



WINTER 2023

“We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.” Romans 5:3-5

“Christian hope is bold, waiting for humanity and the whole universe to be rescued from evil and death. Biblical hope isn't optimism based on the odds. It's a choice to wait for God to bring about a future that is as surprising as a crucified man rising from the dead. Christian hope looks back to the risen Jesus in order to look forward. **And so we wait...**”
 ~ (Quote take from a Bible Project video on hope)

We started our last end of the year letter with the words, “It has been another tough year for our dear Haiti” and it happens to also be the best way we can describe this year. While we always hope that things will get better, they haven't. We continue to wait for that, and in the meantime, insecurity, chaos, extreme poverty and despair abound all around us. Yet we can still say, God is faithful. He has taken care of our needs again this year and continues to give us the strength we need to share His message of hope and salvation to those around us and to those who come to our home. Many of you have been part of caring for our needs and we are grateful for your partnership. We trust you will be encouraged by the work being done and eager to continue to partner with us in spite of the difficulties being faced all over.



Learning and Growing

While health and healing are a big part of the work of the HOH, spiritual healing continues to be of utmost importance. Not only do we want each child who spends time in our home to experience the love of Jesus through us, but we also want those who are able to understand the Gospel to clearly hear it. This happens through family devotion times, church services, Sunday School and other Bible study times.

Recently we had a mini-revival happen at the HOH when 19 of these little ones came to faith in Jesus. These kids came from 2 distinct groups. The first were new kids who came to the HOH in the past year and were hearing or just fully comprehending the Gospel for the first time. The second group was children who have been at the HOH since they were infants. They've heard the Good News of Jesus told to them many times through the years as they have grown.

In any case, it was thrilling to reap some harvest from many years of sharing God's Word. And the work continues as we teach and disciple all the kids at the HOH to walk in a way that resembles Jesus, even when it feels like their world is crumbling around them.

Thank you for your part in this work! Without you, we would not be able to continue bringing all types of hope and healing to the kids God brings to our home.

Life Transitions



Helen, Dorothy and Marianne felt the joy of having their hope realized when they passed on to their home in heaven. We miss them, but we wait and look forward to seeing them again.



These young men graduated from their post-secondary studies. (L to R) Reginald & Stevenson - Engineering, Herby - Physical Therapy, Magloire - Education, Dieujuste and Evelte - Business.

Due to the security situation, they still have a few courses and projects left to finish. We are excited for their accomplishments and wait eagerly to see what God is going to do with their futures.

These couples transitioned into married life this year.



Junior came to the HOH after the 2010 earthquake. He finished school, studied law and now waits for his license to come through. He continues to be an essential part of the HOH as he assists Linda with many things. He and Cassandra did not wait long — after they got married, they immediately adopted a boy from the HOH!

Carl-Evens was our first university graduate and has worked at various business ventures since then. His new wife Guidelane is a fashion entrepreneur who also works at a university.



Both these young men expressed their gratitude to God, the HOH family and to all of you, the HOH partners who helped provide them with a home, family and education over the years.

The Year In Numbers

New kids who came into the HOH:	21
Kids who returned to their homes healthy:	11
Students who started school for the first time:	6
Mattresses purchased thanks to those who gave to this project:	78
Number of miles Jenny traveled visiting HOH partners:	9,965
Increase in food costs in 2023:	80%

We have felt the reality of inflation mostly in the area of food. Most of the kids who come to the HOH have some form of malnutrition. To help them, we have to be able to give them a healthy diet. We are doing all we can to keep food costs down, but if you are in any way able to help with this increase, we really could use your help.



What Can You Pray For?

SUNDAY → Pray for our Sunday services and those who prepare them. These are important times for praising our great God and for learning more about Him.

MONDAY → Pray for our students who range from Kindergarten to University. They must study long hours in order to succeed.

TUESDAY → Pray for our medical needs and health. Pray for wisdom for the decisions our staff must make daily for the sick kids.

WEDNESDAY → Pray for food. Numerous logistics have to fall into place to make sure there is enough for our large family.

THURSDAY → Pray for Haiti. The constant unrest, insecurity and inflation makes life very difficult and at times discouraging. Pray for God's peace in the midst of chaos.

FRIDAY → Pray for spiritual growth for each of us. Pray that we react in a Christ-like way to the situations we each find ourselves in.

SATURDAY → Thank God for His faithful provision for all our needs. Pray and ask Him to provide what we need once again.

How can you keep in touch with the HOH?

ANY TIME

Website: houseofhopehaiti1-lapointe.org

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WEEKLY PRAYER UPDATES

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