter and he had not eaten for three days. He was studying to be a Chef, and was seeking a job to tide him over until his studies were complete. But he was in a deep pit of depression, and questioning if God really cared for Him and his daughter. He could not answer her questions about God’s love.

I offered him words of Christian hope; gave various suggestions; and handed him certain funds I had on me for a debt I intended to pay and prayed with him. All that afternoon I thanked God that I was in the right place at the right time to be His instrument to meet this young man’s immediate needs. I was unable to contact him for over a week, but prayed often for him. When I did contact him his mood was quite different. I enquired if he was reading the Bible as I suggested. He was. The next day I would again be in the city, 58 miles away, and arranged to meet him. As soon as we met I enquired of his spiritual condition. His reply was that he wanted to receive the Lord as his Saviour. This was without my prompting. With copious tears he confessed his sins and his needs to the Lord, and asked for His salvation. The Lord’s Spirit again moved upon me to give him some funds. He went on a job interview that afternoon and is now employed.

Please intercede for your new brother in Christ; and ask the Lord to make you always aware of opportunities to be a witness for Him. People all around us are waiting to hear our message of hope and salvation in Christ. Let us not be afraid, or hesitant to share at every opportunity the Lord puts in our path.

Praise and Prayer

1. For continuing good health: both Elaine and I have no serious health issues that are not under control. We praise the Lord our God!
2. The schools are still open for Elaine’s ministry to children. Many do respond positively to the gospel.
3. For the invitation Lloyd received, from the Graduate School that conferred the Honorable Doctorate on him in October, to teach a course in Caribbean Church History during March. The course is concluded, and the students’ exam and Term Papers are marked. Praise God for His grace to Lloyd to cover this in the short space of time he had to design and prepare the course!
4. Two young men that Lloyd led to Christ and has been discipling since February. Signs of new life and growth in the Lord are evident. Uphold them in your prayers, please!
5. Do keep Elaine and me in your prayers, as we seek to be His ready instruments to bring Him Glory!

Haitian Center for Inclusive Education with Dr. Don DeVito

Serving the Lord in Haiti



“VINI ANSANM”: COME TOGETHER FOR INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY MUSIC DEVELOPMENT IN PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI

We are happy to announce that the Haitian Center for Inclusive Education has been selected to receive an International Society for Music Education Grant to help to further the work of music education for children with disabilities in Haiti. Our Haitian Center for Inclusive Education (HCIE) board is comprised of Gertrude Bien Aime, Donald DeVito, Hannah Ehrli, Jamie Schumacher and Sandy Jones.

Grant leaders: Gertrude Bien Aime (Notre Maison Orphanage and Founder of the Haitian Center for Inclusive Education and Dr. Donald DeVito HCIE advisory board member. The Haitian Center for Inclusive Education advisory board partners and works with Harvest International to help carry out the important work of inclusion in Haiti.

A recipient of the 2016 International Society for Music Education's World Conference Award, Gertrude Bien Aime stated at the conference there are currently no formalized community music activities available to children. Haiti ranks 149th out of 177 countries on the 2009 United Nations Human Development Index and 90 percent unemployment prior to the earthquake, hurricane and recent riots.

Dr. Donald DeVito is developing a special education program at the Notre Maison Orphanage in Haiti for children with and without disabilities. During this time, Bien Aime and DeVito have developed an inclusive music ensemble for the 50 children at Notre Maison, delivered inclusive education training through music for 400 Haitian school teachers and DeVito has edited the first book on inclusive education for Haitian teachers. Through their work, community music is now in a position to act as an exemplar for inclusive special education in Haiti and has begun to transform the perception of Special Educational Needs (SEN) children in the community. In 2017, Bien Aime and DeVito established a team of six Haitian and four US educators who founded the Haitian Center for Inclusive Education, which in its first year served academic instruction for 60 children and nearly 100 this August, 2018. This work is partnered with Harvest International.

a. Innovation:

This innovative approach utilizes social media technology, best practice of special education and music education approaches implemented at Notre Maison, and a philosophy of social justice. As a result, community music is now in a position to act as an exemplar for inclusive special education in Haiti and has begun to transform the way that children with Special Educational Needs (SEN) are perceived in the community.

b. Direct impact:

We will have a direct impact on the strategic possibilities of this work by: identifying, training and professionalizing 10 musicians and educators from across all of Haiti to become music leaders (5 per year); creating an appropriate bank of musical and pedagogical resources for Haitian children both with and without disabilities; and raising the profile of inclusive music education within the whole of Haiti. The work led by Gertrude Bien Aime and Dr. Donald DeVito will primarily take place at the Haitian Center for Inclusive Education and Notre Maison Orphanage.

<https://m.soundcloud.com/wuft/don-devito>

c. Potential for wider influence and/or sustainability:

This approach will act as a pilot for further development both in Haiti and as an example for implementation in other low HDI countries and settings internationally.

d. Cost-effectiveness:

The ISME grant provides a \$6,000 funding source, which given the economy in Haiti will be sufficient for implementation. This is due to the groundwork of social capital that has taken place through positive collaboration and communication leading up to the awarding of this grant. Outputs:

- Year One: Piloting of Community Music Training in partnership with Notre Maison through two separate week-long intensive courses and further training through social media (see attachment).
- Year Two: Piloting use of Haitian learning resources (SEN and non-SEN) across four orphanages and schools in Port au Prince and Cap-Haitien. Present a seminar on Developing Inclusive Music Education and Community Music. Continue dialogue with government agencies to consult on a draft curriculum for nation-wide inclusive music in Haiti.

A link to the Haitian inclusion school Facebook page. It won't open at work but you can see video there of our progress. <https://www.facebook.com/hcie17/>

The Soundcloud link below is about the Haitian Center for Inclusive Education. If the Soundcloud doesn't open they informed me you can copy the link into your browser and it will open without having to download soundcloud. <https://m.soundcloud.com/wuft/don-devito>

Daniel & Betty

Serving the Lord in India



Prayer and Fasting for different states in India



The Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project with Dick & Barb Johnson

Serving the Lord in Uganda



Hope Primary School in Busoro, Ft. Portal had their 7th graders take their PLE exam, Primary Leaving Exam, in November 2018. There were 40 students who took the test. This test determines the level on which they will qualify to go to High School. Of the 40 students, 31 passed in the top grade and the remaining 9 passed in the second grade. There are four levels in all. These results were great which is great for the students and also for the school. They were the 4th best in the district and now more parents or guardians will want to send their children to the school. Praise the Lord for their faithful teachers who love the students so much they give them extra tutoring to prepare them for the PLE test.



Dhan & Dolly Lalsee

Serving the Lord in Zimbabwe

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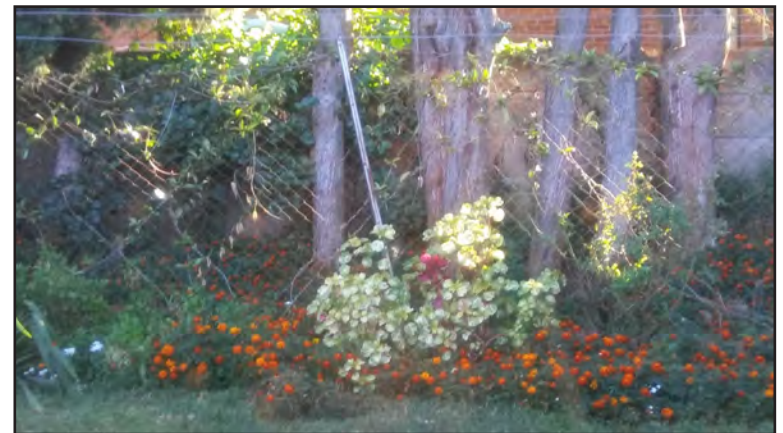


When the disciples saw Him walking on the land, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." Matt 14:26-27

Greetings from overcast Harare!

Even as I write, neighboring Mozambique is being pummeled by a Cyclone predicted to reach Category 4. Zimbabwe is therefore on Cyclone watch. Although Zim is inland, almost ten years ago parts of the country were severely affected by one such cyclone. The old West Indian proverb "When your neighbor's house is on fire water yours" is therefore very apt for us in our present situation.

So why pictures of Marigolds? A reminder to us that, whatever storms we are facing in our little corner of planet earth, if we look beyond the storm we will see His beauty shining beyond, bringing us His peace and joy, dispelling fear and rekindling hope in our situations.



It is always a joy to have some of you visit us and so, we are looking forward to hosting Pastor Denzil Vaughn and his wife Lorna from one of our supporting churches in New York. They will be here from April 1st to 15th and will be doing some training in Children's Ministry with some of the churches with whom we work.

As most of you know, we work mainly with the indigenous churches in rural areas. Many of them do not have a children's ministry and those who do need help with teacher training, so we are looking forward to the Vaughn's visit and ministry. Your prayers will be greatly appreciated.

Training is scheduled for:
Mvurwi: Monday April 3rd - Friday 5th
Harare: Saturday April 6th
Gweru: Saturday April 13th

Alan & Pam May

Serving the Lord in Kenya



The children of the GFE Home are growing up so fast. I have been thinking about the journey many of them have been on. When Pam and I met most of the kids, they had already survived very difficult and painful life experiences...deaths of parents, abandonment, abuse, hunger, etc.

Pam and I had the privilege of establishing the Haven children's home in Eldoret, Kenya in early 2005. Dickson was our first son. Cosmas, Allan, Hamisi, Hassan, Salim, Mulama, Eric, Kadaji, Douglas, Jacob, and Isaac joined the home within the first few months. Norine soon joined the family as our first daughter followed by Mary Mercy, Rosie, Abby, Milcah, Gentrix, Pauline, Brenda, Faith, and Susan Kanaiza. Mbarak joined us just before Christmas 2005. So, there were 23 children in the Haven that first year.



Our beloved Mary Bahati, Bishop Ben Bahati's wife, had established a girls' home called Fresh Start prior to our establishment of The Haven. The kids attended school and church together, and the two children's homes joined together as a Home Cell Group that met weekly for prayer, praise, and bible study. Within a few years, we constructed a permanent home in the nearby village of Jua Kali and merged the two homes together. The combined home is called the GFE Children's Home (Global Field Evangelism), yet we continue to call the boys' home The Haven, and we call the girls' home Fresh Start.



Here are some stats on the children to help give perspective today...

- 32 - Primary School Students Living in the Home Full Time
- 03 - Primary School Students Living in Nearby Boarding Schools
- 21 - High School Students Living in Boarding Schools
- 11 - Students in Polytechnic or Trade Schools
- 16 - Students Currently Attending University or College
- 10 - Students Who Recently Graduated High School Hoping to Attend College or University
- 23 - Grown Kids Who Have Graduated High School, College, or University and Are No Longer at Home.

There were also a few who aged out or otherwise left the home without finishing high school. So, when I am asked if I have children, I always say "yes" and "no." Pam and I do not have any children of our own, but we are proud to say we have about 120 kids in Kenya.

The primary and secondary students are doing well, and they are finishing up their first term of the new school year. So, pray for all the kids in boarding schools to be safe as they travel home for their school break. Also, pray for peace and harmony at the home during the break. Can you imagine so many teenagers in the home at one time? The college and university students are on a similar schedule as we have in the U.S., so they are more than halfway through this school year.

Some of the graduates are still looking for jobs or having to work jobs that would not have required an education. Please pray for them to become gainfully employed and not to become discouraged. Several of the young adults from the home are involved in the GFE evangelistic ministries and are actively involved in sharing the gospel in large crowd venues. Some have recently completed a campaign in Tanzania. Pray for these young adults to be used effectively for the the growth of God's Kingdom in this ministry.

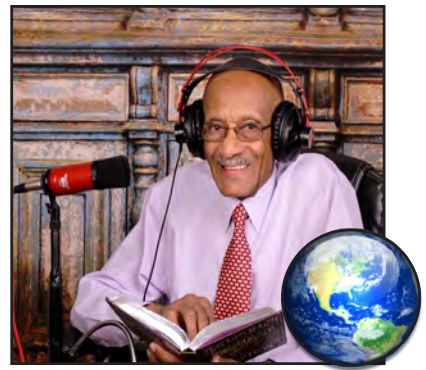
As always, we appreciate your support, and we covet your prayers. Please consider supporting the children of the Haven as we continue to feed, clothe, and educate the kids. Every gift, small or large, helps send a child to school, provide medical care when needed, and meet other needs.



The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry with Audley Mclean

Serving the Lord by World Radio

The Shepherd 96.3 / 103.5 FM



March 2019. Just writing that date looks and feels awkward. “Why awkward?”, you ask. Here’s why. For a boy born in 1931, it has been a long, long journey. The amazing thought is that our Amazing God, in His Amazing Grace, has been there all the time.

The three months since we last communicated by letter, have been signally blessed by our Lord in the continuation of the Radio ministry of The Bible Speaks and Words of Inspiration. We are happy to report on new listeners in Indianapolis, IN, Pensacola, FL, The Villages and Lady Lake, FL. Of course we are also blessed to be continually hearing from Internet listeners at: harvestinternational.org. From that outlet we have heard from listeners in Bermuda, London, England and Canada. Glory to God!

Thank you for your part in making all this possible. There is one more thing you can do as you partner with us in touching lives for Jesus Christ. Would you share with family, friend, co-workers, classmates and all the other contacts you have. Let them know how they can listen where they are.

Here are some of the radio stations and times;

*Ocala, FL Shepherd Radio 720 AM; Monday-Friday 2:55 PM- Words of Inspiration;
Sunday 9:45 AM- The Bible Speaks*

The Villages and Lady Lake, Shepherd Radio 103.5 FM Same time as above.

Indianapolis, IN- WBRI AM & FM, Sundays 1:00 PM

Pensacola, FL WNVY AM & FM- Monday 7:30 PM- The Bible Speaks

And, of course on the Web 24/7 at www.harvestinternational.org

I cannot close without reporting to you on my highlight of the first quarter, The Annual Have a Heart for Harvest Fund Raising banquet. Danny Thomas and the small, dedicated staff of Harvest International did an extraordinary job of helping us connect the Hearts, with highlights on the local ministry of a little organization with a big heart and huge outreach.

I have two words for you for next year: Be There.

Now, as we say in Jamaica, “Walk Good.”

Faith Foundations International with Ray B. Nelson

Serving the Lord in India



A Wheelchair ministry, operated through Joni Erickson Ministries, came to our church campus and spent March 7th, 8th and 9th of 2019 blessing the Indian need. They gave away 50 wheelchairs, plus walkers and crutches. All were fit to the individual needs.

It was heartbreaking seeing all the children that were deformed and adults as well. It was a GOOD ministry, watching them customize every wheelchair, walker and crutch to fit every need personally. They cut custom seats with foam and vinyl and made crutches the right height and every walker was customized to fit. It was GREAT watching them meet every need perfectly.

They cared for small children as well as all ages going up to the elderly. The wheelchairs, walkers and crutches were given at no charge but the material used to customize them came to \$1,147.00. If you had some money you were looking to invest in the Kingdom of God in India it would sure help pay off this debt. A little or a lot would add up to pay off every penny. You can help by sending your donation to Harvest International, Inc. P.O. Box 6690, Ocala, FL 34478 and notate "Ray Nelson - Wheelchair Ministry".



Shiloh Children's Home with Tom & Ginger Schmidt Serving the Lord in Haiti



"So GOD created man in HIS own image, in the image of GOD created HE him; male and female created HE them." ~ Genesis 1:27

We are created by GOD, male and female, each one, a special creation. From the tiniest baby to the oldest great-grandparent, made for a special, divine purpose by GOD. Hallelujah!

We have lived, visited, worked and taken teams to Haiti since March of 1985. GOD has given us the blessing and privilege of loving Haiti, and knowing some of His special people there. Haiti is not the same now as it was 34 years ago, when we first went with our six oldest children, then ages nine months to 10 years old. Our love for the Haitian people and their need to know CHRIST's LOVE and HIS Sacrificial Death on the Cross for them, is still the most important calling of our hearts.

Since 2010, after the Earthquake, the LORD directed us to care for the "throw-away" children of Haiti. We have been so very blessed by GOD's provision, through your generous, sacrificial giving, enabling us to do that. Our goal has been to create a model which could be duplicated throughout the country. CHRIST's LOVE in action!

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from GOD, and whoever loves has been born of GOD and knows GOD.

And this commandment we have from HIM: whoever loves GOD must also love his brother." 1 John 4:7, 21 ESV

Jason & Maurice, our two boys in Shiloh Children's Home, are doing amazingly well. GOD has provided a loving family: Nelson & Dieulène, along with their daughter, Nehemi (age 2) have been caring for them as their own. Because of your faithfulness we are able to provide food, clothing and a GOD honoring home for these boys.



Nelson, Dieulene & Nehemi



Jason & Maurice

Jason will be 14 in July! He loves to give & receive hugs, have his back rubbed and any objects he can find. He is very curious. He walks and crawls around on the floor and on the ground outside: exploring everything and taste testing whatever his hands find. This, unfortunately, causes him to be sick regularly; due to the primitive conditions.

Maurice, 10, is a happy, mobile little guy: rolling along on the floor, or walking on his knees and shins. He is very enthusiastic about everything and eager to communicate. He seems to know and understand most, if not all, conversations, and enjoys learning to speak new words. His contagious smile endears him to everyone who is blessed to meet him.

Both boys love watching Nehemi, & trying to imitate her. They also love being read to from the Bible & hearing hymns sung to them.

We are so grateful to the LORD for enabling these boys to grow and learn. Without your support of Shiloh Childrens Home these boys might not be alive today.

We are looking forward to taking some teams in this year, as GOD provides, to bless and encourage the SCH Family by loving on the children, work projects to improve their very primitive living conditions and community outreach through VBS and door-to-door evangelism.

Please continue to pray for the work of SCH and open doors to replicate similar works in other villages; where handicap children are still thrown on garbage piles, left to die.

May GOD BLESS YOU as you have so richly blessed the lives of those touched by the work of Shiloh Childrens Home in Haiti.

*Discovery Christian Adventures
with The Toler Family
Ryan, Lisa, Emma & Joshua*

Serving the Lord in Costa Rica



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The Truelove Family

*Austin, Kaelee, Sabashtian, Katianna,
Majolie, Mirette & Ariella*

Serving the Lord in Haiti



I wish to bring you a more formal update, but there have been strikes going on with the telephone and internet company here, making local and global communication almost impossible. I have some good internet this morning so wanted to catch everyone up.

We safely arrived in Haiti February 27th, and hit the ground running. My parents spent 2 weeks with us. That was a sincere blessing. My dad is amazing; he made our house more comfortable by adding a bathroom door and some much needed counters in the kitchen. My Mom worked the whole time being a grandma and cleaning.

The fundraising for the water filtration project is totally blowing us away! We took 200 filters with us and have funds for at least that many more. We won't purchase any more until we distribute what we have. We don't like to store items long due to mice and rat damage.

Last year, we were awarded grant money to re-start the nutrition program for malnourished children at our clinic. We already have the buildings, but lacked staff and funding to operate it well. There are currently 6 children there with their care takers.

Please pray for Austin as he makes decisions concerning the program. We are not interested in feeding unhealthy food, (namely white rice and white flour) to fatten kids up because this causes worse problems in the long run.

Please pray for rain; it's been really dry and our neighbors are just waiting for the rain to plant. Please pray for opportunities for us to meet all our neighbors. We have 7 homes within sight from our front porch and only have met 2 households so far. Please pray for complete potty training success for Mirette; I really need that to cut down on laundry. Please pray for patience in every moment, for my sanity and the childrens.



*Our precious new baby
Ariella*

Camp Mahanaim with The Wray Family Rod, Debbie & Katie

Serving the Lord in Haiti



It is Katie's 16th birthday and that also means that this year will mark 16 years in Haiti for us. We are so thankful for Katie and would love it if you would send her a birthday greeting as she turns 16.



We've had a few months without visitors, so it is great to have teams coming again. Last week, together with a team from Michigan, we did a wedding for 28 couples and a camp for about 150 young people.

More than 2300 children came to Renault Sunday school at Christmas and they all received some very nice gifts. It was a huge distribution which took about 4 hours, so we were really thankful for the help from Deb's English class, who are also part of our volleyball club.



We also held a special day of activities for the young people in our volleyball club. They divided up into 4 teams and competed in many events including:



Tug O War



Timed Team Toyota Push



High Jump



Anytime we have work projects we have a great crew of young people from our volleyball club who are ready and willing to work.

Our long time employees Roro and Nadair are learning carpentry and woodworking and they are doing great. We are planning to make 200 of these chairs, Lord willing, to replace our rusted folding chairs. The chairs stack together and are made out of local Haitian cedar.

The Harvest Family

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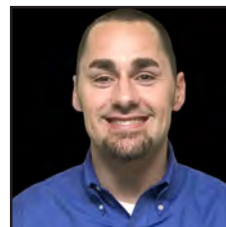
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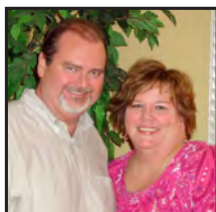
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Pray for Haiti

In February of this year there were organized roadblocks and demonstrations throughout Haiti. The purpose of the demonstrations was to call attention to the needs of the common people. The price of fuel quadrupled almost overnight when Venezuela was forced to stop oil shipments due to their own political problems. This was the last straw for a people that are struggling to survive on any given day. Calls for the President to resign have not accomplished the change being demanded.

The result of the unrest and violence is that the US State Department has issued a travel advisory recommending Americans not go to Haiti. This has caused greater suffering to the poorest people because of the lack of mission and medical teams this summer. After much prayer and discussion it was decided that Harvest International could not send teams until the alert level is dropped from the existing level 4. This means the teams scheduled for medical missions in Les Cayes, who normally sees over 2,300 people in the week they serve, were unable to help even one patient that does not have access to a doctor. It means that all the camps and weddings that were planned at Camp Mahanaim for children had to be cancelled. It means that an outing to the local stores for food and supplies can turn dangerous without warning for anyone in Haiti. When the protesters are active, groups manning the roadblocks are hostile to anyone moving on the street. Most people only move during the early morning hours and use the back roads and dirt tracks to obtain necessary supplies and food. Trucks carrying supplies have to be careful to avoid roadblocks and move only during quiet times in order to make deliveries to towns. This has caused food shortages in many of the towns. These protests are organized and countrywide although the biggest impact seems to have been in Port-au-Prince.

The average Haitian, however, is a very flexible and creative person. The adversities that come from living in the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere have made them very resourceful. Most families have a garden and chickens or goats. When one route is blocked they accept the change in their plans far more graciously than most Americans would. And



the people who have a heart for missions have demonstrated that they want to help even if they can't be there to do things themselves. Many of the teams and members that have had to cancel their planned summer trips have sent funds for Rod & Debbie to use to do camps for the children using only the local people. God facilitated the delivery of entire container of food to Rod Wray this week so he will have food for the Renault Sunday School and local needs for several months. Every time we think the end of the unrest is near another event proves us wrong but the Haitian people and the missionaries that live among them have adapted and continue to persevere.

Physically & Spiritually Touching Lives

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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The bucket is one of the most useful items we send. Buckets can be used to sit on, store items, get water, wash clothes, and a variety of other uses. Inside the bucket we send food, hygiene products and other items as they become available. These supplies have been very helpful to the people that receive them after having lost everything.

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Introducing our newest Missionaries

Ron & Stacy Smith Serving the Lord in Haiti



Ron accepted Christ around age four. He had childhood aspirations to be a doctor and as he grew up, that desire never changed. Though Stacy and Ron were both raised in Arkadelphia, AR, they didn't meet until Ron's junior high school year. They dated for three years, then were married in 1977. They will celebrate 42 years of marriage December 23, 2019.

In 1986, Ron completed residency and they moved to El Dorado, AR. Ron's training in Tulsa was very heavy in Neonatal Intensive Care and he continued that in his private practice.

The biggest challenge in their lives was not medicine. In 1987, our daughter, Laura Michelle, was born with Fetal Isotretinoin Embryopathy. Laura was developmentally and physically disabled. Until her death in 2014 at age 24, she was never developed milestones beyond that of a three month old baby. Her story is Ron & Stacy's story for sure and worthy of reading it here, <https://www.amerechristian.com/laura-michelle/>.

During those years in El Dorado, Stacy attended a local vocational educational school and obtained her LPN credentials. In those early years of practice, they were introduced to missions through their local church and a fellow physician. They made trips to Mexico, Guatemala, Paraguay, Kyrgystan and India.

Over the years Ron's medical practice bloomed tremendously. Currently Ron is working only one day a week seeing patients, however, he still manages all their computers, the office network, and the EMR database, mostly remotely. In 2018, Ron and Stacy went on a self-funded, three month sabbatical to Onaville, Haiti. Three days a week Stacy taught sewing classes to Haitian ladies while Ron maintained and fixed the sewing machines. Two days a week they ran a hemoglobin study clinic to try and determine if the years of short term medical clinics that have been held in Onaville were successful.

During that time, they worked with Joseph Similien (aka Simi), a Haitian pastor, and his wife Martine. Simi was pastoring a small church under another local 'Bishop' in Onaville. A school was his vision and he believed that he could help his fellow Haitians in Onaville through it. The school seemed to be the direction for Ron and Stacy too. In the course of the medical clinic and the sewing, there were two important things they discovered. The Haitians there need education to keep from getting sick, education on how to make a living, and education on how to manage their money. The other thing is that 19% of children five years old and under that they examined were suffering from severe chronic malnutrition.

Simi's school is positioned right across from Ron and Stacy's property so that they can help educate parents and families medically. They want to set up a small hemoglobin testing clinic called the Storybook Pediatrics Malnutrition Study Center. Education and medical data gathering are certainly worthwhile activities for which the Gospel is the overseer. They cannot simply provide humanitarian assistance alone. They never want to do that. Sharing Christ with everyone is truly their burning passion.

Randy & Debbie Bullock

Serving the Lord in Romania



Hello everyone. Let me catch you up on Romania and what's happening. June 1st is Children's Day in Romania. Adelina and her staff there at the Gypsy center in Dumbrava had a big celebration for the children. These children don't get to celebrate much, as their conditions are very poor. But the center is giving them hope and love, by helping them with school and teaching them about the love of Christ. They are doing a wonderful job there of pouring their lives into these children.



We have in July a team coming from North Carolina to do Hospice camp this year. I would ask prayers for this team and also for our Romanian team who will be leading the camp. Due to health reasons from the Lyme's, I will not be able to go to Romania this summer. It has been a very difficult year for me. God has this and everything is going to be great this summer as I can't wait to hear what the Lord will do this summer in the hearts and lives of these children and team members. Thank you for your prayers and support for Romania.

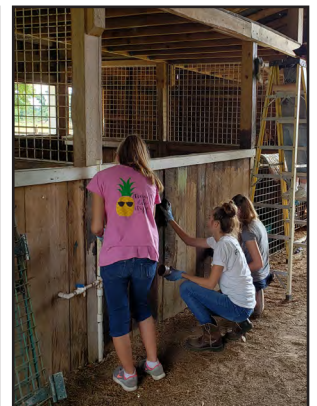
Harvesting at Home with The Carreiro Family David, Yvonne, Destiney, Dawson & Jaylen

Serving the Lord in Marion County FL



We hope you are enjoying the summer this far. It's been a fun and crazy couple months, between outreach and personal life. Our son Dawson, graduated this year and we are celebrating him tonight. Along with the tasks that graduation brings, we have been busy finishing up our projects out at the Heart of FL Youth Ranch. Our group of volunteers and supporters have been beyond a blessing.

Together we were able to provide new wiring and lighting for inside and outside lights, a craft/workspace area for classes, new custom built stall doors, shelving and organization in the tack room and even some pasture clearing... Whew! What an incredible amount to have finished in such a short time. We truly appreciate all the hard work from our group and thank our financial supporters who help make these projects possible.



Lloyd & Elaine Cook

Serving the Lord in Jamaica



Seniors Serving in Jamaica

As we pass each new Birthday (Lloyd celebrated his 77th on May 27th.) we recognize our remaining years to serve the Lord are getting fewer and fewer. This creates a concern as to how much we are leaving behind: how many are we winning to the Lord; how many are we training to soon take our place to continue what we are doing? We tend to see our ministry under four headings: Educating, Discipling, Reaching Children, Assisting Socially and Spiritually.

Educating: As the summer months have come, we are also facing end of courses and graduations. Lloyd did not teach at regular Regent College of the Caribbean this semester, as he was tasked to teach a course module at the Caribbean Graduate School of Theology in the capital, Kingston. While the teaching sessions only covered a little over four weeks, the time for preparation to teach a completely new course, along with preparing quizzes and final exams and term papers made it as much work as teaching a full semester. In addition, Lloyd still did, occasionally, visit at Regent where the Children's Ministries Course he had developed was being taught for the fourth year. The numbers for the course this year were not as great as in former years, but the five students were very eager and committed. They will face their graduation, along with other graduates, on Sunday evening July 7th.



Assisting Socially: Though Elaine and Lloyd are not involved in large soul-winning efforts, yet that is the end product of all we do. But we are involved with fewer numbers, and work in more personal and individualistic ways. To put it in another way: we are seeking to win persons to faith in Christ and then to make them into disciples following in the footsteps of Jesus. Lloyd has been working with one such person since January.

Discipling: Meet Clayton: he turned up at Lloyd's Church on a Sunday morning in January. Clearly he was not a believer, and had come into the area to visit someone, and felt led to come inside. Lloyd chatted with him, and someone else called him forward for special prayers. He was clearly moved, and responded with tears. The Next Sunday he was back. We found out that he had to walk quite a distance, before getting a ride, right to the Church's door. Lloyd counseled with him and led him to pray for salvation. He was invited to join a new believer's class Lloyd was teaching. He has rarely missed since first coming.

He had lost his job and was needing assistance. Many men helped him to focus on farming, and Lloyd & Elaine funded his farming endeavours. But not everything has gone smoothly. Now he has picked up a job overseeing a farming operation some distance away from his home. Problems have also developed there, but with comfort, counsel, and much prayer, he is persevering. Pray with us for his growth in faith, trust and dependence on the Lord in every respect. He is doing well in a Correspondence Bible Course. We are believing God for his growth and development in the things of the Lord. Pray with us for him.

The other case we shared last time, with some similarities, has been handed over to a friend who is an elder at the church he is visiting. We believe he will grow in Christ.

Elaine – Children Ministries: Her visits to schools for devotions, and her weekly multi-faceted classes on Saturday morning at a local church continue, with occasional interruptions. But some are showing signs of encouraging growth. She faces upcoming Vacation Bible Schools in a number of Methodist Churches. In addition, she helps in a local community Sunday School. She sees many unchurched children that she wishes to reach. Your prayers will strengthen her resolve to will and develop the spiritual growth of children and youth.

We have been asked to work with a visiting Children's Worker during the summer. Many details of time, locations, etc. are not yet settled. Do pray with us for the arrangements and outworking of this initiative.

Neighborhood Contacts for Christ: we are often surprised at neighborhood people coming to us for aid, both for small income earning jobs, and to give guidance and counsel in family situations. Our response is not always as 'Christian' as we should be. But our help seems to keep them coming. But we also see this as opportunities given by the Lord for witness and counsel. Elaine is particularly helpful with them. We trust that we are drawing them to the Christ who is in us, and that some will come to seek His salvation.

Summer time-off: We have no plans, yet, for some vacation/rest time. While our souls look forward to spiritual refreshing from the annual Keswick Convention in July, it seems unlikely we will do much towards physical refreshing; especially as Lloyd continues to work on the historical research and writing of his denominational history that he is involved in. But, we are in the Lord's protective care.

We depend upon your prayers and financial support of our multi-faceted ministries, and the individuals who look to us for financial, social and spiritual assistance. We often need wisdom as to which appeals to respond to. Thanks for your prayers for us and for those we seek to help in their journeys through life.

Haitian Center for Inclusive Education with Dr. Don DeVito

Serving the Lord in Haiti



The Haitian Center for Inclusive Education has begun collaborating with the Helping Haitian Angels organization and their school near Cap-Haitien. They wish to implement special education for local students with disabilities and have invited a team from the HCIE to travel to Cap-Haitien to implement training.

Education and acceptance in society for children with disabilities is growing in Haiti thanks to your support. Our biggest challenge right now is the increased violence and protests taking place in Haiti and particularly in Port-au-Prince which is making it difficult for parents to work and to send their children to school.



Here is an article about what we are dealing with in Haiti.

Armed Bandits Take Over Valley That Was Long Haiti's Breadbasket

Decades after rice tariff dropped, agriculture struggles;
in economic void, gangs thrive in capital and countryside

<https://www.bloomberg.com/amp/news/articles/2019-06-11/armed-bandits-take-over-valley-that-was-long-haiti-s-breadbasket>

Your support in helping us to meet the needs of our inclusion school are greatly appreciated. You can find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/hcie17/>

Daniel & Betty

Serving the Lord in India



VBS in INDIA!

We did three VBS Programs in two months in three different places. We were able to touch 500 children and shared the gospel. Many accepted the Lord and we guided the families to come to our church. As Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." (Luke 10:2)



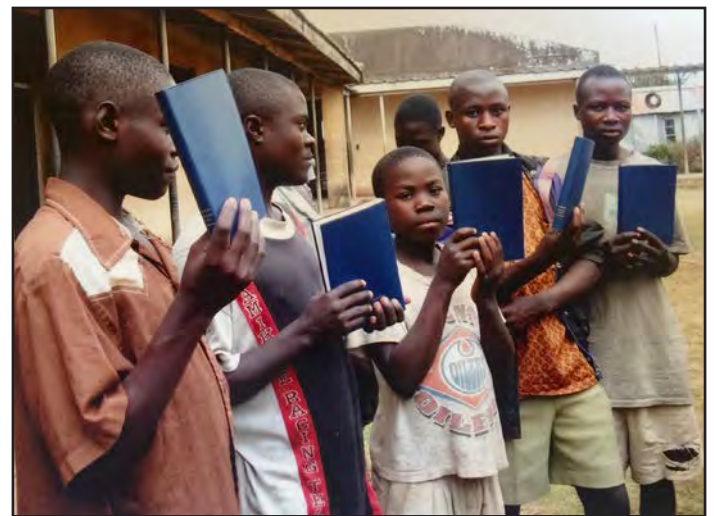
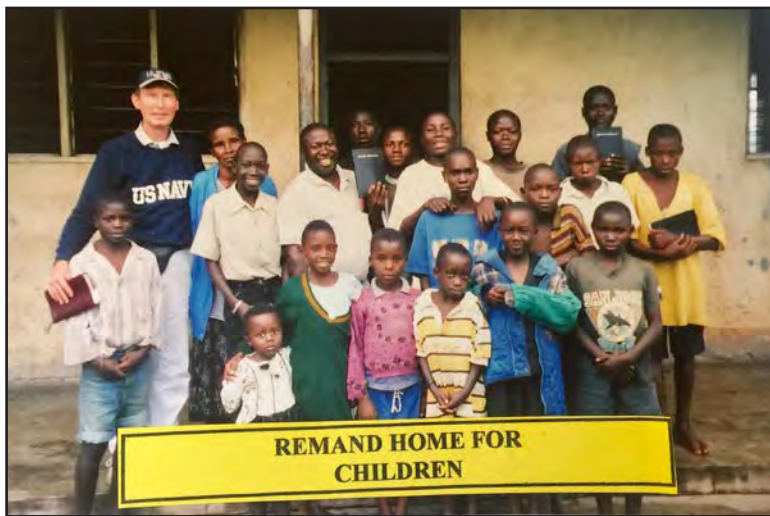
The Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project with Dick & Barb Johnson

Serving the Lord in Uganda



Each trip we take to Uganda we visit the Remand Home for juveniles, as these children wait for their day before the judge. Most are poor and only own the clothes on their backs but of course they need Jesus. In conjunction with the New Life Presbyterian Church we bring a program of singing, food, and the life saving Good News message of Jesus. All the children who receive Jesus also are given their new sword, THE BIBLE.

This year at Grace Presbyterian Church VBS, we were asked about a Mission Project and we suggested Bibles for the children at the Remand Home. At the end of the week the VBS kids raised \$300, enough for the purchase of 60 New Swords for the believers in Jesus. Praise the Lord!



Dhan & Dolly Lalsee

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In our April letter to you, we indicated that we would be going on a furlough from May 20 to August 30 in order to visit and report to some of our partnering Churches, individuals and families. Our plans also included visiting family members and friends and of course getting some rest.

In London we had very memorable times with Dhan's sister and his widowed brother-in-law. The time was too short to visit friends who date back to the early days of Dolly's coming to Christ so phone calls had to suffice. Then we flew to New York. The next morning, Sunday May 26th, we attended the 11 a.m. service of a Manhattan Church after which we lunched with members of their Missions Council. This gave us the opportunity to update them, get acquainted with the Church's direction during a period of transition and better understand the heart of the Missions Pastor.

A week later, we left for Florida where we were hosted by a dear couple at Homestead whose genuineness greatly encouraged us. Over dinner, we gave a report to the Missions Committee of our former Church in Miami. We were very impressed by the interest of the attendees; and were it not for the Chairperson's timely intervention, our meeting could well have continued for several hours yet. At the service the following morning, we gave a brief report to the church. It was good to be "home again" and reconnect with old friends.

By the grace of our Lord, we braved the roar and anxious rush of the 5 a.m. traffic the next day as we headed to Ocala. Harvest's Director wisely arranged for us to be accommodated by a missionary, now in his eighties, who faithfully continues to present the Scriptures by radio to a growing listenership in the US and beyond. He had been widowed less than a year before and we were the undeserving beneficiaries of his generous hospitality. What a precious time we had with him as he opened his home and heart to us. He also arranged for us to speak at his Church's Wednesday Bible Study where the participants' enthusiasm really blessed us.

The highlight of our travels so far was dinner with the Harvest Board and Staff. We were encouraged by two testimonies which were shared that evening – one by a missionary preparing to go to the field and the other by a member of the Board. They reminded us of the story of Caleb in the Old Testament who gave the minority report by which Israel was encouraged to enter the Promised Land. "Yes", we thought, "the spirit of Caleb still lives." We also sat for a videoed interview with Danny. You can watch it on the Harvest International's YouTube Channel or on their website at www.HarvestInternational.org.



Last evening, we received a voice message from a young lady in Zimbabwe whom we met almost four years ago while she was being trained for the mission field. Early in our relationship, we were struck by her love and tenderness towards the Lord and her commitment to His purposes. We took her under our wings and she became a part of our family. Then she went through a very difficult patch and seemed to have lost her spiritual fervor. On the rare occasions when she would agree to meet with us, she was superficial and distracted. Eventually we gave her some space and left her to the Lord's will; but in our hearts we struggled over her. In her voice message to us she confessed having lost her way and being distant from the Lord but that He had brought her back to Himself through a devotional that the Lord has been using in our own lives and from which we had shared with her over the years. Truly, the Lord who raises up the dead can make dry bones live again. All praise to Him!

To all of you who partner with us and other missionaries, or who otherwise participate in some way in the work of missions, we say thanks for your continued faithfulness in your service with the Lord. But no one has the vaguest idea how and when He will use your efforts and the results He will produce thereby.

***"Oh, the depths of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable his judgments and his paths beyond tracing out!"***

Alan & Pam May

Serving the Lord in Kenya



The children of the GFE Children's Home are in the midst of their second trimester of the school year, and all is going well so far. Their school year coincides with the calendar year, and they typically go to school year around with breaks during the months of April, August, and December. Please pray for the kids to not only succeed academically but also to actually learn the things they need to know to navigate life beyond the children's home. Making a living in Kenya proves very difficult for many, even people who have the privilege of getting a university education find it very challenging to find gainful employment.



Over the past eighteen months friends of the GFE Children's Home have held two auctions to raise money for a new van. Enough was raised to replace the engine and refurbish the old van as well as purchase a brand new van. We thank the Lord for close friends who organized the events, for the many donors who contributed goods and services for auctions, and for the many, many friends who participated to support such a good cause.



Our kids' auntie, Florence Kim, a.k.a. Chela, has just completed her first school year at the University of Memphis, my alma mater. She has had the loving support of so many who have gotten to know her from mission trips to Kenya and a previous visit she made to Memphis a few years ago. I met Chela when Pam and I moved to Kenya in 2005. She was a teenager who attended the Sunday School class I taught at our church in Eldoret. It was always apparent to me that she possessed a special spark...an unusual wisdom...a passion for the things of God. Chela finished her second semester with five A's and one B...quite impressive! I thank the Lord for her godly influence in the lives of the kids and for the many friends who have poured into her life here in the States as she attends school.

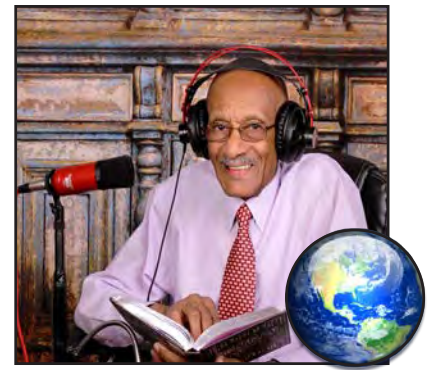


July 17-30 are the dates of our upcoming mission trip to Kenya. We have ten people traveling this year. We look forward to ministry opportunities among the kids and their caregivers, and we always enjoy partnering with them to reach out into their community, the village of Jua Kali as well as Eldoret town. Please pray for the hearts of the people in Kenya and the team members to be prepared for divine encounters. We are hoping to add a new ministry opportunity...a visit with the inmates of a local women's prison. May the Lord open doors for us to share the gospel, provide food, toiletries, bibles, etc. to the ladies. May the name of the Lord be lifted high in the prison.

As always, we appreciate your support, and we covet your prayers. Please consider supporting the children of the GFE Home (the Haven) as we continue to feed, clothe, and educate the kids. Funds are running low earlier in the year than usual. Every gift, small or large, helps send a child to school, provide medical care when needed, and meet other needs.

The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry *with Audley Mclean* Serving the Lord by World Radio

The Shepherd 96.3 / 103.5 FM



It is my delight to send you an update on how our wonderful Lord continues to remind me that it is “not I but Christ.” Paul’s confession is as meaningful today as it was when he wrote that in or about 56 AD. If the Lord waits for another one thousand years to return for His church, will something you say or write continue to be relevant? Each of us is making statements with our very lives.

As I write to you today, I am increasingly conscious of the gravity of the responsibility you and I have of representing Christ in word and deed. Perhaps my advanced years and the fact that so many of my peers are being called home to glory makes this awareness more keen.

Since the last time I wrote to you, I have lost friends whom I had for sixty-three and seventy-three years respectively. In addition to being friends, they were both generous supporters of the ministry of The Bible Speaks. I request your prayers for the families of Dr. Norman Fitz-Henley and Mrs. Carmen Whitaker. I thank God for their faithfulness to Him and His work.

I thank God, too for the blessing that was mine as I had the privilege of hosting Harvest International missionaries to Zimbabwe, Dhan and Dolly Lalsee. It was four days of delightful fellowship as we shared the joys and challenges of serving the King of kings.



I would like to share with you, the fact that we have been offered the opportunity to expand the coverage of the radio ministry to an additional potential audience of over a million listeners. Your prayer and financial support have kept the ministry of Words of Inspiration and The Bible Speaks on this year and I thank you. God, Himself will be your rewarder. How blessed we are to be workers together with God.

Please reserve October 8th of this year to join us for a celebration of God’s goodness and mercy in this work of faith. Our theme for this year will be AMAZING GRACE and our keynote speaker will be Rev. Tommy McClam from Buffalo, New York. Tommy comes to us with years of experience in ministry, with a great emphasis on reaching youth and families with the message of divine change. Please visit the Harvest International website for updates and reminders.

May the God of grace and glory fill your lives with His glory.

Faith Foundations International *with Ray B. Nelson* Serving the Lord in India



During my trip to India this year I was blessed to be able to teach two classes with the help of a translator. The men's meeting was at 5:00 am every Tuesday morning. It is very difficult to get men in India to come because of the persecution. I was working to teach them to get there on time, which in India is very difficult. If you say 9:00 am, they hear 10:30 am or 11:00 am. So I told them the meeting started at 5:00 AM with or without them

and if they came after 5:00 am they would miss something important.

Many would come without bibles, not that they didn't own one but because of the persecution they would suffer by bring their Bible. Then I taught them to use the notebook and pens I would supply, so something was said that they wanted to remember they could write it down with the date they heard it.

Many missionaries or Sharath (my host) would teach or I would bring the message if we didn't have a speaker, otherwise I would teach what the Lord gave me.

Video of Ray teaching in India

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/WHwjJMsLrT9NJpde9>



The video was taken while I was teaching the Bible School, which was every day Monday - Friday at 9:30 am. I charged (10 Rupees to those who had poor excuses) and during the six months I was there I collected 500 Rupees, about \$8:00 US Dollars and bought a spiritual dictionary for the class. 10 Rupees was hard for the students to pay.

There were male and female participants. I taught for six months on GOOD NEWS FOR THE POOR. We all have areas where we are poor, as I got into the Word, the Word would identify areas that we were poor in, and we could begin to tear down the walls of our restrictions to the word of God, little by little by little.

When God fills our cup he fills it to over the top, onto the table, onto the floor and out the door. In the kingdom of God there are no shortages. What a good time we had learning what the Word says to us to believe.

Shiloh Children's Home
with Tom & Ginger Schmidt
Serving the Lord in Haiti



“Now there are [distinctive] varieties of spiritual gifts [special abilities given by the grace and extraordinary power of the Holy Spirit operating in believers], but it is the same Spirit [who grants them and empowers believers]. And there are [distinctive] varieties of ministries and service, but it is the same Lord [who is served]. And there are [distinctive] ways of working [to accomplish things], but it is the same God who produces all things in all believers [inspiring, energizing, and empowering them].”~ 1 Corinthians 12:4-6 AMP

Ginger and I recently shared, in a church in FL, our call to care for handicapped children in Haiti. As always it is hard to talk about these precious children without great emotion! We feel so blessed and honored to have a part in nurturing the lives of these sweet ones. As the above passage in 1 Corinthians reminds us, we all are given gifts from God to serve, help and encourage our brothers and sisters in Christ. We thank you for making this possible, through your prayers and support for us, together, to be His ministers to these special children.

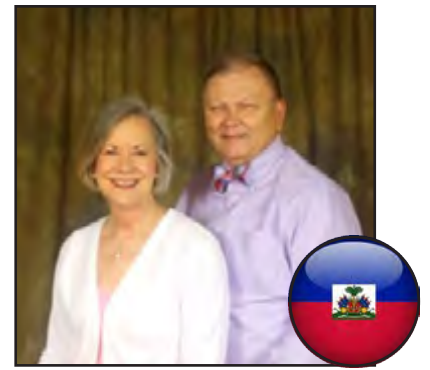
It has been a challenging spring, with sickness in SCH and much unrest in the country. We praise God the children continue to grow in body and, Lord willing, in spirit; knowing Christ's love in their hearts. We continue to Pray for the physical and spiritual struggles in Haiti; and the safety and spiritual growth of His people. To God be the glory!!

“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 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. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.” ~ Ephesians 6:10-20 KJV



Shiloh Children's Home with Ron & Stacy Smith

Serving the Lord in Haiti



Make A Difference Worldwide Institute

Onaville, once sparsely occupied by about 1,500 families prior to the devastating earthquake, is situated on an east/west range of dry, arid mountains to the north of Port-au-Prince. Simi (Josph Similen) was in one of the many tent camps that sprung up after the 2010 earthquake. The first Make A Difference Worldwide Institute was located there and lasted for about two years.



Simi's had a dream of a school educating his fellow Haitians in English, cooking, computers and mechanics among other things. He bought a piece of land in Onaville and took what materials the local gang didn't steal or destroy. For over four years, he used a hammer to beat large rocks into gravel needed for cement and slowly had about half the perimeter wall done.

Today, the school's first floor will soon be finished. It will contain a fully outfitted kitchen for cooking classes, a library and one large classroom area. Simi and his wife, Martine, are planning to open the school in January 2020. The plan is to build a second story for more classrooms and a third story as a dormitory to house visiting teams of teachers and others who will come to help in Onaville.



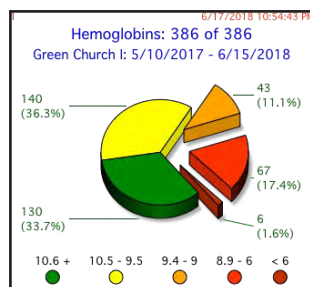
Simi is called a notab, a community leader respected because of his natural leadership skills. He is a man of many talents, being certified to teach English by the Haitian American Institute, a trained mechanic, computer teacher and a full time pastor to a small local church in the Croix des Bouquette area below Onaville. Simi's wife, Martine, has just started her third year in Law school and they have a four year old son, Jakim. The role of the school is to teach English and skills like cooking to keep the people from getting sick or computers to help equip them for job opportunities. His ultimate goal is to share the Gospel. Simi is a shoe leather evangelist at heart!

Storybrook Pediatrics - Malnutrition Study Center

Across the street from the Make A Difference Worldwide Institute, we will open the Malnutrition Study Center. Last year, we found that 19% of children under five have hemoglobins indicative of severe chronic malnutrition. Our study was published on the front page of Pediatric News.



The child pictured here had a hemoglobin of 5.4. You wouldn't think from his appearance that he suffers from severe chronic malnutrition. The study center will both monitor and devise specific treatment over specific lengths of time for children like these. Treatment can have an immediate effect in weeks. We will monitor hemoglobins so as to determine when the treatment is satisfactory and can be stopped. In addition to that, we have developed a mobile Malnutrition Study Kit which has all the necessary lab instruments and test supplies for up to 800 hemoglobin checks. Medreach, Inc. out of Alabama is at this moment in African bush using our first test kit.



The malnutrition Study Center and the kits can be duplicated everywhere. By monitoring and being more targeted with general nutrition resources like the typical manna packs, we can maximize the benefit of current funds and prevent more costly care in malnutrition rescue centers.

We would like to encourage any medical teams going to the field who want to do a malnutrition survey to contact us. We might be able to send a Malnutrition Study Kit with them. The software I've written can quickly process the data and produce graphs similar to this for the area they serve. If interested please contact Ron Smith at Ron@RonSmithMD.com.



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*“The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein.”
~ Psalm 24:1 ~*

After weeks of no rain, we have been blessed with some decent showers. We pray the gardens will still be able to produce a good crop, though the dry spell has done damage.

We have distributed 160 of the 200 water filters we have on hand. The first group of people has been using them for over six weeks, and our inspectors have indicated that everyone is comfortable with the system. Austin and I personally visited 50 homes for the Pecry distribution, inviting them to participate. It was the good excuse we needed to meet our closest neighbors and get an idea of their living conditions. I truly enjoyed seeing beautiful places so close to us, and observing normal family life going on.

Since moving into our home we have planned to build a cistern. The one we have in mind would be 15K-17K gallons, since digging a well in our area is nearly impossible. The cistern would provide us water through the dry seasons, and be used for local building projects. We have begun stockpiling the necessary materials. We hope to finish it by the end of the year.

The clinic has restarted a nutrition program that Austin’s parents had managed. Since March, more than two-dozen malnourished children from newborn to five years have received care. Six of the infants were hospitalized due to their initial condition. Gratefully, they have all returned home, and the staff follows up with the families to ensure that the children continue to grow healthily. Monthly support for this program would be greatly appreciated. We estimate an annual budget of \$3,500-\$4,000 will be necessary to maintain the program.

If you would like to give a gift to this project please send your donations to Harvest International, PO Box 6690, Ocala, FL 34478 or you can give online at www.HarvestInternational.org. Please notate your gift for “Truelove - Clinic Nutrition Program”.



Please pray for wisdom as well as safety and provision in the midst of uncertain times.

Camp Mahanaim with The Wray Family Rod, Debbie & Katie

Serving the Lord in Haiti



Things continue to be unsettled here in Haiti. Yesterday demonstrations began once again, with people demanding the departure of the president. In the capital of Port au Prince, most everything is shut down and there are roadblocks in locations throughout the country. On Sunday, we were able to get through 2 barricades and arrive safely at Renault Sunday school, but on the way home, we couldn't get through the roadblocks, so we took 4X4 trails and finally made it home.



We are so thankful for your generous response to last month's request. With the support of your "Camp" donations, we have been, and will be able to host groups for camps this summer. This particular school came from an area up in the mountains and the young people didn't know how to swim. Some of the kids were afraid of the water. They all had to wear life jackets, but by the end of the day, they were loving the water and the water slides.



Katie has done a great job of following in her big brother's footsteps with the making of videos. Here is a link to her first video which shows the new Camp Mahanaim waterslides in action.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-ZO1QtYCceU>

Thanks again for your prayers and concern for Haiti and also for your support which will make it possible for many kids to attend Camp this summer!

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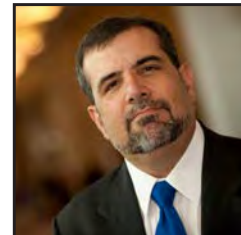
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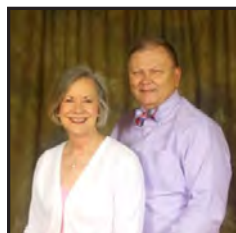
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3rd Quarter 2019 Newsletter

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Welcome to Harvest International's 3rd Quarter Newsletter. I pray that this newsletter will encourage you as you read about what God is doing through you as you support our missionaries and our ministry. It is because of your faithful prayerful and financial support that this newsletter is possible. Thank you for all that you do on behalf of the missionaries that each of you supports.

To say that we have had a busy end to the third Quarter of 2019 would be an understatement. I have spent the entire month of September providing "Buckets of Love for Disaster Relief" to the Bahamas. Harvest has committed to providing 500 buckets for the relief effort to the Bahamas. As September ends there has been over \$10,000.00 donated towards the buckets. I have delivered 132 buckets and have another 144, of which 70 have been sponsored, and another 74 waiting for funds to be sent. Praise the Lord.

Not only have we provided the buckets but have also provided two pallets of walkers, 1,000 Adult Diapers, and 1,500 Bed Sheets.

As I write this letter I am mindful of the storms that are still potential problems for the area we serve. Haiti comes to mind. I will be keeping a close eye on them and hopefully will be ready to respond.

Speaking of Haiti, please continue to pray for our missionaries in Haiti. All of their latest updates are in this newsletter. Please take time to read their letters.

Also in this newsletter are updates from Costa Rica, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Romania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe. There's very exciting things happening in the lives of each of our missionary families. Take a few minutes and read their stories.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danny". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Physically & Spiritually Touching Lives

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



Harvest International's Buckets of Love Disaster Relief Project

Natural disasters occur all over the world. They can devastate the landscape and leave victims without basic necessities to survive.

Since October of 2016 Harvest has responded to disasters with our Buckets of Love project. We have sent thousands of buckets filled with relief supplies to countries that have been devastated by hurricanes and other natural disasters. We were able to be a part of the relief efforts to Antigua, Bahamas, Dominica, Haiti, Houston TX, Puerto Rico, South Florida and Mexico Beach Florida.

The bucket is one of the most useful items we send. Buckets can be used to sit on, store items, get water, wash clothes, and a variety of other uses. Inside the bucket we send food, hygiene products and other survival items as they become available. These supplies have been very helpful to the people that receive them after having lost everything.



If you feel led to help with our Buckets of Love project you can sponsor a bucket for \$50.00. This covers the cost of all the items plus shipping. Please keep us in your prayers as we work for the Lord helping those in need. God bless you.



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Buckets of Love

Enclosed is my donation of \$_____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Some of the items included are

a bucket with lid, a tarp, a towel, toilet paper and a flashlight with batteries.

We also include...

Hygiene Packets



washcloth, soap, shampoo, conditioner, tissue, wet wipes, toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash, lotion, deodorant, hand sanitizer, shave cream, razor, hairbrush, comb and a plastic bag

Food Kits



water, rice pack, milk, fruit, cookies, cereal, soup, canned meat, pudding, granola bar, crackers, hot sauce, utensils, wet wipes and a mint

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SAVE THE DATES

Harvest's Annual Christmas Open House



Wednesday
December 11, 2019

Have A Heart For Harvest Annual Fundraiser



Thursday
February 20, 2020

Lloyd & Elaine Cook

Serving the Lord in Jamaica



Hurricane Season - 'September Remember'

In primary school we learned a poem concerning the hurricane months:
"June, too soon; July, stand by; August, look out you must;
September remember; October, all over"

This seems to have changed: now the second to third weeks of September are considered the most busy hurricane weeks, no longer August. While all of the Caribbean is in danger each year's hurricane season, we in Jamaica have been fortunate that since 2007, (when hurricane Dean took off our roof) Jamaica has escaped being hit. But, we sorrow with our Bahamian brethren as they suffer and seek to repair after being hit by 'Dorian.'

Many Jamaicans reside in the Bahamas and work in their hotel industry, and some were affected in Marsh Harbour and Grand Bahama, but we suffered no loss of Jamaican lives. Thank God! Many Jamaican businesses, social and Church groups are preparing to send aid. The Jamaican government has sent a large group of our military to help in search, relief and recovery work. Lloyd wishes he were twenty years or more younger, so that he could be on a relief team over there, helping in relief and recovery efforts, as he often did in other Caribbean countries in the 1980s to 2000.

While the summer is over, we are still here, doing all we can to advance the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. We will surely miss the lovely colours of 'Fall,' but we will certainly NOT miss the winter and snow. While we took no 'holidays' nor went anywhere for rest time, we did have a number of family visits: one from a younger sister of Elaine with her family, and one from a younger brother of Lloyd's and his wife. They were here nearly a month apart. Lloyd's brother and sister-in-law visited from Tanzania, where they are using their training and former technical and business experiences to help the local people and government, aiding Small and Medium Business persons improve their procedures and thus their income. In chatting with them we recognized they were really doing 'secular missions' work. Please pray for their physical enablement and spiritual growth.

Elaine and I, and our church, also benefited from the visit in early August of two female Jamaican medical and educational missionaries to Liberia. Lloyd had them to share with the church their photos and training activities, and how God is using them to prepare Africans to serve their own people. Do keep them in your prayers as they return to Liberia at the end of September.

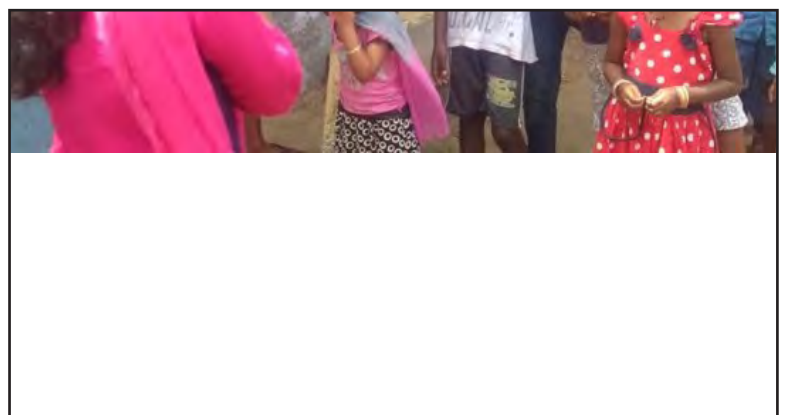
Lloyd continues in his work of research, interviewing and writing the history of his church group. He hopes to finish by the end of the year. Meanwhile he is also involved with three different Colleges and Seminaries. While not teaching at Regent College of the Caribbean this semester, he assists sometimes at Midlands Bible College, and just finished as a reader and adviser of a graduate student's Theological Thesis. He is also preparing to teach an online graduate course on Caribbean Church History at the Caribbean Graduate School of Theology in February upcoming. Do uphold him in your prayers as he prepares for this venture.

Elaine continues with her various children and youth interventions and outreach ministries in the new school year just beginning. She reports "The summer is over, and what a hot time it was, but God in His love has sent us several recent showers of rain." She was kept very active helping out with Vacation Bible Schools (V.B.S.) in two of the smaller churches. She was also kept busy fellowshipping with and caring for three groups of family member visitors. She also continues to assist two preteen boys in literacy and numeracy, and takes them to church on those Sundays that she can get them to go along.

We thank you profusely for your interest in what we are doing for the Lord, and for your prayers and financial support of us. We rejoice in the good health that the Lord gives us, even as our years increase and our bodies grow somewhat weaker. Keep praying for us to be able to continue doing what we do here, and more as we are able.

Daniel & Betty

Serving the Lord in India



The Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project with Dick & Barb Johnson

Serving the Lord in Uganda



Tadeo, Carolyne and Adriel

Dr. Tadeo Katuramu has now finished his first year of four at Kabarak University in Kenya with his wife Carolyne and daughter Adriel. His first year he was at their teaching hospital, Chogoria. Here are comments from his most recent e-mail:

“We are all doing well. I am now in Surgical rotational, done with Medicine and Obstetrics. I am done with my first year and new semester starts the first week of September. We thank God for His providence and strength He has given us to enjoy every moment of life. We thank

God for you and our other sponsors, for your love, care, support and prayers for me and my family. Thank you for your ever presence. Thank you for loving us endlessly. You have wiped away my tears of being an orphan from the very first time I met you in Busoro. I still have the photo of you, late Mum and I while in primary 3 in 1999. You have done a lot for me to make me who I am now. Thank you so very much, may the Lord bless you abundantly. I am praying that God will keep you safe to see me graduate in three more years from now (2022). I also thank God for the beautiful, trustworthy, patient, kind wife Carolyne - thank you for helping me start a home.

Please continue to pray for us to continue growing strong in faith to serve the Lord as we continue to serve the Lord in different dimensions of our lives.”



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Greetings from Zimbabwe! We returned from our short, whirlwind furlough on August 30th. It was a joy to meet some of you during our visits to your local churches. Sorry we could not meet more of you. Our thanks to all of you who made us feel welcome and gave us quality time at your homes or restaurants over meals. Deep appreciation to all who hosted us, and even beat Dolly at Scrabble by all of 5 points - but hey, a win is still a win!

There were many highlights of the trip; among them our debriefing evening over dinner with members of the Harvest Board and Staff, as well as some fellow missionaries. Our time with family members were also very special. It was the first time we were visiting Dolly's home Island (Dominica) since the devastation of Hurricane Maria two years ago. Although much restorative work, both public and private, has already been completed, a great deal more is yet to be done. Many are still under tarpaulin 'roofs', mostly because of the great demand for skilled workmen at such a time. As you can imagine, the personal stories are heart-wrenching!

Our return to Zim was bitter sweet. Yes, we are happy to be back although re-settling has not been free of challenges. Some of you have expressed concern over what you read and hear in the media. Indeed, the Nation is going through several challenges, among them an awful drought. In our eleven years here, we have never seen so much brown all around as plants take a beating. All three boreholes (wells) on the property where we live have dried up. Electricity rationing continues but we do get some power from about 10.00pm until 4.00 am. During the day, we also get limited power via a solar feed from next door and a neighbor graciously supplies us with some water. Dhan left home at 4.30 this morning to join a fuel line and returned with a full tank at 8.30am, so we are good to go. Naturally, the lack of water and electricity has a ripple effect on many other areas. Then, there is the matter of the steady decline of the local currency. When we left here in late May, the US dollar was equivalent to seven local dollars. Today, it is down to the low twenties!

Today's world is filled with challenges of all kinds. At the service yesterday, the Preacher reminded us that we must set aside our fears and belly-aching and get on with what God has called us to do; that when we set forth in obedience, God by His power accomplishes His purposes in and through us. He shared how God called him, an ill-equipped, uneducated guy whose only hope was employment as a farm hand or, if he really made it, a gardener. He told us of his difficulty at school with English, the punishments he received because he could not grasp the language and how he prayed and fasted when he was called upon to deliver his first message in English. But he also testifies of experiencing the empowering of the Spirit throughout that message. Today, in his desire to be true to God's call upon his life, he sees the necessity to leave his comfort zone. Indeed, as believers, we are called to die to ourselves repeatedly that Christ might be manifested in our daily lives. Is that what our Lord means when He calls His disciples to "take up their cross daily and follow Him"?

May God grant all of us grace during these challenging times to look past our personal comforts and faithfully keep our eyes on the Lord of the Harvest. Thanks for standing with us.

Alan & Pam May

Serving the Lord in Kenya



This summer's Kenya mission trip was a huge success.

Prison Ministries - *"Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body."* Hebrews 13:3.

Visiting prisoners to share the good news of Jesus Christ and to demonstrate His love for them is a worthwhile undertaking. This year we were able to include visits to both the Eldoret Women's Prison and the Eldoret Men's Prison.

The atmosphere of these prisons was not so oppressive as anticipated because the Women and Men were excited about having visitors, singing and dancing in praise to God, and receiving gifts of toiletries and food.



The various Sunday School classes for the younger children, and I taught the teenagers' class. Our time with the children and teenagers was sweet and rewarding for all involved.

Sunday Morning Church - The Spiritual Life Center is the name of the local church of which Pam and I were members and the home church of our kids and their caregivers. As a body, they have had a rough go of it over the years...victims of 'land grabbing,' malicious demolition of their church building, court battles, tragic death of their beloved Bishop Ben, forced relocation...but through it all, the people maintain their faith in God and demonstrate total dependence upon Him. The Living Hope ladies led the



various Sunday School classes for the younger children, and I taught the teenagers' class. Our time with the children and teenagers was sweet and rewarding for all involved.

Cheramei Primary School - The primary school around the corner from the kids' home has a special relationship with the GFE Children's Home. Each year we are invited to share the gospel with kids in the school. This year we sang songs and taught about the cross of Christ with the first and second graders. We visited the special needs class and invited them, along with their parents, to have lunch with us at home. During lunch, our ladies made a card with a photo for each child and parent to commemorate our time together. We also fitted the students with shoes. A wonderful time was had by all, and our relationship with the school has grown in love and affection.

"When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just." Luke 14:12-14.

Kamkunji Slum Visit - Rhoda cares for her own children and other kids who would otherwise be living in the streets. They all live in a typical slum dwelling comprised of walls made of mud and sticks, dirt floors, and a rusted tin roof.



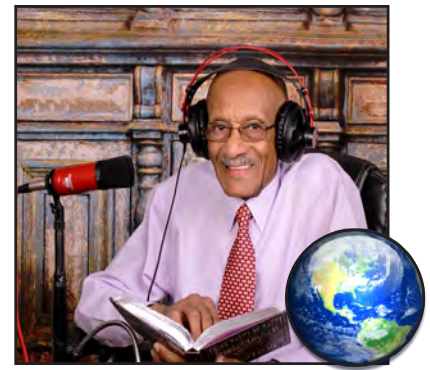
We have come alongside Rhoda for years to help her with the purchase of food, school uniforms, and the payment of school fees. Rhoda makes purses, shopping bags, backpacks, and other sewn items to sell, so our team members do some of their souvenir shopping by purchasing from her. It is always a blessing to visit with Rhoda and family, pray for them, and deliver food and supplies.



Catching Up With Older Kids - Chinese food in Eldoret, Italian food in Nairobi, a road trip to Kitale, and 'matatu' rides home were the venues and means of visits with our older kids who are no longer living in the home. *"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."* - John 15:12

The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry *with Audley Mclean* Serving the Lord by World Radio

The Shepherd 96.3 / 103.5 FM



Greetings to my The Bible Speaks Family. Yes, that is how I think of you. You who stand by this ministry are family. Some of you I have never seen and some of you are close by, but I consider each of you as a member of this family of servants. That's right, servants. What a privilege to be servants in the household of the King of Kings.

I only have praise to God and thanks to you for allowing me to be a voice. That too is a privilege I don't deserve and do not take lightly. Every time I sit before the microphone to represent you and most of all the Lord, I think, with a sense of littleness, how privileged I am to be called upon to stand next to John the Baptist and his predecessor, the prophet Isaiah. With them I am saying, "I am a voice shouting in the wilderness, "Clear the way for the Lord's coming!""

In addition to the awe I feel, there is the glorious fact that the message of Isaiah and John was true of the first coming of Jesus. That happened, just as promised. What propels me even more today is that the same promise is true of the second, imminent return of Jesus, our Lord. Joining Isaiah and John the Baptist is the voice of the angelic messenger in Acts one. "This same Jesus..." yes, this same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

This promise propels me. Propelled by that promise and responsive to the command of Jesus, you and I see the fields as white, ripe for harvest. That is one reason, I am delighted to inform you that since I last reported to you, we have added to our listenership a potential 1.2 million listeners by way of WDZY-AM 1290/FM 103.3 - Richmond, VA - Serving a population of 1.2 million. The Bible Speaks broadcast time is 4:15 pm - 4:20 pm on Thursdays.

We are currently airing The Bible Speaks on these powerful stations, and we are looking to the Lord, through you, to be able to add the Word of Inspiration, our daily five minute program.

Of course, the next big thing happening with your radio ministry is the annual fundraiser banquet on October 8th at Collegeroad Baptist Church.

God bless and keep you alert to the opportunities for services.

The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry - 2019 Fundraiser

October 8, 2019 at 6:00 PM · Collegeroad Baptist Church · 5010 S.W. College Road · Ocala, FL 34474
Contact Harvest at 352-622-1818 to RSVP by October 1st - Seating is limited

Please join us for this year's celebration of God's Amazing Grace and help us spread the story of the gospel through the ministry of The Bible Speaks.

We thank you for your faithfulness in prayer and giving. You have enabled the ministry to grow and take on additional stations during this year.

This year's gathering will have two great features to bless your heart. The delight of hearing from gifted and godly Tommy McClam and the rich music and message of Amazing Grace, performed in a rich variety of genre.



Tommy is the Say Yes Buffalo, Director of Boys and Men of Color Initiative, where he oversees a city-wide coalition aimed at accelerating positive outcomes for boys and young men of color across the cradle-to-career continuum. His passion is to see all people strive for excellence and reach their transformative God-given potential. He believes that all people sit on the brink of success, awaiting opportunities to achieve true purpose found only through a personal relationship with God.

Faith Foundations International *with Ray B. Nelson*

Serving the Lord in India



Ray left for India on September 11th. As always, he was extremely excited and thankful that he was able to return to the country and people that he loves. His return, however, is bittersweet because Shanti, Sharath's wife, will not be there to greet him when he arrives.

Ray received word at the end of August, that Shanti had passed away after a severe illness. Indian custom dictates that she be interred within a couple of days and that the family then host a memorial/funeral service at a later date. Ray will be able to participate in this memorial and be with Sharath during this difficult time.

Shanti was a Godly woman and a firm believer that will be missed greatly by her family and friends. Sharath will miss her invaluable assistance with his ministry. Hopefully Ray will be able to support and encourage him during this time of change and readjustment.



Shiloh Children's Home
with Tom & Ginger Schmidt
Serving the Lord in Haiti



“Pray w/out Ceasing”
~ 1 Thessalonians 5:17 ~

We thank you for your prayers for SCH! We Praise the LORD the boys, Dieulène & Nelson and family are all doing well. The move to Hinche has been good for all. They have electricity, well water, an outhouse, and food easily accessible! Such a great blessing!!

We continue to pray for Haiti concerning the turmoil over fuel shortages and the unstable government. There has been some improvement recently. We pray this will be the beginning of more stability in all areas.

We hope to get a team down sometime to do some work on the home. Screens on windows and doors would help keep bugs out and some other ‘cosmetics’ would be an added Blessing!

Please continue to pray for the health of the children. We covet your prayers! This year a dear friend of Ginger’s has gone on to Glory. We will miss JL, she was such an inspiration and a strong Prayer Warrior for us. But we know she is no longer suffering, Praise GOD!! May you be Blessed by the Father’s Love.

“Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” ~ Hebrews 12:1-2

Discovery Christian Adventures with The Toler Family Ryan, Lisa, Emma & Joshua

Serving the Lord in Costa Rica

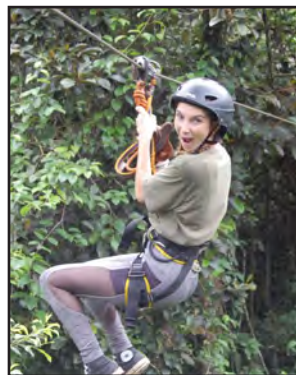


Our first student mission trip as “Discovery Christian Adventures” took place in June 2019 and words can not describe how awesome it was. God was totally a part of this trip from the beginning to end. Our students were able to learn how to rely on God in every situation. We were able to share God’s love with those in Sitio de Mata and Pavones, Costa Rica and they shared God’s love back to us.

For our mission work we were able to take food and toiletry supplies to a family in Pavones. God took the money that we raised and literally multiplied it. We raised about \$300 and we were able to buy food for a couple of months for this family and bedding, towels and few other household items. Some of the \$300 we raised went to a school that supplies food to students that don’t have food at home. We were able to help the schools kitchen with supplies to cook the food for the students. We literally witnessed a miracle with all that we were able to purchase with just a little bit of money! We also shared God’s love with some kids in El Silencio. We spent one afternoon playing games, face painting and giving out salvation message bracelets. Our students loved making the personal connections with all the children.

Everyday on this trip we were able to dig deeper into God’s word thru daily devotions and bible studies. We would spend evenings with topical discussions, singing worship songs and building relationships with our host families that we were staying with. We could go on and on how these moments were life changing. Our christian walk should always be an adventure no matter what we are doing.

We are so thankful for what God has been calling us to do thru Harvest International. We are starting to plan for 2020 trips so please feel free to contact us if you or your students know a group that would like to go on this life changing adventure with God!



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Serving the Lord in Haiti



Lady's Previous Home

August has been the culmination of a lot of things that we have waited for. As you know, it takes time to establish oneself in a new home when you have moved across town. It takes longer to establish oneself in a new city or even a new state. It takes longer to establish oneself in a new country as a foreigner. I wanted that to just happen; I had unrealistic expectations of how fast that would happen and it never occurred to me that change in general takes time. We have been waiting as we work. Now, God is rewarding the waiting with his good blessings.

All this month, Austin has been hauling materials, supervising work, and getting in on the roofing and pouring the concrete for the house he started plans for several months ago. We asked for prayer that the home would fall into the budgeted money, and praise God, it was within \$50! On the house site, pure white sand (which is of considerable value since the closest sand would have come from a river several hours drive away) was found and workers dug it out as needed. This saved us the cost of sand and the transportation of it. Half way through the project, chunks of our tires were literally ripping off with every load. We prayed that God would keep them intact until we could finish and purchase new tires. He provided both longevity for the tires, and the procurement of new tires for a reasonable price.



Foundation Completed



Austin putting on the roof

One more answered prayer of many is that we found a neighbor lady who is teaching our children Creole. She is a kindergarten teacher, but this has been quite a challenge for her since she knows very little English. We love to hear the children singing the Creole songs while they play. She has also been a quite helpful to me in my language study, as well.

With our major project completed for this year, we do ask for prayer and support to continue the water filtration project for which we have received funding for 300 of 1000 filters. With this break, Austin has agreed to help me with school while he continues his translation and development of the biblical finance course. He hopes to build relationships with local pastors and school directors in order to get the program started. We are blessed and appreciative of your prayers and generosity.



Completed in less than 1 month. PTL!

Camp Mahanaim with The Wray Family Rod, Debbie & Katie

Serving the Lord in Haiti



We completed our summer camps in mid August and made a quick decision to take two week's vacation in Lithuania. We served as missionaries in Lithuania 23 years ago and built a church and a bible school and Katie had never been there, so we booked some last minute flights and headed for Europe.

We had a great time and were able to visit both the bible school and church that we had built. It was great to meet up with some old friends also. This old castle was the bible school and Deb had a classroom in the tower where she used to teach the missionary kids.

This is the church in Panevezys that we built and it was still in great condition, just the way we left it 23 years ago.



We greatly enjoyed our time in Lithuania and it was very fun to visit all the special places that we remembered from years ago. This is called the "three crosses on the hill" in the city of Vilnius. This is called the "hill of crosses" in the city of Siauliai, and we even brought our own cross made from Haitian mahogany to add to the collection.

While we were in Lithuania they celebrated 30 years of independence and it was a pleasure to be part of the festivities. We were amazed at the way that Lithuania has advanced in the 23 years since we had been there.



We thank the Lord for giving us a great vacation, and we have returned to Haiti re-energized to continue as the Lord leads. We are very thankful that hurricane Dorian passed Haiti without any problems, but there has been a shortage of fuel since our return at the end of August.

We have started a volleyball league for younger players and have more than 150 young people join in each Saturday morning. Our volleyball Angels have now advanced to being coaches.



We have also started a bible study for young people each Sunday afternoon. Mostly local young people are coming, along with some of our workers from the Renault Sunday school. We have given all the participants bibles and it is very exciting to see how interested they are in learning about God's Word.

Thanks so much for your prayers and support. We ask that you continue to pray with us regarding the Renault Sunday school and if the Lord will provide a larger piece of land, as we are bursting at the seams.

Katie made a short video of our trip to Lithuania if you would like to watch, you can find it here; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Io5UK6a9zq8>

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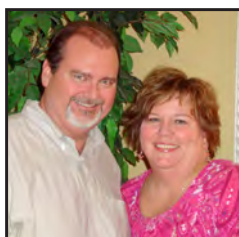
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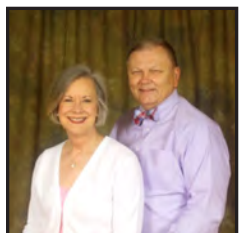
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I hope you had a blessed Christmas and that 2019 is ending well for you. I think the new year is going to be full of exciting things. I am looking forward to 2020 with great anticipation.

I want to share with you what the Lord did through Harvest International in 2019. Harvest shipped seven containers of Food (almost two million meals). We shipped four containers (over 1.1 million meals) to Haiti and three to Cuba. I already have two Food Containers scheduled for 2020. We also responded to the disaster in the Bahamas with over 500 Buckets of Love full of food supplies and 3,500 Hygiene Kits, 3,000 bed sheets 1,000 adult diapers and a variety of other supplies. If you supported Harvest in 2019, your gift helped to deliver the above supplies to thousands of victims. Because of your support we were also able to purchase a used forklift to replace our 25 years old forklift. You also helped us replace two very old and SLOW computers.

Thank you for your prayerful and financial support for all our missionaries (see their individual updates). They have been able to continue serving the Lord because of your faithful support.



Danny, Pam, Ethel & Cassie

Physically & Spiritually Touching Lives

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



Harvest International's 2020 Annual Fundraiser

Have A Heart For Harvest Presents *A Night of Gospel*

As you know, we only do one fundraising event a year. That event is coming up very soon. On February 28, 2019, we will have our annual Have a Heart for Harvest banquet titled "A Night of Gospel". It is going to be great! The dinner is being catered by Latin American Café. Beef Stew, Miami Chicken, Yellow Rice, Black Beans, Fried Sweet Plantains and Bread Pudding. Yum.

Consider sponsoring a table. Table sponsorships are

Faith = \$600, Hope = \$800, and Love = \$1,000

and will reserve you one table with eight seats for you and your guests.

We want to encourage you to reserve your table as soon as possible.

We are hoping to have a full house this year so don't wait too late.

Have a Heart for Harvest - Table Sponsorship

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Harvest Annual Christmas Open House





Thank you to all who came out to fellowship with us.

Randy & Debbie Bullock

Serving the Lord in Romania



Greetings from Romania! Nope, I'm not in Romania, but I'm going to get you all up to date on Romania. I did not get to go to Romania this year due to Lyme's disease. The Romanian team did a great job this summer taking the lead in my absence. We had a family from Texas go over for a week and work with Adelina there at the gypsy center in Dumbrava, doing projects and working with the children at the center. Then we had a large team come from Richfork Baptist Church in Thomasville NC and do the Hospice camp. They did a wonderful job sharing the hope and love of Christ with the children. The Lord has been so faithful in providing leaders to step up and take the lead. Thank you to all the Romanian team who have been so faithful in serving and planning! I want to thank everyone for all their Prayers for Romania and for my health. I've attached a few pictures from Hospice camp, and also the Gypsy center there in Dumbrava. Pray as they will be sharing the Gospel with the children there in Dumbrava as they share Christ and what Christmas is all about for the children in the village there.

Merry Christmas



Lloyd & Elaine Cook

Serving the Lord in Jamaica



Gifts Received from God This Year

Elaine and I have just returned from Negril, Jamaica's famous seven miles long white sand beach, lined by hotels of every brand. We went to rejoice with our younger daughter Gail and her husband and our grand-kids Annika and Tyler, and helped her celebrate her 50th birthday. It certainly doesn't seem that long that I helped her mother push her out, when she seemed hesitant to enter the world. We marvel at the woman, worker and mother she has become.

Along the drive Elaine and I were constantly rejoicing at the beauty of the landscape: the green mountains and valleys with streams flowing down flowered hillsides. But especially we rejoiced over God's fulsome blessings upon us, despite our country's criminality and sinfulness of deeds. God has indeed been very good to us and to our country.

We trust you are also expressing your joys to God for friends, family and work that you have been able to enjoy and earn from. And, we thank God with you for the gracious and glorious "Unspeakable Gift" of His Son, because of whom we celebrate Christmas. His gifts to us this past year have been many: good health after over seven decades of life; provision for our daily needs; opportunities to share with others around us whom God has placed around us to help them in various ways; and more than all to speak to them of God's love in Jesus Christ, and of how He can meet their every need if only they will put their trust in Him.

Lloyd thanks God for two young men that God placed in his way so that he could lead them to faith in Him, and the new and changed lives he has watched grow in them. One especially still needs your prayers, as he seeks employment to meet his daily needs and that of his three children. Lloyd also is thanking God for every student he has been enabled to teach and guide in the classroom, so that at their graduation he can see how the Lord has molded and matured them for leadership roles in His Kingdom. He looks forward to the privilege of continuing to do so in the coming year at the College and Graduate School where he will be teaching.

Lloyd especially praises God for being able to see the near completion of the two years and a half of gathering information, researching and writing the history of his denomination over the past 100 years. He hopes to see the editing and preparation for printing being completed before next year's end.

Elaine will be especially glad to be able to claim and get more of Lloyd's time and attention, whenever he is finished with this his third book. This year she faced the burying of a brother in New York and a dear niece in Orlando, Florida. But the sorrow was softened by the knowledge that they were entering their heavenly home, and are now rejoicing in His presence.

Both Elaine and I gratefully thank our Blessed Lord for His dearness and nearness to us throughout the year. We especially rejoice over you all who have loved us, prayed for us, and contributed to our financial needs so faithfully. Thanks!

If our Lord should come and call us home to Him within the coming year, may He find us ready and prepared to meet Him without any tears or regrets. Paul said that "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." 2 Cor. 5:8. His coming is near: it could be this coming year.

We thank our God for both His presents and His presence with us, and we trusted Him with you this past year, and will also in the coming year.

May the blessings of the Lord be your constant portion!

Daniel & Betty

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“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given and the government shall be upon His shoulder.” (Is. 9:6)

Blessed Christmas to you and your household. May this time of the year be especially meaningful to all of us as we celebrate the birth of our Heavenly Father’s Gift to us – His son Jesus, the Messiah!

It certainly seems like most nations in our world today are facing crises similar to and in some cases worse than what Israel was experiencing 2000 years ago when our Lord was born. The world needed a Savior then and desperately needs One now. Many remain blinded to that fact; so let us continue to pray that our Lord by His Spirit would remove the veil from their eyes and tenderize their hearts towards Him, Who is their only hope.

The Lord has used many to pray us through and encourage our hearts during 2019. He has also sent several into our lives, who themselves needed to be encouraged. This year we saw the passing of some of our dear friends and fellow believers among whom was a couple who died three months apart. There was also what felt like an exodus from Zim of families and individuals whom we had grown to love and whose fellowship we enjoyed. Many are moving away because of the need to provide for and raise their families in a more stable environment. It is sad to see the country lose so many of its skilled workforce.

We thank God for the individuals, couples and groups we have worked with this year. It was a joy to see some of them from as far as Zambia and Gweru join us in celebrating Dhan’s 75th birthday in October.

Our monthly weekend ministry with OIC in Gweru continues to be a blessing, but getting fuel for the four hour trip there and back is now quite a challenge and always the subject of much prayer. We have never had to cancel an appointment because of the fuel shortages though. God always comes through for us as He did last Friday evening. After only three hours of waiting in line we had a full tank so we could keep our ministry appointment the next morning an hour out of Harare. Some of our friends waited over 24 hours and did not get any!

We had our “Christmas” in May to August when we spent time with many of you in England, NY, Florida, Texas and the Caribbean. What beautiful and refreshing times of fellowship we had. There are some of you whom we were unable to see this trip but we look forward to doing so when the Lord makes it possible in the future.

Spending time with our children and their families was extra-special. We trust that you will similarly enjoy your families this Christmas.

This year, you continued to be faithful friends in your partnering with us. It has been a particularly challenging year for us, and perhaps for you too; but the Lord saw us through, didn’t He? His abundant grace is simply wonderful; and many times He used you to demonstrate that by being a source of great encouragement and blessing.

May you and yours have a great and fulfilling New Year. God’s abundant blessings always.



Alan & Pam May

Serving the Lord in Kenya



Ken ya Give? is the name of our annual Silent Auction and Sale to raise support for the GFE Children's Home. We keep the Ken ya Give? campaign open through the end of the year. The last two years' proceeds were used to buy a new van for the home, but this year's proceeds will be applied to the operating budget and ever increasing educational fees as more and more of the kids are in high schools (boarding schools), trade schools, colleges, and universities. So far, this year's Ken ya Give? fundraiser, which was held just prior to Thanksgiving, has brought in \$29,000, yet we still have so many needs to be met. Please prayerfully consider a year end gift designated for The Haven to get the students off to a good start in the New Year. Praise God for His provision!



Nine students graduated from high school, trade school, or university this year... Winnie, James, Wilberforce, Irene, Klinsman, Phillip, Isaac, Hillary, and Cetrick. We are proud of these students for the accomplishment, and we pray for them to find gainful employment as they venture out on their own in the near future. While getting an education certainly improves one's odds of landing a good job, it is not a sure bet, so we welcome prayers for employment for these young people.



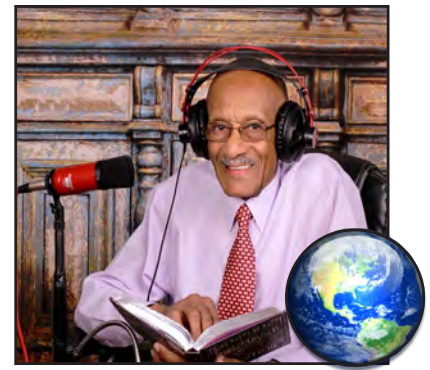
Home for the Holidays has a little different meaning for our kids in Kenya than it does for us. The Kenya government strongly suggests kids who live in orphanages should be sent to their respective home places to visit for the month of December. They do not have parents to visit, but most have extended family members who will house them for this annual homecoming. Please pray for the kids to have safe and encouraging experiences. The intent behind the push for the kids to go home is to ensure the children maintain a connection with their clans and villages... a cultural priority that we perhaps do not appreciate in our society.

A few of the high school students will also get to go to a camp during the school break, and the caregivers of the GFE Home enjoy a reduced workload in caring for the kids while they are away. When the students return to the GFE Home after the holidays, they will begin preparing for the new school year in January. There will be transitions for some students from primary school to high school, but these kids will not begin the school year immediately upon the start of the school year. These candidates will still be awaiting word from various high schools to know if they have been invited to attend. Students who did not finish primary school academically strong may not be invited to high school. Please pray for these kids to find their place in this world.

Overall, the kids are faring well, and they express to me their deep gratitude for their sponsors and all the people who love them, visit them, pray for them, and financially support them. I am passing along this deep and heartfelt gratitude to you!

The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry *with Audley Mclean* Serving the Lord by World Radio

The Shepherd 96.3 / 103.5 FM



Blessed Christmas Season to each of you and may the hand of the Lord be evident in all you do in the New Year.

Here it is, December—Really? I guess we better acknowledge it quickly, because before we know it, January will have invaded our space. I can remember, throughout my childhood, my parents would keep asking questions like, “Where has this year gone?” Or they would say, “The year just slipped away.” Funny thing is, they never seemed interested in searching for it. Senior talk, I suppose. Well, guess what. I have given up and I acknowledge that “old people talk” has finally caught up with me.

The truth is, I am now asking ‘where has 2019 gone?’ You guessed it. I am getting (truth is “getting” no longer applies) I have arrived. Well, whether you have noticed it or not, 2019 is indeed, gone. It’s gone, gone, forever gone. We needn’t waste our time searching. It’s just not coming back. That prompts a question and proposes a challenge. The question is: Are you satisfied with how you served the Lord in 2019? The challenge is: How will we serve more faithfully in the New Year? I think Horace Mann, the great Educator, had a word for all of us. He said: Lost - yesterday, somewhere between sunrise and sunset, two golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered, for they are gone forever.

By the grace of God, I can share with you some of where 2019 has taken us. Yes, “us” because anything accomplished in the world of the radio ministry was a joint effort between those who prayed, gave, invited others to listen or took part in preparing the programs for broadcast. Beginning with our dedicated partners at Harvest International and reaching out to each of you, it has been a year of “together with God and you.”

We have a partial report on where the year has gone. I will summarize it and trust you get hope from it and realize that you had a part in saving 2019 from extinction. You have helped plant eternal seeds. Many things happened at The Bible Speaks but time and space limit us to highlights and milestones. Please note that they are milestones and not destinations because, you see, they are part of a pattern--an unfolding of a continuing divine plan. They are all actions taken in the fields ripe for harvest.

MILESTONES of 2019

Your ministry of radio added four new radio stations to our coverage with a potential new audience in excess of one point five million people in cities across America. We are encouraged by the word of mouth sharing and increased visits to our web site: www.harvestinternational.org.

We experienced an wonderfully successful Fundraising Banquet on October 8th. The banquet was not successful only because we accomplished 75% of our financial goal but because the entire banquet program emerged as a time of fellowship, worship and praise. The theme was Amazing Grace, based on John Newton’s immortal testimony hymn, AMAZING GRACE. All the music was set around the theme. Various presenters engaged different genre to bring rich variety and a deep sense of worship into gathering. Participants in that aspect of the evening included David McCleary, Worship Leader of In Christ New Hope Ministry, Rochester NY, Pastor Jeff Rountree, Minister of Worship at CollegeRoad Baptist Church, (our incomparably gracious hosts).Joining Pastor Jeff was staff soloist (song bird)Sandra Anderson. Dr. Pamela Anderson of Fort King Presbyterian Church and Timothy McLean of Atlanta, GA, soloist on The Bible Speaks . The program was rounded out by a narration on the life of John Newton by Mrs. Judith Bullen of Ocala. The keynote message by Youth Pastor and Director of “Say Yes Buffalo” challenged us to explore broader fields and greater vision as he dramatized the great missionary story of Phillip and the Ethiopian treasurer. Executive Director, Danny Thomas and the Harvest International staff came through, as usual, in brilliant light, with love and skill. The volunteer caterers and servers were an act of love, delivered with class. Thank God for his people.



I think I have time to mention just one more milestone. The board of directors voted to expand its representation by selecting younger people from a wider geographic footprint as a means of building toward continuity for the radio ministry. More about that next time.

I am deeply grateful to have the privilege of working with such marvelous and dedicated people at Harvest International and with each of you. I am blessed. Thanks for the privilege. To God be the glory.

For unto us a child is born and unto us a Son is given...”He is Lord of all.

Faith Foundations International *with Ray B. Nelson* Serving the Lord in India



The Christmas season is full of things to celebrate. We had a Christmas season with a new church five hours north of us. It was our first time there. The audience had a lot of Hindus in it with extra special time to share the Gospel. We also spoke at another church with a congregation of thousands. We had spoken there before. What a time for the Gospel and to reach so many people at once. Sharath and I both preached a Christmas message.

There was a marriage to celebrate, what a time for it. Everything went like clockwork. There was a Funeral to attend and share the grief and joy with the family of the deceased.

All of these celebrations happened at the Christmas season. We celebrated with joy in each occasion that came about.



Giving a Christmas message to the new church.



The Wedding



The Funeral

Shiloh Children's Home
with Tom & Ginger Schmidt
Serving the Lord in Haiti



“Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,” Jude 1:24

Tom was able to make a trip to Haiti even with all the turmoil going on in the country now. There is very little fuel and many businesses have closed because of all the roadblocks and lack of travel in the country. The port, where commodities are shipped in, is closed. Sometimes whole areas are cut off by protesters. The conflict between the president and legislature is at an impasse with no end in sight until some time in January when some political dissident's terms expire. There are so many things regulated by the government: fuel prices, water, electricity, schools, teachers, police, area leaders. The government has no money source since the port is closed; customs funds are not coming in due to the government shut down. Fuel is normally subsidized by the government and black market fuel is available at double the price from the Dominican Republic. It's a volatile situation throughout the country.

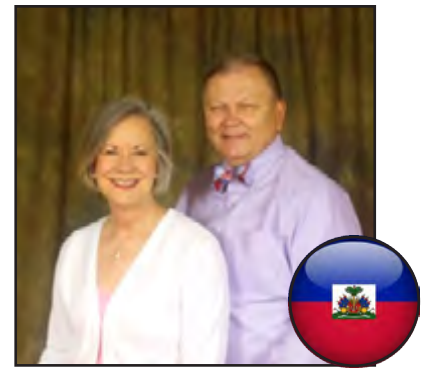
At Shiloh Children's Home, Dieulène and Nelson are able to care for the boys because it is a small home. Tom was able to bring in clothes and food to help encourage them. The boys still sleep in the same beds/cribs they've been in for nine years. This is definitely a project we need to work on this year, to make or get proper beds for them. They all live in two 10' x 12' rooms that they rent in Hinche. They do have electricity most of the time which is a great blessing! They have a water faucet in their yard, as well as an outhouse. Nelson's brother and his family rent the two rooms above them, and his two younger brothers have a small 6' x 8' room each off the courtyard.

They've had some hard times as Dieulène's dad passed away a few weeks ago, and their 2nd daughter is due any day. Nelson is now in his fourth and last year of Bible school to become a pastor. Tom was able to spend a few days with Nelson and the boys. They are well and continue to grow and learn. Please keep them in your prayers, as life is not easy in Haiti. We are blessed to have such a loving and caring family managing Shiloh Children's Home. We would like to see this model duplicated in other communities around Haiti. Living in Hinche gives them a better platform for sharing the love of Christ and Christ's love for orphans.

We sincerely thank you for your prayers and financial support of this valuable ministry in Haiti. May you be blessed richly, as you have so richly blessed others.

Storybook Pediatrics with Ron & Stacy Smith

Serving the Lord in Haiti



Hello, everyone. Stacy and I are officially new this year to Harvest International though I have been friends with Danny Thomas for at least twenty years. In 2018, Stacy and I spent three months working in Onaville above Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Our focus was on two things: teaching sewing to the women there and performing a malnutrition study in children age five and under.

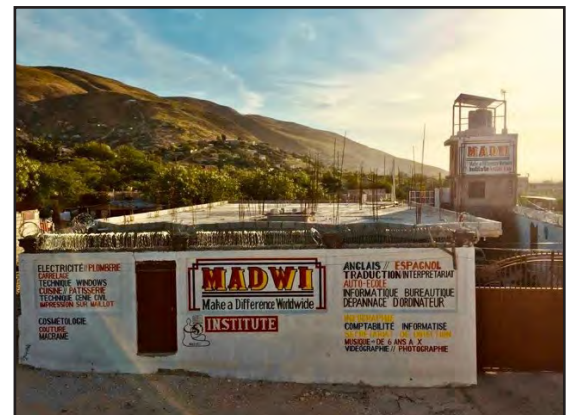
The sewing ministry was a great success and Stacy was the star of our three month stay. Two teams of women from our church came and helped in our first few weeks there. The malnutrition study was intended to answer the question: are the medical teams going to Onaville doing any good? We examined almost 400 children in the community and found little external evidence for malnutrition. However, the simple hemoglobins that we did on every child revealed hidden malnutrition. About 19% of children there are severely, chronically malnourished.

Our good friends, Joseph Similien and his wife Martine, helped us with both the sewing and medical during our stay. "Simi" was a tent leader in Delmas after the 2010 earthquake and the founder of Make A Difference Worldwide Institute there. Simi already had 2 1/2 years of English study with the Haitian American Institute before the earthquake. With the support of two organizations, one of them a church, he taught ESL, computers, cooking, and many other things in the wooden school building.

Several years went by and a disagreement between the organizations resulted in all withdrawal of support. The school closed and Simi managed to salvage some school materials and furnishings before local thugs tore the building down. He purchased land in Onaville which only became available as a result of the earthquake. This was to be a retirement area, but since the earthquake the population has risen from around 1,500 to now over 250,000.

When we met Simi and Martine, their wall around their property where he hoped some day to build the school was barely a few feet off the ground. The Lord moved our hearts to help and before our three months were done in Onaville, the wall was complete, gates and metal doors included. Over the last year, we have seen the school building rise within the compound walls. The first floor the three planned is finished and classes are to start January 20, 2020. There is already a waiting list of Haitians wanting to attend classes. They will have to pay something for the classes and the school should be self-supporting.

The goal of the effort with the school is to teach locals so that we can address the poverty and thus improve the nutrition of the children there. We have been very careful to stay away from toxic charity. It is a proven fact that outside giving can kill local business and ruin Haiti's fragile economy. The school is an appropriate response. Across the street we have property where we hope to build the first Malnutrition Study Center where we will routinely check hemoglobin levels and give measured nutritional support as the labs dictate. Our goal for the next year is to add the second floor to the school which will give about 8 more classrooms. The third floor will be a dormitory to house those visiting to teach in the school or work in the Malnutrition Study Center. Each floor will cost about \$25,000 to complete. The Malnutrition Study Center will probably be less, since we have already completed the wall, including the gates, on the property perimeter.



The Truelove Family

Austin, Kaelee, Sabashtian, Katianna,
Majolie, Mirette & Ariella

Serving the Lord in Haiti



"... let them say among the nations, 'The LORD reigns!'" - 1 Cor. 16:31b

September and October have brought their fair share of challenges, disappointments, and victories. Our area experienced a bit of drought that caused a less than favorable harvest of the beans. Most don't look to the corn harvest with much hope. In times of unrest as these, we are reminded of how much the people count on their harvests.



Achouna's Previous Home

After expressing our thanks, we revealed what we had just decided to do. The supporter increased the gift to equal 2/3 the cost of the home! Feeling God's leading, we brought the project to the attention of another supporter, who agreed to give the remainder. Within a few days, the home was fully funded!

With the experience of the first home, we used the lessons learned to adjust the home plans and got our construction team on the project as soon as the family had cleared the worksite, which they did in three days. With hard work, good weather, and timely material delivery, our construction team finished the home in 17 days! The weekend before we left for the US, the family moved into their brand new home. God be praised!

One of the challenges and victories was the building of a home for a lady whose home was dilapidating. After finishing the last home, we weren't expecting another construction project, but God had other plans. We were nearly decided on the next home project, when Kaelee asked that I visit the home of a lady she had been talking with. Reluctantly, I decided to please my wife by doing a quick visit. As soon as I walked into the yard, I could feel that I had walked into our next home project. After a quick visit, I had seen quite enough. I returned home to give Kaelee my report. After she saw the pictures, she agreed with me. That same day we got a message from a supporter telling us to expect a special gift.



Achouna in front of her new home



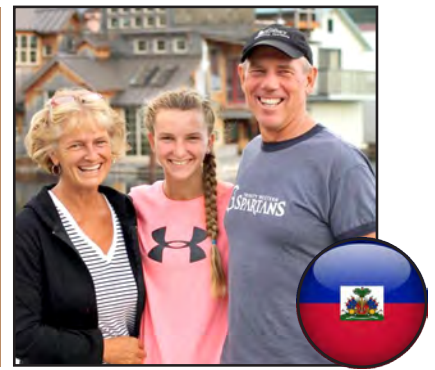
Next Project: Family of 5 lives here!

As can be expected, we are solicited for help quite often for many and varied needs. My brother, Gilbert, has already completed a site visit for our next home project. Related to this next project, I experienced a great blessing. We had decided to build a home for another family, but when I mentioned this to the man, he said, "While it would be nice to have a nicer home, I believe that this family [whose home is pictured left] is in much greater need." This deeply touched my heart, because we don't often find people with that level of selflessness.

As we face the uncertainties of life, we realize that we are limited, but we serve an Unlimited God. That is why we continue to do for one what we can't do for all. We continue to request prayer for Haiti's political situation, wisdom, and for financial support to continue meeting the needs of our Haitian community as we focus on the water filter and home building projects this coming year. We are so thankful for your prayers and generosity throughout this passed year and look forward to what God has planned for us this coming year.

Camp Mahanaim with The Wray Family Rod, Debbie & Katie

Serving the Lord in Haiti



Here in Southern Haiti, the weather has been beautiful and we've had no hurricanes this year, however, life has been and continues to be, difficult due to the unrest in the country. There has been no school since last June and we haven't been able to purchase fuel since August. We are very excited and thankful that the Camp Mahanaim gymnasium has become a focal place for the children and young people of the area and we have more than 250 that come several times a week to play volleyball. We have given more than 20 young people including our "Angels" jobs as volleyball coaches and referees and they are doing a great job of training the younger players. If you know of a volleyball coach or player who would be willing to come help us with our volleyball program, please let us know. Katie made a video of these younger kids playing volleyball here at Camp Mahanaim. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4RukkW0hYrk>



We were so thankful that Dr. Jon Roberts came with a small medical team last week. With the team of 6 people and the help of our Haitian youth group (Deb's English class), they were able to meet the needs of almost 2000 patients during the week. Many were very sick and some would have died had the medical team not been here. The Haitian people were so appreciative. We held the medical clinic inside the girl's dorm and it worked great. Each morning of the medical clinic, there were hundreds of people lined up outside our gate before 6:00 am hoping to see a doctor. Katie made a video of last week's medical team if you would like to watch it. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W-nAiZX60OQ>



More than ever, we have appreciated the ministry of "Agape Flights", which is our missionary mail service. They fly regularly into the Cayes airport bringing our mail and supplies. This has been so helpful since road access to Port au Prince has been cut off most of the time. Last week Agape flights brought us over 1000 lbs of granola bars, and snack foods that we have been able to share with the youth and children that we minister to each week. These food items as well as the "Manna Packs" that we give out have sustained many people in our area. We've been giving approximately 5000 manna packs per week, and the people really appreciate it. Katie has made a short video which shows how much the "Manna Packs" are appreciated. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qhkj5MDNf8A>



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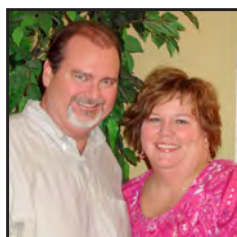
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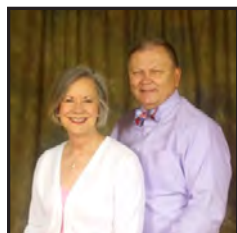
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