



Vacation Bible Schools Nourish Hope

Children eating a hearty meal at Vacation Bible School. More than 2500 children have attended this summer's VBS programs.



Since the beginning of Mission To Haiti, summer Bible schools have been a pillar of the ministry. VBS was always on the schedule when the large mission teams came to Haiti. They drew hundreds of children who love to sing, listen to Bible stories and make crafts they could bring home as keepsakes. The

community was so captivated by the activity that parents came to participate. Countless numbers of children and families heard the Gospel and received Christ as their personal Savior through attending an MTH Bible school.

Today, the changes brought about by the gang situation have impacted the way we

organize and hold Bible schools. However these changes have brought to light something exciting. There is a young generation from our churches and schools who are leading the VBS effort this summer. In some cases, they are former sponsored children.

Others are full-time ministers who grew up in our churches and schools. Your faithful sponsorship support opened the door for these young people to be equipped to change Haiti for Christ. And that is exactly what they are doing.

Before the summer began, we approached our Haitian pastors and principals about hosting a summer Bible school. Normally there are several that are conducted during the summer months. But this summer, it seemed that a greater effort was needed. Most of the Haitian people are feeling overwhelmed by the present instability, even the children.

In July, we asked for your help to fund 5 Bible schools. Your response was immediate and generous. So far, you have funded 14 Bible Schools!

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The first Bible school was held at the mission campus. Children from the Cazeau church and school attended. Junior organized this VBS with the MTH staff, school teachers and Pastor Jimmy from the Cazeau church. You can tell which children do not go to church because they are unfamiliar with the hymns and choruses. For some of these neighborhood children, this Bible school was the first time they heard the Gospel. By the last day, 64 children accepted Christ as their Savior.

A key feature to this summer's Bible schools is providing a full meal each day. Ronald who serves with us directed a Bible school for the children for his church and neighborhood. Ronald and his family live in south Port-au-Prince near a gang stronghold. A large group of children came to his Bible school from a nearby ghetto.

Ronald and the other church leaders were led to offer them breakfast as well. For these ghetto children, the extra food was a special blessing.

One boy who accepted Christ told Ronald that both of his parents are witch-doctors. This boy showed great courage by accepting Christ. He understood the consequences he could face when he told his parents what he has done. Please pray for this boy and the other children whose faith in Christ will be challenged.

While this newsletter is being prepared, Bible schools are either actively taking place or getting ready to start. These Haitian leaders are doing an amazing job.

During this difficult time, Mission To Haiti's vision is being put to the test. We are investing all of our efforts into raising up a generation of young people who are com-



Girls at the campus VBS take a keepsake snapshot



Some of the children who made professions of faith. So far this summer, 247 children have accepted Christ.

mitted to changing Haiti for Christ. One by one, this vision is becoming a reality. When you pray and give to Mission To Haiti, you become a part of this vision too. In Philippians 1:5

Paul thanked the church for their "fellowship in the gospel." We want to thank you too. God is using your prayers and support to do amazing things. As you pray and give, even more can be done.



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