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Growth Through Generosity

Dear prayer partners and financial supporters,

Back in November, at the Life Learning Center, we embarked on our farming program, and for many, it was a completely new experience. The beauty of the process captivated us as



we nurtured our leeks, bell peppers, and beets with care and dedication.

Today, as we gather our harvest with a sense of gratitude, we reflect on the valuable lessons we have learned along the way. Collaboration and teamwork have been key to our success, as we have come together with a shared purpose and supported each other throughout the journey. We are grateful for your generosity, which has brought us closer and created lasting memories that we will cherish forever.

Looking ahead, we hold onto the hope that more children will have the opportunity to benefit from the enriching activities provided by Life Learning Center. Our hearts are full of gratitude as we warmly anticipate the other beneficial programs yet to come, keeping them in our thoughts and prayers.

All we do and will keep doing is to demonstrate the love of Christ by serving others in need.



Meet Anderson Duce: 13-Year-Old Life Learning Center Programs Beneficiary

When did your story with Life Learning Center begin?

I used to see a lot of children coming to the Life Learning Center. Kervens, who was a volunteer at the center at that time, is my father figure because I did not live with my father. He invited me to participate in activities. I accepted the invitation and came regularly.

Dr. Petit-Frere had to select 50 children who would benefit from different programs. She chose me from among the 50.

Why do you continue to participate in the activities?

I chose to continue coming because I am not going to remain a child all my life. What the Center offers me will be useful to me in the future. I am learning valuable skills. Normally I would have to pay for this knowledge, but I receive it for free at Life Learning Center.

I am also learning important life lessons such as how to live well with others and cultivate tolerance. I enjoy the friendly atmosphere, and it has become a comfortable and welcoming place for me to spend my time.



How do you understand the mission of Water For Life?

The mission of Water for Life, which is to share the love of Christ, I understand like this: We are in a country where accessing basic needs is challenging. A large part of the population does not read and write. The opening of the center is a way that Water For Life has used to show us love by teaching us to live together and by ensuring a brighter future to us.

What impact does your participation in Life Learning Center activities have on your life?

My participation in Life Learning Center's activities allowed me to adopt new behaviors. I treat my loved ones better. I have more patience and compassion towards them. Before, I really liked fighting with my friends. Now I am more tolerant. I control my aggressiveness better.

My parents couldn't help me with all the subjects for my

homework. With the After School program, teachers are available to help me with the concepts that I don't understand in class and at home.

At school, I do not have the opportunity to do computer science practice and I do not have a personal computer. I am impatiently waiting for the inauguration of Life Learning Center's computer laboratory to be able to do so.

What would you like to say to sponsors of Life Learning Center?

They are doing a great job! They chose to help those in need by giving them a gift that can change their lives. I would like to thank everyone who collaborated so that we could have Life Learning Center. Your generosity and selflessness do not go unnoticed, and I hope that the blessings you have shared with others will return to you tenfold. May you continue to inspire kindness and make a difference in the lives of those around you. Be blessed!

Exams Held at Divine Help School

Exam time is the opportunity for the students at the Divine Help school to show everything they have learned in the past grading period. The second exam session took place at the end of March this year. All students responded to the call and had tests in mathematics, language, science and other subjects which are part of the curriculum developed by the Haitian Ministry of National Education.

From the first year of primary school through the high school classes, the students have exams prepared by the teachers on all the topics which were covered, except for the classes which will participate in the official end-of-year exams (those in 9th grade and those their final year of high school).



In short, the exam period went well, thanks to good preparation and the dedication of the school management and teachers.

We are grateful that the school can continue to operate and

— March 2024 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 3

Hand Pumps Installed: 4

People Served: approximately 1,400

Hand Pumps Repaired: 44

People Served: approximately 15,400

D.H. School Meals Served: 4,959

prepare the young students of Passe Bois d'Orme (Pasb-wadòm in Creole) for their future life, by instilling in them not only knowledge but also values such as discipline, work, and of course, love of God.

Next exam period will be in June, God willing. Think of our little pupils in your prayers.

From Leon's Desk

Greetings to you, our wonderful friends! Proverbs 3:5-6 tells us, "*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and He will direct your paths.*" (NKJV) We all may have our own ideas as to what needs to happen in Haiti, but as I read these verses in Proverbs it helps me see that I am better off spending my time in trusting the Lord, which to me means to focus my attention on Jesus and worship Him, and then He will direct my path and show me what the next move should be. Trusting can be a very secure place to be. It does not mean sitting back and twiddling our thumbs, but rather staying in an attitude of acknowledging Jesus, and trusting Him to show us the way.

In 2018 I had surgery for prostate cancer. Between the diagnosis and the operation, I went through a great struggle with God. I finally came to the place where I said, I trust You, God. I know You are bigger than this cancer. I trust that You love me and have my best in mind; I surrender to You, God. And Wow! What a peace that poured over me! When I surrendered my body to the Lord it was like I said, I trust You, Lord. Full trust is like surrendering to Him. I am happy to tell you that since that surgery, I am doing fine.

So let's encourage one another to trust in the One who created us and loves us more than we can ever imagine. Still, I need daily to put my trust in God and not in my own understanding. He will give me His understanding, and I will walk in it by faith. I want to rest more in Him and let Him work in and through me.

Each of us has our own journey. I would love to hear yours. We need to share with others what God has done for us, to build each other up in our faith.

We are still able to keep working, but at a slower pace than before, due to difficulty in getting needed supplies. The container still in customs has truck tires for one thing, along with lots of other things we need. And now they are asking for MORE money to get it out. I guess I should be glad it is getting closer.

One of our pump repair trucks needs parts that we cannot get in the US or Haiti, so we are attempting to figure out a way to get them in neighboring Dominican Republic, whose border is mostly closed to Haiti, so it's a long process.

So please keep on praying for Haiti. Thanks again for all your prayers that you've already prayed! And thanks so much for your financial support through this very difficult time. We are so thankful for each of you. Each of us is important in God's eyes. May God bless you all!

~Leon

