

Living Hope Ministries

October-December 2017 Newsletter

*We wish you all a very **Merry Christmas**. We thank God for His many blessings, especially your continued prayers and support for Living Hope Ministries in Haiti.*

NEWS FROM THE MISSION

Andris and the staff have put in permanent gardens for the 1st graders on 2 sides of the soccer field. Wow! The students were so excited to plant the seeds. Since the area is a good size, they even had help from the other classes in planting some of the seeds. Now all are watching the beans, okra, and corn plants as they push up through the ground.

The mission was able to purchase a used solar system (panels, batteries, cable, inverter, and converter box) from some missionaries that are leaving Haiti after 21 years. We have had it installed on the rooftop of the guest house. It is working well, allowing us to have fans, outlets, Internet, computers, and printers anytime we need them! Also, it will allow our missionary visitors to have fans, phone chargers, or CPAP/BAP machines throughout the night without having to run the big generator.

Our five candidates for transfer into the church only have four classes left before they become official members of the church.



The 1st Grade Gardeners



Installing the Solar Panels



The Guest House Roof

SAVE THE DATE – SAVE THE DATE – SAVE THE DATE

The NEXT Fall Benefit Dinner and Silent Auction will be held at Der Dutchman in Plain City, Ohio on October 13, 2018. Doors open at 5:30. Please plan to join us for an evening of great food, silent auction shopping, the latest updates on Haiti, and lots of FUN!



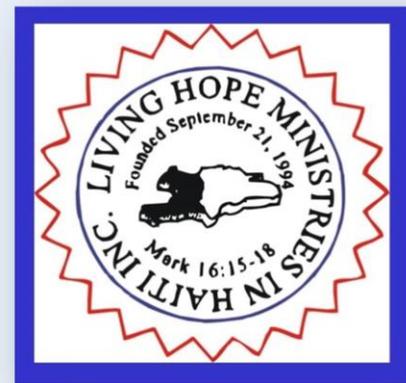
Attendees register and start to look over and bid on the auctions items.



Retiring Board Members receive recognition and a thank-you gift.

This year's Fall Benefit at Der Dutchman on October 15th was a success again because of all of you. Thank you so much for your participation and support.

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Thank you!

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The cooking class prepared a very beautiful Thanksgiving feast, complete with turkey, stuffing, and the traditional favorites, even pumpkin and pecan pies with whipped cream!



Our Mission: To train a generation of young men and women to change their families, communities, and nation with the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Word and Action.

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What's Happening at Living Hope?

Meet Doug!

Doug Jones is one of the newest Living Hope Board members. He is our Web Master and Media Specialist. If you want to see some of his handywork, go to our website, www.LivingHopeHaiti.org, and watch the videos. He is amazing! This is Doug's story:

"Almost 3 years ago, my life took a dramatic and unexpected turn. The life I had known crumbled around me: family, job, my sense of self. In the midst of it all, I prayed that God would lead me back to a church where I could reconnect with him. Out of the blue, I received an invitation from a local church. It would be the only one that would ever reach my mailbox. Feeling like this was God calling me back to him, I visited the church a number of times. Not wanting to put myself too far out there, I sought refuge in the back row. Little did I know that God had placed me next to Cathy and Stacy Lane.

After months of getting to know one another, the Lane's brought some friends to church with them one Sunday. Looking back now, it's clear that God had a purpose for me going to Northwest Chapel. Stacy and Cathy's friends turned out to be Mary Jane and Andris Jolibois. When Mary Jane found out I owned and operated my own marketing and video company, she immediately invited me to come produce a video about living hope ministries. Financially, I wasn't sure how I would pull that off, but two months later, God closed one door, opened another, and suddenly I was able to afford a trip to Haiti.

In the last 13 months, I've shot and produced stories from seven different missions trips around the world. Two of those trips have been to Haiti. Mary Jane, Andris, and all of the kids at Living Hope have captured my heart. Each visit, I have been welcomed with open arms, and the kids are fascinated by the camera. I've been able to document the amazing progress on the mission grounds during my time there. Before my life took such a dramatic turn, I never envisioned myself on a missions trip. But God does have a sense of humor, and looking back now, seven in a year is almost comical. I've loved each and every minute on each and every trip. But Haiti was my first, and will always be closest to my heart."



Aerial Image of campus



Doug showing the camera



Students having fun making music.



The adorable preschoolers wearing their sports uniforms in PE class.

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FACT: Did you know that the sports uniforms are made by the Trade School Tailoring/Sewing Classes?

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 734-996-2435.

Ways You Can Become Involved With the Ministry Here at Home:

Each summer, everyone at the Mission gets really busy preparing for the next school year. Did you know that it costs about \$12,000 to purchase textbooks and school supplies to have the school ready to operate in the fall? That comes out to approximately student for each of the 350 students enrolled in just the elementary school. But, it's an unfortunate reality that summer is our lowest giving time.

If your church puts on a Vacation Bible School, do you collect offerings from the kids who attend for a special use or project? Would it be possible to allocate some or all of the offerings to Living Hope Ministries in Haiti to supply the students with school books and other school materials?

If that might be possible, I would be happy to visit your VBS coordinator to tell them all about Living Hope! (We would also welcome individual donations designated for the purchase of textbooks/school supplies.) You can email me, Deanna Breeding, at dhbread@aol.com.

Something New Is Coming This Spring:

Join us in May 2018, for a **fun family fundraiser** to help increase our Haiti Student Sponsorship in May of 2018. So, whether you already sponsor a student, have been thinking about sponsorship, or would like to invite family and friends to learn more, we want you to participate in our event. Contact Kelly Arehart at kellyarehart@gmail.com for more information. And watch for more details in the next newsletter.

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.

Come to Haiti:

Please begin planning your upcoming trip to Haiti to partner with us and see what we are doing. Make your plans early, so we can put you on the schedule. Please contact Mary Jane and Andris directly at lhm-haiti@hotmail.com or 614-602-2802 (our Skype phone #).



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) Check by mail, made payable to Living Hope Ministries in Haiti. Please note a giving category in the memo field, if you desire. (See below).

Giving categories:

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

Current fund-raising initiatives: Finish the work of plastering, doors, windows, etc. for the Primary School building. Thank you ahead of time for your generous 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!

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