### Bringing Light to Northern Haiti



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# Sevis Pou Lajenes!

Special thanks to Shelley Hari for providing this article.

There is no shortage of young people at Pillatre or in any of the surrounding communities! At Pillatre Christian School alone you can see 500-600 every afternoon!

Teenagers are teenagers: regardless of culture. They have needs that are different from the rest of us! Youth programs abound in the states: Christ in

Youth, Youth with a Mission, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and on and on. Opportunities to grow our young people up in their faith are everywhere. But not so much in Haiti. Until now.

On Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> the first Saturday evening service specifically designed with the youth in mind took place at Pillatre Christian Church. Leaders



from the youth committee at Pillatre Christian Church along with pastors in training from Emmaus Bible Seminary worked for several weeks to develop a service to reach teenagers and young adults.

As we prayed over our move to Haiti and full time ministry here, we knew that



this was one way we could be involved in the church. We work with young men. We have three teenage daughters. We want to see them all develop into strong men and women of God. We want to reach them where they are, we want to reach them for Christ. We long for the next generation of young people in this community to love the Lord and serve Him well.

Every week since that first Saturday, there have been between 150 and 165 in attendance. Young people leading, young people preaching, young people listening and learning: music for them,

messages for them. What a blessing it has been to witness. After each service drinks are served in the multi-purpose building for a time of fellowship.

To hear a Haitian mama say she would much rather her kids were in church on Saturday night rather than sitting along the road was ENCOURAGEMENT that everyone wanted to hear!

As we continue to work, and worship and walk alongside them, would you PRAY?

### **Pray for:**

- \*the word to continue to spread, for us to evangelize and invite more young people to join us each Saturday
- \*leadership development; that those involved in preparing and planning each week will grow in their ability to serve the youth
- \*next steps: social and extra-curricular activities, small groups, prayer circles and more! The youth leaders are excited and are discussing and praying over ways to develop relationship and influence.
- \*young people to come to know Jesus as their Lord and Savior



## **Haut Dehaine reaches Milestone**

On October 8<sup>th</sup>, our newest church plant reached a milestone in that it is no longer considered a church plant! The church at Haut Dehaine is thriving and officially now a "church". Pastor Bob and several of the elders from the church at Pillatre attended a special ceremony. At the ceremony they prayed over Pastor Phito and the elders as well as providing them with a new generator and sound system. We are humbled to be walking alongside God as he builds up this community. Praise God!

## **Christmas Gift deadline**

If you want to send a gift to your sponsored child, the deadline to do so is November 15<sup>th</sup>. Packages can be sent to the Field Address listed on page 1. We do ask that you please put your child's name on the side of the box with their ID number. In addition, please reimburse HCM \$1.50 per pound for shipping from Florida to Haiti.