

# MINISTRY NEWS



## FROM THE FOUNDER

The current conditions in Haiti have been a real struggle for the Haitian people, who already live a very challenging life. After the 2010 earthquake, Haiti was offered a loan by the Venezuelan government of 2 billion dollars to rebuild their infrastructure. It was to be paid back over time by the Haitian government. The leadership of Haiti did not use the money for infrastructure, nor did they make any of the necessary payments to Venezuela.

The government took the money and enriched themselves. Venezuela has now called for the loaned money back. The people know that the government stole the money. Now the government says that the money is gone, and they want to raise taxes and the prices of goods in order to pay back the loan.

This has been traumatic for the country, as the Haitians people can hardly afford to survive as things are, let alone sustain the rise of the cost of living. The power of the



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Haitian Gourde has gone from 60 to 1 USD to now 80 to 1 USD. How can the country survive a 30% increase in the cost of living? The only option the people see is to protest. These protests, which have been happening off and on since September, involve creating road blocks by burning tires and throwing rocks to demonstrate their anger. They reached a climax in February. After intense rioting in February, the people have finally run out of resources and calm has been restored. Yet, with the restoration has come the reality of life with less resources. The government knew the people wouldn't be able to force them out of power. It is sad to see a government whose greed is so strong that they will watch their own people suffer in order to satisfy themselves.

Here at Connect 2, we find ourselves in a very interesting place for ministry. The suffering of people creates opportunities to touch more lives with resources, and in the process, the hope of Jesus. We find ourselves with resources stretched thin in order to meet the needs of our churches and community. Pray for us as we continue to meet needs and strive to build the Kingdom, while sharing the reality of Jesus in the middle of great suffering.



To that end, we are excited to launch a new egg business in 2019, and we need your prayers and support. One of the goals of C2M is to provide the children in our homes with an opportunity for a better future by training them in our Vocational Training Center. The egg business will include a mentorship program in which Haitian church members will be hired to train children to manage the business of caring for the chickens and selling the eggs. We plan to build six hutches to split between the boys' and girls' dorms, and we anticipate that we could generate \$300-\$400 each week through the egg business alone.

To launch this business, we will need to purchase 500 chickens, chicken feed, and building supplies, which will cost around \$5,000. Your gift today will impact Haiti for years to come. As our children raise and care for the chickens, they will also learn how to run a business that will provide them with an income stream when they have aged out of the Children's Homes.

Our prayer is that the children will also learn to be stewards of the skills and business opportunity that God has given them, so that they will in turn bless their churches and communities. Will you join us in this endeavor?

In His Grip,  
Greg

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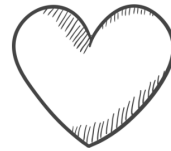
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## APRIL PRAYER REQUESTS



That our children will develop deep, personal relationships with Jesus. Pray that they will love Him above all.

That our Haitian pastors would grow in their knowledge of the gospel and in shepherding their flocks.



Wisdom for our team as we seek to serve and support our Children's Homes and ministries.

Salvation for the people of Haiti. Pray that God would use His church to save the lost.



*"Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His presence continually!"*  
—1 Chronicles 16:11

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