Sharing and Showing the Love of God to the Lost and Hurting

Isaiah 58: 6,7 "Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry, and to take in poor who are cast out, and when you see the naked to clothe him."

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FROM THE ZACHARY & BETOR FAMILIES December 2001

HEY EVERYBODY

Wow! I can't believe we are saving Merry Christmas! This year really flew by. We hope that everyone is doing well and keeping warm. We have started to get a little cool down here maybe it is in the 80's instead of the 90's :) (HA-HA). Sorry, that was mean. Anyway, clinic continues and so does taking in kids. We are staying busy as usual, but that is good. We want to thank you for praying for our family these past few weeks. received several encouraging letter, some from people that we didn't even know. We are still in the midst of this spiritual battle and encourage you to continue praying. The devil would like to see us lose, but we are claiming victory in the name of Jesus. We all need to exercise faith in Our Heavenly Father during these difficult times. God will never leave or forsake His children. We are protected in the palm of His Hand. Continually lean on and trust in Him. He knows everything from the beginning to the end. His Plans are perfect. Please celebrate this Christmas season with that in mind. God sent His Son to earth as a small child with the plan and purpose of salvation for all His children. That first Christmas there were just a few that even knew that Jesus was born in that small stable so long ago. Now, there are few that don't know about the birth, life, love, death, and resurection of Jesus Christ. But it is for those people that don't know about God's wonderful love and plan of salvation that missionaries like us go all over this planet to spread this Good News. Please continue to help us by equipping us with the supplies, prayer covering, finances. encouragement that we need so we can continue to serve, witness to, and love the people of Haiti.

If I have the language perfectly and speak like a native, and have not His love for them,

I AM NOTHING.

If I have diplomas and degrees and know all the up to date methods, and have not His touch of understanding love,

I AM NOTHING.

If I am able to argue successfully against the religions of the people and make fools of them, and have not His wooing note,

I AM NOTHING.

If I have faith and great ideals and magnificent plans, and not His love that sweats and bleeds and weeps and prays and pleads,

I AM NOTHING.

If I give all my clothes and money to them, and have not His love for them,

I AM NOTHING.

If I surrender all prospects, leave home and friends, make the sacrifices of a missionary career, and turn sour and selfish amid the daily annoyances and slights of missionary life, and have not the love that yields it's rights, it's leisure, it's pet plans,

I AM NOTHING.

Virtue has ceased to go out of me. If I can heal all manner of sickness and disease, but wound hearts and hurt feelings for want of His love that is kind.

I AM NOTHING.

If I can write articles or publish books that win applause, but fail to transcribe the Word of the Cross into the language of Love,

I AM NOTHING.

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WELL DRILLING PROJECT

Zach is once again drilling natural and spiritual water. Another American missionary, Bobby Barnett. had the machine, the area, and the funds for a much needed well drilling project Lester. He only needed someone knowledgeable with wells to help him. He about heard Zach and The called him up to help. area seems to be one of hottest the In Haiti and the water is verv scarce. Dad has been runnina gettina parts. around supplies. and the pump. They are working making progress, but could still run into complications. Please pray that all will go planned and that God will be glorified in it all. please continue to **funds** to the come in to ship the well drilling machine that is still in Mississippi. ****

CLINIC NEWS

One Thursday, a guy came in late in the afternoon. The night before a guy threw a rock and hit him right under the nose. He then passed out and fell into a fire. The cut was jagged and difficult to suture. The burns covered his face right hand, arm, and knee. He had left at 4:00am from his house and arrived at our clinic around 2:00pm. He was a mess. Please pray for his recovery. The guy that threw the rock is from a violent family and they have already killed 4 people in the same way. Update: Come to find out, the guy was involved in a Voodoo ceremony for October 31st. Everyone said the devil needed a person to eat (that means a human sacrifice). Another man was possessed and fell in the fire and died. My patient fell in the fire, but got out. Everyone is saying God saved him. We witness to him everyday when we do his dressing changes. He recently told one of our workers that he would give us 10 acres of land that he has by his house, but he knows it is too far away. There are no roads so it would probably take us at least a day to walk back to his house. We don't want anything from him, we just want to share the Love of Christ. Another guy was riding in the back of a tap-tap with his hand outside. A truck came by and ripped off his middle finger to the second knuckle. He is doing fair -- still has open bone exposed and is trying to get over a bad infection.

A young guy cut his foot open with an ax. The laceration needed about 15 stitches. It went from the top of his foot, between his big and 2nd toe, then around to the bottom. It healed well.

We had two children with meningitis. We sent them into the hospital and they are doing fine now.

I've done 5 cyst removals since we've been back. We've had several new TB patients - a couple children. We also had to tell a young lady she was HIV+. She is 5 months pregnant.

Another child (Cashline) that we were trying to send to the states for heart surgery died. One day we saw 256. Actually, I only saw a small amount in all of those. Licia and Mom were really on fire! We still had to turn people away though. A man came in with his 4 month old daughter. The mother and he had gotten in a fight. She took their baby, Lovelie, and left. He had not seen them for 3 weeks when a man came to his door with Lovelie in his arms. He said he had found her in the weeds when he was working in his gardens. She was filthy dirty and dehydrated, but otherwise in pretty good health. She is a beautiful baby and is one of the four up for adoption. If you are interested in adoption, check out the website for God's Littlest Angels in Haiti or write us for more



Clinic Needs

Silvadene Cream for burns

Lortab elixir for Sonson

Blood Pressure Cuffs

Sharpie Markers

Safety Pins

Antibiotic Suspensions for children

Seizure Medication

Ace Bandages and Kerlex

4 x 4's or any other kind of gauze bandages



OUR BIDS

WELL, WE HAVE TAKEN 21 KIDS SINCE OCTOBER 4TH. FOUR FOR ADOPTION. WE ONLY HAVE FIVE AT PRESENT, BUT THAT WILL PROBALY CHANGE WITHIN THE WEEK. HERE'S A FEW TO GIVE YOU IDEA.

LUKE - 5 YRS OLD - 25 POUNDS -LEGS SWOLLEN WITH KWASH, BUT SKIN AND BONES EVERYWHERE ELSE. HIS MOM LEFT HIM AT THE CLINIC BY HIMSELF FOR OVER AN HOUR. WE FOUND HIM OUTSIDE ALL ALONE AND BROUGHT HIM IN AND STARTED FEEDING HIM. THE MOM LATER COME BACK AND WAS OK TO LET HIM COME HOME WITH US FOR AWHILE. HE GAINED 6 POUNDS AND IS BACK AT HOME.

PATRICK - 3 YRS - 20 POUNDS - MOM AND DAD ARE DEAD - AUNT IS CAREGIVER. HE HAD LOTS OF EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS AND HADN'T STARTED TALKING YET. TOWARDS THE END OF HIS STAY WITH US HE WAS LAUGHING AND TALKING.

DAVID - 2 1/2 YRS - 15 1/2 POUNDS - FEET AND LEGS SWOLLEN WITH KWASH. HIS MOM DIED OF TB AND HIS DAD ABANDONDED HIM. THE 17 YEAR OLD SISTER OF THE DAD IS THE CAREGIVER. SHE DOESN'T KNOW HARDLY ANYTHING **ABOUT** TAKING CARE OF KIDS. WHEN WE TOOK DAVID HE COULD HARDLY LIFT HIS HEAD AND I WAS 80 % SURE THAT HE WOULD DIE. LEFT US WITH A 9 POUND WEIGHT GAIN WALKING, PLAYING AND LAUGHING.

JELA - 7 YRS -18 POUNDS -THAT'S RIGHT 18 POUNDS!! THIS

PRECIOUS ONE WAS IN PATHETIC SHAPE WHEN WE GOT HER. SHE COULDN'T STAND AND WAS SWOLLEN WITH KWASH. SHE HAD A BAD COUGH, DAILY FEVERS, VOMITED **ALMOST** EVERYTHING SHE ATE.. WE WERE ABLE TO TAKE HER FOR A MONTH AND GET HER EATING WELL BUT WE THINK SHE HAS TB, SO WE SENT HER ON TO THE HOSPITAL AND HAVEN'T HEARD ANYTHING YET.

GUERLANDA - 3 YEARS OLD AND WAS SWOLLEN WITH KWASH. SHE HAD SEVERE PNEUMONIA AND AN INFECTED ULCER ABOUT THE SIZE OF A GOLF BALL ON HER FOOT. IT IS HEALING WELL, STILL BUT SHE RESPIRATORY INFECTION. SHE IS STARTING TO WALK WITH ASSISTANCE. SHE IS A HOT DOG HOG - SHE WANTS TO EAT THEM 3 TIMES A DAY!

GENICA - 27 MONTH OLD - MOM & DAD ARE BOTH DEAD (DAD IN CAR ACCIDENT & MOM WITH FEVER). SHE WEIGHES A LITTLE UNDER 17 POUNDS. SHE IS STAYING WITH ENOCH AND LICIA. SHE IS WALKING NOW AND EATING WELL, BUT SHE HAS MANY EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS FROM HER MOM'S DEATH AND NEGLECT.

SONSON - 7 MONTHS - EVELSON'S MOM WENT TO THE RIVER TO WASH CLOTHES AND LEFT HER 7 KIDS AT HOME ALONE. THE KIDS ALL HAVE DIFFERENT DADS AND NONE ARE IN THE PICTURE AT PRESENT. ANYWAY, ONE OF THE KIDS TOOK THE BABY'S FOOT AND HELD IT OVER THE FIRE JUST TO SEE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN. HIS

FOOT IS BURNT TO THE BONE ON THREE OF HIS TOES AND 3RD DEGREE ALL OVER THE SIDE AND TOP OF HIS FOOT. THE MOTHER STILL SAYS SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, BUT I GOT THIS INFO FROM SONSON'S OLDER BROTHER WHO WAS THERE AT THE TIME. BY THE WAY, SHE HAS HAD 3 OTHER KIDS DIE FROM NEGLIGENCE. NEEDLESS TO SAY, WE CALLED THE JUDGE TO SCARE HER A LITTLE BIT. HE WAS GOING TO PUT HER IN PRISON, BUT SHE AGREED TO LET ME CARE FOR HIM UNTIL THE BURN IS HEALED. I THINK IT WILL TAKE SEVERAL MONTHS AND MIGHT NEED SKIN GRAFTS.

KEN - 23 MONTHS OLD AND WEIGHS 13 POUNDS. HE IS ALL BONES AND WRINKLY SKIN. HIS DAD BROUGHT HIM AND HIS MOM IS DEAD. HIS DAD JUST DOESN'T KNOW WHAT TO FEED HIM AND DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO TAKE CARE OF HIM. HE IS A VERY PICKY EATER - BUT HE LIKES YOGURT AND BABY FOOD FRUIT. HE IS STARTING TO LAUGH AND PLAY.

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Love cures people both the ones who
give it and the ones
who receive it.

Dr. Karl Menninger