



# Rescue One

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Dear Donors,

We are pleased to present you with this report from Paul. Paul was one of the earliest graduates of the \*RO K-13 program. We were able to assist him in attending technical school. Since then he has graduated and taken a job.

Paul is using his earnings to improve his skills in English and to take some computer and website courses to prepare himself for a better job. At this time, he is using his newly acquired skills to give back to the RO program by helping with the website in Haiti.

**Your prayers and your donations make success stories like Paul's possible for Haitian young people in the Rescue One program.**



Paul's  
Story

"I remember when I was in 12 grade, a group of friends talked about our future after we finished with school. They all talked about where they are going, at which university; but I could not say anything because \*Fondation Michée (the name for Rescue One in Haiti) said they could not support us beyond high school. So I did not know what should be my next step. But in His unfailing love God had plans for me, and I was not aware of that. After completing high school, God continued to care for me. Thus, I integrated Haiti Tec for a two-year study in Telecommunication. During my studies, the Foundation supported me greatly by providing tuition, transportation allowance, food, supplies, etc.

However, I had difficult times with some classes that required more practice. Sometimes when I am hungry and during unrest in my community I could not focus on my education. However, God in His love protected me, assisted me, gave me courage and intelligence that led me to a grade of 8/10 each semester. I made it successfully in all my classes. Now the goal is to find a job in my newly acquired skills. But this requires additional trainings in English, Spanish, driving school. To do so, I plan to start this month with additional trainings in order to be qualified for a job to meet my needs, those of my family and especially continue the great and beautiful work that the Foundation performs in the Haitian community. **Finally, I want to thank all those who have contributed to the training both academically and spiritually of the children, especially me. May God in His infinite love continue to bless you for this great work.**"

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## Food Insecurity in Haiti

Food security, defined by the World Health Organization (2012), exists “when all people at all times have access to sufficient, safe, nutritious food to maintain a healthy and active life.” This definition is based on three pillars—food availability, food access and food use. In 2015, lack of food security in Haiti was one of the highest in the world and affected all ages. Poverty, which goes hand in hand with food insecurity, is rampant in the nation. Lack of healthy food results in malnutrition which results in low functioning in all areas of ones life, including school performance.

For this reason, the \*Rescue One program has always included one meal a day for each of the children. In 2015 the RO board began discussing the implementation of a breakfast program which is now in place where it is feasible, in 2 of the 5 programs. We are confident that this will have an impact on the students’ abilities to learn.

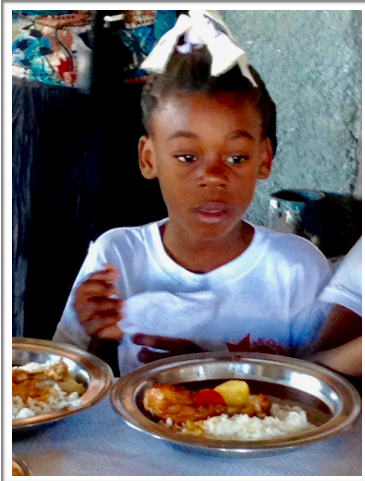
**Your gifts contribute to the nutritional needs of these young people. Thank you. You are making a difference.**



At Summer Camp, one young man, when asked by the director how he could have such a voracious appetite, had this to say:

*Madame Kerline, we don't find it at home. When we come to summer camp we take the occasion to eat a lot because when we are back we will not find this.*

This young man now comes back every year to help at summer camp!



### Prayer Corner

Start by praising God with us. Each RO student who took official exams this spring passed!

Next, please read over our newsletter and pray for each item mentioned. The needs are so great in Haiti.



### August/September Calendar in Haiti

August and September are busy months for RO in Haiti. Here is a peek into what is going on:

**August 16-21: Summer Camp**  
The children look forward all year to this time of renewing friendships, receiving spiritual mentoring and playing games.

**August 26: Annual Meeting**  
The \*FM board members and the church leaders gather together for a time of planning, refreshment, learning and praise.

**September 3: School begins.**

*\*Confused? So are we sometimes! The short answer is that, because of registration regulations in the USA and in Haiti, the program became Fondation Michee in Haiti and Rescue One in the USA. It is one and the same program.*

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 85 Haitian children. You may donate by PayPal on our website or 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.