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You Made it Possible!

Aren't these children beautiful? Because of your generosity, ten additional students, including these three, are now enrolled in school,.

With deep gratitude and great joy, the Rescue One Foundation thanks you, our donors. Your support, above your regular donations in the month of August, enabled us to open a new program in Port-au-Prince. This new partnership with Calvary Chapel is a wonderful fit for our program. The church already maintained a strong outreach program to the poor in their neighborhood and has a cafeteria and a school on the church property. The church is eager to enfold the newly enrolled children into their ministry and activities.

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"It is through this program that I go to school, eat, and benefit from health care when I am sick. Every vacation we go to a camp where we meet other children from other churches; this is the best part of the program." -LCB

Calvary Chapel

Calvary Chapel is the most recent Haitian church to partner with Rescue One. It joins four other churches that administer programs in the Portau-Prince area.

After twenty years of raising a family and prospering in the business world in the US, the pastor of the church and his wife felt called to serve the Haitian people. They chose to put their time and money into ministry and in 2007 they started Calvary Chapel in Port-au-Prince.

The mission of Calvary Chapel is to bring lasting change to the lives of people through the transforming power of the Word of God. The intent is to make disciples who will be used by the Spirit to better the lives of their fellow man. Before contracting with Rescue One, the church already ran six ministries that serve the community.

Many families in the neighborhood come to the church for help because they are unable to meet the needs of their children. Through the Rescue One program, church leaders aim to rescue a few children from poverty and give them better lives to the glory of God and for the well-being of society.

The Calvary program is benefiting the RO students in these ways:

- Access to an education in the Christian Academy School of Calvary Chapel
- The opportunity to have breakfast before school and a large meal after school
- Enfolding into the Children's Ministry of the church
- Monthly consultation by a pediatrician and additional medical care as needed





These newly enrolled Rescue One students are eager to learn.

Did you know that the average family in Haiti lives on less than many of us pay for a cup of coffee, \$2.00 a day?

Board of Directors: Gary Nederveld, Dan Rinzema Nancy Tuit, Jody Vogelzang, Carol Woltjer Director in Haiti: Kerline Jules

Summer Camp The Safe, Fun Place to be

For many of the children, this was their first journey up the twisting road into the mountain where they experienced clean, cool air and green spaces. In the words of our director in Haiti:

Summer Camp is an opportunity for the children to read the Bible and deepen their knowledge of God's word. An opportunity for the leaders to teach about the great Biblical figures and to teach Christian values that will be useful to themselves and to the entire community. It is for the youngsters a time of personal devotion with the Lord, a time to worship and pray together for each other. This year we studied Joseph's life.

As the children arrive at camp, they greet each other with joy and laughter, hugs and kisses. They are eager to study and play together.

Edgard, an RO graduate, offered his services to the camp this year. With his amazing sense of responsibility, he dedicated himself totally and was found in all areas of camp from the kitchen to the dorms, serving food, cleaning up and organizing games.

Thank you, Andreas Family Foundation, for once again providing a grant to make Summer Camp possible.

Visit our newly updated website!

See complete camp reports and newsletters, see additional pictures and information, and donate by Paypal if you prefer.

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It is afternoon. It's time to play games!!!

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Students sleep on mats on the floor. Early in the morning, as the sun rises, they start the day with worship and prayer.



Meet Jessie

Jessie lives in Port-au-Prince not far from the Calvary Church. Her father has 9 children, 7 of them with Jessie's mother. Of these children, only 3 of them are fortunate enough to go to school. Jessie was recently enrolled when Rescue One began the partnership with Calvary Chapel.

Jessie lives in a single room home with her mother, father and siblings all of whom sleep on the floor. The parents do not have jobs and depend on the mercy of others for the necessities of life. Finding food is the most important goal of their lives and every day the



parents wander the streets seeking provisions for the family. They have no time or energy to remember and celebrate occasions such as Jessie's birthday. No one has ever wished her a happy birthday.

The RO program is a blessing to Jessie and her family. She is now able to see a doctor when she is sick and she eats twice a day. She enjoys coming to church where she participates in Bible study and other activities and has fun with the other children.

Prayer corner

• Pray for academic success for Jessie and the other students recently enrolled by Calvary Chapel.



- Pray for the committees of all five churches. Pray that they will continue with the enthusiasm needed to shepherd these young lives.
- Pray for the country of Haiti which is presently in the midst of election turmoil with stages of elections and run-offs that can lead to frustration and violence.

Why give to Rescue One?

- For 2015, all donations will go directly to Haiti. A donor has promised to pay all US expenses.
- All US staff are volunteers. They serve without pay and pay their own expenses.
- Your gifts give hope and a future to 80 Haitian children who would otherwise not have food, an education or medical care.
- The program is run by Haitians, in Haiti, who understand the needs there and can best see workable solutions.
- Haitian churches contribute from 10-40% of the cost of the program.

Three ways to give:

Help us keep these children in school. Please uphold the program in your prayers and bless the children with your gifts.

- Send your check to PO Box 8174, Grand Rapids, MI 49518.
- Use the handy Paypal button on our newly updated website.
- Do your shopping on Amazon Smile and designate Rescue One as your charity. Amazon will send us .5% of your purchase.



The Rescue One Board **thanks you** for your compassionate and generous support. Rescue One, a 501(c)(3) corporation, is a small light bringing God's grace into the lives of 80 Haitian children. All contributions for 2015 go directly to Haiti.