

The Difference One Day Can Make

In our school here in the Dominican Republic, Colegio Nueva Vida, we have a beautiful four-year old boy. His parents are from Europe. Together the parents run a small business, selling tours within the country to the tourists visiting the north coast. The business has struggled but as of late has done better. The wife was five months pregnant. One day, in the early evening, as night was coming on, driving on the main road, bright lights of an oncoming vehicle, a motorcycle swerving around them and a large pothole, they were involved in a head-on collision. The wife had both legs broken and lost the baby. Her husband received head injuries requiring immediate brain surgery. In one day, their lives were changed. Thank God both of them are recovering and will begin to build a new life.

America should never forget September 11th. Yes, we have all seen the collapse of the twin towers, repeatedly. But, like Pearl Harbor, it needs to ever remain

fresh on our minds. Those films I trust will be played as often as is necessary to remind us and inform succeeding generations of who we Americans are. In one day, America changed. Through tragedy has been born triumph, all in one day.

Belshazzar, the King of Babylon, (Daniel 5), became full of arrogance at a banquet he had for his nobles. During the festivities of eating and drinking he ordered the golden vessels that his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple in Jerusalem to be brought to the banquet that he and his guests could drink from these sacred vessels.

Suddenly a hand began writing on the wall above the lamp stand. Belshazzar's knees knocked together and his legs gave way. He ordered his magicians to read the writing, but none could. Finally, Daniel the prophet of God was called in and he read to Belshazzar "You are weighed in the balance and are found wanting. The Kingdom

will be taken from you." While the banquet was going on the Medes entered the city by a tunnel underground and that night Belshazzar was killed. In one day, everything was taken from him.

In 1954, in my bedroom, God spoke to me. I came to faith and was called into the ministry. In one day, my life was changed forever.

How long does it take to be saved? A year, a month, a week? No. In one day.

Jesus ministered for about three years, teaching and preaching. Yet, one day He was nailed to a cross, shedding His life's blood. In one day He provided salvation for the whole world. What a difference one day can make.

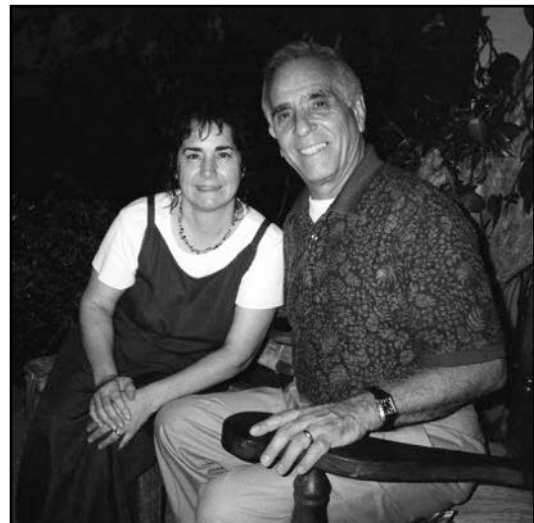
"Now is the accepted time; behold now is the day of salvation." 2 Corinthians 6:2

I don't want to appear trite but it seems like only yesterday that the New Millenium came upon us. We were all excited. Now the year 2002. It is true, the older you get the faster the years go by. But, for me the speed of the years is not so important as to what we put into them. Time is made of small segments and each segment needs to be given to God to allow Him to fill it with what He has for us to do. Let our prayer be, "Lord, take me and use me." Our hearts are with you. God bless.

Love,

George and Jeanne DeTellis

P.S. This year, again, every child in Haiti at our mission schools received a Christmas present. Rachel DeTellis, Charlie's wife, went to the capital city and purchased storybooks and pictorial Bibles for the children. Rachel did her best to purchase gifts to show the love and concern of the sponsor for their child.



New Missions

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Thank You Lord!

We were disappointed and dismayed when we were not able to receive grain, beans and oil from the United States this year for our school feeding program. Knocking on doors with no answers, we were on our knees and writing for help to buy food. I want to thank you for your gifts to feed the children through December. We are still calling agencies and governments asking for food. We know that God will see us through and we will thank Him

for another victory for Haiti.

Our children in Haiti are grateful for their daily food at our mission schools. Visiting doctors who have examined our children have found them mostly to be in better health than American children. Our children, for 19 years have been eating 'health' food, whole grains, beans, vegetables - no sugary fatty foods with empty calories.



Line of cooking pots - food cooking.



A happy student with his food



School food being transported by truck to some of the further villages.



Pile of sacks of rice.

Planting Churches 1983 - 2002

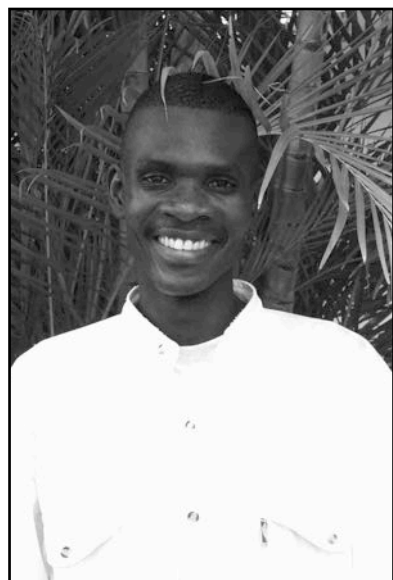
The day we arrived in Haiti we began to plant a church. That work has continued so that now New Missions has 14 churches in Haiti. Also, the day we arrived we gathered young men and women and began to disciple them for the work of the Lord. These early disciples soon became our pastors and the discipleship training developed into a four-year Bible college. Today these churches are full and all of our pastors are well educated in Bible, Theology and are trained to carry on the work of the Lord.

I can remember one young man that came to help and to be trained for the ministry. His name is Richard Gay. We had no finances at the time to help our young men in ministry training. Brother Richard asked, "Just give me \$3 for my taptap (pickup truck) ride and a piece of bread." Brother Richard has been faithful and loyal for many years. He soon became the assistant Pastor in the village of Concrab, and then later the Pastor. Several years ago he became the Pastor of our church in Masson. Pastor Gay is also the School Director of his school of more than 500 children. His life is one of sacrifice and service to God and his people.

Another man of God is Pastor Jacques. We started helping him five years ago. He has a church and school in Darbonne in an area called "Bella Fortune." When George and I went to the school we found the children crowded on benches needing repair, their feet were touching mud on the ground from the night's rain, and only one-quarter of the roof was protecting them from the sun. Pastor Jacques has a big heart for the children and he has more children than he can care for. New Missions came alongside to commit to this Pastor and to financially give him the means to build his church and carry on his work of preaching the Word and educating the children.

The Haitian churches are not only full of people, they are full of the Spirit. And the Pastors are excellent preachers.

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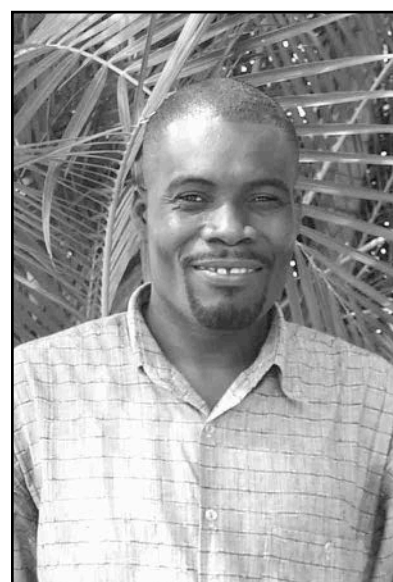


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Lasalle School

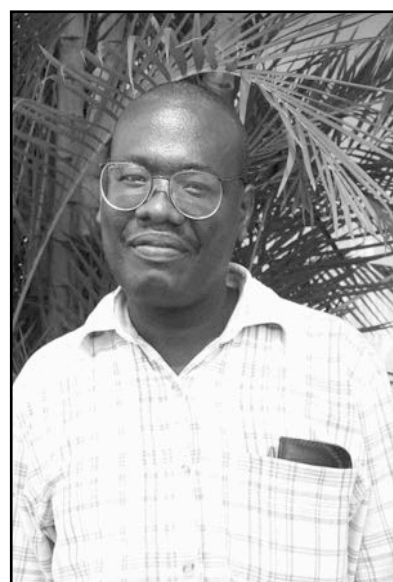


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Flon School

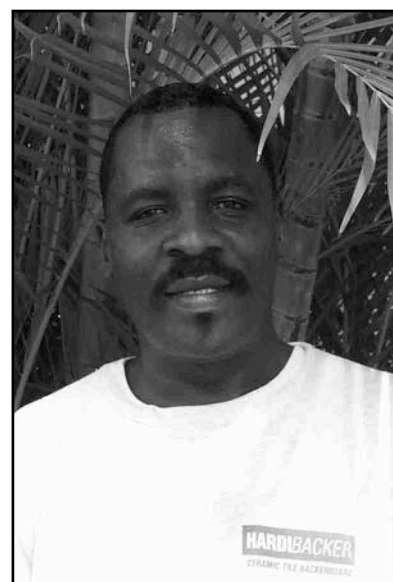
Church Pastors



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Concrab Church



Pastor Guy Fontaine
Lasalle Church



Pastor Jean Jeanot Deceus
Ti Riviere Church

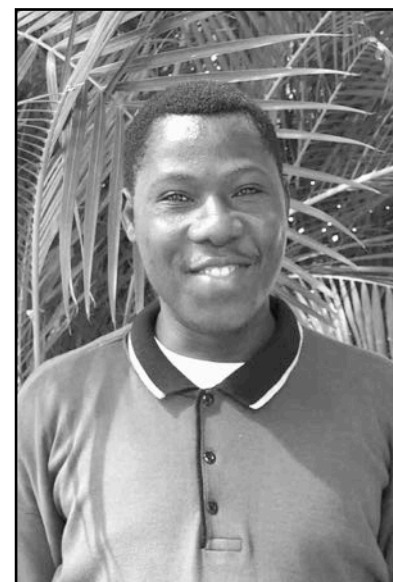


Pastor Richard Gay
Masson Church

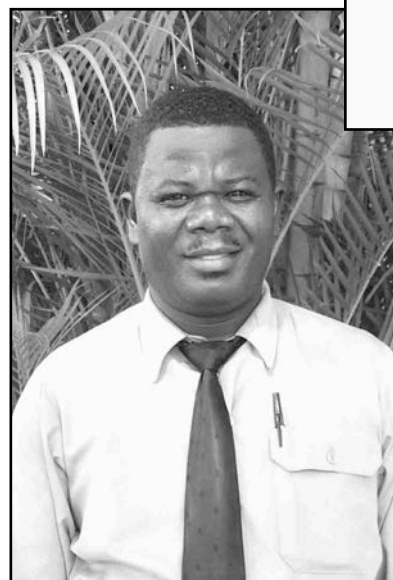
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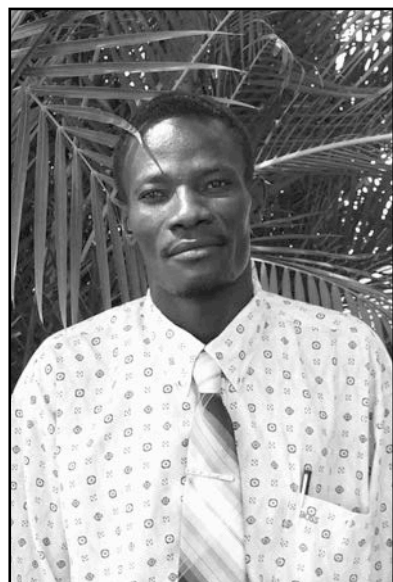
Pastor Marc Onel Elisca
Santo Church



Pastor Anule Jean Pierre
Birey Church



Pastor Anouce Sauveur
Signeau Church



Pastor Guillaume Jean
Leogane Church



Pastor Wesley Petit Homme
Bord Mer Church



Pastor Benoit Dantes
Darbonne Church

New Missions

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Celebrating New Missions 19 Years In Haiti

The fourth of January, George and I were blessed to fly over to Haiti on Agape Flights, our mail service plane. George preached at our first church for our 19th mission anniversary; also, at the high school chapel and missions training center. We were glad to see the healthy spiritual growth in the churches and to find our

Haitian friends not just enduring but soaring in their faith. We had the added blessing of being with our family, and enjoying our grandchildren.



*George preaching at New Missions
19th Anniversary Celebration.
Bord Mer, Haiti*



*Three Haitian girls singing praises to God
- Left to Right -*

*Vialene Anacreon who is sponsored by
Bethany Christian Academy
in Mendon, Massachusetts*

*Marie Lissa Fils-Aime who is sponsored by
Megan Lamson from Medford, Oregon*

*Cindy Massy who is sponsored by
JoAnne Britt from Prince George, Virginia*

New Life Community Church Dedication

The name of our church in Sosua, Dominican Republic, is New Life Community Church. In Spanish it is Iglesia Nueva Vida. Services are held in English on Sunday and Wednesday, then in Spanish on Friday. The church is definitely cosmopolitan, made up of people from many countries.



Maxo, one of our preschoolers at Colegio Nueva Vida with his mother, Morena. Morena manages a community of homes called Villas Karibik, where our missionary families live.

Most people have never met my twin sister, Mary Antonino. She came to spend a month with me here in the Dominican Republic. There were seven children in our family, four girls and three boys. My twin and I are all that is left. We have been separated due to my living out of country. Typically we saw each other once a year. We are enjoying this time together, sharing past experiences, going to church and enjoying the climate and country.



As they would say in Spanish, "Mi esposa – bonitá (my beautiful wife). For me my wife has become more beautiful with age.

Dr. Rick Lee Patterson, the Senior Pastor of Jesus Fellowship, Miami, Florida, was the Dedication Speaker. He told the congregation how he had a dream 18 years ago on a Saturday night of helping a missionary to Haiti. George showed up in his church on Sunday morning and they have been good friends ever since.



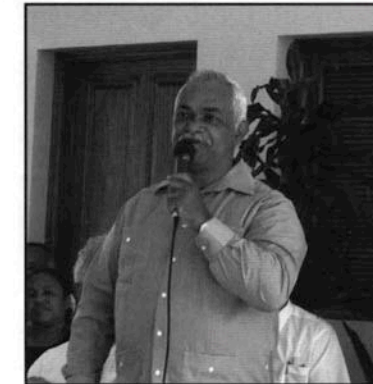
After the Dedication Service, refreshments were served. The children love the church and of course the food. Here is Nonni, one of our children.

These two women are pillars in the church. We met them a year ago, caroling on Christmas Eve. Linda and Ann, from England, have been faithful – out to virtually every service. Linda is an usher and Ann volunteers at our school.



Hans, a gentle Christian from Germany with his wife Aparna from India. Hans is gifted and skilled. He enjoys working at the church and school, such as hanging banners or installing school chalkboards and carpentry.

During the Dedication Service, John Bommarito, a businessman, read the Scriptures.



Arismendy Medina, an executive member of the City Council extended his congratulations to New Missions on the fine buildings constructed. He said the church and school are making an important contribution to the community of Sosua.

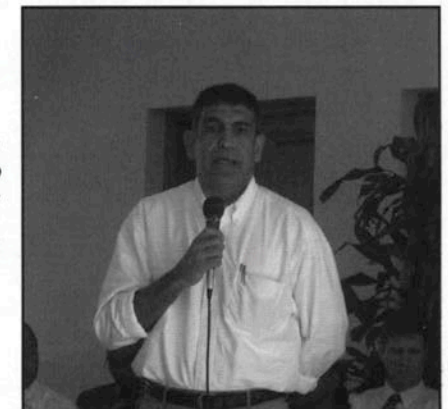
Spanish Worship with our teenager Jennifer, her aunt Miguelina, her mother Dora, her father Jesse, and in the background Jennifer's cousin Kenny.



The children participate with Jeanne in saying the Dedicatory Prayer for the Church and School. We thank God for His dreams for their lives.



Jose Hache Reyes, our contractor who said, "God helped me make George's dreams come true."



We have a growing congregation in the Dominican Republic. We are praying and expecting explosive New Testament growth.



Our worship team is being formed. Rehearsals take place every week; the music is contemporary, upbeat and worshipful.



Paul Kaufman on the drums.

Faith Gives Meaning To Life

Every civilization down through history has been built on a belief system. All of us need to live for something bigger than ourselves. When civilizations lose their belief system, they crumble. This happened with both the Greek and Roman empires. They believed in Greek and Roman mythology and when these were proven false, these empires failed. The greatest threat to America is not terrorism. It is the secularism within our borders.

On the other hand, the Jews who lost their homeland, ceased to exist as a nation and were scattered like dust in the wind, were hated, persecuted and killed, yet survived. Why? Because they maintained their belief system. wherever the Jew went, the Bible and the Tora went with them and they continued to cry, "Hear O Israel, the Lord our God is one God." They kept the faith and they exist today. It is an occurrence that never before took place in history.

When someone has no beliefs they naturally turn inward and live for self. Some selfish living can be legitimate. People live for family, education, sports, or music. Others enjoy travel, food, sex or making money. Yet, if you are a thinking person living for self, life can become empty. Some people become so tormented with the meaningless of life that they commit suicide. Man was made by God, and for God, and He alone can fill our lives and give meaning to our existence.

We need to know God. "The people that know God will be strong and do exploits. Daniel 11:26" How do we come to know God? Some have thought that science would give us all the answers. But the telescope cannot find God, nor the microscope. One of the first Russian cosmonauts in space said, "I looked for God, but He wasn't there." All of the disciplines of the universe, such as history,

psychology or anthropology will not show us God.

Even if we had a resume of God we would not know Him. Some may think of the Bible as God's resume. Well, a resume will tell you some things about a person. But it fails to let you know of a person's temperament, humor or passion.

We come to know God when we believe in Him. When we receive Jesus as our Savior, we experience Him. Paul on the Road to Damascus knew the law. He knew some things about God. But he did not know Him until a bright light shone and a voice spoke to him; then, he came to know God.

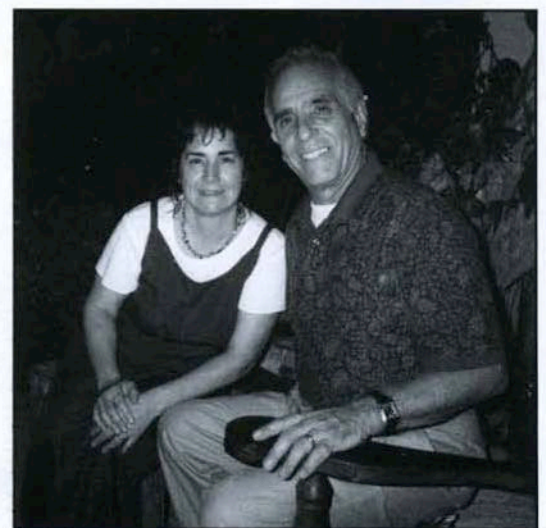
The Bible is rich and we as Christians need to read and study it. But it is a book for believers. We come to know God when we come to Him believing and His grace does a work in our lives. Then we can appreciate the revelation of God in His Word.

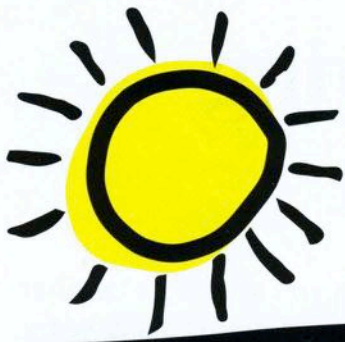
God loves us and His power and grace work on our behalf to make us the people He wants us to be. When we believe we are changed. I find God always confronting me. He never wants me to be content with who I am or what I'm doing. He wants me to change and do His service. Sometimes His demands overwhelm me and I want to recoil – but, in the end, I love it. "He is working in us according to His good pleasure. Ephesians 1:5" God wants to demonstrate His presence to the world through us. We love and pray for you.

Love,



George and Jeanne DeTellis





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Blessed of the Lord

Arnold Guy and Miracia Yseme were married on January 12th. Miracia is wearing Rachel DeTellis' wedding dress from 1991. Both Arnold and Miracia went to New Missions Elementary and High School. Both of them graduated from our Royal Caribbean Institute. Arnold was sponsored by Nick & Cheryl Zaccardi from Watertown, Massachusetts. Arnold assists Charlie DeTellis and works with mission teams. Miracia was sponsored by Robert & Sherry Wanner of Marlboro, Massachusetts. Miracia is responsible for all of our school food supplies and supervises the school kitchen. Those of you who have visited Haiti know and love them. They are now a strong Christian family in our Bordmer Church. Pray that rich blessings will be heaped upon them.

*Arnold and Miracia Guy,
January 12, 2002
Bordmer, Leogane, Haiti*



Three Families are Serving God in Haiti

The missionary call is still strong. The sacrifice of leaving home, family, friends and all that is familiar to live, as it were, at the end of the earth is a sacrifice. Charlie and Rachel have been in Haiti for many years. Their children are growing up there.



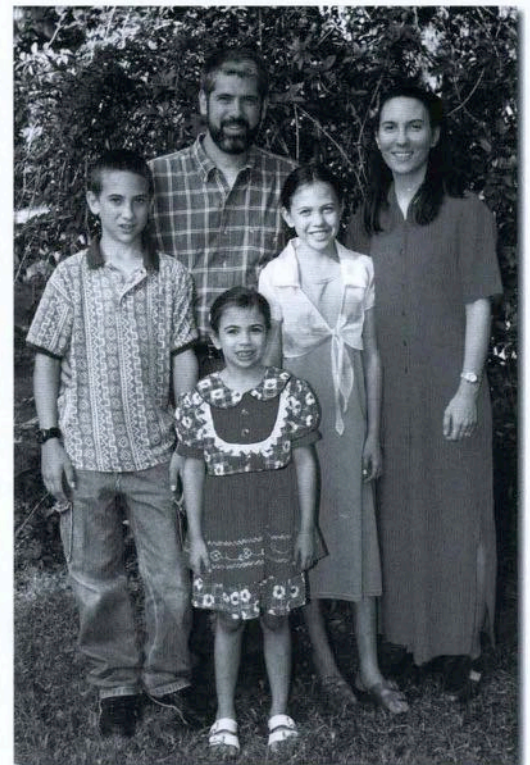
*Charlie & Rachel DeTellis with their children
Nathan, Jeremie and Carita*

Now two other families are working to see the mission work continue. Scott Long and his wife Tanya and their children, Taran 12, Morgan 10, and Tia 7, have been assisting Charlie for the past nine months and now Shawn and Mary with their two children, Ashley 14 and Shawn Ryan 12 are serving also. Together they make a great team. We need to pray for them.



*Shawn and Mary Budovic with their
children Ashley and Shawn Ryan*

A special request for the families in Haiti: Presently, all three mothers are home-schooling their children. Rachel is due to have her baby on July 13th. We are asking God to call a special education teacher or a general school teacher to come to Haiti to teach our seven missionary kids. Please pray for this need and make this opportunity of missionary service known in your Christian community.



*Scott and Tanya Long with their children
Taran, Tia and Morgan*

Dominican Republic News

We are your missionaries. Our hearts are full to do God's work. A wonderful congregation of both English and Spanish-speaking people are coming together. A marvelous school is under way. Presently, we have two preschool classes, kindergarten and grades one through six. Our plan is to have the 7th and 8th grade in September. We also need a computer room and a library. This will require two more buildings. The buildings need to go up now, before the spring rainy season. The cost of the two buildings will be approximately \$100,000. We need help. We will begin construction in March and believe God for the finances as we build. I will trust God for every sack of cement, building blocks, truckloads of sand and stone. By faith I see the buildings already completed. Jeanne and I have never stopped and by God's grace we will – always – be building and working for the glory of God. You have always been our supporters. We are thankful for you. Together we can do great things for God. Again, we ask for your help.



Dominican children in our new school



We need two additional buildings, just like this one.

Dream God's Dream

We as followers of God enter into God's dreams. His dreams become our dreams. First, God dreams big. Imagine, He created the universe just to have a world where He could work out His plan of redemption. This world is God's stage. He wrote the script and the star player is Jesus. The people of the world make up the rest of the cast; and, we as His followers, are the other main players.

The plan of God for this world is that every person would be saved. Jesus died for everyone. Ours is not a tribal religion. It is not only for the Jews. There is no special people or nation. No, now God's invitation is to every person on the earth. And, "God is not willing that any should perish, but that all would come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9"

Next, I have been made in God's image. I am like God, not yet perfectly – but one day – watch out. My personality reflects that of God. Let me illustrate. In Haiti the hills are badly eroded. The trees have been cut down, the farmers planted on the sides of steep slopes, and then the rains came and washed the topsoil into the ocean. Often driving around Haiti I've thought, I would like to buy one of those hills and restore it. I'd put a fence around it to keep the pigs and goats out (they eat everything) and the people (they cut down everything). Then I'd start planting, first grass, then

trees until I restored the land. That's the nature of God and it's inside of me. I'm a healer, builder and redeemer. In Isaiah 35, God said He would cause Israel to blossom like a rose in the desert. The Jews have gone back to Israel. In many places they have planted in the desert, and today fruits and vegetables are growing in abundance where once there was nothing.

God put me in a hard place. Several thousand foreigners live on the North Coast of the Dominican Republic. Spiritually, most of them are barren. Sosua reminds me of Ezekiel the 37th chapter where God took His prophet into the desert. The desert was full of fragmented scattered bones. This is the house of Israel, God said. Can they live. The prophet answered, You alone know. Prophecy to the bones, God said, and the bones came together. Can they live, God asked? Prophecy again. This time flesh and muscle came upon the bones and they stood up as a mighty army. God is doing a work among the Jews, His ancient people, and He will continue to work until His plan for them is complete. God also has a plan for the North Coast of the Dominican Republic. Many will come to faith. I see a mighty army of God. A people strong and mighty for Him in Sosua.

God's dream will be fulfilled. Beginning in small places like Sosua

and reaching around the world, God will work. God's love, His grace and power will overcome all obstacles. The world religions, political systems, and national barriers will become as nothing before the Spirit of God.

Finally, followers of God's dream never give up. We may get tired, momentarily discouraged, but we believe with God that the world can be saved, healed and that justice will fill the land. We are always revived and full of hope. The Holy Spirit wells up within us and encourages us to go on. Have faith. God says mountains will be removed and to those who believe – all things are possible. Luke 21:24

The story is told of Alexander the Great. He tried to take a city and failed. His troops were discouraged and scattered. He himself hid in a small hut in a field. There he rested, thought and planned. "Should I attempt again to take the city," he asked himself. In one corner of the hut a spider was building a web. There was a long span that the spider attempted to place a thread across. He tried time and again, finally on one great effort the thread was put in place. Inspired by the spider, Alexander marshaled his troops – attacked, and took the city.

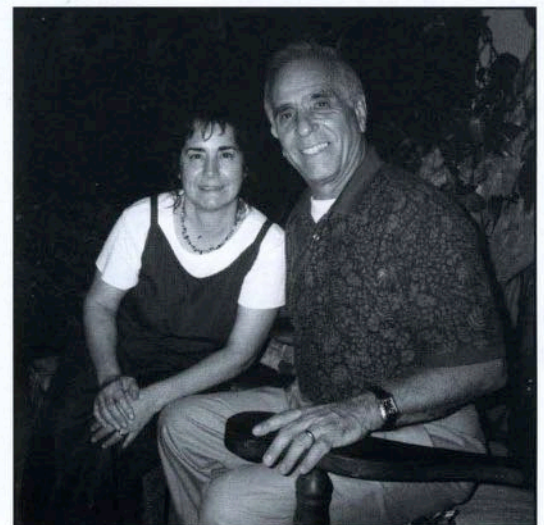
Our task is the greatest. We are working together with God to fulfill His dream. The kingdom will come and it will be full.

A wonderful worship team has come together in our church in the Dominican Republic. Their songs fill the church with worship and lead us into the presence of God. I find that throughout the week, the songs I've sung on Sunday, repeat themselves in my heart. I sing them all week long. I feel like a trench fighter for Jesus. Thank God His trenches are full of songs of praise. His presence fills our lives. Our prayer is that your life will be filled with the good things of God.

Love,



George and Jeanne



Blessings Follow the Test of Faith

We are people of faith. When we say that we are Christian, we are making a confession of faith. We are saying that we are trusting in Jesus and what He did on the cross for our salvation.

Abraham is considered the father of the faithful. He believed God and it was accounted unto him for righteousness. When we come to faith, then we also are the children of Abraham. It is by faith that we are saved. Ephesians 1:8

However, some people come to faith and never go on to grow up in Christ. Some think that faith is sufficient of itself. "If I believe, I can also live however I wish," is a mistaken notion.

Our faith will be tested by God. God is a searcher of the heart and mind. "I am He who searches the minds and hearts Revelation 2:23." God never tempts, but He does test. On this earth, no doubt, my wife knows me best, but the One who knows me thoroughly is God.

Abraham was called of God. The Lord did not ask him if he wanted to be a patriarch. No, God spoke to him and said, "Leave your country, your relatives, and your

father's house, and go to the land that I will show you." Abraham obeyed. At the young age of 18, God came into my home. He came into my bedroom. He spoke to me and invaded my life. God never asked me if I wanted to be a missionary. He told me who I was to be, where I was to go and what I was to do. He super-imposed His will on my life and I simply obeyed. Obedience is the test of faith.

In the 22nd chapter of Genesis, the Bible says, God tested Abraham. "Take your son, your only son, yes Isaac, whom you love so much and go to Mount Moriah. Sacrifice him as a burnt offering." What strange words.

The question is, what would Abraham do? Abraham took his son to the designated place, built an altar, prepared the wood for a burnt sacrifice. Then he placed his son on the altar, bound him, took a knife and was prepared to sacrifice his son. At that moment the angel of the Lord spoke to Abraham, "do not hurt the boy for now I know you fear the Lord, verse 12." A ram was caught in the thicket and sacrificed in the place of Isaac. Obedience is

the test of faith. A great boast of faith without obedience amounts to nothing. James said, "Faith without works is dead." The result of obedience is blessing. The Lord said to Abraham, "Because you have obeyed me...I will bless you richly and through you all the nations of the earth will be blessed."

Blessing is the natural and sure consequence of obedience. People ask, what should I do to receive God's blessing? I answer, "Begin to walk in obedience. I guarantee you blessings will come."

Some people say: The will of God is too hard for me – I will never achieve it. Yes, we as humans are weak and spiritually frail. But God is here to help us. The Christian life is lived by the power of the Spirit. God gives power not only to defeat the enemy, but power to be all that God wants us to be. Then for the difficult things, God gives His grace. His grace sustains us. Then, He pours in His love. By His love, grace and power we are more than able to face anything in life and in the end be found faithful.



Two Canadian Nurses Train Women

Geneviève Félix and Lucie Myre have been coming to New Missions in Haiti twice a year since March 2000. In April, 2001, they submitted a project to Rachel DeTellis, "Training Trainers" to improve the health of children, women and men in the villages surrounding New Missions. They met with the Pastors and women to identify priorities to improve health habits. Then, they recruited women in leadership interested in taking the training.

After much prayer and preparation, the first seminar was held on December 3rd, 4th, and 5th, at our clinic. Ten women from seven villages were trained in teaching techniques and the advantages of breast feeding. Two nurses from our clinic, Antonise and Claudine, supported the two nurses from Montreal, Geneviève and Lucie, assuring the continuity of the project.

Geneviève's parents are from Haiti. She lived in Port-au-Prince as a young child and, for many



Women trained for village health care. Front row, left to right, Lucie, second woman; Geneviève, fourth woman.


years, she had a dream to do volunteer work in developing countries. Geneviève feels blessed to be able to sponsor Nadia, a young girl in a New Missions school. Both Geneviève and Lucie attend Abundant Life Faith Church International in Montreal.

Lucie has been sponsoring children for many years at New Missions. Since her first visit, she loved the country, the people and the Creole language. Lucie is looking forward to an early retirement and, God willing, to spend more time on the mission field. In the meantime, she is constantly looking for child sponsors from among her friends and co-workers. Lucie is on the Canadian New Missions Board of Directors.

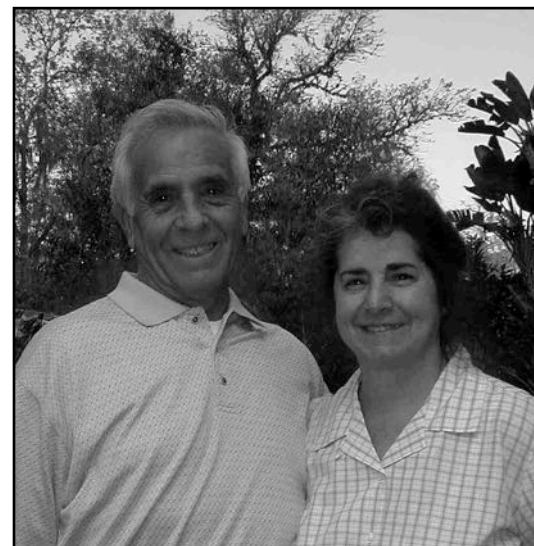


Lucie teaching the women.

New strength for each new day is our prayer. God has never failed. Christian service is a large part of Christian growth. In the midst of serving God we come to know Him. To see, know and love God better is the desire of our hearts. In the midst of working for God our prayer is the song, "Change my heart O God, make it ever true, change my heart O God, may I be like you." We love being here, but our hearts are also with you. God bless.

Love,

 George and Jeanne DeTellis

P.S. This week we are taking a giant step of faith and signing a contract to begin two more buildings in the Dominican Republic. Please pray for us.



Loving Health Care

From the first week, back in 1983, when New Missions was started, ministry to the sick has taken place. Part of the first team to go to Haiti were two nurses, Cindy Smith and Diane Vrooman. Etched on my mind is the little table, no more than three feet by three feet under a coconut palm tree. There, the local Haitians gathered for medical help. From that simple beginning a healing clinic ministry has developed.

Today an attractive clinic building serves the people from many miles around. There are seven women on staff at the clinic. Included are four nurses, a pharmacist, a lab technician, and a woman who keeps the clinic immaculate. Over the years many visiting American doctors and dentists have worked in the clinic.

Antoinise Petit-Homme is the director of the clinic. She is married to Wesly, the Pastor of our Bordmer church.

The following are a few items that are always needed at the clinic when you come to Haiti: Vitamins, antibiotics, pain killers, and antibacterial skin creams.



A rural school under construction.



Marie Chantale Philippe dispensing medicine to a child at a rural school. Her primary responsibility is visiting every child in every school doing an annual checkup. Twice a month, Christian visitors assist her in this work.



Liz Dax and Sandy Stewart taking pulses and writing notes.

Children in Haiti like everywhere enjoy the personal touch. Here Marie Felix is listening to a child's lungs.

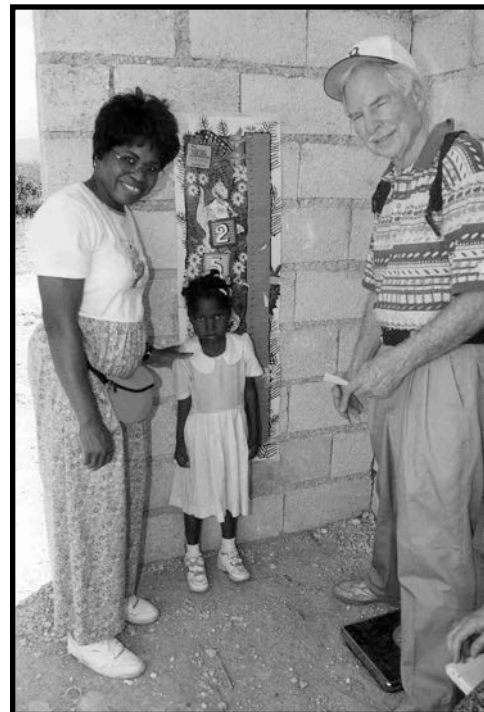


Sharon Hibbard, assisted by Martha Joseph interpreting, preparing paperwork for medical checkups at Fond Jacques.



New Missions Clinic Staff

Back row left, Marie Chantale Philippe, Marie Michelle St. Felix, Claudine Abelard, Eveline LeGrand, Miracia Guy. Front row, Mary Budovic, a nurse from Trail Christian Fellowship, Medford, Oregon, and Antoinise Petit-Homme. (Marie Chantale, Marie Michele and Antonise, nurses, were once children in our New Missions schools)



Henry and Gloria Smith taking weights and heights of school children.

Help Plant A Church

Help plant a church on the north coast of the Dominican Republic. Often when one church wants to start another church in a not too distant locale, the leaders of the mother church will encourage several families to go and work with the pastor to plant the new church.

Many foreigners are living in this part of the Dominican Republic. For the most part they left the

church many years ago. It would be a mission for singles or families to come to work with us. Perhaps you are retired and would like to work on the mission field for a season. Affordable housing is available. If you are interested, please contact our New Missions office in Orlando for more information. Pray. Perhaps God will lead you to come and help plant a church.

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The Joy of the Missionary

I want to take a moment to share some exciting praise reports from the Leogane Plain. We had a one week missionary team from the United States and Canada. God moved in such a powerful way that you need to know what happened.

We always start our mission week by teaching our team a few Haitian songs and dramas. I find that drama is an effective way to communicate when one cannot speak the language. After our preparation time on Sunday afternoon, we went out to a nearby village. It's good to get our feet wet right away.

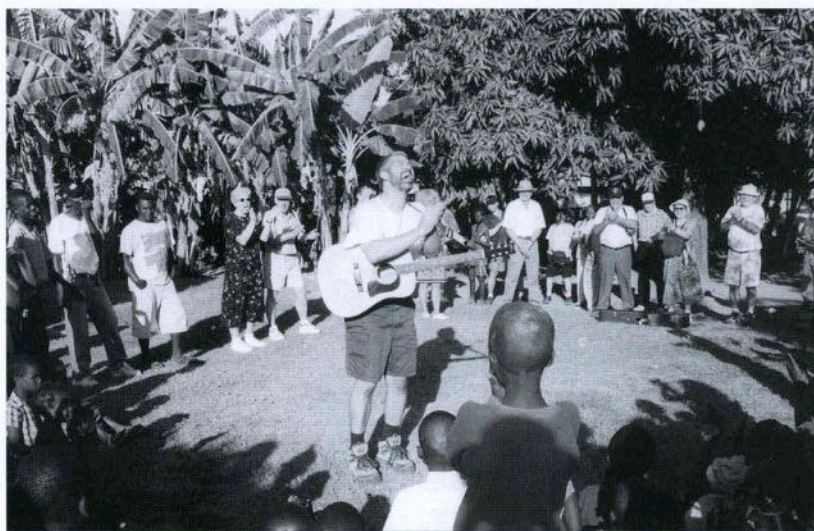


Mission team hiking to the village of Concrab.

We continued walking to the next village, called Amba Per. We found a grassy area among some of the homes, and felt like this was the place for us to do evangelism. As soon as we mentioned what we were going to do, two things happened simultaneously. First, one woman got so excited that she started calling her neighbors to come and watch.

The second thing that happened was a drunk man wandered into the area becoming loud and boisterous. We recognized immediately that this was a distraction from the enemy. Some of us began to talk with the man while others prayed. Soon the local people ushered the man away.

The first village we went to was Concrab. Here we were called upon to pray for a man that just had a serious seizure and had fallen hitting his head. The man could not speak or move and was still showing signs of seizure activity. We prayed for the man, and as we did his eyes started to focus. He was able to respond with a small squeeze of the hand and by raising his leg. We were able to help the family with money to get him to the hospital. By the end of the week the man was walking and talking.



Scott Long leading evangelism.

The Joy of the Missionary - continued

We sang and talked. We put on the dramas that we had prepared. The people laughed and sang. Their hearts were open to hear the message of Jesus. At the close, we gave the call for those who wanted to know the Lord. The one lady I mentioned came forward, followed by two others. I recognized this woman as one who had always stood on the outskirts of the crowd when we had come before, but today she was the first to come to God.

This was just the beginning of the miracles. The team was excited to be part of people coming to the Lord. We went out the next day to the village of Croix de Per. We visited some of the homes of sponsored children. As we were walking down the road back to the truck, one of the team members, Jeannie Bruce, said "I feel I need to go back and talk to my sponsored child's mother." She asked if I would go with her. At her child's home, Jeannie shared the Gospel with the mother. The woman responded and accepted Christ. As we were admonishing her in her new faith, one of the other team members started sharing the Gospel with the woman's neighbors. And two more came to faith.



Jeannie Bruce with a Haitian family.

We were sharing the Lord in a new way, and became filled with a zeal to evangelize. We visited another village with the intent of seeing another sponsored child's home. We had no expectation of doing village ministry. Half of the team waited in the truck, as it was getting late and about the time to return to the mission.



Scott Long in Haitian village where 30 people accepted Christ.

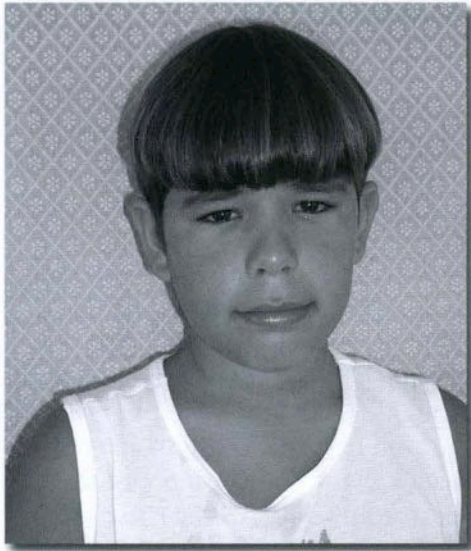
As we visited, a crowd began to form outside the home. This is not unusual when 'whites' come to visit. The sponsor started talking to the mother about the Lord, and the mother did not respond. I asked her if we could do a drama for the people standing there, and everyone got excited about a little entertainment. As we unfolded the simple message of the Gospel, the Holy Spirit began to move. We had 30 people give their lives to the Lord.

How important it is to go out into the world to share the Gospel. We cannot wait for people to come to the church. We must go out. This is the commission the Lord has given us. We need to hold less revivals in our churches and more in the streets.

Scott Long, Missionary at New Missions in Haiti

Construction Update in the Dominican Republic

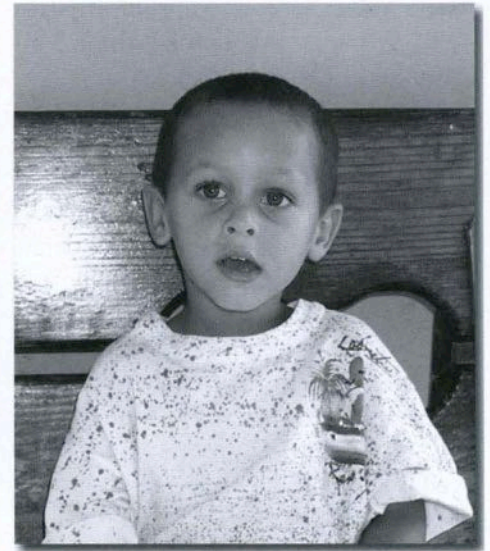
God has given us good weather for construction here in the Dominican Republic. The days have been partly cloudy with a nice breeze. The footings and foundations have been poured for two additional buildings. One building will house two more classrooms and the other a computer classroom and library. Amazingly, libraries in this day, do not have to be big. The students will have access to information through the internet. In September, our school in Sosua will have two preschools, one for 3 years old, and another for 4-years old and then Kindergarten through the 8th grade.



*Arturo Benito Benscome
Age 10
From the village of Union*



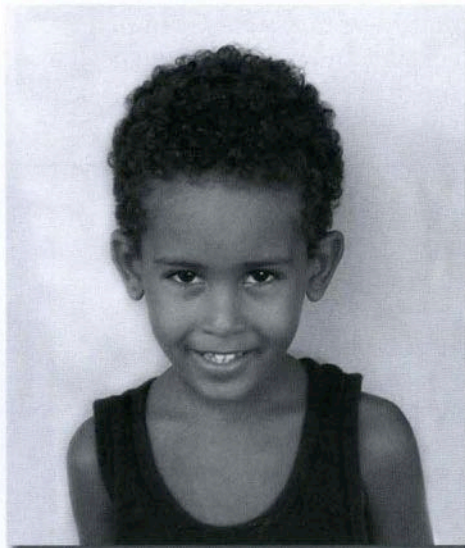
*Karla Patricia Brown
Age 2
From the village of Sosua*



*Diego Elias Tarsilla
Age 3
From the village of Cabarete*



*Nikaury Nivor Monachello
Age 9
From the village of Sosua*



*Diego Nivor Monachello
Age 4
From the village of Sosua*



*Rosa Angilica Espinal Vidal
Age 7
From the village of Sosua*

There are students who have been in school since last September, still waiting for a sponsor. Please look at the pictures on this page and maybe you or someone you know would like to sponsor one of these children.

A Permeating Peace

Often, in time past, when two opposing armies were about to engage in battle, a conference took place before the conflict to discover if a negotiated peace could be made. In your mind, see with me, two armies on two opposite hills about to engage in battle. Then word is sent, and from each army, emissaries carrying white flags meet in the middle to discuss the possible terms of peace.

The greatest conflict ever is a spiritual conflict. Adam and Eve disobeyed God. Because of the fall, the whole human race is in conflict with God. There is a chasm separating man from God. That chasm is sin. God in His great love sent His Son to resolve that conflict. Jesus went to the cross to die for the sin of the entire human race. The cross spans the chasm. God in the person of Jesus has come to the middle of the battlefield and spelled out the terms of peace. Man would be forgiven and the two reconciled. All that we have to do is meet God at the cross and receive His Son as our Savior and peace will be made.

Two clear and powerful verses of Scripture: "We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, and by

Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

Colossians 1:19,20."

Once the problem of sin has been resolved, the stage for peace to enter every area of the believer's life takes place.

Peace begins within. Tranquility of heart and mind comes from God. Ours is a day of conflict and that conflict is often within. Depression is common and emotional hurts and mental conflicts fill the lives of many people. We first make peace with God; then He fills our lives with His peace. Jesus said, "My peace I give to you. John 14:27"

I have become familiar with several languages. The English word is peace; in Italian, it's pace; in French, la paix; Spanish, paz, and in Hebrew, shalom. When the Jew says "shalom" to a friend, he is not only wishing the person inner tranquility, but rather well-being in every area of life. And of course, Jesus being a Jew, wanted to convey the same meaning. Shalom meant all is well in your personal life, the life of your family, wife, parents, children, cousins, and uncles and aunts. It also spoke of peace in your body – health, your schoolwork, prosperity in your

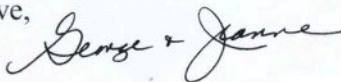
business, finances, your animals, crops. Shalom spoke of blessing and prosperity permeating every area of life.

Let me illustrate. I have a friend here in the Dominican Republic who both he and his wife were out of work. The lack of finances brought conflict, how to pay the rent, provide for their two children, pay for many living expenses. Whenever I met with him, I could feel the conflict and also the tension in the marriage. One day, my friend got a good job – quickly things were better. And then his wife found a job – what a difference. In a few weeks they were back on their feet and the joy that came was wonderful. This was a praying Christian family and God brought His peace to their home.

God has a peace that the world cannot give – No! It cannot be found apart from God. All the material things, the accumulation of wealth or the pleasures of this world, of themselves, cannot bring peace. And the peace that God gives cannot be taken away. A great picture of peace is a bird with chicks in a nest tucked in the cleft of a rock. The wind is howling, below the water raging, yet the bird in the nest with her chicks is safe and at peace. Safe in God, we have peace.

Here in the Dominican Republic, the foreigners we are ministering to come and go. After a year or two many of them move back to the country they came from. Building a congregation here is a challenge. People we learn to love leave, but God is faithful. Others are coming into the church and helping to fill our lives. Our greatest joy is sensing the presence of the Lord, and seeing Him at work in Sosua. Our thoughts are always with you.

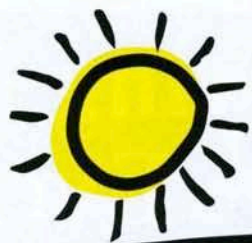
Love,



George and Jeanne

P.S. Jeanne and I plan to visit Haiti to participate in the graduation of our Bible College on May 19th. This will be a time of rejoicing and visiting with our many friends.





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Construction Update In Mulata I, Sosua, Dominican Republic

These photos were taken the first week of May. The construction progress has moved along considerably since then. We expect the buildings to be completed by the middle of July.

Then we will have a lot of work landscaping and of course outfitting the buildings with chalkboards and furniture. One of the buildings will be a computer lab. We will need eight to ten computers to start and also a system to connect the computers to a single server and also to the internet. This is an exciting project but also an expensive one.

Presently, we have people talking to us about connecting with a satellite. Some of them want us to have the latest



The construction of the Library and Computer Lab.



George and Jeanne start building again.

in computer technology. Personally, computer science is not my thing, but I'm open, and as God provides, we want to have the best that we can afford. "Help me Lord," is my prayer.

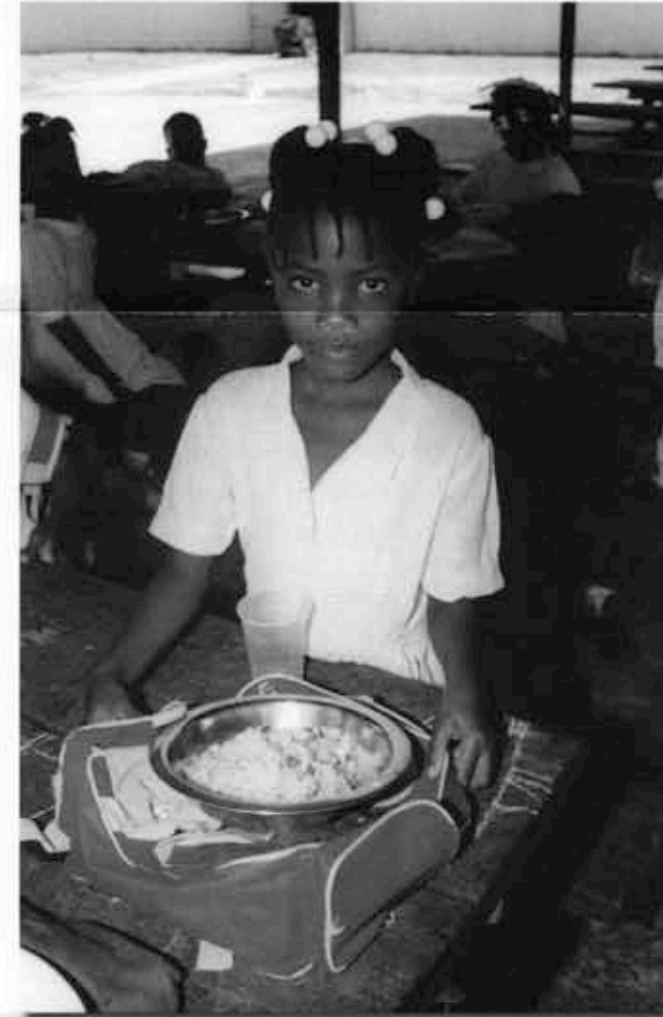
Each morning and afternoon as the parents of the children come to the school they are blessed and encouraged to see the progress of the school construction. They feel our love. They know we want to give them the best education possible. We have a big dream, but we are already seeing our dream come true. Our school children are happy and they are learning about Jesus. The mothers and fathers are touched by God's love.

Buying Rice, Beans And Oil Every Day In Haiti



Good nutrition leads to Better Academic Achievement

January 2003 will mark twenty years that we have been educating and feeding children in Haiti. No one likes to see a hungry person, especially a young child. We have a strong commitment to the children of our schools. We in America are blessed – our problem is too much food. Nearly everyone is trying to cut down on food and lose some weight. Why some have a super abundance while others in the world go hungry is a question we all ask. One thing for sure we Christians have been taught by Jesus to share what we have with the have nots.



A child content - fed one more day.

Many of you have responded with help. We are thankful, and pray that God will bless you for your kindness. We continue to need your help. Our children are being fed and we will continue to feed them. The children are innocent and too young to understand international politics and economics. They understand how good it feels to eat until their tummies are satisfied. Our God is abundantly able to supply our need.

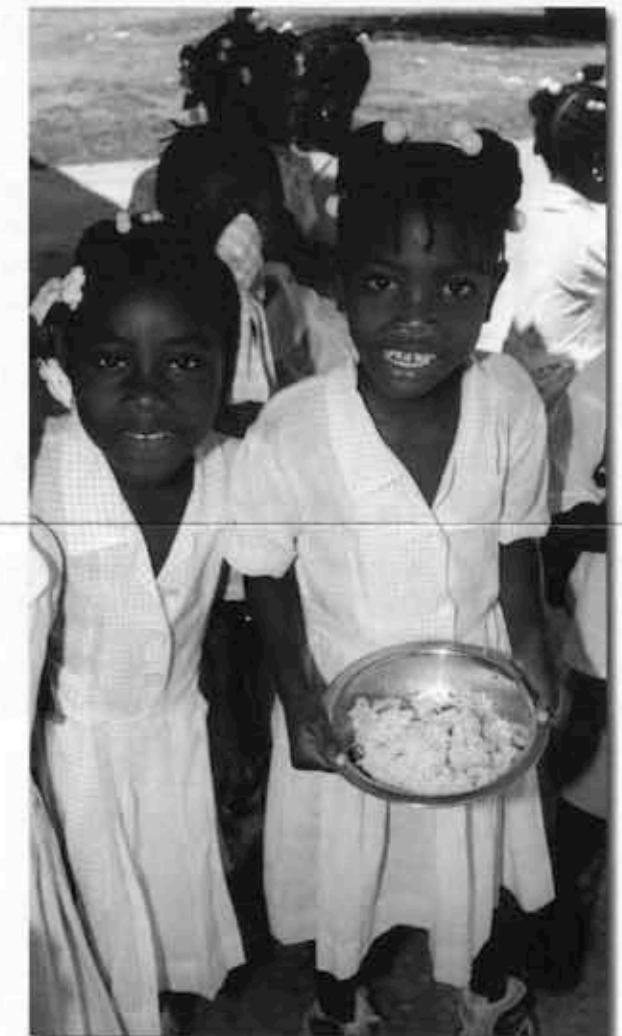
The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) supplied New Missions with grain, beans and oil. Suddenly, without notice, this supply of food has been cut off. Throughout the entire school year, New Missions purchased rice, beans, oil, vegetables and other ingredients to feed our school children.



Each child is equal in God's eyes.



Fourteen (14) stoves cook from 6:00 a.m. to feed the children.



Healthy Bodies - Healthy Minds - Happy Girls!

My Father's House

In my Father's House are many mansions. The symbolism of John 14 has comforted and stirred the hearts of believers since the day these words were spoken by Jesus.

The picture that Jesus gave us, where we will be in eternity is that of one huge palace. Think of the city of the New Jerusalem as one big dwelling place. It is a place with mansion after mansion in it. Years ago, I used to sing of a mansion over the hilltop. It is a wonderful song, but it does not depict the Biblical view of heaven. In heaven, we will not live separately. We will be together. And of course it is Father's house and most importantly He will be in the midst of us.

The wealthy Spanish often enjoyed living in a hacienda. It was a huge house with a courtyard and many rooms. The typical American family today is called a nuclear family that consists of father, mother and children. But, the extended family lived in the hacienda. It included the grandparents, aunts, uncles. Children who married all

moved in together, each occupying a section of the hacienda. The family enjoyed the support, comfort and all the provision of the hacienda.

Father's house is a grand place – huge rooms for everyone, food and drink in abundance, music, singing, dancing. It is a happy place – full of love and joy.

In order to go to Father's house you need to make a reservation. There is a register of all those who will live there. In the military every morning and evening there is a roll call to account for every person. An old favorite gospel song says "When the roll is called up yonder I'll be there." Revelation 21:27 tells us that there is a book in heaven called the lamb's book of life, and only those whose names are written in it will be allowed entrance into the Kingdom of God. Travelers know the frustration of reaching a destination only to find out – no reservation.

Reservations now can be made by anyone. Simply call on Jesus. He died on the cross and receives

any and all who come to Him. Luke 10:20. Jesus sent 70 disciples out to preach. They came back excited "we saw demons fall," they said. Jesus said, "Rejoice not because the demons are subject to you, but because your names are written in heaven.

When I travel, I enjoy having my wife with me. She has a keen sense of direction. Me, turn me around once and I'm lost. Traveling to Father's House, we need directions. That's one thing I'm good at – stop and ask for directions. It can save a lot of time and frustration.

In this chapter, John 14, we have clear directions to Father's House. In verse 6, Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth and the life, no one goes to the Father except by Me." After all, Jesus came from the Father; He was going back to the Father. I always like when someone says, "Follow me. I know the way." For me, I'm following Jesus. He's the sure way to Father's House.

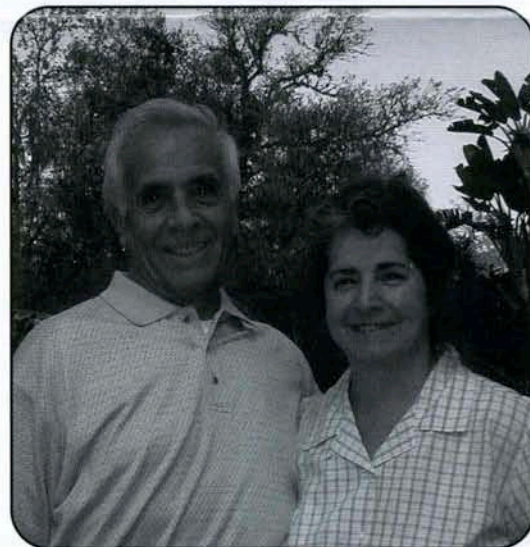
Over the years in writing this newsletter, I have wanted to keep you informed as to what is happening at New Missions in Haiti and now in the Dominican Republic. It has also been my desire to pass on the spiritual lessons that I have learned on this pilgrim journey. I have found that full surrender to Jesus is the way to enjoy life in the Spirit. The crucified life brings the abundant life. As Jeanne and I go on, it is with submission to God – it is with expectation of rich blessings from the Lord. And God does answer our prayers. We pray for you and encourage you to pray for us.

Love,



George and Jeanne

P.S. A one-week mission team is scheduled to come to the Dominican Republic, August 5th - 12th. There is room for others to join the team. Please call our office at 407-240-4058.



Life by Faith

Martin Luther, an Augustinian monk is credited with starting the Protestant Reformation. As a monk he exerted great discipline upon himself seeking to find peace in his soul. It is said that in his room he would flog himself trying to rid himself of feelings of guilt.

Over the years men have tried self-denial as a means of seeking God. No food, no drink, no pleasure, no comforts – they have all been tried as a means of finding God – all to no avail. Martin Luther, while preparing to teach the book of Romans, read verse 17, chapter 1, “The just shall live by faith,” and he realized that self-denial or good works could never bring a person to God. Martin Luther realized that when a man believed in Jesus that he was made right with God. Chapter 5, verse 1 of Romans says... “having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” On October 31, 1517, the Protestant Reformation began.

Recently in the United States, a woman was tried for drowning her five children. It was a tense trial and the defense claimed temporary insanity. Finally, the jury came into the court with the decision – guilty. Then on sentencing day everyone waited to hear the fate of this woman. Her lawyer put his arm around her as a comforting gesture. Finally, the

judge gave her a sentence of life imprisonment. Today, she is in jail. The state gave her the just penalty of her crime.

Also, in the Bible, a woman was put on trial. In John, Chapter 8, a woman who was caught in the act of adultery was brought before Jesus in the temple. The accusers said, “Moses, in the law, commanded that she should be stoned, what do you say?” This the Pharisees did to find occasion to accuse Jesus.

Jesus didn’t say anything, but stooped and began to write on the ground. When the Pharisees continued to ask Him, He stood and said, “Whoever is without sin cast the first stone.” Then He continued to write with his finger. One by one, from the oldest to the younger, all the accusers walked out. Jesus asked the woman, “Where are your accusers?” The woman answered, “Lord, I have none.” And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you, go and sin no more.” Jesus forgave the woman. One woman was sentenced to life in prison and another woman forgiven. Any or all of us can come to Jesus and find forgiveness.

Some people believe that they are suffering in this life because of bad things done in a previous life. For them, they are being purged of past evils done. For them, this existence is a purgatory.

Other people believe that when they die they go to purgatory and there they will suffer for the bad done in this life. I want you to know that I am not now in purgatory; in fact, for me life has been sweet. I became a Christian at eighteen years of age and I am enjoying the goodness of God. And, I want you to know that when I die, I’m not going to a purgatory to pay for my sins. No, Jesus upon the cross paid for my sins. “It is not by works of righteousness that I have done but according to His mercy He saved us. Titus 3:5”

I’m not going to purgatory, I am going home to be with God – He’s preparing a place for me in His house.

Justice is a legal act. The law of God requires penalty for sin. Imagine a murderer brought before God for judgment. In the court no evidence could be found. Or a thief, also acquitted in the court of God. Then came a debtor, owing a huge sum of money; yet during the trial the man is set free. How could it be? These men confessed their sins to God, Jesus took their sins, gave them His righteousness and the men were set free. Isaiah wrote, (53:6) “All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned every one to his own way and the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.” I am thankful, salvation is the free gift of God.

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The Royal Caribbean Institute

When we arrived in Haiti 20 years ago, we started training leaders. First we began a School of Ministry which met every Sunday after church. In 1995, we founded the Royal Caribbean Institute.

I love the work of God – pioneering a new church here in the Dominican Republic is the joy of my life. There are many components to doing God’s work, evangelism, teaching God’s Word, preaching to bring change in people’s lives, putting up buildings to house the work of God, schools for children and

youth – it’s all great.

But, if you can put a qualification of an aspect of the work which is the most important, it is the training of others to be pastors, evangelists and teachers. For then, the work will perpetuate itself. The joy of seeing the fruit of your labor walk down an aisle in cap and gown to receive a four-year Bible College diploma has to be one of the greatest that a missionary can experience. – George DeTellis

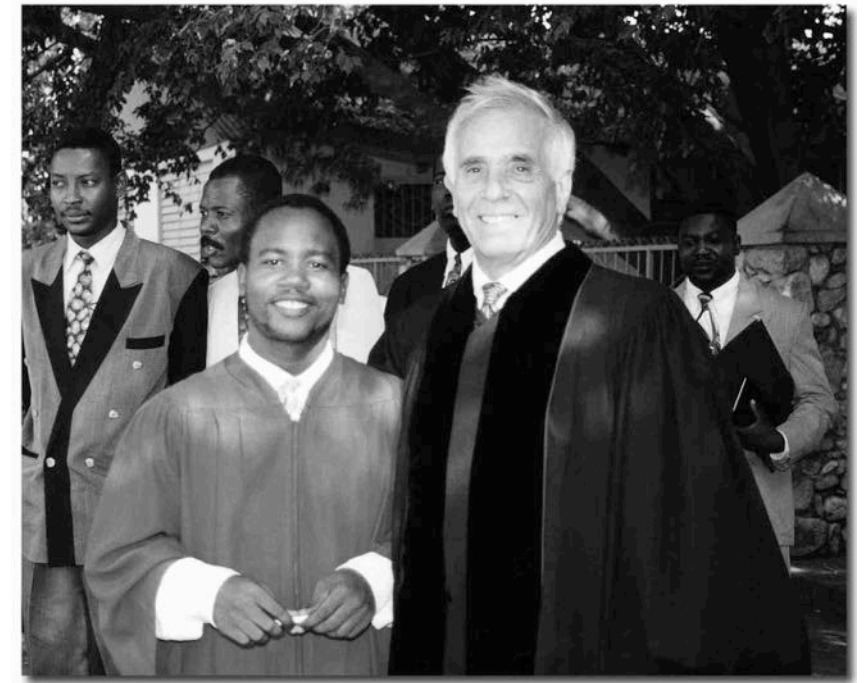
Enjoy the following testimonies from our graduates.

*Markensy Pierre Celestin
Administrator of Royal Caribbean Institute*

Mr. President of New Missions, and Founder of Royal Caribbean Institute, ...this 19th day of May, 2002, a great river of joy is rushing in my heart and coming to all of us in this temple. We thank you for your presence that gives us the opportunity to share that great river with you here. For reaching this goal, that you see accomplished today, we must tell you it was difficult. But, even if the road was very bad, even if on the road many times we almost failed, we still reached our goal.

In Royal Caribbean Institute, we prepared theologically, but there are some theologians who have been prepared almost for anything, for being victorious in whatever kind of difficulties. Computer, typing, English, Administration, Accounting, and so ...are some additional guns to their integrity.

Haiti needs miracles, you graduates, we count on you, with your faith founded in the Gospel of Christ



Markensy Pierre Celestin with Pastor George



Graduates in Cap and Gown

I remember when I graduated in June 1997, from this same school, in this same building, I said: “We are the last hope of Haiti” and Pastor George sent me to deliver Haiti. I did not accomplish my mission yet, because that is a great and long mission which needs several decades to be accomplished, but I have just begun, by preparing some other soldiers for fighting the Faith Fight!

The graduates recited a pledge and a respect to the call of the holy ministry. They said, “I take my responsibility to respect my promise in the holy ministry to never fall down in accomplishing my work for God and always obeying the rules of the Holy Scripture, in sickness or in joy and wherever I have to work for God. The Administrator answered, “May God bless you and your words, in His great love.

We are never overwhelmed by the responsibilities of ministry, never cast down, never overcome by temptation for our God is with us. Every day He tells me that He loves me, He pours in His grace for every occasion and supplies His power to cause us to triumph. God has worked us hard, but I love Him. And, there is nothing I love more than to be used of God.

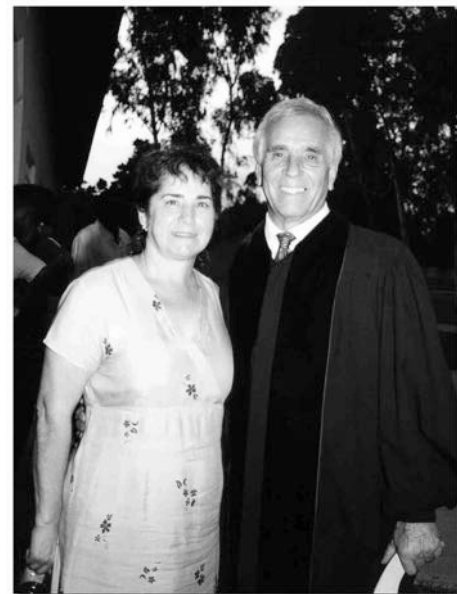
Jeanne and I are a bit tired. We look forward to a little rest and relaxation in July, but then a full schedule of activities in August. Please – we need your prayers.

Love,

George & Jeanne

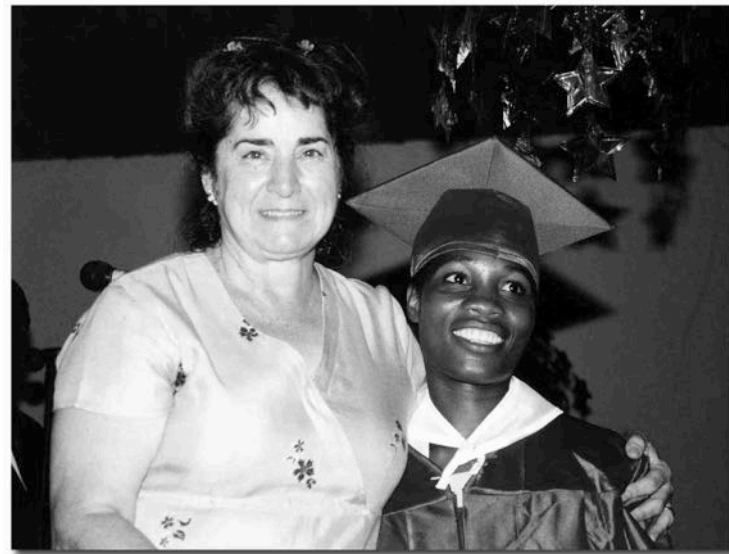
George and Jeanne

P.S. The computer lab and library building is almost finished. Pray for the purchase of computers.





A New Generation - The Hope of Haiti



Irma Jean, Professor

While I was going to Bible School the past four years, I came across many difficulties that made me feel I would lose my faith in God. I became discouraged to continue school, but God kept me. God gave me good understanding so that every year I was able to make first place in my class.

The greatest miracle that God did for me was in my life, He transformed my life that was dirty with sins and He put in me a new spiritual life. Thank God.

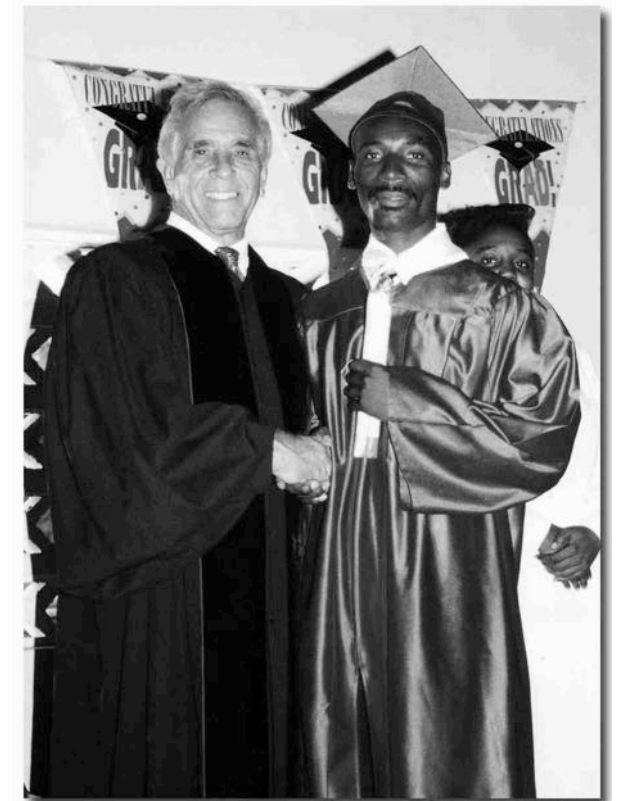
I left my mother's house to go live in my father's house. At my father's house, I could not go to the Catholic church that I went to with my mother. A friend in my high school invited me to visit her church, a Nazarene church in 1990. I went and since then I continue in that church.

In my life I would like to go everywhere preaching the Gospel with the power and authority of God. As a missionary woman, I would like to have an orphanage for young girls that would help girls learn a profession so that they can have a good life.

One day I heard about a Bible School, the Royal Caribbean Institute. I saw the program and I liked it and I wanted to participate. Since the first day I went to school I felt very interested. I saw the love of God in the lives of the professors and I saw a plan of God for my life that would change me completely. This is a miracle. We are a new generation. What is most extraordinary is that I love children and I wanted to help them. I had a little school for them but I didn't have enough finances. I spoke with Pastor George and one day God filled his heart with love to come and visit my school. Not only did Pastor George come to help me, but he sent many missionaries. This is marvelous for me and for all the people in my neighborhood. Thank God, with Pastor George and his wife, with Charlie and his wife, we are doing a work to help the children.

In a prayer meeting, I saw the power of the devil over a person. I didn't want the devil to come on me. At that moment, I accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior.

In my life I am working for God, teaching His Word, encouraging, helping to serve others in His love by His grace. Only God can develop my country.



Pastor George with Eliane Joseph Elifete

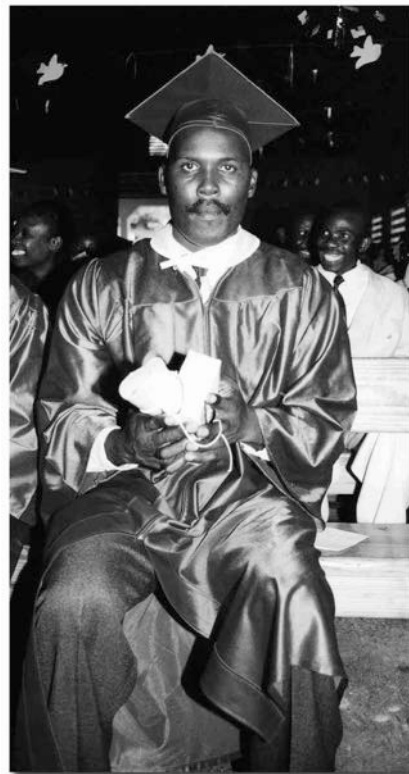
I greet you in the Name of Jesus Christ who is all powerful.

I had a challenge to go to Bible School because of a lack of support and I didn't have any work. But God had a good plan determined for me through Madam George. The first year I was in school, I made a great effort, but life was hard. After that I talked to Madam George. After 15 or 22 days she gave me an answer that she would find a sponsor for me to go to school. That was a miracle, because it's not easy to find someone to help a Bible School student.

I heard that zombies were nearby and I didn't want any evil to come to me. Then in a discussion I began to realize that in Jesus there was peace, there was life, there was joy, and I came to find Christ. Since that day, Jesus has changed my life completely and made my life good. Now I have the life that never ends.

The miracle in my life is that in the first year of Bible School, I was in a motorcycle accident and had a serious head injury. Some of my friends thought that I would die or never be in my right mind. God has restored my health and my graduation is a testimony of His power to heal.

In my life I want to be a soldier for Jesus. I want to carry His Word. I want to be a good Evangelist for Jesus. I want to be a good leader for Jesus wherever He leads me.



*Fednel Sainzulme
Pastor, Photographer*



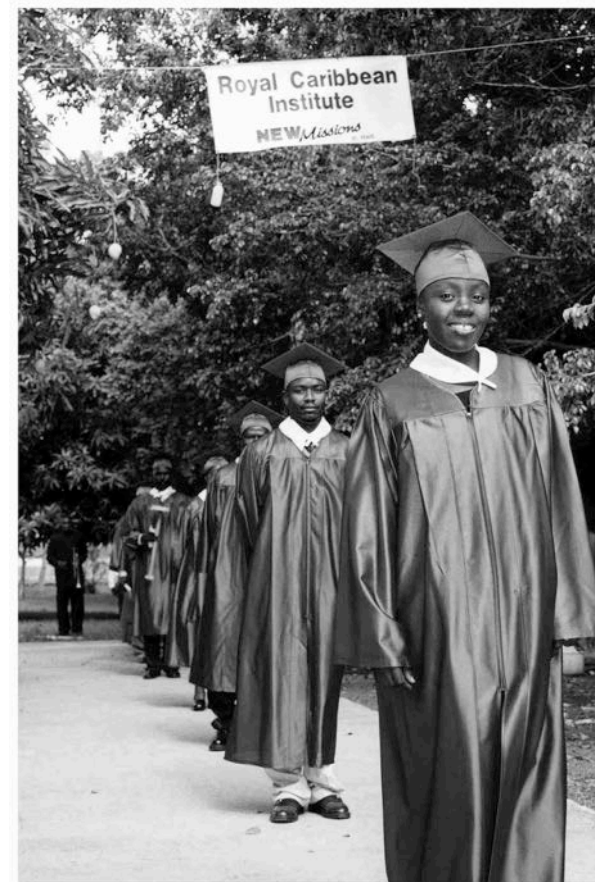
Evelyne Blanc, Professor

I made a lot of effort to go to school these past four years. I made a decision to work for God. When I study the Bible I become stronger for His work. He gives me a lot of understanding of His Word.

Sometimes after teaching school, when I went to Bible School, I would feel sick and by the time I reached there I would feel discouraged, yet, God gave me the strength to finish school.

When I accepted Christ I saw miracles. When I was sick, I prayed to God and He healed me.

I want to work for God until He returns to come for me.



Miss Iseme led the Class of Graduates as they danced down the campus walkway with a marching band behind them.

For the past four years it was a big thing for me to go to the school. I am very happy it passed well for me to hear the Word of God. God did a lot of things for me.



*Jeanne with Louise Margary Iseme
Missions Training Center Food Director*

Rahab's Red Rope

“He that is forgiven much, loveth much. Luke 7:45 “

Sometimes we imagine that only small sinners are welcome to come to Jesus, that bigger sinners are beyond the reach of grace. Not true. “Where sin abounds, grace much more abounds. Romans 5:20” Wondrously, Christ died for sinners – the least and the greatest. No one is too far gone for God.

The truth is, all of us are placed in the same category. Both, by reason of the Fall and due to our own deeds we are all sinners. In Luke, chapter 7, Jesus dined at the home of a Pharisee. A woman came into the house. She perfumed, kissed, wet with her tears and wiped the feet of Jesus with her hair. Jesus was criticized for allowing a sinner woman to touch Him. Little did they know that soon He would die on a cross to be the Savior of all men.

Joshua, the new leader of the nation of Israel sent two men into the promised land. They were to spy out the land and especially the city of Jericho. A woman had a home by the gate of the city that was built into the wall surrounding the city. Her name was Rahab.

Often she would stand at the gate and welcome travelers to spend the night at her home where she, no doubt, would provide a meal. She also offered personal services for she was a harlot.

The two spies needing safety from the soldiers who were looking for them quickly went into her house. Rahab hid the men on the rooftop under stalks of flax. “We have heard how the Lord dried up the water of the Red Sea and how God destroyed your enemies,” she said. Then Rahab made a wonderful confession of faith. “The Lord, your God, He is God of heaven above and on earth beneath. Joshua 2:11”

First, we come to faith. Then, our lives are changed. Rahab asked for protection for her and her family when the Israelites would attack the city. Because of your kindness to us, the spies said, we will show kindness to you. All of your family that remain in the house will be saved.

The spies were let down over the wall by a scarlet rope. Hang this scarlet rope in the window of your house so that all will know where

you are, they told her. When the spies reported to Joshua all that took place, he gave word to his commanders and then to every soldier. “Look for the red rope and spare the family!”

This easily reminds us of the time of Moses when Israel would be delivered from Egypt. The Lord had commanded every family to sacrifice a lamb – place the blood on the doorposts and the lintel. Inside, each family ate a meal in haste. That night the death angel passed over Egypt and the firstborn male of every family died. But God said, “When I see the blood I will pass over you.” The place of safety is our Savior. His blood is the covering for our sins.

What happened to Rahab? In Matthew 1:5, it tells us that she married an Israelite by the name of Salmon and together they had Boaz and Boaz had Obed by Ruth. Obed had Jesse who had David the King of Israel, who was the royal lineage of Jesus. When you come to Jesus it does not matter who you were, but who you are and who you are becoming.

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Shawna Goes On A Mission

In my mind Haiti seemed like a million miles away. I had just finished the tenth grade, but still only fifteen years old, and going alone to the mission field. The ride from Worcester, Massachusetts to Boston took just over an hour, but all along the way my heart was pounding and my mind racing. What would I eat? Where would I sleep? Questions flooded my soul. Some people had spoken to me of facing great danger, and expressed that I should not go. Every stop and at every turn I prayed, “Lord help me.” One great consolation was that I had met Scott and Tanya Long, missionaries from my church, Triumphant Life, who are working at New Missions in Haiti. I knew that these were responsible people whom God was using.

I was being stretched. I was facing new frontiers of my faith. I felt weak, yet at the same time stronger than ever.

In Boston, I said goodbye to my parents, boarded an American Airlines jet and soon was in Miami. When I arrived at the terminal and gate for Haiti, I saw others wearing New Missions tee shirts. What a blessing! Now I was part of a team venturing out to serve our Lord.

Haiti was nothing that I had imagined. A bus met us at the airport to take us to the mission. Along the way, there were unimaginable sights – poverty, poor, poor people. Yet in their faces I saw a resolve. It was as if they were saying, “Life is hard, but we’re going to make it.”

What a joy when we arrived at New Missions – green grass, buildings well organized, and when I finally had my own bed – what a relief!

In the one week I spent in Haiti, working sharing Jesus, listening and experiencing, God has forever changed my life. The Haitian people will always have a place in my heart. I met a girl, Bertha, who needed shoes. Of the two pairs of shoes that I had with me, I gave her one. We became friends.

For me Haiti is only the beginning. More than ever my prayer is, “Lord, I am Yours, do with me as you desire.” Yes, I’m planning to go back.

Shawna Duval



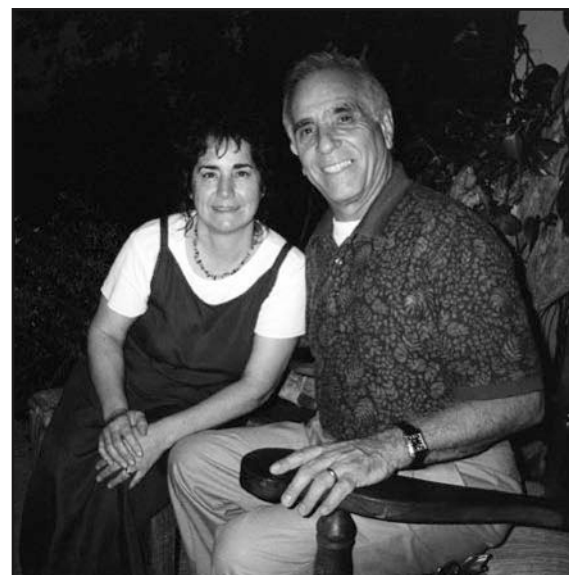
Shawna with her new Haitian friend

Jeanne and I rejoice to give you news of our 10th grandchild, a girl, Elissa Rose, born on July 12th, to Charlie and Rachel DeTellis. Their three other children are Nathan, 10; Jeremie, 8; and Carita, 5. Charlie, Rachel and the children have been staying in Greenville, South Carolina, where Rachel’s parents live. They will be returning to Haiti the first week of August.

Our prayers are with you.

Lo *George & Jeanne*

George and Jeanne DeTellis



School Opens Again – Our 20th Year



Sarah Behrens, from Christian Life Center in Englewood, Florida, painting school benches.

The summer is a busy time in Haiti. Much preparation takes place for the opening of school in September. Student school benches need to be repaired or replaced. The classroom walls need to be cleaned and painted. New books are ordered and school uniforms are passed out to every student. The mission teams are always a big help working at the mission.

This will be the 20th school year for New Missions. The enrollment of new students has been going on for the past several months. We are adding more students every year. People come to Haiti to help. We also need people to sponsor these children. Without the children having a sponsor, the work

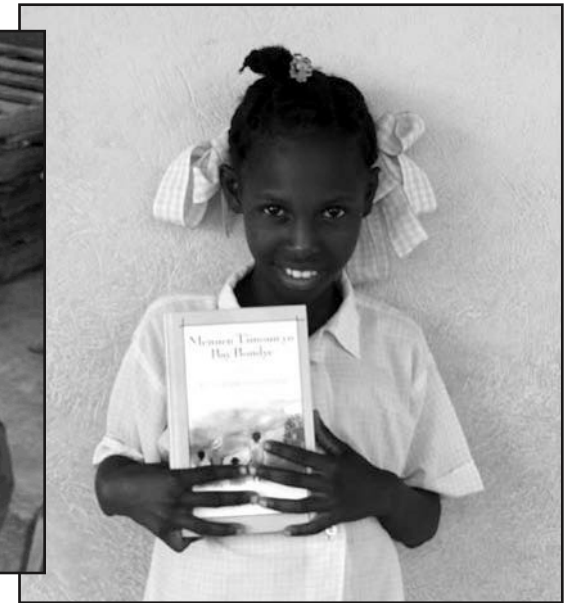


Above: Elisabeth Garmon, from Metro Worship Center, painting benches.



Left: Pastor Gary and Evan Sheets, from Metro Worship Center, painting benches.

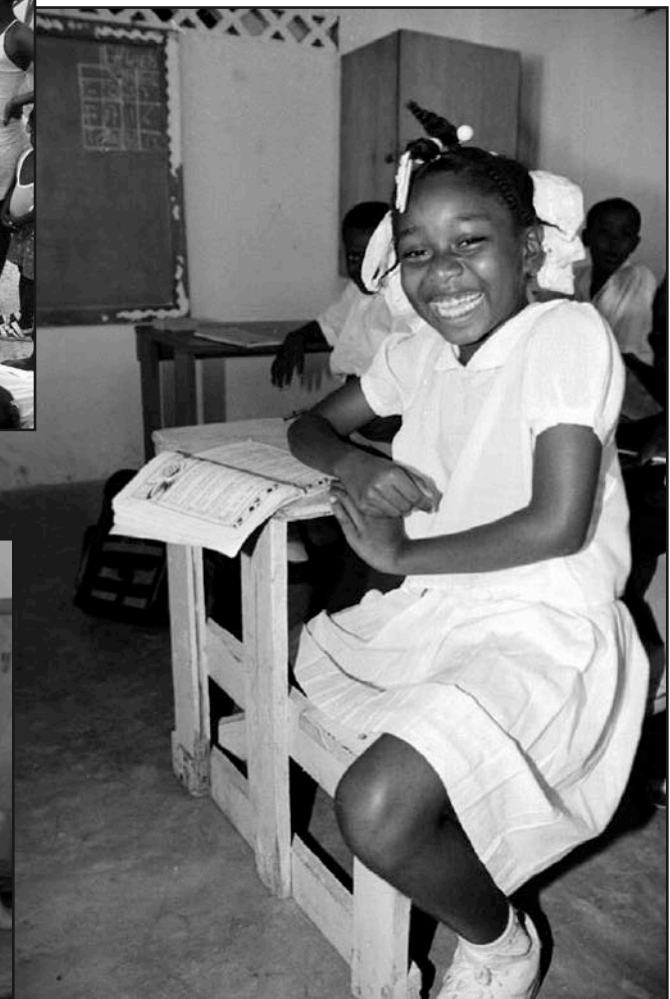
Gary Sheets, Pastor of Metro Worship Center in Cannapolis, North Carolina sanding school benches with Shawna Duval.



Haitian girl receiving new school book.



Mission team painting school benches in the village of Ti Riviere.



Haitian student on her first day of school with her new uniform and books.

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Call the New Missions office at 1-800-937-4248 if you would like to sponsor one of these new students.



AnnRose Side is three years old and will be entering preschool in September.



Beluseno Albert is three years old and will be entering preschool in September.

Elisabeth Garmon, Micah Rodgers, Audie and Autry Dawsey, from Metro Worship Center.



The greatest conflict facing the church of Jesus Christ today is between those who believe only in the natural and those who believe in the supernatural. Some say that the only reality there is, is what can be observed by our senses of sight, hearing, touch, taste and smell. They would say that if it cannot be observed and measured, then it is not a reality. The supernaturalists, of course, believe in God. For them, He is the Creator and Sustainer of all things. He is active within His creation. This conflict can be seen in the fourteenth chapter of Matthew.

Jesus was alone on a mountain praying. The day before He had fed five thousand people with five loaves of bread and two fish. Then He sent the disciples to go to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. But the boat in the middle of the sea was being tossed by wind and waves. At three in the morning, Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. The disciples saw Him. The supernatural was taking place before their eyes.

When Peter saw Jesus on the water, he said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk to Jesus, but when he saw the boisterous wind, he began to sink. We are believers and yet we all face moments when we feel that we are sinking.

We are a praying family and if you have read my wife's book, "A Stubborn Hope." You know that God has brought us through many things. Now our son George has been having back problems since February. He has been on pain medication, only to get progressively worse. He said, "Dad, I can only sleep about an hour a night – the pain is so bad." George, Jr. is immobilized. He feels like Peter in the black of night sinking. We are praying for him. He is crying out, "Jesus, save me."


As I write this article there is a set of Siamese twins in the stormy sea. These two girls from Guatemala were attached at the head. They came to America for surgery. We

Americans have taken them to heart. The churches of America are praying. The girls have now been surgically separated. One is doing well, the other recently went back on a respirator. They are in the storm. The parents are crying out, "Jesus, save our babies!"

In the hour of need, God says, "Call upon Me. I will hear you. Psalm 50:15" As Christians we believe in the value of human life. We are more than an animal. We have been created in the image of God. He loves us. Jesus is God's intervention into the need of humanity. He is our Savior.

What a story! In the dark of night with strong winds blowing and waves crashing, Peter cried out, "Lord! Save me!" The Bible says, "Immediately, Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him. Christians like to talk about how Peter walked on the water. I believe for the rest of his life Peter said, "Did you see how He saved me?"

The pleasures that await us far outweigh any and all of the pleasures of this world. For now our joy is bringing the message of Jesus to those who have not yet had the opportunity to receive Him. The world calls us foolish, but, many great men and women have gone on before us. They now form a cloud of witnesses cheering us on to the finish. With our shoulders to the plow Jeanne and I labor on. As never before we need your prayers.

Love,

George and Jeanne DeTellis



The Miracle of Sponsorship

One of the greatest gifts we can give is one that can never be repaid. Our lives become blessed when we pour into someone's life that is in need. When we begin to pour into people's lives, we see miracles happen. Since 1983, New Missions has poured into the lives of each boy and girl in our schools. Each day we are sharing God's love,

the message of salvation through Jesus, and providing vital resources such as feeding programs, Christian education, and medical care. The miracle happens when the child discovers how truly special they are. They learn how much God loves them and how their sponsor cares for them. Then, when sponsors meet their child face to face, the joy is unspeakable.

The miracle of sponsorship begins when an individual or family decides to accept a boy or girl into their life and give to them. New Missions invites you to participate in a special day in the life of a child waiting for a sponsor; it's called "Miracle Sunday." You can bridge the gap between despair and opportunity. Will you share with your church, family, and friends about sponsoring a child with New Missions?



Dana Tillman from Hopewell Baptist Church in Georgia with her sponsored child, Sangliche Gabriel.

"Miracle Sunday" is a specific day targeted when sponsors across the United States and Canada will share about how sponsorship brings a miracle of change. You can be a part by calling our U.S. office and requesting photographs of children you may share on "Miracle Sunday." Mark your calendar and contact us today and ask to speak with Scott Jordan for information on how to plan for "Miracle Sunday" November 3, 2002. Thank you for sharing in the miracle of sponsorship.



Tim Chandler from Cumberland Community Church in Georgia with his sponsored child, Ronaldson Pierre.

The Miracle of Sponsorship - continued



*God can
use you
to change
the life of
a child!*



*Tiffany Robbins from
North Lanier Baptist
Church in Georgia with
her new friend.*

*Louise Linford-Wright from
Hopewell Baptist Church in
Georgia with her new friend.*



*Thelma Lucas from Hopewell Baptist Church in Georgia with
her sponsored child, Pierreline Hilaire.*

Summer Ministries in the Dominican Republic



A student, David Brongkoll, explains the next activity to short-term missionary Nicole Juliano from Peekskill, New York. Each day, activities such as sports, drama, crafts and Bible were planned for the children during summer camp.

Short-term missionaries Gary and Wilma Dawson from California and Maria Reis from Massachusetts enjoy a cup of strong Dominican coffee. On the mission field, people of all ages can find a place of service for the Lord.



There was an immediate friendship among our staff, the short-term missionaries and the children. Some of the missionaries spoke Spanish, which made sharing Jesus easier.

This house is where Muneca lives. There is no kitchen, or running water. Living conditions such as these are a major source of hopelessness among the people of Polyclinica. Somehow they manage a smile each time we visit.



Muneca is smiling because Jesus has started to restore her health. She had been ailing for many months. Two months ago, she seemed close to death. We prayed and believed God for a miracle in her life. Since then, she has shown a remarkable improvement.

Missionary Robert Nelson on left with one of our Colegio Nueva Vida students being baptized, Sophia Brockmans.



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*Dieunicka Alcius, Age 3
from the village
of Concrab
Birthday: 8-14-99*



*Blandy Tellusme, Age 3
from the village
of Mariani
Birthday: 1-9-99*

On A Long Voyage

We are like a sailor – sailing on a long voyage. The first thing a sailor needs to know, after the safety of his boat, is how to get to his destination. When you head out into open water, you are soon out of sight of land, then navigation is of prime importance. Our life is like a vessel on the sea of life. In life there are beautiful sailing days and also hardships and trials. In the storm what will we do? Turn back, or press through the storm and reach our destination?

The Bible clearly speaks about salvation in Jesus and eternal life for believers in the world to come. The Bible speaks about a day of judgment of when we will need to give account for our deeds done on earth. These are not my words or thinking. I have responded to these words; and I am looking forward to the life to come. I experienced God at the age of eighteen. This experience led me to know God and to serve Him in a close way. As I look back upon the dialog I had with God at my conversion, my words seem simple and yet wise. I first told God that I was going to become a Christian for one week. I was going to give God a chance to prove Himself to me. I was very sincere and nothing out of the ordinary happened at once. The next morning, I felt that I had purpose for living. I now had the Holy Spirit living with me, which directed me. I also went from sitting on the last row in church to the fifth row. The same night I

became saved, I gave my life for service to God. I reasoned again to myself: If God is the Maker of the whole world; it will be worth it to serve Him! A year later I had the opportunity to become a missionary in Haiti, at the age of nineteen, through the direction of my parents. I also reasoned that I wanted to give God a few years of my life while I was young. I later returned to school and graduated from Columbia Bible College. All of the time I was away from Haiti, I missed Haiti. I surprised one of my roommates at school when I was sleeping and dreaming about Haiti and was speaking in Creole.

Serving as a missionary in Haiti has not always been easy. Many times I have desired a different direction for my life. I sometimes tease and say: "I would like to become a lobster fisherman in New England." This sounds like a nice peaceful occupation. I would also like to eat the lobsters.

We should look further then to ourselves, for direction for our lives. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5,6. Our best example of this is Christ Himself. "As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep." John 10:15. Jesus gave His life to do the will of His Father. The theologian Bonhoeffer said: "To become a disciple of Jesus is to die to

oneself." "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." Matthew 16:24." I often tell visitors in Haiti that I don't want to be in Haiti. I would prefer to be back where I grew up as a child, back in New England. I miss seeing my grandparents Charlie and Anna DiPietro and other family and friends.

However, it is a joy to serve the Lord. Our mission is located in a beautiful area, in Haiti, on the ocean. At times, it is almost like being in heaven. The mission land has an abundance of tropical trees and there is a deep artesian well which gives us nice cold water. It is a joy to be able to be a servant of God. The work in Haiti is flourishing.

There are close to 1000 students attending our Christian High School, and over 4000 students in our elementary schools. We need to first love our Creator, and just not His creation. Yes, I look forward to the day of judgment. I look forward to entering into the Kingdom of God. Let's allow His Holy Spirit to work through our lives to bring about His will on earth. "For it is God who works in you both to will and to do His good pleasure." Philippians 2:13. We have a destiny to fulfill. God, I believe, will bring our ship safely to harbor.

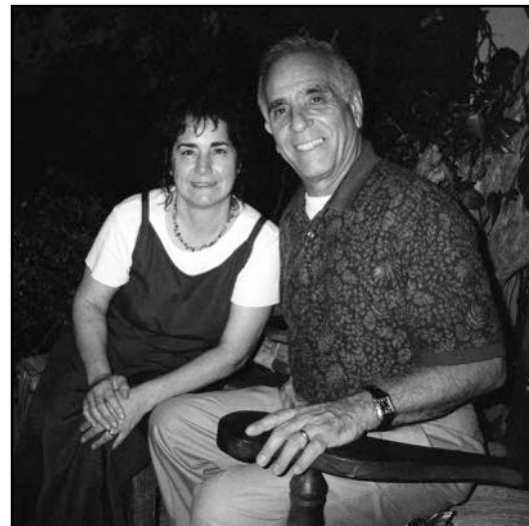
Charlie DeTellis

God is at work and we praise Him. It always surprise me when I see what God wants to do. Sometimes we pray for minutes, sometimes hours and sometimes days. I don't fully understand it, but I've learned that the work proceeds when we pray. Then, too, the time spent in prayer is time spent with God and the fellowship with Him is rich and sweet. Jeanne and I are truly happy in the work of the Lord.

Love,

George and Jeanne DeTellis

P.S. Please enter into faith with us for the truck. Already, I see it! It is painted bright and it is full of people going to the House of God.



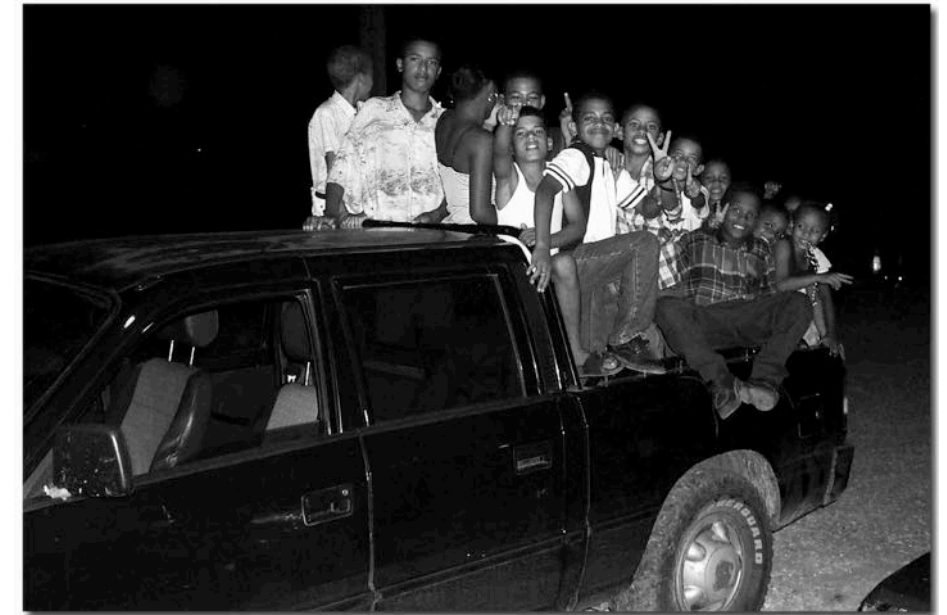
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Speed The Light

A few years ago an area of Sosua was flooded; it was where the river meets the ocean. Homes were ruined. These were homes of poor people, squatters, living on government land in a shanty town made of whatever material could be found, old boards, tin roofing, sticks and cardboard boxes. The government relocated the people across the town and gave promises of housing and a clinic. Governments have changed and none of the promises have been fulfilled.

One day while out doing street evangelism, we came across this neighborhood, called Polyclinica, and received an enormous reception to the Gospel. At first, 6 to 8 people began coming to the Spanish service on Friday evening; then 12 to 15 came – soon, 25 – 30 were coming. Now, over 40 people are coming both on Wednesday evening for our Bible study and for the Friday evening service. And in every service, more of them come to faith in Jesus Christ.



Church is exciting for these new Christians. When the truck arrives in their neighborhood, they run for a place on the truck.

Thank God for the open door. But now we have a huge problem. These people are too poor to own a vehicle and it is too far to walk. Presently, we are transporting them in two open pickup trucks. The vehicles are overcrowded and dangerous. We are in need of a long flatbed truck. Benches and sides will be built on the truck. The two pickups will be used to go into other neighborhoods to bring people to church.

We are searching for a truck. A new 2002 Mitsubishi, twelve foot longbed will cost about \$17,000. Then, there are taxes to be paid, insurance for the vehicle and benches to be built on the truck. The total cost will be in the vicinity of \$20,000. This vehicle will also be used for youth activities and transporting short-term mission groups when they come to work in the country.

We need help. We want to speed the Light. This vehicle is an essential tool to do the work of God. Your help to purchase this vehicle will be greatly appreciated.



This is missionary work – bringing the Gospel to those who have not yet heard.

New Photo Identification Cards

It is an exciting day when a child receives their identification card at one of our schools. The card says I belong, I'm in school. The children know that once they are enrolled in one of our schools that an education will be provided for them through high school. In Haiti, it also means that they will receive a meal every day of school, free books and uniforms. For a poor child, the ID card is a precious possession.

In all of the New Missions schools, whether in Haiti or the Dominican Republic the children receive an ID card. The card has their picture on it, some vital information regarding the child and areas where the card can be punched. For, whenever a child receives a uniform, books or special gifts, the card is punched. The children wear the ID card to school every day.



Oviedo Gonzalez is in the 6th grade at Colegio Nueva Vida.



Diego Tarsilla, Karla Brown and Marco Zscheile, all in preschool at Colegio Nueva Vida.

Our school children in Haiti are proud of their new ID cards. They provide access to all the benefits of New Missions.



Karlania Peno and Paola Castillo, Grade 7, with Missionary Kelli Nelson. Paola is sponsored by John Bommarito from Sosua, Dominican Republic.

I Saw Lives Changed

When I first realized that my church was a missionary church, I felt a nudge in my spirit. I was developing a yearning for missionary work.

I became part of a team going to Haiti. Why was I going? What would I accomplish? What was my purpose?

My heart ached for God to use me. "O God," I prayed, if I can lead just one person to Christ." The Lord spoke clearly to me, "Be still. Listen to my voice. Let me lead you."

Each night in Haiti, I would reflect on the previous day's events – the nightly crusades, the feedings, the dramas, distributing toiletries, clothing and toys in the many villages. Most of all I remember the children, poor yet loving, walking hand in hand with us from village to village. We prayed for the sick wherever we went.

The most meaningful experience I had was on Friday, the day before we were to return to the States. While walking through several villages two young boys walked with us. I asked them if they had Jesus in their hearts. They said, "No." Then using the missionary Scott to interpret for me I shared Jesus with them. We prayed and they accepted the Lord into their lives. At that time I had nothing to give them. No candy, money or clothes. But I did give them the most important thing of all – they received Jesus. I could not have asked for a more fulfilling moment in my life.



Debbie Blackshear with her sponsor child Mackendo Lareston from Papette, Haiti.

Written by Debbie Blackshear, Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church in Norcross, Georgia



Missionary Scott Long and the team of visitors experiencing the miracle of change when God touches the life of a child.



How Will We Live?

The Bible speaks of all of us having a conscience. This is an internal sense of what is right and wrong. The ability to discern good and evil is God given. Man is a moral being, created in God's image. The idea of good comes from God. He is perfect in all His ways. Then, of course, the opposite of God's nature is evil. There are universal moral laws. Hopefully, man aligns his life with God and enjoys the fruit of living pleasing to God. To do otherwise leads to catastrophe.

The Bible speaks of having a pure, good, weak, seared, evil or a dead conscience. Not every one has developed an internal sense of right and wrong. This is a system that begins developing early by the home, parents, friends, society, school, church and even government.

Some people need external rules. In Old Testament Judaism there were the ten commandments. Buddhists have many lists for conduct, such as the "Ten Noble Truths." Some people have a loose system, they believe in relativism. For them everyone determines for himself what is right or wrong.

A group of young boys, beat,

robbed and killed an old man. When asked why they did it, they shrugged their shoulders. The boys were spoken to alone, one by one, and asked, "How do you feel?" Each of them showed no remorse for what they had done. It was also discovered that they came from abusive broken homes. They all admitted to being unloved. At an early age, morally, they lost their way.

I ask, what of the sniper killer in the Washington, D.C. area? What of his sense of right and wrong? Then, we need to ask – how did he become who he is?

Other people compartmentalize their lives. They can be an upright person, and show great affection for their family and then behave totally different in business. This is true of the Mafia. What about the corporate executives of companies like Enron, WorldCom and Tyco. These are brilliant men who had outward appearances of being outstanding citizens, and yet they had no concern for stockholders or employees who lost their fortunes and pension funds.

Jesus said, "Some people are like whitened sepulchers." They give a great appearance, "but inside they

are full of dead men's bones."

The Christian is different. For us the Scriptures are the Word of God. Through the Scriptures we come to know the person of God and His plan for our lives. Yet, there is much more.

By faith, we come to Jesus and receive eternal life. When we receive Jesus as our Savior, the Holy Spirit comes into our lives. Jesus said, "The Father will give you another Helper. He will abide with you forever. He dwells with you and will be in you. John 14:16,17 He will teach you all things (verse 26)."

Now the Christian believer has the Holy Spirit living within. Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. He is a person. He is God. Every believer knows the presence of God. Living within us, the Holy Spirit controls our lives. He lets us know exactly how we should live. He guides, teaches, protects and comforts us. The Holy Spirit not only lets us know how we should live. He gives us the power to live pleasing to God. The natural man cannot live pleasing to God. But the Holy Spirit gives us all that we need to live the Christian life.

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Feeding God's Children



The Haitians love the sound of the delivery truck.


So essential – food to nourish the body. New Missions is about the whole person. First and foremost we do spiritual work. I am not a social worker, I'm a preacher. And I have a strong conviction that God has sent me.

God is concerned about the whole man. We at New Missions have learned that if a person is hungry, then little education takes place. In Haiti we have almost 6000 students. For us, school is important.

We put up the best buildings we can and hire the best Christian teachers. A nation cannot develop without an educated citizenry. We are training the future leaders of Haiti.

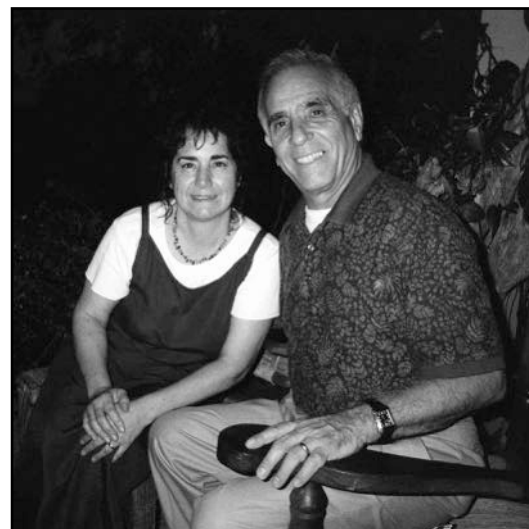
There are many joys in serving God. But, for me, perhaps the greatest is seeing people come to faith in Jesus Christ. I love God and I love His church. When I see the church being blessed with the presence of the Holy Spirit, people coming, receiving Jesus, and growing in God, my heart leaps for joy. Some people say they love God and have no feeling for the church. For me that is a contradiction. It is His church and He gives life to it. When I give my life for the church I am giving my life to God.

The church here in Sosua is growing – I praise the Lord. Thank you, very much, for your love, prayers and support.

Love,


George and Jeanne DeTellis

P. S. We are on our way. To date we have raised \$7,622.64 for the transport truck for the Dominican Republic. We need an additional \$4,777.36 to make the purchase. Please join with us in faith for this vehicle. Your donation will help us to "Speed The Light."



Today, Haiti is in political and economic crisis. During a recent trip to Haiti, September 24-30, the conditions I saw were worse than ever. People were hungry. We continue to feed our school children with your additional help. It will nourish their bodies and they will be better students.

New Missions is not receiving any food assistance from any organization or government agency in or out of Haiti. We purchase all of our food in the capital city of Port-au-Prince. We are buying rice, beans, oil, vegetables and everything necessary to provide a nutritious meal.

Help is on the way. As Christians we are called to work for God in this world. Thank you for the work you are doing here in Haiti.



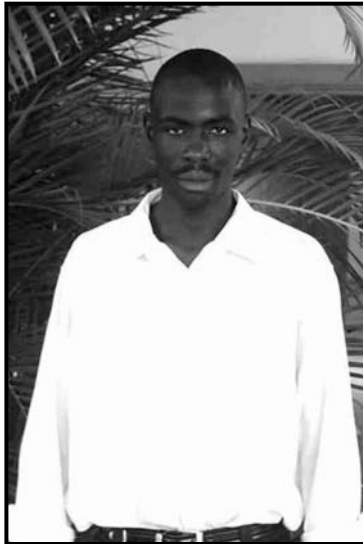
Our warehouse can hold up to 50 tons of food.

Gratitude - Our Students Say, "Thank You."

The first language of our students in Haiti is Creole. Then in their elementary school classes the French language is introduced. By the time they reach high school, all of their classes are conducted in French. English and Spanish are taught as a second language.

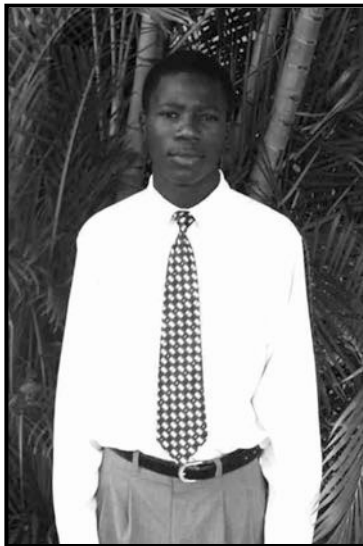
These letters from our high school students have been left unedited so that you will feel the heart and mind of

Josue Francique 0465
7th year of high school
Sponsored by
Ethel D'Amico from
West Medford, MA



Today I am very happy to write this story. I feel good in this school. Cause, when I think with that, it's the reason why I pray every day for this mission. A moment. I was born. I was at school. The missionary you are in my heart. I know I am a child of this mission. I never forget sponsors. I like them. Now I am a Christian. I like school a lot. It's nice, Mr. Georges. God bless you every.

Guidony Guillaume 2732
7th year of high school
Sponsored by
Mr. & Mrs. Jason Crocker
from Chandler, AZ



Greetings! Today I am very happy for me to talk about the New Missions school. My name is Guidony just like I wrote it above. I feel like I am full of joy because I am one of the students in this school here. I cannot finish explaining what quality of joy is overflowing my heart. What gets my attention more is I can see how much aid this school is doing. With all my strength, I would never get enough money to do enough grades to reach this level in school. Now I am in the last class, Philo, and when I finish school I would like to study communication.

our students. For me, the lives of our students are a great witness to the love, saving grace of our Lord, and to His power working in people.

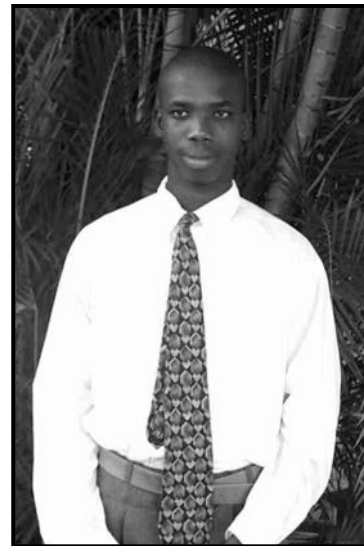
God has used New Missions to perform miracles. You as a sponsor and supporter are a part of the mission. God always works through people. You are being used of God. "We are workers together with God. 1 Corinthians 3:9"

Delice Ronald 3447
6th year of high school
Sponsored by
Robert Lucus
from Baltimore, MD



I'm happy to take my pen to write this letter. I'm writing this letter to tell you a few things. The first thing I want to say to you is that I am thankful to God that I am in the school, in the 6th year of high school. I'm also happy that I have responsibilities in the church in Signeau.

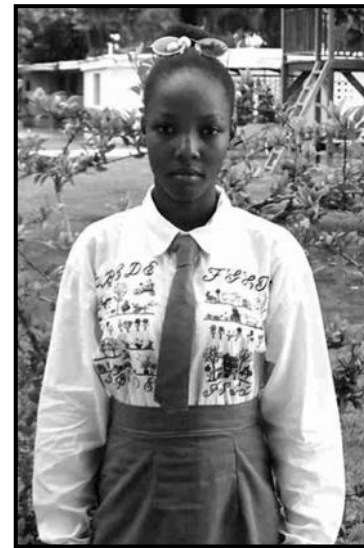
Exilus Smith 3414
7th year of high school
Sponsored by
Vernon & Diane Berry
from McMinnville, OR



Good morning, good afternoon. I feel happy because God is taking care of me. He gives me life that will never end. When I was a child, I didn't have God in my life and I had something missing. When I came to God I changed, and I know God loves me very much. I am praying to God for me to finish school for me to find work to help my family because they are miserably poor.

If it was not for the mission I could never be in this class of Philo now because my father and my mother are poor people. I say thank you to God for New Missions. The mission has helped me. I am praying to God for New Missions to grow more than it is now. I feel happy because God loves me and He loves New Missions. I will help you pray and you can help pray for a university here. Help me pray for me to stay under God's wings and that I can be strong in playing the guitar. Okay. Thank you. God bless you.

Marie Redele Momain 1156
7th year of high school
Sponsored by
Robert & Marie Woods
from Jacksonville, FL



Today I feel happy because I am writing you this letter to tell all that the mission is doing for me. I cannot stop writing to show my emotion on the subject of this mission because in my heart the mission has first place.

Now I am in the Philo class thanks to the aid of the mission and now my life is appearing before my face. I can decide and I know what profession that I would like to learn for my life to be better tomorrow. The profession that I choose is to be a doctor. I am praying to God for this dream of mine that it will become a reality.

I say to you thank you with my sponsors for choosing me to go to school. I say thank you to the director of the mission for preaching the Gospel which has changed my life. I am praying to God for Him to throw great blessings on the mission and all who help the mission. Thank you. I am a student of the mission and your friend.

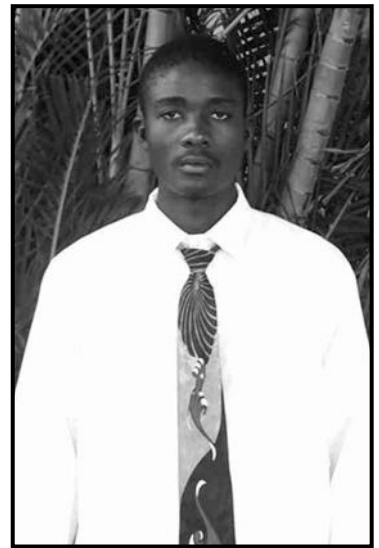


Elmont Jean Diony 2281
7th year of high school
Sponsored by Bill & Mary An Heusinger from Portsmouth, RI

Good morning. Today it is a great day for me, for me to write to you and express my thoughts. I am very happy in the New Missions school because it is a great privilege for me to be in school in this quality school.

I ask God to bless you and to see the fire in my heart and to watch over me through every day and night of my life. And I want to thank Pastor George and the group of missionaries for the passion they have in their hearts and their love for Haiti. And I want to say thank you God. God bless you. Thank you.

Riche Wilken 0300
7th year of high school
Sponsored by
Susan & Tony Korjagin
from Houston, TX



If today I write these words, it's for me to show how my heart is happy because New Missions has done very much for me.

New Missions put school that is first in instruction for me and a lot of my brothers in Haiti and they are also doing a work in the Dominican Republic.

I arrived in the Philo by the grace of New Missions. For that, I am praying to God for New Missions to always be here and exist for us.

I am asking please missionaries of New Missions who come from many places, I have something in you. With our hearts and minds together, let's help Haiti, lift up Haiti in prayer, that really Haiti will have a change inside.

I pray to God to protect New Missions and to let it arrive to its destiny. God bless our mission.

Senior High School Class



We are always in the middle. For us it is always today. We are between the past and the future, yesterday and tomorrow.

History, the past, is important. It tells us who we are and it helps to show us where we are going. Often to get direction for the future, it is necessary to see where we have come from.

I am an Italian. My best memories of my mother were of her preparing food. She had a large family – seven children. It seemed that she was always stuffing chickens and making different kinds of pasta – ravioli, lasagna, macaroni. I would sit by the side of the table for hours watching her prepare food. As she worked she would tell me about her childhood, her family, and the hard life that she had in Italy.

In 1971, I went with my wife Jeanne to visit Italy. We went to Rome, Naples and the town my parents come from, Terlizzi. What an experience. I visited the home where my father, and then the home where my mother grew up. In 2000, I returned to Italy again. I preached in my parent's hometown of Terlizzi. We had dinner in what was a converted wine cellar; it was a memorial event that we shall never forget.

I am a Bostonian. When people ask me where I'm from, with a sense of pride, I'm glad to say, "Boston." Boston is an old town, but now a modern world-class city. Having been born there, I have wonderful memories of swimming in the Boston harbor, walking through the Boston Commons, (where I proposed to my wife) and eating in the North End. For the past several years,

God has permitted me once a year to go and preach in the Boston area and spend time with family and friends and visit old haunts.

I am an American. My love and loyalty is to America. I'm thankful for the country that nurtured me, giving me opportunities to grow, develop and become the person that I am. American history has always spoken strong to me and has inculcated principles that cannot be forgotten.

I grew up where history took place – Boston – The Tea Party. Paul Revere, risking his life, hid in the Old North Church and had a signaling system to the militia waiting for word across the Mystic River in Charlestown. If the British moved by land, then one lantern would be hung in the church steeple; if by sea, then two. That night, one lantern was hung in the church steeple. Paul Revere snuck out a back window of the church, mounted his horse and all through the night rode to Lexington and Concord shouting "The British are coming." When the British arrived, the militia were waiting. Shots were fired "that were heard around the world" and the Revolutionary war began. Yes, the past speaks – powerfully. It tells us who we are and helps determine who we shall be.

The Jews consider history vital. Every year at Yom Kippur around the family meal the children are asked "Why do we celebrate this feast – what happened in our history that is so important?" Then the children retell the story of the deliverance of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt under the God-given leadership of Moses.

Some people, sad to say, do not know their history and they do not know who they are. Thank God when Jesus comes into our life, things change. They have a new history and a new identity. We find our fulfillment in Jesus.

The future speaks to the present. If there is no God and no existence after this life, then there is no meaning to this life. If life is like a candle that is snuffed out and everything ends at the grave, then all there is is futility. Then, if there is no God, and no life after this life, what is the sense of all of our activities. We are like a boat with one oar going around in circles regardless of how important those circles may now seem – in the end it is all futile. However, if there is a God and life goes on after this life, then everything we do has great meaning and significance.

I am a Christian. My faith is in the Son of God and the salvation that the Father has provided. For me the future is open ended. Who knows what God has prepared for those who love Him.

We have reason to live. The future speaks and says you are vitally important for you are a son of God who will live forever.

God is at the center of the universe. There – there is light, life and love. Hallelujah, we're going to be with God! Now with diligence we work, we fulfill God's purpose for our lives. Over there, there will be a smile, a nod and well-done good and faithful servant. Enter and enjoy Father's house. In Jesus Christ our lives turn from futility to fulfillment.

New Missions

When you touch a life, you touch the heart of God.

Christmas For The Children

With joy New Missions will celebrate the birth of Jesus in all of our churches in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. We as Christians rejoice in the true meaning of this holiday season, which is recognizing our salvation through Jesus, God's only son.

Every year all of our school children receive a Christmas present. For most of these children it is the only present they will receive.

I grew up in the home of poor Italian immigrants. The pain of not receiving a Christmas present still remains with me. A simple thing, and yet for a child so important.

Please include a special offering for Christmas with your monthly support.

This year again we will give a special Christmas present to all of our children. In the midst of poverty it is wonderful to bring happiness to a child.

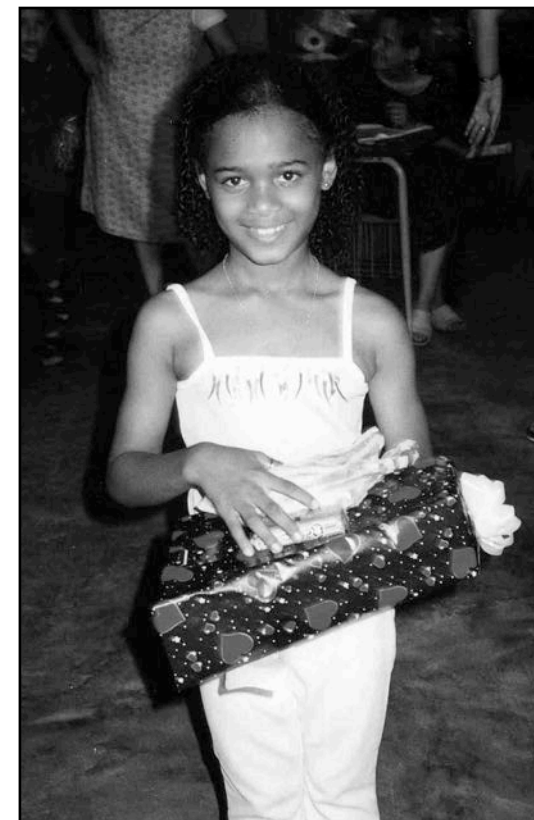
At this time of the year we remember God's gift of His Son to all of us. For the children who have so little, your Christmas present will mean so much.



Since 1983, New Missions has brought hope and joy to Haiti. New Missions began in five tents as founders George & Jeanne DeTellis pioneered a church and school. Today thousands attend Christian schools, receive a hot meal each day, and medical care. Over a dozen churches have been pioneered and a full Bible college trains Christian leaders in Haiti. We have seen children start in our preschool and now they are teaching in our schools. You can be part of this miracle of change by sponsoring a child or visiting New Missions in Haiti.

God can use you to change the life of a child through sponsoring a child with New Missions. To sponsor a child call 1-800-937-4248 and ask for Terrie or email Terrie@newmissions.org. You are also invited to take a one-week missions trip to Haiti where you will stay at our oceanfront Missions Training Center, and minister to thousands of children from rural farming and fishing villages.

In celebrating 20 years of ministry in Haiti we invite you to request a FREE video documentary of New Missions. Please call or write our office for your copy. Thank you for your faithful prayers and support.



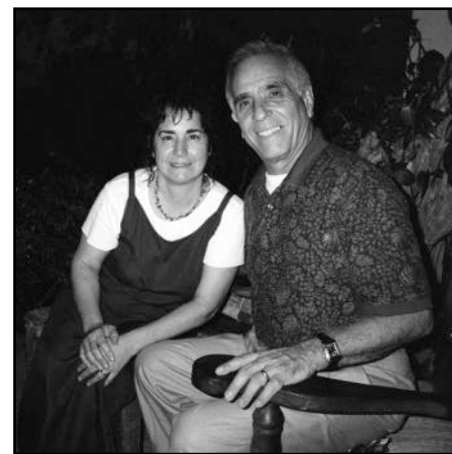
Thank you for your generous response to purchase the truck for us to transport the children, youth and adults to our Spanish services. At this time we have about half of the money needed. Christmas is coming. It would be wonderful to present the truck to the Dominican people as a Christmas present.

In my mind I can see the truck wrapped in bright red ribbon. Please, if we all do our part – they will have a truck for Christmas.

Jeanne and I think of you with affection and gratitude.

Love,


George and Jeanne DeTellis



Bella Fortune - Darbonne, Haiti

I remember the first day my husband George and I went to the mission school in Darbonne. It is in the neighborhood called Bella Fortune. I thought to myself, "What a nice name – this must be a special place." When we arrived, after one of those long bumpy dirt-road jostling-truck rides, there was Pastor Jacques. He is a man with a big heart, and he had way too many children in school for the space of his facility.

The children were packed on the benches and I wondered how they could lift their arms to write. Their bodies seemed to be melted together by the heat. It had rained the night before, and the ground was muddy because only half of the building had a tin roof. I was constantly looking for a little shade to keep myself comfortable. But Pastor Jacques had a big happy smile for we were there to register more children for his school. We were impressed with the love and patience of his staff of Christian teachers.



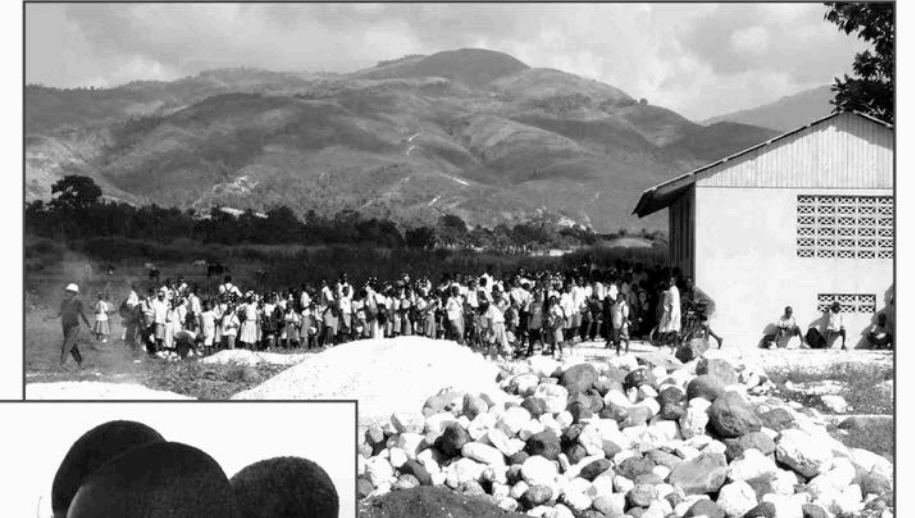
Many children are blessed to get a Christian education.

Then, I heard 'Bella Fortune' news. I heard from our son Charlie that a Pastor in Alabama, Pastor Dick Stark from Faith Temple in Alexander City, had visited Bella Fortune, and God put it in his heart to build Bella Fortune a school building.

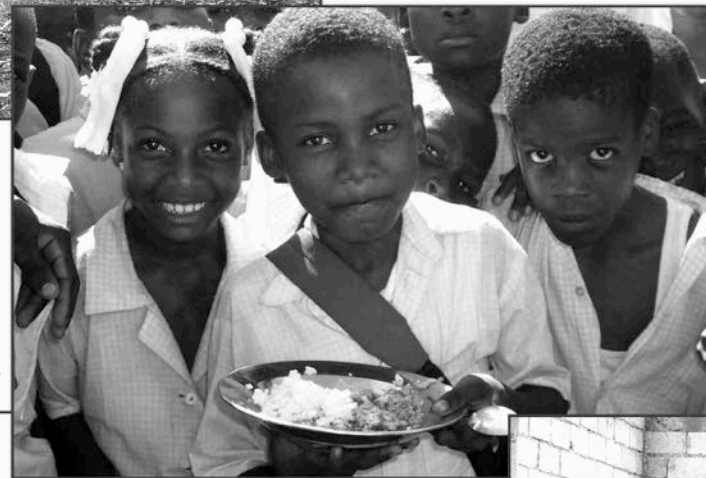
A short time later I heard that Pastor Stark sent a team to Haiti to work on the building. George and I went to Haiti the end of September, and here is a photo of George with the mission team.

Now you can see that the building is finished, straight, tall and beautiful, and full of happy children. Yes, Bella Fortune, is something special to see.

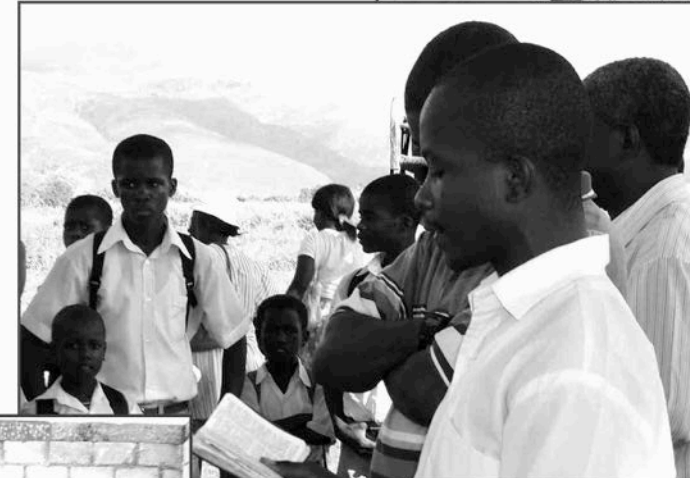
Jeanne DeTellis



The beautiful mountains in the background at Bella Fortune.



The best time at school – eating!



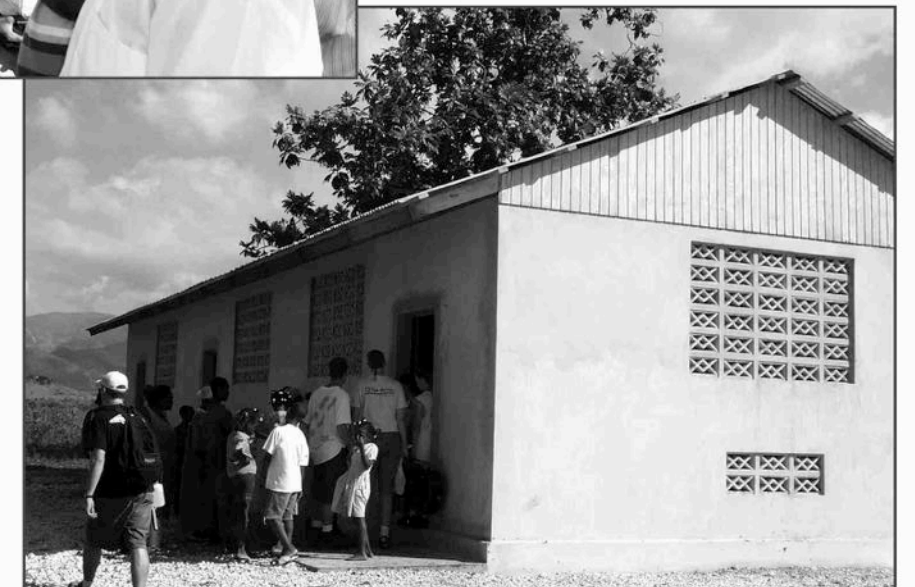
Staff and Students



School children at Bella Fortune.



Pastor George with mission team in front of school under construction on September 27, 2002



The finished school in Bella Fortune, Darbonne.