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2023 Year in Review

As 2023 draws to a close, we wanted to pause and look back over the year at HCM. It was once again a challenging year in Haiti. Inflation continues to cause challenges with food security, the lack of government causes instability, and gang control in the capital of Port Au Prince continues to cause ripples of violence throughout the small nation. While there were many challenges, there were also many high points and much to celebrate.

In January, after several months of delay, school was able to be opened. We welcomed back over 1700 students to



our Pillatre, Lory, and Haut-Dehene campuses. Education is so vital in raising up the next generation of Haitians and school also means meals for our students. We also hired a new Head of the HCM clinic. Yodline Florestal is a product of our sponsorship program at Pillatre Christian School. This shows how sponsorship can have such a lasting and generational impact.

In June we were able to watch our kids at the High School of Pillatre play and win the football (soccer) championship organized by "ZAL". The game generated much excitement in the community and culminated in a victory parade from Acul-Du-Nord to Pillatre. They walked, marched, and danced on the main road for more than 1 hour with the Fanfare (band).

In July, a youth delegation of 14 people from Pillatre Christian Church accompanied the president and the vicepresident of the youth association to go to Boukan Michele. The delegation went to encourage our smallest and newest school. The small community school has no roof and seat structure, no uniform support, no food like our other schools in the ministry. They were appreciative of the support, and we know how impactful education is to these young people.

In late July and August our Pillatre campus once again was bustling with camps and activities. We hosted a graduation of our fourth cohort of leaders from "Coach One for Haiti" (A Leadership Program founded by our Field Director Past. Bob). After that we were able to host "CEMUCHCA music camp 2023". More than 140 gifted and talented students from everywhere in Haiti gathered over 2 weeks to improve their musical skills. Finally, we had

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more than a dozen teens from Pillatre, Lory and Haut Dehene Christian Church attend the "2023 Dance Summer Camp with YWAM CAP-HAITI". This one week of training and dancing developed skills and focused on YWAM mission to know God and to make Him known.

Late August was an exciting time as Dr. Jim Howard from Dillion Community Church was able to teach and train in leadership. Hundreds of Haitian leaders were able to attend and be encouraged on making faithful decisions when the Bible gives no clear answer or direction. We were also happy to announce our new pastor at Boukan Michele – Jacky Duverge.



Please pray for the following:

- All of our pastors and their spouses: Phito & Selosse, Noseben & Phida, Bob & Rose, Jacques & Vanette, Jacquesene & Marie Maude, Franckel A. Paul (Geneus) & Denis Rosianne, Jacky & Farline, and Walter
- Protection for all our staff and their families
- Encouragement for our pastors
- Peace and stability for Haiti



Good News! Christmas Gifts for sponsor children are ok to send to the field address listed at the bottom of page 1. We do ask that you reimburse HCM for the shipping cost from Florida to Haiti at \$1.75 per pound. Please, please, please keep the gifts to a shoe box size. **Merci beaucoup!**

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. – Isaiah 9:6-7 NIV