

How can I help?

You can bring health and hope to many here in Haiti by sending a financial gift to help continue the work in rural Haiti.

*You can donate through our website via PayPal,
www.realhopeforhaiti.org, or send a check to
RHFH, 15215 Endeavor Drive, Noblesville, IN 46060.*

Volunteer

We are blessed with many volunteers who give their time, efforts, talents, and strengths here in Haiti and at home. Consider a volunteer trip or helping to pack the container. Maybe you are gifted in typing, sewing, crafting, or something else that could be a benefit to RHFH and those we serve. Please contact volunteer@realhopeforhaiti.org for more info. Jody is the RHFH volunteer coordinator and will be able to help direct you in giving your time and talents to help.

Contact us at info@realhopeforhaiti.org

Partnership Pledge

Please consider giving a faithful monthly donation to support sharing the love and hope of God in Haiti. You can set up a recurring payment with your bank or through your online banking. They can send a check out each month on the date that you assign. No more remembering to write a check. No more searching for envelopes and stamps. It's easy and assures that your donation gets to the mission field on a consistent basis to continue helping those in need.

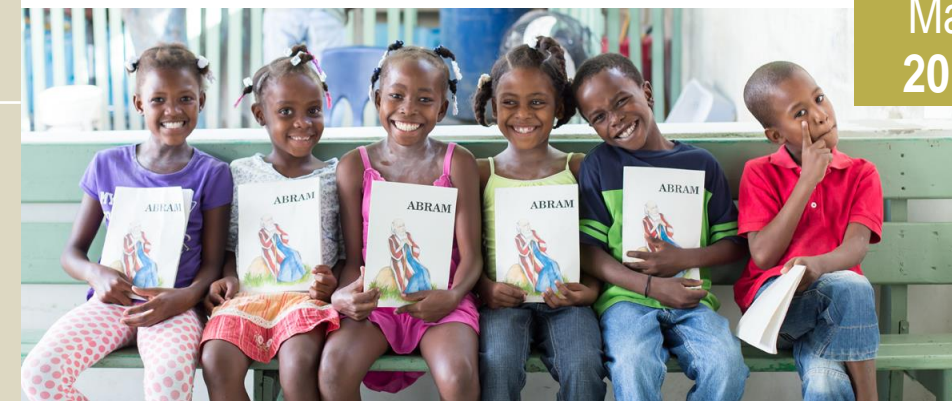


Prayer Requests >>>

~Healing for the patients
~Peace and stability in the government
~Guidance for RHFH leaders
~Open hearts to the Gospel message
~Open doors to share His Word
~Faithful supporters for RHFH
~Protection and security
~Strength and encouragement for the staff

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Thank you for sharing hope in this life and the life to come!

Hello from Haiti

contact info >>>

**Real Hope For Haiti
15251 Endeavor Drive
Noblesville, IN 46060**

If you have changed your address or email lately, please let us know by writing us at the address above or info@realhopeforhaiti.org. We would love to have your email address to make communication fast, affordable, and effective.

www.realhopeforhaiti.org

Isaiah 58:7

Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them, and do not hide from relatives who need your help.



GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

A pastor recently stated,

“If you live gladly to make others glad in God, your life will be hard, your risks will be high, and your joy will be full.”

This quote has been our reality over the years of ministry, as God continues to equip and strengthen us to serve the underserved here in rural Haiti. While the frustrations mount and the heartache stings, there are also moments of joy where our hearts are so full, they overflow. Moments where critically ill patients make an unexpected recovery, families are reunited and strengthened so they might flourish; hearts of stone become hearts of flesh as the liberating power of the Gospel of Christ washes over them.

You will read of such moments and stories in this newsletter. Isn't it amazing how God has used the talents and abilities of the RHFH staff to meet Auguste and Chrismene's needs and shape their futures? Isn't it wonderful how God moves the hearts of individuals and families like you to sustain highly effective programs like Food Boxes and Foster Care? We pray what God has done in the lives of these precious friends will marvel and amaze you, filling your hearts with joy unspeakable, as they have our own. The intent of this newsletter is to thank you for your kindness and faithfulness in supporting the various ministries of Real Hope for Haiti. Your sacrifice is making a meaningful impact and we hope you know you are a part of each patient we treat, malnourished child we care for, and every soul that is reached for Christ.

We love that you pray for us, and we love to pray for you. If you have a particular prayer request, please send it to prayer@realhopeforhaiti.org

Auguste



Auguste came to the clinic as a **13 year old boy** weighing only **39 pounds**. He was severely malnourished and very sick upon admission. His mama had died a few years ago during childbirth. Since that time, Auguste has been passed around among different family members and his health has been in steady decline. He has several other siblings - some living with his papa and the rest living with others near their village. Before coming to the clinic, Auguste was living with his aunt in a one-room house made of brush covered in tin. They do not have access to clean running water in or even near their home, so they must walk over an hour to find any water at all. On the day he was admitted, Auguste had not had anything to eat and the day before that he had only eaten a

small amount of white rice. This had been normal for Auguste for many months. A good day for him was one in which he could have one meal, but some days there simply was no food. Mango and avocado seasons are a blessing for his family as the kids’ bellies can be full, even if there is no food to cook. Auguste does not have any chronic medical conditions. He was simply hungry and needed food and good nutrition for his body to heal. We had to monitor his food intake at the beginning because he would eat everything he could find. He did well on the Medika Mamba program, gaining 24 pounds in 5 weeks. He is now 63 pounds and doing well. He is able to run, play and have fun with the other children in the Rescue Center. He has regained his energy level as well and loves to play tag in the afternoon with the other children. Please pray for his papa, caregivers, and family as a plan is made for his transition back home and his continued care to remain a healthy and happy boy.



Parents Foster Love and Hope

In the US, we often say “it takes a special person to parent a disabled child.” That statement is profoundly true here in Haiti.

Let us introduce you to Riclane, one of our “special” foster parents. Three years ago, as our program was initiated, Riclane was the first to welcome a special needs child into her home. She faced ridicule and opposition from the community for that decision. She shared that as others watched her foster child develop and interact with her family, their attitudes changed. Now there is a waiting list of families willing to foster. Riclane noted some of the joys of fostering as hearing her foster child’s excitement when she recognizes voices of family members and watching her learn to roll to move around the house. She indicated one challenge as managing the feeding of a child with swallowing difficulties. She shared that fostering has benefited her foster daughter by providing a caring family environment for her to grow. Fostering has also provided Riclane extra funds also help to support her family’s needs.

She asks you to pray for her children as they grow. She requests prayer for good possibilities for their lives as Haiti is a hard place to live. When asked what needs she would like to share, Riclane mentioned sheets, pillows, and always diapers.



Empowering Families

Twins Kimberline and Berlin were born a shade over 4 pounds. The nurse constantly educated and encouraged the mother to breastfeed, keep them warm, and practice good hygiene. The mother received nutritional supplements and vitamins to keep her healthy and the father provided support to all three of them. Following these principles allowed the twins to stay at home and not have to be hospitalized. At 4 months old they weigh 12½ and 14½ pounds. Thanks for partnering with us to keep families healthy and strong.



Food Boxes Impact 154 Families

One of poverty’s immediate consequences is hunger. Hunger isn’t just a feeling of discomfort in Haiti. When experienced daily for months on end, it is the reason for malnutrition, health problems, and death. Stopping all hunger in Haiti is an impossible task, but easing the suffering of some local families is what can be done to assist God’s children and show God’s care. Food boxes are given once per month when the patient comes in for their free consultation and medications. Good health care and supplemental food goes a long way for these families and does much good in their lives. Many of the food box recipients are children that have been admitted to the rescue center multiple times, elderly, widows, and disabled. With this program, the staff can monitor weights and general health of the children so they don’t become repeatedly malnourished. Diseases such as TB, cancer, and hypertension have been diagnosed and are being treated for the elderly patients. You could be involved in this blessing with a monthly gift of \$10.00.



Meet Chrismene, a 7 year old enrolled in the monthly food box program. She says that the food her family receives “gives her strength to go and play.” She is one of five living siblings and has had a history of illness. Her brother shared that she received treatment at the clinic and rescue center and would improve, but always became sick again. He said that the education their mom received helped her learn foods needed to grow and she made these changes for the whole family. They like the food box because it helps them have rice available and allows their funds to be spent on other foods needed. The family requests prayer for their crops to grow. They plant corn, beans, and grains to sell, but a shortage of rain this year has been hard on the crops.

Chrismene’s brother expressed appreciation for the clinic and program. He described Chrismene as an interesting kid, loved by all. He stated that they are all glad that she is healthy now!

Cazale’s community group is working diligently to meet their 2016 goals. Members submitted project suggestions and voted on them in January. All of the projects fall under 4 categories: agriculture, economics, education and health. The group meets twice weekly for Sunday meetings and Saturday work days. To date, they have built a keyhole demonstration garden, planted a nursery of mango, citrus, and flamboyant trees and vetiver grass, implemented a sustainable goat program, purchased meat chicks for resale and determined supplies needed for school box distribution for needy students in the fall.



Please join in prayer and support for continued successful implementation of their efforts.



God Is Changing Lives!

In 2015, there were 28,096 people who heard the Gospel message in the clinic. We praise God that 33 people accepted Christ for the first time and 19 people rededicated their lives to God. There were 148 Bibles and 21,743 pieces of Christian literature distributed. Nine Bible and discipleship classes were held for 104 people. There were 219 people that received special prayer (healing, addiction, persecution) and 203 people that had special spiritual counseling.

Grace Health Clinic

With your financial gifts and donated supplies, 33,549 people received medical care in 2015. There were 3044 prenatal consults and 535 healthy babies born. 9805 children under 5 years old were treated. 51% were malnourished. Emergency care was given to 327 people and 158 were sutured. There were 4481 dressing changes and 5546 injections. The most common illnesses were cough/cold (18782), heartburn (11423), worms (7866), diarrhea (2893), fungal infection(2820), hypertension (2413), and anemia (2036).



I want to support RHFH with \$_____ to make a difference in the lives of Haitians.

Name:_____

Address:_____

Send this and a check made out to “RHFH” to:

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