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OUR NEW CHURCH IN THE MAKING. THE BUILDING WILL SEAT 300 PEOPLE. ALREADY, OVER 200 ARE COMING EACH SUNDAY.

March 1, 1984

Dear Friends of Haiti,

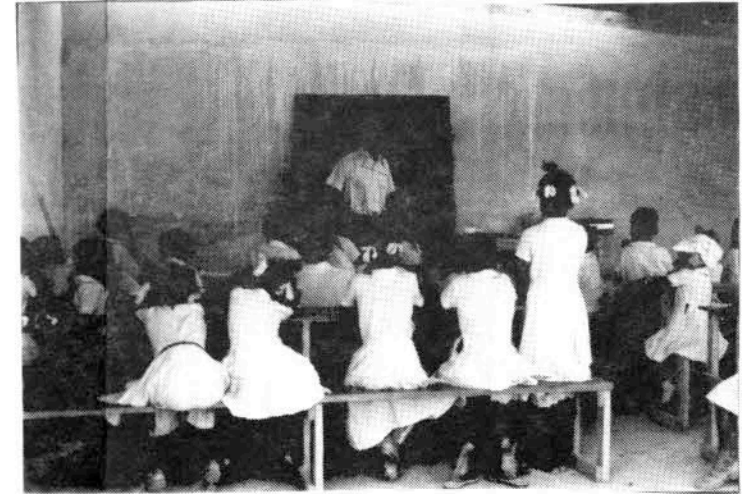
Just this week we heard from Curt Smith, our Director in Haiti, and he said that the church services in the new church building are going very well. Over 200 have been attending on Sunday and over 80 in the Friday meeting.

When we first came to Birey by the sea in Haiti, virtually all of these people were steeped in Voodooism and paganism. The Gospel is finding good ground. They are believing on Jesus and lives are being changed.

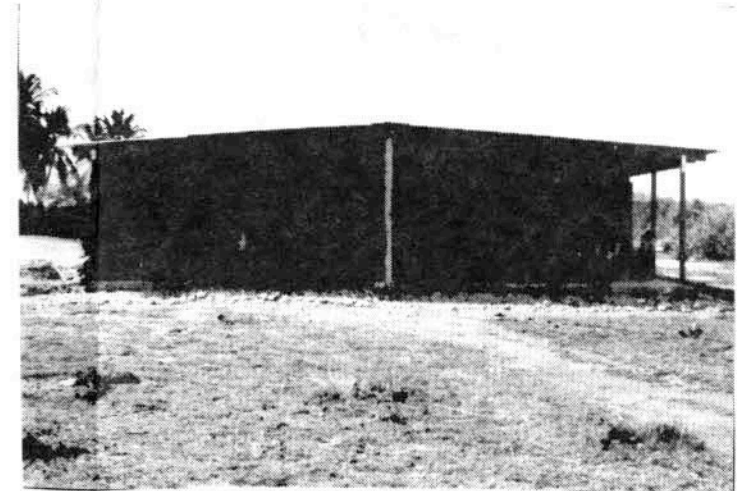
One person in the village came to us while we were there and said since we've come to Haiti and have begun feeding the children, there is no more hunger in the village. Because we are feeding the children, there is now enough food for the others.



MADAME AMMARO WAS THE FIRST CONVERT AT THE MISSION. SHE AND HER HUSBAND BOTH ATTEND THE CHURCH. HERE SHE IS BRINGING HER NEWBORN TO THE MOTHER-INFANT PROGRAM.



FOUR NEW CLASSROOMS HAVE BEEN BUILT. THE SCHOOL WAS MEETING IN THATCH SCHOOLROOMS IN AN OPEN FIELD BY THE SEA. BOTH THE TEACHERS AND THE CHILDREN ARE EXCITED ABOUT THEIR NEW SCHOOL FACILITIES.



We have a new 20-minute color-sound movie and colored slides of the mission in Haiti. It includes the construction of the new church and school building and the preschool program. If you would like to have either of these shown at your church or fellowship group, please call us at (617) 753-5817, 757-2593.

Our hearts rejoice at what the Lord is doing and we look to the future and see much more that needs to be done. Let us continue to believe God, working day by day.

Your faithful support is needed to continue these mission ministries.

Sincerely in Christ,

George & Jeanne
George and Jeanne DeTellis

Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice, the villages, the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

Let them give glory unto the Lord, and declare his praise in the islands.

Isaiah 42:10-12



A HOME IN THE MIDDLE OF THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN RENTED FOR THE INFANT AND PRESCHOOL PROGRAM. HERE 120 CHILDREN GATHER EACH DAY IN A MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSION. THEY ARE FED AND LISTEN TO BIBLE STORIES. THE 3 AND 4-YEAR OLDS HAVE ALREADY LEARNED THEIR NUMBERS, CAN SAY SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSES, AND ARE LEARNING THE ALPHABET.



CINDY SMITH INTERPRETING FOR IRIS PELLEY DURING THE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM WHEN MOTHERS COME WITH THEIR CHILDREN.



THE MOTHERS ARE THRILLED WITH THIS NEW PROGRAM. THEY ARE HAPPY TO KNOW THAT THEIR CHILDREN WILL BE NURTURED AND EDUCATED. THE CHILDREN ALSO RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE BY OUR MISSION NURSES.

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April 3, 1984

Dear Friends,

We are happy to report to you that my wife Jeanne and I will be going to Haiti to assume the full responsibilities of the work there. We have pastored Calvary Evangelistic Center for the past sixteen years and love the work here very much. Pastoring in Worcester has been a very rewarding experience. However, now God is leading us to Haiti.



The work in Haiti is growing. We envision a school of 400 children in the fall and many more beyond that, in time. We want to preach the Gospel, make disciples, and send them to preach throughout the countryside. We envision a high school and a trade school. We want to teach farming, fishing, and develop employment opportunities.

Jeanne and I will be here at Calvary Evangelistic Center until June 3rd. I'll go to Haiti at that time, for a few weeks, to put up some additional classrooms for the school. During the summer and fall we will be visiting the churches raising support for the mission, and then leaving for Haiti by the first part of December.

Our son, George, Jr., will be here in Worcester, managing the office of N.E.W. Missions. Our daughter, Mary, will be going to the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. Our young son, Timothy, will be going to Haiti with us. And as you know our son Charles is already working in Haiti.

This year I will celebrate my 25th year in the ministry. Jeanne will be graduating from Clark University with a graduate degree in International Development. God prepares men and women for His service. All our years of training and service are preparation for what lies ahead for us. Over the years God has called upon me to do many things for Him. Now, He is saying "Go to Haiti." It is the joy of our lives to be in the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our faith and confidence is in the Lord. We ask for your prayers.

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MAY MISSION NEWSLETTER

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Please pray for our well which has been drilled twice, but is not yet yielding clean drinking water. There is a high sulphur content and fine sand making the water grayish with an unpleasant odor. God is able and as we pray He can change all things. We ask that Christians everywhere will take this to prayer.

Rosette, the mother of Rodrigues, Manisse and Freda who all three attend the mission school and church, has made a decision to live for Christ. One of her children were sick, but on this occasion rather than bringing the child to the Voodoo Priest next door, she went to a Christian woman and asked for prayer, for God to heal the child. She openly confessed she wanted to follow Jesus and go to church with her children. The child is well and Rosette is coming to church. Praise God for victory in the Name of Jesus.

With 130 children in the Preschool Program, our Missionary Lauretta is grateful for our new preschool teacher, Odette. Odette travels from Port-au-Prince every day walking the 6 miles on the dust or mud roads to minister to our precious little ones. At first, she was shocked at the poverty of her own people and overwhelmed by the living conditions. Now she loves teaching the children and telling them about Jesus. She is a blessing to the preschool ministry.

Our son Charles was out fishing when his wooden fishing boat capsized. He had to be rescued by other Haitian fishermen. So often these men have fished the night and caught nothing. Charles is working with these Haitian fishermen and we are confident that the Lord is with him as he patiently develops fishing techniques to assist the men in the neighboring villages.

The mission truck (1970) is getting old and in need of numerous repairs. This truck is our only means of transportation bringing in the necessary supplies for feeding and caring for 300 children on a daily basis. A 4-wheel jeep needs to be purchased to equip us for this work.

There is a need for short-term missionaries to work at the mission for 1 - 6 months. The Haiti mission is growing rapidly and we are in need of short-termers. If you are interested, please write the Worcester office.

It is your faithful financial support with your prayers that is performing miracles in Haiti.

Love,

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June 1, 1984

Dear Christian Friends,

As we write this letter, we are completing the last days of our ministry at Calvary Evangelistic Center. June 3rd will be the last time we will be ministering at Calvary as Pastor. Many people have asked what we expect to accomplish in Haiti.

Our first task is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Redemption is man's greatest need. We intend to bring men and women to a personal, life-changing experience with Jesus Christ. We see that salvation effects the whole man - spirit, body, soul and mind. We need to go to Haiti believing in and knowing the power of the Spirit of God. Haiti is full of spiritual darkness and physical oppression. We are believing that the power of the Gospel will liberate and set men free.

Then, it is our intent to provide a school for the children and youth, training the mind, to begin to train men to be Christian leaders among their own people. Numerous projects will be started to help the Haitian to improve his lifestyle, such as fishing, the raising of animals, planting a garden and self-help work projects.

Jeanne and I are very excited about the new ministry God has for us. No doubt these will be busy days. Buildings need to be put up, teachers hired, missionaries trained, and churches to be visited. I told my wife recently, "I feel like a young man just starting out in the ministry." We are excited and full of anticipation of a good ministry in God.

We are thankful to God for you who have joined heart and hand to be part of this ministry. We pray for you and believe that together with God we will see miracles take place in Haiti.

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July 9, 1984

Dear Friends of Haiti,

George and I returned from Haiti with our hearts burdened once again by the Holy Spirit to do a work for God among the Haitian people. We believe that ABSOLUTELY NOTHING is impossible with God for the Haitian people and their country.

While we were there we experienced difficulty in getting food for our ministry of feeding 300 children daily. In just a few months, food prices have risen again. Some foods that we had to purchase on the open market were of an inferior quality and not always clean.

We prayed and believed God to open doors for us to provide sufficient and good food for our children during these summer months. God placed a MIRACLE in our hands. Before we left Haiti, the Lord provided 1800 pounds of the choicest red beans that had been sent to Haiti by the Churches of Canada through the Church World Service. We were also able to secure other foods sent to the country by the Netherlands.

Sometimes when we are in Haiti, we want to close our eyes and not see ONE MORE CHILD with watery eyes, a runny nose and a hungry belly. It hurts so much to see people suffer. God's heart is broken. However, we did let our eyes see many children in our neighboring village of LaSalle. These people are so desperately poor that they do not even own the land their woven wooden huts are built on. They cut down bramble brushes to make charcoal to be sold in the market. Child after child told us of their hunger and that they have never been to school.

We already have 500 children enrolled for school this fall. We are now praying about starting a satellite school and church in LaSalle. Please pray with us about LaSalle.

On our last Sunday at the mission we witnessed one of our converts, the former dance leader of the village rara, obey the Lord in water baptism. His testimony is strong and clear. Many are asking to be baptised in water.

Curt and Cindy Smith who have been the directors for the past year and a half will be coming home this month. Curt will be going to school this fall to complete his education. They plan to return to the mission field after completing their education.

I trust that as we visit the churches of New England we will have an opportunity to fellowship with you before we leave for Haiti in December.

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August 1, 1984

Dear Friends of Haiti,

Curt and Cindy have returned home from the mission field. They have served the Lord well in Haiti for the past year and a half. Curt will be continuing his education this fall with plans to return to the mission field in the future.

Our son, Charles, has assumed the responsibilities of the mission until we arrive in December. At the mission now, there is Charles, Laretta Norton, Steven Skinner and several short-term missionaries. Two nurses from a Christian college in Chicago will be working at the mission in August.

During the summer months the teachers take turns having vacation. The children are taught Bible lessons and Christian songs. You might think of it as a summer-long Vacation Bible School. Having school all summer allows the children to continue learning God's Word. Also, the new children who will be in the school in the fall begin to come. This helps them to get acquainted with the school and teachers and begins to nourish their bodies. We are now feeding 500 children every day.

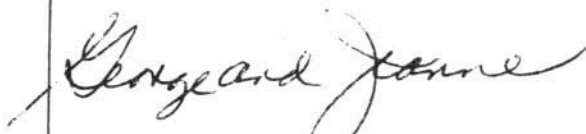
So often we have heard the mothers of our mission school children say, "Take our children, please. You can teach them about God. But it is too late for us - we have been following the old way of voodoo too long." These same mothers now have witnessed the miracle of Jesus Christ in the lives of their children. Many of these adults are turning to the Lord.

We have seen many wonderful works of the Holy Spirit in the world since the birth of the Church. God is at work in the world. It appears to us that the next great wave of God's work will be in the area of World Missions. Millions in the third and fourth world countries will be brought to a knowledge of Jesus Christ. We in America need to have a more global view of what God is doing. How can you become a World Christian?

1. Read some material on World Missions.
Become informed of the needs of other countries.
2. Adopt a child in a poor country.
3. Support a missionary.
4. Visit a foreign mission field.
5. Pray specifically for a missionary and country on a regular basis.

Please believe God with us for this new growth of 500 children in our school. Many more child sponsors are needed.

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September 10, 1984

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Dear Friends of Haiti,

This January, a new couple, Ken and Kim Carroll, will join our mission team in Haiti. They will be going to Haiti for a one-year term of service. Ken and Kim are members of the Church of the Living God in Woburn, Massachusetts. Ken says he is looking forward to going to Haiti to 'work for God.' For the past 6 years Kim has worked as a word processor. This couple will be a rich blessing to the work in Haiti. Please be in prayer for them.



Ken and Kim Carroll
Missionaries to Haiti

We are one of the few schools in Haiti that has school on a twelve-month basis. This is done so that we may continue feeding the children and help them with their schoolwork. Many of these children have never been to school and need extra help. There are now 513 children at the mission school.

Some people have asked if they can pay for their child's support on a yearly basis. If you would like, you can send \$240 for the twelve months, September through August. This will also help with the bookkeeping work in our office.

The Lord willing, this January, another four classrooms will be built for the school. Until then, the additional children will meet in thatch buildings. A large storage shed also needs to be built along with additional housing for the missionaries.

WHAT TO PRAY FOR:

1. 12 ACRES OF ADJOINING LAND THAT IS FOR SALE
2. WE ARE STILL WITHOUT A WATER SUPPLY
3. FOR A NURSE TO COME TO BE PART OF THE TEAM

The Lord He is God! If there is anything that this mission in Haiti has made us aware of is that this work is God's work. As Paul said, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." 1 Corinthians 3:16

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October 7, 1984

Dear Christian Friends,

In these days we need to have great faith and great vision. Jesus so often said, "As your faith is so be it unto you." On the day of Pentecost, 3,000 were brought into the Kingdom and multitudes more in the weeks and months that followed. In these last days, I believe the pace of men coming to Christ will quicken. In our hearts and minds we need to see multitudes, yes, even whole cities coming to Christ. Remember Nineveh. At the preaching of one man, the entire city repented and believed on the Lord.

Haiti is a whitened harvest field. It is only a matter of putting in the sickle and bringing in the harvest. Our motto for Haiti has been, "Haiti, Hope in God." Another expression runs through my mind over and over "To The Ends of The Earth" (In This Generation).

There are now 524 children coming to our Mission School from the surrounding villages of Birey, Broad Mer, Contcrab, Flon, LaFerrony, LaSalle, Masson and TiRivier. As the Lord leads we plan to begin a church and school in each of these villages.

P R A Y E R R E Q U E S T S

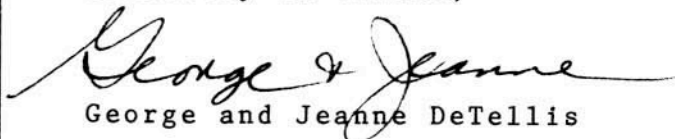
Pray for a married couple to come as long-term career missionaries. Their primary duties will be preaching, teaching and administration. It would be good if they had some Bible training and Christian ministry experience.

Pray for wisdom on how best to solve our water needs. A well has been sunk at the mission and has been pumping up mud. Some alternatives are: collecting rain water, filtrating stream water, or sinking another well.

Pray for a Word of Knowledge as to how to improve the road. The last mile of road leading to our mission becomes impassable during the rainy season. We have spread much gravel on the road and a good amount of money has been spent. The road has such a large amount of top soil on it that after a period of time the heavier gravel simply sinks beneath it. Some of the alternatives are: remove the top soil and spread gravel, split logs on the road - almost like railroad ties and cover with gravel, or considewr a paved road doing a short section at a time. The cost and labor are large factors for each option. We believe there is a solution - please pray.

Jeanne and I are counting the days till we leave for Haiti. It is now less than 9 weeks. Our hearts and minds are full of dreams and visions of what God would have us do. We are grateful for your love and support. God bless you.

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November 1, 1984

Dear Christian Friends,

Those of you who have a CHILD IN HAITI AND WANT TO PROVIDE A CHRISTMAS PRESENT, we are suggesting that a gift of \$10 be sent in with your next payment. Because of the large number of children in our school, it has become difficult for us to bring packages into the country for all of them. However, if a friend of yours ever goes to Haiti to visit, that would be the time to send in a package. Purchasing presents in Haiti will help to boost the local economy. Jeanne and I will be in Haiti in December and will see to it that your child receives an appropriate gift, such as new shoes, dress, pants, personal items or a small farm animal.

We rejoice over the good workers God is sending to come to the mission field to work with us. Betty Diane Ellis from the Marlborough Christian Fellowship will be joining our team in Haiti on January 23rd. Also, Deborah Lundberg from Chicago will be coming to Haiti for six months in January of 1985.

You are invited to be with us for "A Great Sending Service." Jeanne and I will be leaving for Haiti on December 11th. We are planning a farewell service on Sunday the 9th of December at 6:00 p.m. The service will be held at Calvary Evangelistic Center, 135 Belmont Street, Worcester, MA. Rev. Bart Pierce, the Pastor of the Rock Church of Baltimore will be the guest speaker. We are inviting our friends from throughout New England to be with us. Let us make this a great service of praise to our Lord.

P R A Y E R R E Q U E S T S

Please pray for our WORK TEAMS who will be coming to Haiti over the course of the winter to put up several buildings. If you feel God would have you come to be part of one of these teams, please write or call us. We are asking God to bring the right people to Haiti at the right time that the work might go well and quickly.

Please pray for OUR SON CHARLES. He has had the full responsibility of the mission since July. He is responsible for all the administrative and spiritual life of the mission. Already, he is preaching and teaching in the Creole language. An enormous responsibility has been laid upon him. Please pray for him.

God is our partner. He has a great work for us to do in Haiti. Thank you for working with us.

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December 3, 1984

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Dear Christian Friends,

These last several months we have had the privilege of traveling over New England visiting with you and preaching in your churches. We want to thank you for the love and hospitality we received. Truly, there is a fine family of believers here in New England. During our stay in Haiti we shall be praying for a rich visitation of God's Spirit upon you.

Our vision for the immediate future at the mission is:

1. Construct three more buildings.
 - a. A four-room classroom.
 - b. A large storage building.
 - c. A bungalow - housing for our family.
2. Purchase a four-wheel drive vehicle.
3. Purchase an additional 12 acres of land adjacent to the mission.
4. Install a water system.
5. Open a preschool in the village of LaSalle.
6. Begin training the Haitian men and women to carry on the work of the ministry.
7. Complete the existing building by installing bathroom fixtures and tiling these rooms. Purchase furniture each of the bedrooms.

P R A Y E R R E Q U E S T

Pray for an evangelist to join our team. A man is needed to incessantly preach the Gospel in the surrounding villages. A public address system has been purchased and will be sent to Haiti to hold evangelistic services on a continuing basis in the entire area.

It is the joy of our life to be going to Haiti. We have been counting the weeks. We are glad to be down to the final days. Our hearts are full. The presence of the Lord is rich. God is to be praised in all that we do. Whatever good thing comes out of our lives is because of His love and grace. Our prayer is, "Lord make us your servants in this world and help us to bring honor to your name."

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