

MINISTRY NEWS



FROM THE FOUNDER

We are so thankful for your prayers and excited to share about God's provision on our last visit to Haiti.

As you may know, the President of Haiti was assassinated just before our trip in July. Wiley Kennedy and I traveled, believing this was a critical



trip for our ministry and trusting God with our safety. We found the country unusually calm. It seems that with the president no longer in place, the gangs have backed off and the police have stepped forward. These are all good signs that, moving forward, travel will be easier and ministry can continue as planned.

We were also able to receive the container of food from Children's Hunger Fund, which would not have been possible if the gangs controlled the port. Praise God for His provision.

Wiley and I had a very fruitful time meeting with the pastors and reassuring them that God is providing, and always will provide, what we need to encourage and build the church. Naturally, they are very concerned about food and water shortages. We reassured them that this is an amazing opportunity to share Jesus, as we are able to provide resources to their communities. Pastor Poyis and his incredible staff continue to do a great job doing ministry. The kids and the Children's Homes staff are all doing well.

Please continue to pray for wisdom as we minister to the community with the resources God has provided. We are thankful for the calm and pray for fruitful ministry for our upcoming teams from the US.

We are praising God for His protection over our ministry compound, Children's Homes and staff during last week's 7.2 magnitude earthquake. I spoke with Pastor Poyis shortly after, and while we are grateful they are well, we are devastated for other parts of the island. Please continue to pray that we can use these opportunities to minister to the people of Haiti and see more come to know Jesus as their Savior.

As the ministry compound now awaits the next cycle of tropical storms, we ask that you pray the property will not suffer any damage from flooding.

Thank you again for your faithful prayers.

In His Grip, Greg Barshaw

WATCHING THE CHILDREN GROW

We are always thrilled by how much the children enjoy serving! With so much ministry happening at the compound, just down the street from the Children's Homes, the children are invited into many serving opportunities. Whether it's putting together food packs or heavy-lifting, they're always up for a chance to help, and with smiles on their faces, too!

School will begin again the first week of September. With children from the surrounding communities joining the prestigious school, there will be over 250 children enrolled.



We are praising God that we now have a total of 121 children residing at the Regency and Mercy Children's Homes. Of those children, **only twenty-four of them remain unsponsored**. We would love to see all of our children sponsored and even have sponsors ready for the next 60–80 children we have capacity to rescue and bring to our Homes.

Sponsor a Child

PRAY FOR HAITI

The people of Haiti continue to face many challenges, politically and economically. Here are some ways you can pray.

- Pray for our pastors in the Mercy Network, as they minister to their communities.
- Pray for Pastor Poyis and his staff team, as they press on to share the gospel with their own local community, while also serving the pastors in the Mercy Network.
- Pray for the Connect 2 Ministries staff, as we seek opportunities to encourage and support our Haitian brothers and sisters.



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