



Global Christian Mission Outreach

The Haiti Christian Congregations of Delmas 75, Carrefour, Fonfrede, Cambry, Saut-D'eau, Jeremie & Tom Gato
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Wearing one's Sunday's best clothing can bring unwanted attention to members of our congregations.

When Your Faith Makes You A Target

In Haiti, it is customary to wear ones "Sunday's best" when attending worship service. Even though most Haitians are extremely poor, they take great pride in their appearance for church services. Three piece suits, dress shirts and ties, and carefully crafted, beautiful dresses and brightly polished shoes are the rule. They may only have one set of Sunday clothes, but be assured... they are the

best they can afford.

and lawlessness, wearing your finest can make you stand out from the crowd, and give the appearance of affluence and possible wealth. All are factors for attracting the attention of the criminals now freely roaming the city streets. Nowhere is the danger of assault, robbery and even murder more prevalent than in the streets of Carrefour. The danger of appearing well dressed in public is not keeping the congregation at Carrefour or any other GCMO congregation at home.

As Yvon Selin said, "The Church of Carrefour continues to carry out the mandate in the midst of seemingly chaos and social unrest. In the vicinity of Carrefour gangs are fighting each other in order to claim more territories. Thousands of people were forcibly displaced and their houses ransacked. Many are now living in the open air in a soccer stadium in the vicinity of Carrefour." Yet they persevere!

Would we have similar faith? Would we dare to put on our "Sunday best" and walk crime ridden streets to worship with our brothers and sisters in Christ?

I'd ask everyone reading this newsletter to take time to say a prayer asking our Good Lord to insure the safety of our Haitian congregations and their pastors.

Update On Yvon Selin

Praise God for His immaculate timing, Yvon was fortunate to come to Boston just prior to the assassination of the Haiti President, Jovenel Moise. As soon as the

information was released about the assassination, the entire country's airports were shut down. However, things are beginning to normalize as Yvon said in a recent email: Dear Brother Jack, Special greetings:

I hope all is well for you and Chris and that you are in very good health. We are here to see our grand-daughter, Fahani who were born 2 months ago and to take a little rest from the very insane political environment. But the assassination of the president somehow eclipsed everything, and we are still in a state of shock. We felt that we are deeply hurt from the top to the bottom of our soul. The situation is still very complicated in Haiti to say the least. Public services have now been reopened. The overall situation is slowly returning closer to normal. The people are searching for answers and they are asking why? They are deeply saddened and profoundly hurt by this assassination.

Furthermore, even though Covid 19 is firmly established and well present, all goes on as usual in Haiti. People are still crowded into the tap-taps like sardines. Our congregations also are filled with people. In times like these, people are looking for answers to their dilemmas.

A revival was interrupted by the detestable news of the assassination and had to be concluded the following Sunday at Delmas #75. We praise God we can use the balcony to socially distance people, and they are required to wear a mask.

At Christville the situation is the same and Brother Kelly said there is no sign of Covid. I have not talked to Charles, but I talked to Brother Kelly, there is some kind of degradation of the socio-economic situation: There are a displacement of a massive number of people from Fontamara and Martissant because of gang violence in the vicinity of Carrefour. Many are living in the open in the streets.

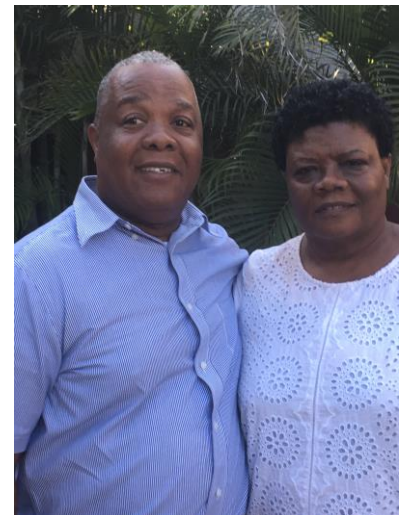
It is very ugly what is going on in Haiti. It is even uglier than we can describe in mere words. I am not recommending assistance for the time being for our churches because I don't want to put at risk the lives of our preachers. But you can continue to send school lunch money, we can't intervene at this time until PAP is secure and stable, then we can intervene and help at a greater level.

Brother Yvon

Dear Co-Workers in Christ:

Special greetings in Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord who has set us apart to fulfill His Great Commission in our generation

Thank you for partnering with GCMO even in this time of crisis and political uncertainty. Your support means so much to us as you are the real force keeping the Gospel engine going. Claudie and I are so grateful and appreciative of your lasting friendship and your ongoing financial support during all these long years.



Yvon & Claudie Selin

Here in Port-Au-Prince, as the bloodshed continues, the crisis has taken a turn for the worse. President Jovenel Moïse has been assassinated and the First Lady severely wounded.



The late President of Haiti, Jovenel Moïse

Early in the morning on July 7, the nation woke up to a nightmare in daylight, the unimaginable happened. Mercenaries mostly from Bogota, Colombia entered his private residence and killed the president. This tragedy was unheard of by our generation for over more

than a century; we thought that we had definitively divorced this kind of gruesome way of dealing with our political opponents for more than a century. And all of a sudden, "The dog turning to his own vomit again, and the sow that had washed to wallowing in the mire" (2 Peter 2: 22 ASV)

Meanwhile the nation is still in shock trying to make sense of it all. They are asking questions that still remain unanswered: Who killed the president? And why did they do it?

The answer to these questions goes beyond what the simple can perceive, beyond what you probably saw on the media. More often than ever before, those reporters sold their microphone to the best offer for their self-interest in their habitual attempt to obscure and hide the truth. They kept repeating the same lie again and again. As the vicious dictator Adolf Hitler said to his propagandists, "*One lie repeated one thousand times becomes a truth.*" But, the fact is... you might repeat one lie one thousand times and one thousand times... it still remains a lie.

The truth instead is deeply rooted in the gulf separating those who have from those who have not. The commonwealth of Haiti is tightly held under the grip of corrupt oligarchs which refused to the least of these my brethren even the very crumbs falling from the table. It has been so since the dawn of our independence in January of 1804, that corrupt oligarchy took for themselves most of the riches of the country while the vast majority lived off nothing and in extreme poverty.

Early in 1805, following the independence of Haiti, Emperor Jean Jacques Dessalines attempted to correct the situation. In 1806, the Emperor Jean Jacques Dessalines demanded for social justice, which implied a just redistribution of the riches of Haiti. Later on in October of the same year, he was gruesomely assassinated and his body dragged throughout the streets of Port-Au-Prince. He was executed for daring to stand up against the present system. Simply said, the emperor wanted a fairer redistribution of the land. For this he paid the ultimate price. It was forbidden for over half a century to even mention the name of Jean Jacques Dessalines, the Founder of the nation our forefather.

History just repeated itself as in February of 2017, when President Jovenel was elected to be the highest magistrate of the state. He refused to perpetrate the previous existing state of affairs or to do business as usual. He was the champion of the cause of the feeble and the weak. He was the voice of the voiceless. He was often misunderstood by the vast majority he determined to serve. The same fate awaited him

in that fateful morning of July 7, 2021. He too was abandoned, betrayed, handed over to foreign mercenaries to be savagely executed in his private residence at Pelerin in the heights of Petionville. Those foreign mercenaries were paid to carry out a dirty job but are in no way the masterminds behind the plot. The real assassins are still not behind bars. They go free and are unafraid. It grieves the nation's heart furthermore. The struggle for peace and social justice in Haiti will be long and difficult. But this time the nation understands... enough is enough. The nation is crying out for justice.

Today, after a week of unusual mourning and the official burial of the president, life seems to go on somewhat as usual in Haiti. Streets are crowded with high school students hurrying to take the official test while in the intersections; street vendors make the traffic even more difficult. Traffic is so congested; it seems to take an eternity to get to any destination. Even in this atmosphere of political tension, heartbreaking violence, kidnapping, murder and bloodshed, our devoted staff of preachers and school teachers, continue to do their duty tirelessly.

Delmas 75



Evangelism at Delmas 75!



Worship at Delmas 75!

The congregation continues to grow despite all odds. Brother Vincent reports three evangelistic campaigns were launched for the last three months in the vicinity of Delmas. A plethora of young men and women assaulted the streets of Delmas, going out two by two and from house to house to share the good news of the gospel to the community. The old gospel of the Bible never changes. People are profoundly sinners and are desperately lost apart from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and they are bound to hell. If there has ever been a time to blow the trumpet in Zion,

it is right here and right now. In this day and age of pandemic crisis, social unrest and political uncertainty, people in Haiti and people of all ethnic groups and of all social strata are hungry and thirsty for God. Surely in the heart of every human being there is a void, and that void has the shape of God. Life here and now as we know it will be unfulfilled till we are confronted in the presence of our Maker. As a matter of course, Brother Vincent continued 319 people were exposed to the gospel message, of that number nine

of them were won to Christ. They are now enjoying the fellowship of the congregation. Another evangelistic event worthy of attention is an open air crusade organized by the department of evangelism of the congregation of Delmas. This event took place on May 9 thru May 16, 2021 in an open

field in Delmas. The theme for the week was, "Hurry up! The Door IS Going to Be Closed" A great crowd stood for hours to hear the gospel message every day from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Twelve people accepted the gospel message and more than 15 came forward to pray for restoration. This is the good news of the hour in the midst of chaos and violence and assassination.



Special recognition for the leadership and staff of Delmas 75

Lastly but not the least is the commemoration of the 19th Anniversary of the Congregation of Delmas. Two weeks of revival were geared toward renewing the spiritual life of the congregation. From June 27 to July 11, 2021 each night, an estimated 300 came to hear the Word. A plethora of preachers came prepared to preach around the Theme, "We Are Called to Shine in our Generation." The event was interrupted for two days because of the state of

urgency. But the preachers were right on target as 12 people came forward to commit their life to the Lord and seven young men and women were immersed in Christian Baptism.

And the Lord continues to add to His Church those who are being saved. The congregation of Delmas continues to experience steadfast growth. We praise the Lord for what is happening in Delmas even during this time of crisis.



Vacation Bible School at Fonfrede!

South District of Les Cayes

The Lord began to shape what was shapeless and to fill what was previously void. Our territories have been enlarged here gradually. After the days of a very humble beginning, today the Faith once transmitted to the Saints has been strongly implanted at Christville. The Church and its emerging school are the centers of all social life in the community. Even as I am writing this newsletter, there is a Vacation Bible School



Over 200 children are studying the Bible at Christville's Vacation Bible School.

going on right now. Brother Kelly reported 120 youngsters showed up for the first day. The number was expected to grow each day and has now reached more than 200. They are taught new songs, manual activities, but most important of all the Word of God. Our philosophy of Christian school never changed, we want to give to those children an opportunity to say yes to the Lord. As a matter of course, over a dozen has been baptized so

far. Four others will be baptized this coming Sunday. Moreover forty children are completing their elementary education and are promoting to seventh grade; while sixteen 9th graders will move to Les Cayes for furthering their education somewhere in Les Cayes.

Claudie and I, we could not thank you enough for investing in what matters the most, the life and salvation of these precious ones. Thank you for supporting one child to go to school. Please, support one if you have not yet done so. Recruit a friend if it is at all possible.

Praise God, our territories have been gradually enlarging in the South. Similar to the days of the early beginnings of Christville, we now have Prospere and Ferme LaBlanc where the very foundation of Christian Faith is being laid. Under a tent, about fifty continue to persevere on that mountain in the middle of heavy rains of the season. The church of Maniant is also moving forward. Their rotting tent where they meet under for church services is falling apart. We need to quickly do something there.

Cambry

The church in Laval is also moving forward. There was a campaign in Cambry to marry all those who are living together outside of the holy covenant of marriage. The campaign was very successful; five couples were united in holy matrimony on May 25 of this year. Seven others are already on a waiting list for next December. We encourage you to make a donation toward that end. They are people who can't afford to get married. A gift of any kind to help in paying for the ceremonies will go a very long way and will be highly appreciated.



The Choir at Carrefour

Carrefour

Located on the outskirts of Port-Au-Prince, our congregation in Carrefour is located in the very axis of evil in Haiti. But the good news is the Church there has been firmly established since December of 2005. The church of Carrefour continues to carry out the mandate in the midst of seemingly chaos and social unrest. In the vicinity of Carrefour gangs are fighting each other in order to claim more territories. Thousands of people were forcibly displaced and their houses ransacked. Many

are now living in an open air in a soccer stadium in the vicinity of Carrefour. In times like these, it is so comforting to be reminding of the Lord's statement, *"And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it"* (Mat 16:18 KJV)

In the great darkness of the night, Carrefour Christian Church continues to let shine this little light of hers. The doors are still open for prayers, Bible study and worship, and the preaching of the Word. Seven days of prayers and fasting are being held right now in Carrefour. We encourage you to go before His throne in prayer for Haiti this week, for safety and calmness to return on the streets and in the hearts of our nation. Pray also for the safety of our congregations and their leaders as they travel from one

point to another. We know the end of the story, we win and with Christ we shall overcome.

Be assured of our prayers for you and your families as we look forward to hearing from you.

Warmly in Christ,

Yvon & Claudie

Field Director
Global Christian Mission Outreach

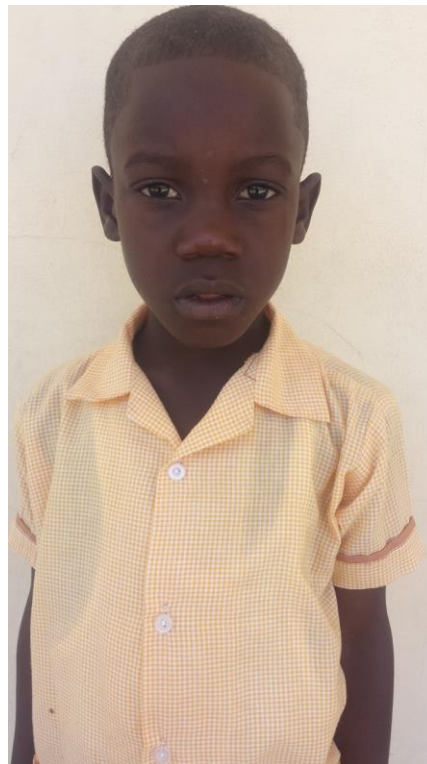
Global Christian Mission Outreach's Child Sponsorship Program

The program is designed to be a partnership between a sister church in the United States or an individual or any other organization. Within the partnership, the sister church or the individual is encouraged to sponsor one or several school children. In so doing you will in turn allow Global Christian Mission Outreach to accomplish its mission statement: Come, Abide and Go.

- 1) To plant new churches (Come)
- 2) To equip leaders for service (Abide)
- 3) To commission them to go in order to reach out to the surrounding villages (Go)



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What Are The Benefits Of Sponsoring A Child?

The benefits are twofold: First of all, a child will enjoy the bread of education, which otherwise would not be available to him. Consequently, there will be no child left behind in the dark margins of social life. Secondly, the sponsor will have the joy of investing in the things that matter the most, making a lasting impact in the life of a young child, shaping his young mind via a solid Christian education. Your monthly contribution will provide a needy child with books, uniforms, school supplies, and a hot meal every day. You will be provided opportunities to develop a special relationship with that child. You will be kept informed of major events taking place in the life of the child through e-mails, personal letters, or even maybe meeting the child in his or her own little village. You will also be provided with opportunities to monitor the spiritual and intellectual growth of the child as you periodically receive copies of his/her report card.

Would you help Global Christian Mission Outreach by sending one needy child to school?

How You Can Help

First of all you can be a prayer warrior who presents the daily needs of the mission field before the Lord. We presently have five hundred or more schoolboys and schoolgirls waiting in line to be sponsored. Some of them walk several miles, even crossing rivers to come to class. Many of them come to school hungry, hoping to be served a hot meal for lunch. There are also classes to be started at Tom Gato and at Cambry.

We can't make it without you. Without your help many children will be turned down this school year. They will be denied the unique opportunity to learn about Math, Reading, and Social Studies. More importantly, they will be denied the greater opportunity to learn about Bible stories, creation, and our Lord Jesus Christ.



Matthew 25:40 - I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Would you please fill out an application to sponsor one child every month at least for one year? With only thirty dollars a month, one dollar a day, you can make a big difference in the life of a child in a little village of your choice. If you so desire, please select a child and send an e-mail to Jack Spaulding at jackspaulding@hughes.net, or on our website at GCMO-Haiti.org or write to Global Christian Mission Outreach, Attention: Jack Spaulding, 8966 S. 650 W., Milroy, Indiana 46156-9727, and he will send you the profile of a child needing a sponsor. 100 percent of the money goes to supporting the children and the schools.

God willing, our intention is to expand GCMO's schools in the south to educate 700 more children, and someday, build a much needed orphanage.

Contact Information for GCMO and for Yvon & Claudie Selin:

Jack Spaulding at jackspaulding@hughes.net or call 1-765-629-2493 Cell 1-765-570-6701, if we don't answer, please leave a detailed message and a call back number. You also can write to Global Christian Mission Outreach, Attention: Jack Spaulding, 8966 S. 650 W., Milroy, Indiana 46156-9727.

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