

Living Hope Ministries in Haiti

September 2018 Newsletter



OCTOBER 13TH BENEFIT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW GENERATOR

Proceeds from this year's October 13th Benefit will help replace Living Hope's 15 yr. old generator. After the 2010 earthquake, electricity finally became available to the Mission, but is sporadic and unreliable. With over 600 students in the primary and trade schools, electricity has become vital to running the mission efficiently.

The current cost of a new generator in Haiti is approximately \$21,500. Purchasing the generator in Haiti is beneficial in that the mission would be able to use local Haitians for the installation and future repair work. The cost to send a generator from the states to Haiti may not only be extremely expensive, but subject to the danger of not reaching the mission due to the black market and theft.

Please help us support the needs of Living Hope by attending:

The Living Hope Ministries in Haiti Fall Benefit

Saturday, October 13th, 5:30 p.m.

Der Dutchman Restaurant

445 S. Jefferson Ave., Plain City, Ohio

\$25.00 per person

Buffet dinner, silent and live auctions and presentation by Missionaries Pastor Andris and Mary Jane Jolibois.

RSVP to Stacy Lane, cathystacy@aol.com or call 614-792-6184.

Or register on the Living Hope website:

www.livinghopehaiti.org.

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What's Happening at Living Hope? Reflections of Haiti

by Fritz Chrisler of Radiant Church in Michigan

After landing in Haiti on Friday we were greeted by Living Hope (hugs for and by Mary Jane). Driving through Port-au-Prince was about the same as prior experiences, with just a bit more traffic.

Arriving at the Living Hope Ministries (LHM) School and Church was eye opening. The “classroom tents” from last visit were nowhere in sight. The LHM grounds were lusher and greener than before. The second-floor addition of classrooms was boldly evident, as well as the new metalworking shop, and new food prep kitchen. The main residence and guesthouse is operational, welcoming, and comfortable.

Saturday was our touring day, and we visited and were welcomed by the ministry where Mary Jane got her start. Later, we lunched at an oceanfront resort, sipping coconut water from a straw in the shell. Enjoying each other’s company, a gentle Caribbean breeze cooled us while seated beneath palm trees: ocean sparkling, sun shining touch of tropical paradise.

Returning to LHM it was evident that Saturday was a major workday, with new projects occurring alongside regular maintenance. There was Andris amidst it all, working with everyone, his trademark smile and gentle demeanor encouraging efforts.

The main elements from my observation and experience this trip:

- 1) The hospitality of Andris, Mary Jane, Dhanah and Lysberly is amazing. We were welcomed and cherished within the Jolibois home and family.
- 2) The overall ministry is thriving and growing at the LHM School and Church.
- 3) The school continues to serve its students academically and spiritually in an upward evolving manner.
- 4) The work ethic and spirit of the students is strong, and their joy survives, even thrives amidst staggering hardships of poverty.
- 5) The work ethic and leadership of Andris and Mary Jane is profound. They are up at 5am starting their day’s work. Meal breaks are fellowship and strategizing times. These joyful breaks are topped by supper, followed by fellowship or study time. Then, preparation for the next day’s work begins, sometimes interrupted by literally falling asleep in the middle of the activity.
- 6) Our visiting team numbered four, smaller than usual groups. We worked well together, accomplishing many of our goals, as well as completing activities asked of us.

Love of Christ, the Haitian people, and children motivate the LHM work ethic and leadership. Andris and Mary Jane devote their lives to Christian education and worship, the academic and physical enrichment of students and families of LHM, as well as the surrounding neighborhood. LHM progress and stamina are highly evident and apparent.

In the context of Haiti’s continued struggles in poverty, LHM is a true beacon of hope and positive change for the improvement of Haitian quality of life. LHM is the most profound ministry that I have witnessed. I am so grateful for, and respectful of the efforts of LHM: Andris, Mary Jane, their family, the LHM teachers and staff, the US LHM financial supporters, the efforts of the children and young adults at the school, and the spiritually nurturing activities of the LHM Christian Church. Please support this amazing ministry. Blessings! Fritz Crisler



Sponsor a Student



Student sponsorship is so important because it provides the children with a hot nutritious meal daily, textbooks, and school supplies. Would you be willing to help sponsor one child at \$30 a month which is only \$1 a day or possibly even two children a month at \$2 a day? There are currently 200+ sponsored students out of the 600+ currently enrolled.

Our prayer is for 100% sponsorship. Thank you for your assistance in growing up the next generation in Haiti with a Christian education and vocational training.

For more information, contact Mark Gunderson at MLGondo@comcast.net or at 734-996-2435.



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How Can You Be More Involved With Living Hope?



Please Pray for Haiti and LHM: Please continue to pray for the Mission: for God's blessings and mercies for all who serve and attend; for health, safety, and protection; for healing of the sick and injured; for comfort for those who are hurting; for provision for the many needs (physical, spiritual, and material); for strengthened faith; and especially for hearts and lives changed through the love and power of Jesus Christ. Please pray for the nation of Haiti: Calming and turning toward the one true, almighty God.



Learn More About Haiti: If you would like Mary Jane or Andris to come and share with your church, Bible Study, or other group, please contact Cathy Lane at cathystacy@aol.com or call at 614-792-6184. No meeting is too small or too large. Mary Jane and Andris are generally in the States for speaking engagements in the fall and in the spring.

Ways You Can Become Involved With the Ministry Here at Home: *You can become involved TODAY by helping to donate NEW items for the auction.*

Every year at the end of the summer, the Board members of Living Hope Ministries begin to prepare for our Annual Fall Dinner and Benefit Silent and Live Auctions. In preparation for the auctions, we begin to contact local businesses to see if they would like to donate items to be sold in the auctions. We accept donations of **NEW** items, gift cards, and restaurant gift cards. The proceeds from the auctions are used to help fund various projects or needs of the ministry. If you or someone you know would like to be involved with donating or collecting items for the auction, please contact Stacy Lane at cathystacy@aol.com of 614-792-6184.

In the spring, you can join us for a NEW EVENT! The MWEN Walk! "Mwen" means My or Mine in Haitian Creole. Come for food, fun, a t-shirt, and a walk to support your student at Living Hope or learn about how to sponsor a

How to Donate Gifts of Hope for LHM

- 1) **Electronic giving online** at www.livinghopehaiti.org
 - a. Direct payments from a Checking or Savings account (one-time or recurring), or
 - b. Credit Card payments (one-time or recurring)
- 2) **Checks by mail**, made payable to Living Hope Ministries in Haiti. Please note a giving category in the memo field if you desire (see examples below):

Giving categories:

- Church/Community Project
- Youth University Fund
- Student Sponsorship (please include your student's number)
- Primary/Trade School

Current fund-raising initiatives:

Generous regular giving of approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000 per month for the continuous operations of the Mission.

Thank you for giving to enable us to reach this stage.

Visit Haiti on a Mission Trip

If you are thinking about coming to Haiti on a mission trip, let us know!

We would love to have you. There are lots of exciting things happening here at LHM!

Please contact Mary Jane and Andris directly at lh-m-haiti@hotmail.com or skype phone #614-602-2802 in Haiti.

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You are a blessing to us, and you are reaching the people of Haiti with Christ’s love in Action.