

# HAVE A **HEART** FOR HAITI:

## LACROIX NEW TESTAMENT MISSION

### UPDATE AUGUST 2023

#### REPORT CARD RESULT FINAL EXAMS

Distribution of end-of-year report cards this week. The school staff has been very busy these past two weeks preparing the report cards and re-registration at the same time. It was a monster job. They deserve credit for a job well done, because all the entities that make up the school - parents, students and teaching staff - are satisfied. We give glory to God for allowing us to achieve this goal in a very depressed and difficult social context. We owe our success to the support of people like you who have helped us. It has been so difficult, and your help has made it possible. We look forward to the start of the new school year in mid-September, God willing! This week is also marked by official exams. Many young students are on their way to take national exams. On our side, 32 young people are due to sit the national exams to mark the end of their high school careers, starting this week. We pray for their success. They have come a long way, but with determination and prayer they will succeed.

#### MORE FOOD DISTRIBUTION IN THIS MONTH

Again at the beginning of August, we received a delivery of a food truck to the mission and immediately began distributing food. More than 600 families received food and next week more families will receive it. Glory be to God in heaven who has enabled us to serve these people. A big thank you to everyone who contributed so that these people could have this food. An important fact to mention is that when someone receives a bag of rice, he doesn't just eat with his family. If a neighbor doesn't receive a card inviting him to come to the mission, he shares the food with that person. That's a lot more than 600 families receiving food. So I will continue to pray for more grace, more blessings on each and every one of you who made this program possible.



#### LACOUPE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

We thank the Lord for giving us the opportunity to have a great food distribution in the village of Lacoupe this week. Each time we serve this population, we feel something that makes us very happy. We feel that we are doing something that pleases the angels in heaven. Let us remember that God calls us to share his holy words in word and deed. Thank you so much for helping us at LaCroix New Testament Mission to fulfill the vision God has allowed us to have for serving the needy. We are delighted this week to have been able to serve food to more than 250 families in this village. It is a great achievement at a time when hunger is critical and the price of the most basic foodstuffs is extremely high. And Glory, glory to God the Most High! Again, our thanks go to each of you who have allowed our Lord to direct you to help these people. What a heart of gold you have! What a spirit of service heaven gives you! May the grace and blessing of Almighty God be with you always!

**"Dear children, let us love not in words or tongue, but with actions and in truth."**  
- 1 John 3:18

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## INTRODUCING A SPONSORED FAMILY

I'd like to introduce you to a lady who is the mother of a sponsored child. Her name is Yolene CHARLES. She comes from Platon, a mountainous region southeast of La Croix. She is the mother of 11 children, 7 of whom are still alive. Her husband no longer lives with her. She therefore plays the role of both father and mother. To look after her children, she goes to the market every Tuesday and Friday as a street vendor to try and sell what she used to cook at home. She started this business in 2012. It was helping her with the children because things were going well. Today, her business is bankrupt, following a prolonged illness. And then there's the problem of insecurity in our beloved country of Haiti. This situation of insecurity persists. It has become much more difficult to go to the market at the moment, as gangs are confined to certain corners. In Platon, where she lives, people live at the mercy of the rain, like LaCroix. No water, no harvest. It's an almost inaccessible region, surrounded on either side by mountains. Many thanks to Pastor David and Cherrie MORGAN for choosing to sponsor two twins in this family, Jodlène and Jodler. Only God can reward you for what you do for them. Blessings!



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IN LACOUPE

Two weeks ago there was VBS for the children in Lacroix. This week it is the turn of the children in Lacoupe. The children learn new things, listen to a Bible story, worship God, play together and have a hot meal. That's why we wanted this summer program, just to keep them in the mood to live together. Because we know that during holidays and vacations, these kids have no entertainment and nowhere to go. For this VBS we welcomed almost 300 children, all of whom enjoyed this long-awaited and much-loved moment. We pray that we can always have VBS for them.

## BACK TO SCHOOL PREPARATIONS

School starts soon. At LaCroix New Testament, we provide uniforms, school supplies and books. This really helps the parents. That's what makes the difference in our schools. As you know, every summer vacation, we give jobs to students graduating from the technical school, sewing section. They sew uniforms for preschool children. The graduates are sewing uniforms, making money. Already we pray for all children God can guide them back safely in school.



**Thank you so much for thinking of this ministry. You have been very faithful in supporting this ministry with your prayers and finances. This ministry that you love so much could not continue to exist to carry out its works without your prayers and donations. THANK YOU AND BLESSINGS!**



## Meet & Greet Picnic with Pastor Pierre & his wife, Ermithe

Saturday, September 16 from 2:00 to 7:00 pm

Shelter 1 at Peterswood Park  
750 Bebout Road Venetia, PA 15367

A catered picnic dinner will be served starting at 4:00.

We ask \$10.00 per person to defray the cost of the picnic dinner, because Friends of Haiti prides itself on all donations going to support the people of Haiti.

Please use the form below to RSVP mailed along with your donation for the picnic  
OR

You may RSVP by credit card at [friendsofhaiti.org](http://friendsofhaiti.org)

Whether you are a child sponsor, former traveler, or a supporter of The LaCroix New Testament Mission, please join us to meet the Pierre's and connect with other people who support the work of the mission in Haiti.

Pastor Pierre and Ermithe are the founders and directors of the mission. They dedicate their lives to caring for the people of the LaCroix Community and improving life for the people who live there.

Any surplus donations will be given to the Pierre's for the work of the mission.

Hosted by Friends of Haiti, Executive Board

Questions? [1haitichildsponsor@gmail.com](mailto:1haitichildsponsor@gmail.com)

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We plan to attend:

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Name(s)

Number of people attending \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email or phone # just in case \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to help defray the cost of the picnic dinner

Checks can be made to:  
FriendsofHaiti  
PO Box 1441  
McMurray, PA 15317