PRAYERS UP!

JULY 2024

Our prayer email is a little different this month. To be sure, we continue to have many patients who need prayer, some who are recovering from surgeries, some who will soon have surgeries. We have patients who need prayer as they recover from tuberculosis, sweet babies who are recovering from severe malnutrition. Haiti continues to need our prayers as well, as a new Prime Minister and a new Chief of Police attempt to combat gang violence and stabilize the country with the help of a coalition of international troops led by Kenya. Hard work is being done, and we are grateful for that.

In addition to those prayers, I'm asking you this month to especially lift us up as we have suffered a shocking loss. Deanna Newman, a missionary serving with Real Hope for Haiti since 2015, passed away unexpectedly in her sleep on July 24, 2024 and is now with Jesus.

In all that we have had to endure in Haiti, this is one of the greatest challenges we have faced. Anna was a selfless servant, a prayer warrior, an incredible teacher, and a faithful friend. It was one of the great honors of our lives to call her a sister in the faith and co-laborer in Christ.



This is a prayer email, and we have asked you to pray for many, many people and situations over the years. I want you to know I genuinely believe God used Anna as an instrument of His Grace to answer many of your prayers for Real Hope for Haiti. Her work at Real Hope Academy was especially meaningful to us, as she cared for, poured into, effectively taught, and truly loved our missionary kids at Real Hope for Haiti. She sheltered and shepherded our children in some chaotic times, covering them in prayer and filling them up with the Word of God. We are forever grateful for everything she invested into our children. We are also thankful for the unconditional love she showed the other missionaries on staff, her contagious joy rooted in Christ, and her unwavering commitment to trust in the Sovereignty of God. Her words and deeds were a massive encouragement to us all, and her example is one that God will use to shape us the remainder of our lives.

There was not an area of Real Hope for Haiti she didn't touch or impact in a significant way. She hugged on the kids in the Rescue Center daily, she prayed for our clinic patients, she mentored some of our Hope Homes kids, she taught Bible classes to many young ladies in Cazale, she wrote monthly devotionals to encourage our Haitian staff, she assisted with pharmacy inventory and in-kind donations, she served on our development committee and actively helped communicate our gratefulness to all our donors that help make this important work a reality.

As you can imagine, we are hurting and grieving right now. This is a devastating loss not only for us as an organization but also for us personally. She was like a family member to us. The void left in the organization and in our hearts is great, and we are asking for your prayers in such a time as this.

- Pray for Anna's sister Darlena, her brother-in-law Paul, as well as Anna's niece Eddy and her nephews Patrick and George.
- Pray for Anna's students at Real Hope Academy, where she has been their primary teacher for the last 9 years. Pray God will provide us with creative solutions to prepare for the new school year that will be starting soon.
- Pray for all of the Real Hope for Haiti missionaries with broken hearts. Please pray Psalm 34:18 is a reality, and that we all sense the nearness of God in the days, weeks, and months to come.
- Pray for our Haitian staff who are very saddened by this news. Anna was a light and a joy buzzing through the clinic and rescue center. She was full of the love of Christ and it was evident in all she did and to all those she encountered.
- Pray for some of the younger people she mentored in Cazale, who are very young and have not lost someone who meant so very much to them before.
- Pray for us organizationally as we regroup and recover and reorganize during this incredibly painful season.
- Pray that in the midst of our sorrow, we would have eyes to see the small mercies God sends our way, to remember the beautiful times and powerful ways Anna impacted our lives. Pray God would strengthen us to grieve, but not as though we don't have hope that extends beyond this life.
- Pray we are filled with faith and that we would trust in the Sovereignty of God.

Thank you for loving us. Thank you for being witness to Anna's amazing life. Thank you for being faithfully standing with us though all the ups and downs of ministry. Please send your requests to prayer@realhopeforhaiti.org. God can do anything. He is able to make all things new!





We are grateful for your prayers and would appreciate the opportunity to lift you up to the Lord during our Wednesday night devotions. Please send your requests to prayer@realhopeforhaiti.org. May Jesus be huge in your life!