

# Micah Foundation Haiti/ Summer Camp of 2015

## Rescue One Program



*"Because I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger, and you welcomed me. <sup>36</sup>I was naked, and you clothed me. I was sick, and you took care of me. I was in prison, and you visited me." Matt. 25:35-36*

**Rescue One Summer Camp is a great time for fun, camp activities and a safe place to be!!!**

*There is a time for going to school, for studying very hard, doing homework and taking exams.  
Summer camp is a time to relax, have fun, study God's Word and see friends.  
Summer camp, the favorite of the children, is one of the best parts of the year.*

On Sunday afternoon, one day before the big day, a group of leaders went to the camp site to fix electricity, buy water and propane, and make sure that the rooms and toilets are clean to receive the kids.

On July 28 the children and staff left Port-au-Prince and traveled up into the mountains toward Kenskoff. Most of the children took this road for the first time - up the mountains, past green areas, riding in comfortable temperatures into a clean and nontoxic environment. And it is always good to be able to leave their own neighborhood for a short time and go somewhere else to study the word of God, eat well, and have fellowship and fun with friends.

We had planned to be at the camp site at 10 am in the morning of July 28. Each coordinator had the responsibility to transport the kids to the site. On the first day, around 10 am, the children from Bolosse and the Community Rescue One programs were the first to arrive; they were so happy to see each other. (Hug kisses, and laughing, great joy!!!). It was amazing how they were so happy to see each other.

## Bible Study and Spiritual Growth

**Rescue One Summer Camp** is an opportunity for the children to read the Bible and deepen their knowledge of God's word. The leaders teach about the great biblical figures and Christian values that will be useful to the children and to the entire community.

For the youngsters there is a time of personal devotion with the Lord, a time to worship and pray together for each other, for the leaders and the donors.

Pastor Azer Pierre was our guest for Bible study this year. God used him to do an incredible job. We are so thankful for him. This year we studied Joseph's life.

Early in the morning, as the sun rises in the sky in each room, the leaders and kids wake up and start the day with Bible study and prayer.



Bible study workshops with the campers.





The young people study God's Word together.



On Thursday the young people walked and climbed the mountains of Furcy. It is a few kilometers from the camp, and when we arrived there we had our first Bible study session of the day under the trees. It was a wonderful way to begin the day as we contemplated the glory of God through the beauty of nature.



**Please pray for our Rescue One young adults.**



After the sessions of Bible studies and worship time with the young people, we felt the Holy Spirit at work. Some of these young people struggle with problems and wanted help, but they didn't feel they wanted to share in public. The pastor asked them to write anonymously their feeling and their prayer requests so we can pray for them. We were surprised to see how much some of our youths are suffering. Some wrote about their problems with pride, difficulty with forgiving others, jealousy, anger, lack of faith and hatred. Others wrote of their difficulty dealing with sexuality issues and sexual behavior. They are aware of their weaknesses, know the importance of confessing and desire to change their behavior and live a Christian life. They want to change direction, but it is very difficult for them. We tried to work with a few of them individually and advise all of them during the summer camp session but this is far from enough. The promiscuous environment in which they live has a very bad influence on them, and many of them are struggling to put into practice what we teach them through the Bible study session. These kids really need our prayers. Meanwhile, we study the strategies to put in place to continue to help them. During the camp days, these young people felt relief and we talked often. They know we are praying for them. We spent good moments in prayer and worship which brings them closer to the Lord and closer to us and each other. It was visible to see the manifestation of the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. The young people are not ready to forget this extraordinary moment. Please do not forget to pray for them.





Afternoon Fun



Summer camp is an opportunity for students to smile and forget about the worries at home. In the afternoon they play with friends from many different areas and other partner programs. They love to play with leaders too.

Daniella, the coordinator of the Community Rescue One program, wrote: *“Edgard, a former Rescue One program child, was privileged to offer his service to summer camp this year. He did an amazing job. He has a good sense of responsibility and dedicated himself totally. He was obedient and was willing to help in all areas: we found him in the kitchen, in the dining room making juice and distributing food to the children, in the dorms to watch over the smaller boys, helping with cleaning, managing the generator. We thank the Lord for what he has done in the life of this young man. We are so proud of him and his dedication as he shares what he has been received a few years ago.”*

Edgard, the captain, gives some instructions before the game starts; it will be a contest between boys and girls. The teams are in place.





The children made great arts and crafts with the help of three of our mentors.



**The children enjoy eating healthy food three times each day.**

This food is prepared with so much love by our cooks. The cooks are the first to wake up at about 4 A.M. They are often also the last to go to bed. They prepare 3 meals each day for the five days of summer camps for the 80 Rescue One children and the staff. Without them a summer camp is completely impossible. We greatly appreciate their work.





**We always bring our First Aid Kit in order to respond in case of emergency.**

Please meet Mrs. Daniella. The children call her Mommy. Others describe her as a good counselor and mentor. She never misses an opportunity to provide good advice to the children of Rescue One whether in group sessions or on a one to one basis. The young people trust her and share their personal thoughts with her. Kerline Jules, our Rescue One director, states, “She is a good collaborator. She encourages me, and I cannot imagine a summer camp without her.” Mrs. Daniella is the nurse in these pictures.

In these pictures Mrs. Daniella is taking care of one of the youth who hurt his foot as he played football. She also provided care for one of our cooks who cut her fingers as she prepared food for the kids.



Sam and Mrs. Daniella help the kids wash their hands before eating.



## Two super stars of the summer camp of 2015.

These two little ones have a brilliant future. We love them and pray for God's protection over their lives.

The summer camp of 2015 ended in joy with a cultural and spiritual event.

### Rebecca

Rebecca was a highlight of the summer camp of this year. She is new in the Rescue One program and was recruited last year. She loves to pose for the camera. It was her first summer camp. Rebecca is 7 years old. She likes to dance and behave like a model. Everybody loves her. The last days she and other girls participated in a show. She was the star. It was both funny and amazing. The other children and the leaders could not stop clapping and laughing. Moreover, she is a little girl full of love and affection. She always wants to hug with her little arms.



### Christian

This little boy of 7 years old is full of enthusiasm and was able to make himself appreciated by everybody. He is strong enough to relate with the older kids; in fact, he is much more energetic than them. Christian wanted to take part in almost everything despite his small size and age.



We want to thank each of you who make this summer camp possible. Thanks to the Andreas Family who through their family foundation financially supports the summer camp. Thank you also to each cook, each parent, each church leader, each driver, electrician, logistician, each church member and to each leader who worked so hard. We really appreciate your devotion to help these kids. May God bless all of you.

Kerline T. Jules  
Director of Rescue One in Haiti

Bye!!! See you next year!!!!

