

MINISTRY NEWS



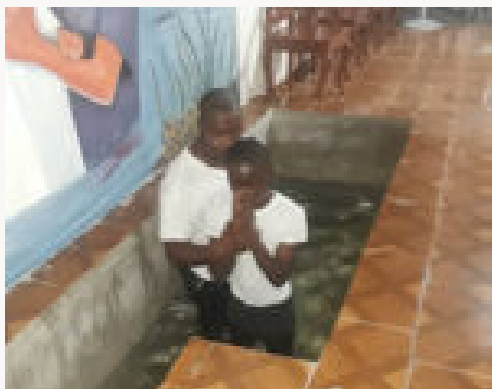
FROM THE FOUNDER

We pray you are finding joy in the work of Christ as a new year has come upon us. Praise God for all He has done!

I want to introduce you to Jhonny. He was sold into slavery when his parents died, but he was rescued and brought to us at age 11. It has been a joy to watch Jhonny recover from his abuse and to love learning in school and being a part of his new family at the children's home. Recently, Jhonny confessed his need for Jesus in his life. For Jhonny to get to this point he has had to not only realize his own personal sin, but also be able to forgive his abuser. Last month, Jhonny wanted to proclaim his faith publicly and be baptized. We are so thankful for Jhonny. Our prayer is that he will be the first of many who have been saved from slavery and realize their greatest bondage is the power of sin. Thank you Jesus for your work in Jhonny's life and the many who will follow.



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Jhonny's baptism at church, by Pastor Poyis



Jhonny's class celebrates him committing his life to Christ

We are within days of finishing our new children's home. As the Lord would have it, we have received 21 new children for the new home just after Christmas (keep reading below to learn more about these children). Because we are not finished yet, the children are sleeping on the floor on carpets. We look forward to providing them with their own beds shortly.

We are excited for our faithful friends who have fully funded the Egg Business, which we'll launch with the children this year. Prayerfully, we'll also begin construction of our secondary school.

We're thrilled to announce that Wiley Kennedy has joined our staff team as Director of International Ministries. Wiley has been involved in pastoral ministry for nine years, where he has focused on teaching and discipleship through the local church. Previous to this he worked in the corporate world for over twenty years, while serving as a lay elder. His introduction to Connect 2 Ministries began over six years ago while taking teams to Haiti. It was at this time he met Greg and Poyis and has closely followed the ministry ever since. His passion is to see the work of the gospel through local churches, both in Haiti and in the United States. Wiley has been married to his partner in ministry and his best friend, Lia, for thirty years, and is the father of three children, and has one granddaughter.



Wiley will be our In-country Director with responsibilities to all of our U.S. teams and our in-country ministries. Thank you, Wiley, for helping us carry on the critical parts of our ministry!

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Pray for Our New Children

We've welcomed twenty-one new children to the Regency Children's Home!

Just two days after Christmas, we were presented with the opportunity to take in twenty-one new children, as the Haitian government decided to shut down another orphanage. Although not all of these children are restaveks, they had no known parents. They had been brought in off the streets or taken in from hospitals. How could we turn away the opportunity to show the love of Jesus Christ to these children?

We still plan to welcome another 80 children in the coming months, too! We'll have a full house in both dormitories, and we can't wait to see all that God has in store for the lives of these precious children.

It costs just \$40 each month to cover the expenses needed for a child living in the Regency Children's Home. A sponsor's faithful monthly gifts provide their sponsored child with a loving home, basic care necessities such as food and clothing, and, most importantly, an opportunity to know and be healed by the freeing love of Jesus Christ. We now need sponsors for 53 children.

Check Out Our New Blog!

We're so excited to announce that we have launched a blog! Our prayer is that this blog will be another source of encouragement for our community of supporters. We will be sharing a variety of ministry related posts, such as: stories, devotionals, prayer requests and ministry updates to the blog weekly.

Be sure to check it out, comment, share, and subscribe so you don't miss anything!

Happy New Year from all of us at Connect 2!

In His Grip,

Greg

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JANUARY PRAYER REQUESTS



That God would fill the efforts of the Lighthouse Church team currently serving our children in Haiti.

For God's hand over the Crossroads Community Church team serving with us in Haiti later this month.



Smooth transitions for the twenty-one new children who came to our Homes late in December.

Economic and political relief for the country of Haiti. Pray for God's intervention.



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

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