



REAL HOPE FOR HAITI

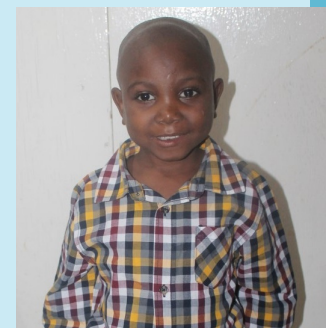
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MISSION: TO DELIVER HOPE FOR THIS LIFE AND THE LIFE TO COME THROUGH COMPASSIONATE MEDICAL CARE, QUALITY HEALTH EDUCATION, INTENSIVE MALNUTRITION INTERVENTIONS, ACTIVE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, AND GOSPEL FOCUSED OUTREACH, ALL IN THE LOVE AND NAME OF JESUS.



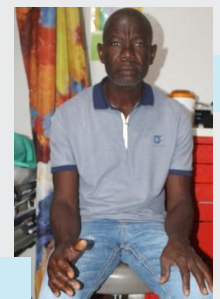
I came to the clinic with my son, who was very sick with a high fever. After lab tests, the nurse gave me medications for my son. They asked me if he could come each day to receive antibiotics that were given through a shot. I knew it would be hard, but I was very worried about my son. Each day we went to the clinic for the medications. By day 3 he was feeling better and did not have a fever. I was so happy. By day 5 he began to eat again. I want to say thank you today for helping my son.

We like turning our clinic waiting room area into a teaching room. Each month, the clinic staff pulls together a 15-20 minute session and we take turns teaching it. We are preparing August's topic: Managing Stress. SO MANY people are interested in this topic right now because of the insecurity, inflation, and hopelessness in Haiti. There are people that are not handling things well and this is coming out in various types of behaviors.



W.A was severely malnourished and was suffering from eye and vision problems due to Vitamin A deficiency. He was so weak and sick that he was unable to stand. He lives in a house of clay and rocks with his parents and 4 siblings. Wilson was given Vitamin A and admitted to the inpatient program where gained 8 pounds and full vision. From his papa: Thank you my friends, thank you for helping my son. I was sure that he was not going to be able to see again, but by the grace of God he can see. This makes me happy and thankful.

I live with my wife in our two-room cinder block home with tile floors and a tin roof. We have been farmers our whole lives. My hand started hurting and became swollen. After about 2 weeks, the nurse opened the abscess up and got the infection out. I returned daily and the nurses put packing in the wound and covered it with a dressing. After about a month, it was healed and I'm so happy. I thank you for the way you took care of me. I know it was a big team of people working together and I appreciate that.



VISION: Physically, relationally, and spiritually healthy people contributing to thriving families and strong communities as God designed and desires.

Joseph has been a farmer all his life, but at 68 years old it is getting too hard for him. Dizziness, heartburn, and hypertension have limited his strength and ability to work. He lives about a 6 hour walk to the clinic with his wife in a two room stick and clay house, covered with a thatch roof. They have no children. We provide a sack of rice and beans to supplement their diet. With food and medications, he is very happy he is feeling better. He says, "I'm happy because my life is starting to change. Thank you for the help. Thank you for seeing me and others in need and judging it necessary to help. Thank you to all those who send donations to help each month. Lives are impacted and being changed."



Dieudonne is a 35 year old man who came with suspected cholera. He lives with 5 people in his family in a home made of wood posts. The wall and roof are made of tin. He makes charcoal for to sell for cooking and is a vegetable farmer. He rapidly became ill with diarrhea, vomiting, and muscle cramps (low potassium). He was in an out of consciousness for several hours. He received medications and 13.5 liters of IV fluids to aid in his quick healing. He appreciated the reception he received in the cholera treatment center because the staff received him and cared for him well. He could feel that he was close to death and credits the grace of God for his recovery. Thank you to all who give to RHFH so our staff has the resources to care for Dieudonne and so many more with the hope and love of Christ.



Carine is a member of the office staff at the Rescue Center and Clinic, helping Lori and Licia with various tasks. She enjoys working with people and is happy when she can make someone smile. Carine believes that her work is important for the community of Cazale and strives to make good decisions. She is a Christian and attends the local Catholic Church, asking for prayers for herself and her family to continue living in God's presence.

