Rescue One



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Thank You

Once again, Haiti is in the news. During the week of October 21, tropical storm Sandy dumped torrents of rain onto the island, flooding the streets and coursing into the ravines where the poorest of the poor make their homes. Our hearts go out to these people who are ravaged time and time again by disaster. How do we help this, our hemisphere's poorest country, develop the leadership and the infrastructure to deal with such calamities?

In 2003, Ted and Jan Boers and Kerline Jules, the founders of Rescue One, had the vision that helping Haiti had two major components: educating the children and facilitating the Haitians to help themselves. From this, Rescue One was born.





YOUR GIFTS are making a meaningful difference in Haiti. Because of you, these positive changes are taking place in Haiti:

- ♦ You have helped the Rescue One program grow from 15 to 75 students (only 67% of Haitian students even attend primary school).
- ♦You have assisted the program in growing from one to five Haitian churches who are involved in choosing students and providing them with tuition, school supplies, a school uniform, and one meal a day as well as enfolding them into the life and love of the church.
- ♦You have allowed four young people to graduate from high school, one of whom was the class valedictorian.
- ♦You are giving five Haitian churches the opportunity of providing up to 42% (an increase from the original 10%) of the cost of the program in their church.
- ◆You gave seventy-eight students the opportunity to attend summer camp in the calm, rural setting of the Double Harvest campus.
- ♦You have empowered Haitians on the church committees and on the Haitian board to make decisions that directly affect their country.

Board of directors: Trish Borgdorff, John Nielsen, Suanne Sweetman, Nancy Tuit, Jody Vogelzang, Tom Waalkes, Carol Woltjer



Cooking for a Crowd

Haitian Summer Camp Style

The camp cooks are a crucial part of summer camp. They are the first to be on task when camp sets up at 5PM in order to feed the hungry children before bedtime. The cooks sleep in the kitchen and rise early to start breakfast. Working amongst buzzing, biting mosquitoes, they monitor steaming boilers set atop charcoal fires to provide the students with a balanced diet.

A week before camp begins, the cooks gather to create menus, then shop local markets to buy fruits and vegetables grown in Haiti.

Every day a team of children from one of the churches assists with preparing and distributing food and with washing dishes. It becomes a contest for them to see who can do the best job.

Praise the Lord for the dedication of these Haitian people and for the refreshment that summer camp offers the children.

A LASTING GIFT



This Christmas, give the gift that will change a life. Combine with

- your family,
- your friends,
- your neighbors
- your Bible Study group

to send a gift to Rescue One.

Your dollars go a long way in Haiti. Your gift to Rescue One may be the only chance that an impoverished Haitian child has to receive an education.

Please pray with us:

- •Thank God for our director in Haiti, Kerline Jules. Pray that God will continue to bless her with strength and with love for the children.
- •Pray for the 75 Rescue One students. Pray for their health and well-being and for the ability to learn.
- •Pray for wisdom for the members of the social committees of the 5 Haitian churches that run the Rescue One program.

The Rescue One Board Welcomes:

Dr. Jody Vogelzang to the US board. She brings a wealth of not-for-profit board experience, including state and national professional associations, school board, church council, and a large Christian adoption agency, to Rescue One. She has a heart for children and education and looks forward to supporting the work of Rescue One in Haiti. Vogelzang is a professor at Grand Valley State University and a registered dietitian.

The Rescue One Board **thanks you** for your compassionate and generous support. Rescue One is a small light bringing God's grace into the lives of 75 Haitian children. Your check can be made out to the Rescue One Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) corporation. Donations can be sent to PO Box 8174, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49518. All contributions except for printing and mailing costs go directly to Haiti.