



Rescue One

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On the Ground in Haiti

Dear members of the Rescue One family,
What a blessing you are! In January, two board members were privileged to spend time in Haiti with our partners there. Over and over again we heard this message from the children: "Without you I would not be here." Over and over again they tell of parents who have died, who lost their job, are sick or who have neglected them.

The program is so much more than food and education. It is nurture for the souls of these children and has become family to them. They look to the staff of the program for advice and even call one of the coordinators "mommy/daddy." You are an integral portion of that family. The children tell us that they pray for you even though they have never met you.

By God's grace, your generosity makes this close knit family possible. What a blessing to be part of the family of God!



Kerline Jules (left), director in Haiti, and the committee members of the Calvary Church. Haitians like these are your feet on the ground.



"Thank you for always being there for us."

Objectives accomplished on this trip:

- Met with the committees of four of the five churches and with the Fondation Michee board (Rescue One is incorporated as Fondation Michee in Haiti) to discuss issues and policies.
- Met with the youth who are part of the Youth Empowerment Program (education for students who finish the Rescue One program.)
- Visited the feeding site of the Bolosse Church.
- Received feedback on the *pilot breakfast program.
- Observed Sister Daniella educating parents on proper nutrition and hydration.

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The YEP students are a charming, grateful group who are maturing physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually. They tell us what a major role Summer Camp and the *Youth Retreat play in their growth. Many have accepted Jesus in Summer Camp and look forward to the mentoring they receive there.



These parents and many others like them listen attentively as Sister Daniella teaches them parenting skills. They say that, as parents, they should be providing the food, education and nurturing that she does but they are without the resources so they are very grateful for the program.



Prayer Requests

For the YEP students:

- *that they do well on their exams*
- *that they find jobs as they graduate*
- *that they continue to experience the grace of God in their lives*

“Let's keep praying that God provide ways to make our dreams come true.”
from Wilson Celestin, president of the FM board in Haiti



It is now easier than ever to support Rescue One. You can visit the PayPal site or you can use the convenient button on our Rescue One website.



**We extend our gratitude to the Andreas Family Foundation for their generosity in providing grant money for a two day spiritual retreat for the YEP youth and to fund a pilot breakfast program. The coordinator tells us that after three days there was already one positive result of the breakfast program—the children came to school on time.*

The Rescue One Board **thinks you** for your compassionate and generous support. Rescue One is a small light bringing God's grace into the lives of 85 Haitian children. To donate, use the handy PayPal button on our website or make out a check 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.