

SHILOH CHILDREN'S HOME

The Schmidt Family in Haiti

April 2018



Dear Supporters,

Shiloh Children's Home has been undergoing some changes over the past two years. Our primary caretakers, Dieulène and Nelson, love the boys as their own. They had a baby girl December 2016.

In June 2017 our precious Caleb went home to be with the LORD. He had been sick for months off and on and we were able to be with him as he peacefully left us and went into the arms of JESUS. We envision him running and painfree now!

Jason and Maurice continue to make progress and have been happy and for the most part healthy. The family has relocated to nearby Hinche where we are hoping the boys will be able to attend school. It's uncertain how much they can learn, GOD only knows; but if they have the opportunity to be with other children it could be a very good thing for them. They love to imitate and Maurice particularly has an insatiable quest for learning. He can say papa, and several other words and knows & understands many instructions.

Please continue to pray for Nelson & Dieulène as they desire to do GOD's will in caring for the children and be a godly example to the community. We're praying this fall we can arrange for some teams to come to Haiti to spend time with the children & encourage Nelson & Dieulène. We would like to help improve their living situation as well.

On the home front we have spent more time in the States caring for Ginger's 95 year old dad, Jack. He got saved nearly three years ago and has grown some in the LORD, which is such a blessing. He has had two major falls in the past year and his mind is getting more forgetful. Ginger has also had some health issues. A bout with Shingles took its toll last fall, but we Praise GOD we are all healthy now. We have 31 living grandchildren to date and three more due, one any day, one in May and one in June.

We are so blessed, and Praise our LORD and SAVIOR every day for HIS goodness and MERCY. We have had struggles, but NOTHING is impossible with JESUS!

We appreciate your faithful prayers. They do make a difference, we know that for sure. Please tell us how you all are doing and how we can pray for you.

In Christ's love and service, Tom & Ginger Schmidt

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with JoHanna, Joshua & Jeremy

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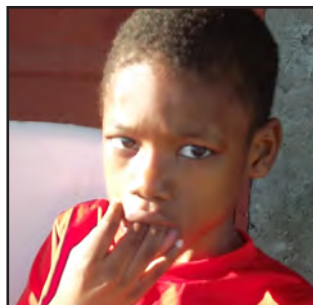


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Jason & Maurice continue to grow and learn new things - it may seem a slow progress to us, but our ways are not HIS ways. Soon after Caleb's Graduation the LORD opened the door to move the SCH to Hinche where the boys' basic living conditions are improved & they will have more opportunities to learn! At this time we are in the process of selling the SCH property in Carabal, which will help provide window screens, cement floor, & paint, for the primitive "new" SCH home.



We would also like to bring some volunteers down to help improve the conditions of the home. One special Blessing is that there is a water pump near by and part-time municipal electricity.

Please pray with us for the continued support of the children's daily needs (food, diapers, clothes) and the needed improvements on the home. And pray this "model" Christ-centered family structured set-up will be duplicated throughout Haiti, for the GLORY of the LORD!!

But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the [a]base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence. But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption— that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the Lord." ~ 1 Corinthians 1:27-31

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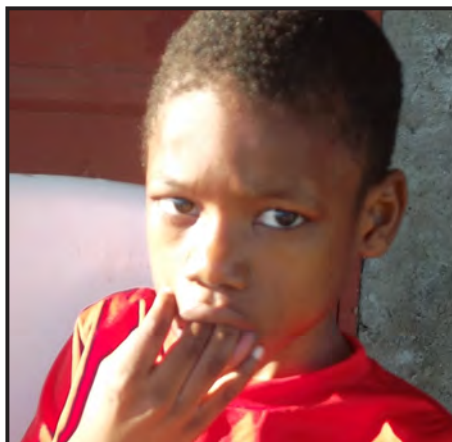
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Shiloh Children's Home Volunteer

I am interested in traveling to Haiti and lend my skills
to help improve Shiloh Children's Home.

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First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world. For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers. ~ Romans 8-9

We are very thankful to you for your continued support for the children in Haiti.

Ginger and I have not been able to get a team together yet to help do some much needed work on the house that the boys are living in. It is a blessing to have things for their care like water and some electric, but the poor condition of the house does effect their health such as their susceptibility to colds, fevers and flues.

Access to supplies, medical help and church are much improved. Over all we are very grateful for the provisions God has provided in this move.

We are very interested in taking a small team to do some basic work on the house; screens, paint, floor that is dirt. These basic changes would improve the boys condition a lot. Nelson and Dieulene have remained faithful to care for the children with little outside help.

If you are interested in forming a small team to go to Haiti to help me work on Shiloh Children's Home, please contact Harvest at 352-622-1818.

Again we wish to thank you for your heartfelt support on behalf of these boys. May God bless you.

Jason



Maurice



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On December 6th Tom flew into Pignon, Haiti with MFI. He paid an unannounced visit to Nelson and Dieulene in order to bring some Christmas gifts and supplies and check on the boys, Jason and Maurice. He stayed with Neil VanDime and his wife Roberta. Neil has a ministry that is endeavoring to provide good water and sanitary outhouses throughout Haiti. His wife, a doctor, is endeavoring to open a small medical clinic in the area.

Tom found the family settled into a home in Hinche, as planned, and was pleased with the conditions. The home has a spigot in the yard with a good water supply. The outhouse was in proper working order. And, most amazingly, there is electricity 24 hours, 7 days per week. Lack of good water was one of the primary factors in moving the boys from the old home and although they have to carry water from the spigot, by Haiti standards it is very convenient to have the tap in the yard. The power in Hinche is supplied by the local hydroelectric plant and is more reliable and affordable than in Port-au-Prince. This allows them to use the washing machine to keep the boys clothes and bedding cleaner than ever before.

Both boys had grown since Tom last saw them, both in stature and in weight. Jason, at approximately 13, is taller and thinner. Maurice, at 10 -11, is stockier and more responsive. Jason is able to walk with someone holding his hand and responds to hugs and physical stimuli and input. He is not able to respond to visual or verbal signals. Maurice is very responsive to verbal signals and interacts very well with any and all visitors. He immediately started playing with the new toys and mastering the new skills they teach. He can walk but only while wearing shoes to keep his feet positioned correctly. Nelson and Dieulene have a two year old daughter that was wary of Tom but, like all American children, very proficient with using a smart phone.

Nelson is in his second year of training to become a pastor. Teo Babun, of Outreach Aid to the Americas, donated a laptop computer from a supply that he had received for his ministry. Tom delivered that to Nelson on this trip to aid him in his studies. He hopes to complete his training in just over two years and be able to minister as a pastor as well as helping with the children of Shiloh Children's Home.

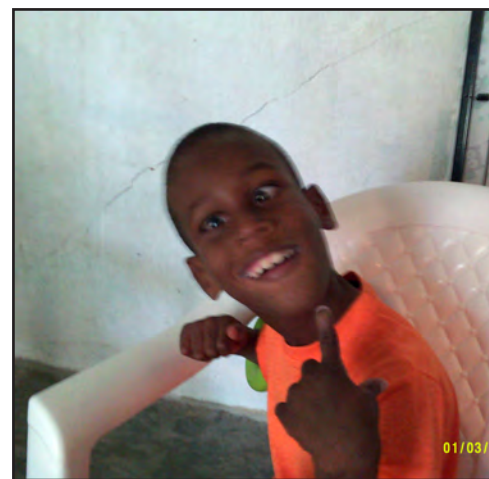
Thank you for your support of the work at Shiloh and for providing a home and hope for children that had been discarded by people who do not know that God makes no mistakes.



*Nelson and Dieulene
with their baby girl*



Jason



Maurice