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Enhancing Trust

Prayers and Actions

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Time is flying and 2022 is already here! First, we want to begin by wishing many blessings to you and your family for this new year in the name of the Lord Jesus. We wish for you, in particular, good health and to lack nothing on your path.

In Haiti, as you know, 2021 was a very challenging year, when the terrible earthquake of August 14 left the population's needs bigger than ever.

For 2022, the last report produced by the government underlines these issues in particular:

1. Difficult access to water. Before the earthquake, only 48% of the people from rural areas had access to drinkable water. This figure has unfortunately decreased because of the numerous damaged wells. Water for Life's drilling and reparation actions will keep on bringing an appropriate response to that issue.



2. The health system was badly impacted while it was already largely inadequate regarding the population's needs. We hope that we will quickly be able to restart the mobile clinics which have always been very much appreciated by the population.



3. The people of the south desperately see the costs of basic food increase each day which increases malnutrition for the most vulnerable, children included. Water For Life is so happy to provide a daily meal to all pupils of Divine Help School, but we are worried too regarding the rising food prices, and we pray that we will be able to keep on providing this essential service to the children.



As you can see, your prayers and donations are not only welcome but very much needed. Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, pray with us for these targeted topics and keep on contributing to make the difference in 2022 for many Haitian people in need.

Hope and Faith

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned." Isaiah 9:2a

What a promise God made to his people! This promise, we believe, is for Haiti too. Even if the facts and the so-difficult context lead us to think that the situation is hopeless, we want to declare with faith that the future CAN be brighter for Haitian people!

We are joyful and blessed considering that we—all of us together—are working as a team, sharing the same vision to assist our Haitian neighbors, knowing that we serve God in that mission, and that we contribute to spread the gospel in this country.

Each of your prayers and donations brought hope, light and happiness for thousands of people facing daily problems, showing concretely what the love of Jesus is.

For the smiles you put on many faces, for all those lives changed thanks to access to water or to education or good health care, we want, in the name of the beneficiaries to thank you!

From Leon's Desk

New Year's blessings to you, our wonderful friends! God is so good; He has brought us through another year! For some it has been a very hard year, and for others it may have been a good year. But each of us can say Thank You, God—You are on the throne, and we thank You for Your grace and mercy on each of us! I hope and pray we all learned new things this past year, and He has more things He wants to teach us about Himself in this new year.

We as believers have so much to look forward to in this New Year! For one thing, we are closer to the Lord's return! That is why we need to keep sharing the goodness of God, that more people can find His forgiveness and freedom. We thank each

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of you for being a part of God's work of sharing His goodness and love to the Haitian people.

As I was thinking of the new year, I was so encouraged as I read from Revelation 21: 1-4—"Then I saw 'a new heaven and a new earth,' for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2I saw the Holy City, the New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." This got me to thinking—if all the things surrounding us are what will pass away, I need to concentrate my time, my efforts on people, who have eternal souls! So going through the days ahead of us let's be thinking of People and sharing the good news of the gospel with them! As we live out the love of God in our lives, He gives us His compassion for hurting people in need. Our hope is to keep on sharing His love through our words and actions.

Thank you so much for your prayers, your gifts of love, and your encouraging words; they all mean so much! Despite all the troubles in Haiti, I am thankful to God He has called us there! We don't want to run away from trouble, as God shows Himself mighty when we sense and admit our weakness! I am so thankful too that God is filled with compassion, and He chooses us to demonstrate it here on earth to others. So let's not grow weary in well-doing, as in due season we will reap if we don't lose heart. Please keep praying; God is over all, He is in control, and He has promised He is with us always and told us Do Not Fear.

By now I am sure you have heard that all the missionary hostages in Haiti have been freed, two months to the day after having been taken, for which we give great praise to God! We are waiting to hear more about their story!

We are thankful for each one of you. May God bless you with a wonderful new year!! "May the grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen!" Rev. 22:21 (NIV)

~Leon

— November 2020 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 4 Hand Pumps Installed: 4

People Served: approximately 1,400

Hand Pumps Repaired: 73

People Served: approximately 22,550

WFL School Meals Served: 11,391

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