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3rd Quarter 2018 Newsletter

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HARVEST + CROSSROADS ALLIANCE

Sending Buckets of Love to North Carolina in the aftermath of Hurricane Florence.

In our "Second Quarter" Newsletter, the front page focused on the number of groups that volunteered to help fill 5-gallon buckets with supplies that are helpful to people who are victims of hurricanes. I was prepared to send these buckets to some country in the Caribbean but willing to send the buckets where needed.

As it turns out, I have been able to ship 100 "Buckets of Love" to families that are victims of Hurricane Florence. As I write this short letter, I am preparing to send another 100 buckets this week.

The cost to fill and send a bucket is \$50.00. I could use your help in sponsoring a bucket or part of a bucket. Every little bit helps. If you would like to be a part of this project, please go www.harvestinternational.org and click on donate.

Thank you in advance for your help.



Physically & Spiritually Touching Lives

Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white for harvest! ~ John 4:35

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The bucket is one of the most useful items we send. Buckets can be used to sit on, store items, get water, wash clothes, and a variety of other uses. Inside the bucket we send food, hygiene products and other items as they become available. These supplies have been very helpful to the people that receive them after having lost everything.

Each Bucket Contains

Hygiene Packets



Food Kits



Enclosed is my donation of \$ _____

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Annual Christmas Open House

Mark your calendars!

*Wednesday, December 12, 2018
11:30 am - 2:00 pm*

Join us for food and fellowship. We can't wait to see you there.

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The
Bible Speaks

Harvesting
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Have a Heart for Harvest Connecting the Hearts

You're Invited

to join us for our annual Have A Heart For Harvest Banquet.

Come and enjoy a semi formal dinner while we inform you on how Harvest connects with local ministries throughout Marion County FL.

**Thursday, February 21, 2019
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**First Baptist Church
2801 S.E. Maricamp Road • Ocala, FL 34471**

HELP!

Harvest Needs A New Forklift



This forklift was the first major purchase I made in 1989 when I (Danny) became the Director of Harvest International. It has been a trustworthy piece of equipment that has loaded and unloaded more trucks and containers than I can count. Over the last five years it has needed major repairs and I am grateful to Mark Brown who has repaired the forklift at no cost to Harvest. However, just like everything, it has seen its better days.

A forklift is an integral part of what we do here at Harvest. Without a properly running forklift we are not able to lift and load/unload the much needed supplies and equipment that is sent overseas to help those in need. Help us purchase a new forklift by giving a gift today through our GoFundMe page.

<https://www.gofundme.com/new-forklift-for-local-ministry>





Help Us Grow In Social Media

Over the past few years Harvest has experimented in communicating through social media. We started out with posting updates on Facebook and Twitter, and last year we expanded into Instagram and YouTube. Slowly we started acquiring followers and now many of our supporters get regular digital updates on our ministry. We want more. Our goal is to get connected with as many supporters as we can. We want YOU to know more about Harvest and the ministry works we do.

At the beginning of this year the United States Post Office increased stamps to 50 cents each. It now costs Harvest and our missionaries much more to send you updates through the mail. This is money donated by you that needs to be used on the field helping those in need.

Help us stay better connected by emailing your email address to Cassie@harvestinternational.org so that we can put you on our digital mailing list to receive newsletters and follow us on all our Social Media avenues.

You can find us on



Facebook



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Twitter



YouTube

Just search for Harvest International, Inc. on any of these platforms. For YouTube be sure to click the "Thumbs Up" icon on each of our videos and don't forget to Subscribe. We post a Director's Update and at least two Ministry Moments each month.

We look forward to connecting with you!



Christmas in July was awesome!

We Celebrated the Birth of Jesus Christ. We looked at the Why of Christmas, from Prophecy, the visit from Gabriel, the journey, wise men, and His birth. We sang Christmas Carols all week long, the kids loved it.

We had a wonderful team from Weinart Texas, they came last year and had such a great time, that they came back with more people. Their Pastor is awesome! He did a great job at getting the team ready, they had it all planned out. We had worship time and lessons and crafts and games and a movie.

The Romanian team was great as they translated for the groups, led music, took care of us, and kept the children in line, awesome job as usual. We had a great response at the end of the week on Friday evening as we had a time of talking about what they learned during the week, we had several who accepted the Lord.

We had a very sad ending to camp this year, as we returned on Saturday to Oradea. We had four sisters come to camp this year who were taking care of their little brother at home who had a very severe brain injury from a accident. They walked up to the corner from Hospice to catch a bus home and while they were standing there a car came around the corner and lost control and ran up on the curb and hit all four sisters. They had some serious injuries, one of the girls lost her leg below the knee, fractured pelvic and severe brain injuries. God was there and in control, all the girls are on the mend, the out pouring of love and support by the community has been amazing. I will share more about the girls and their needs later.

I want to thank everyone for their Prayers for the camp and the girls.

Nihil Sine Deo

(Nothing without God)





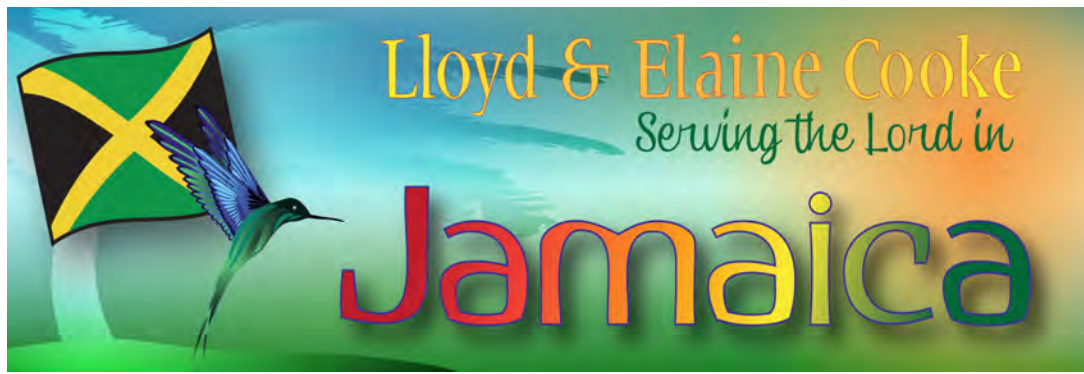
David & Yvonne Carreiro Jaylen, Dawson & Destiney

Serving the Lord in Marion County FL



Whew! What a packed and HOT summer we had. Still desperately awaiting the cool mornings of fall to visit us.... However, we do live in FL so we are not holding our breath haha. Our summer season has finished on a high note as we were able to continue working with Church in the Garden, feeding the homeless for Saturday breakfast. We have been blessed with an amazing group of women, who we have affectionately named "The Breakfast club". These ladies are super heroes... they respond on a moment's notice and are willing to go out of their way to help out. They are a beautiful example in our community of what a compassionate and giving heart looks like. I wanted to take this opportunity to openly thank them. I also wanted to thank our supporters for your continued love, prayers and donations... because of your faithfulness we have been able to bless the homeless with socks, belts and hygiene care packets. As we close the summer season off, I ask that you stay tuned in, our fall and Christmas season is our busiest time of year and we are working on events to share with you.





As we write we are watching the weather reports of hurricane Florence headed for the Carolinas, and our hearts are concerned for our daughter Gail (Tracy), and her family in Raleigh. Our prayers are with all in its path. Jamaica is also under storm watch as we look at the path of possible hurricane Isaac. It's date for possible hit here is Sunday 16th. We pray this will be all over, happily, by the time you read this.

It is also just after the anniversary of 9/11, which we remember all too clearly. We are aware also that the hatred against America that caused 9/11 has not abated, but has picked up more power, (like hurricanes do over water) and is even a greater threat today. But, our God watches over his children who put their trust in Him. It seems that we are certainly in the biblical "last days", and hatred is aimed against Christians and those whoever do not go along with the growing "One-World" movement will face greater threats in the future. Prayer is our only resource. We shall prevail. We are called upon to "Occupy Until I Come"! So let us be busy in the King's work.

A new semester has begun at Regent College of the Caribbean, so Lloyd is busy with his new students as he teaches the History of the Church this semester. Do keep this class in your prayers, as he seeks to instill in them lessons for life, and will help them to be faithful in promoting the salvation of souls, when they enter into the Lord's service after graduation. Lloyd has also gotten involved with the local Committee of the Jamaica Child Evangelism Fellowship as it seeks to revive activities within our Parish (County) to train church members how to lead children to Christ both within and outside the churches.

Elaine continues with her many children and Youth focused ministries, within her church and outside. She is busy conducting devotions in schools. She is grateful to God that we still have that freedom in our Jamaican schools. Along with others they conducted a 'Prayer Walk' in and through a government Tertiary Institution which she has been assisting. This was the request of the staff and teachers. Do pray with her for this institution of "Life-long learning" and for the students coming in this school year.. She is also beginning to make appointments to visit in Primary and High Schools to present her sexual abstinence "Wait & Win" program.

An item of personal information here: Lloyd was informed over the past week-end that he will be conferred with the "Doctor of Divinity, Honoris Causa" at the graduation ceremony on October 19th., by the Caribbean Graduate School of Theology. This will be in consideration of his life's work on the mission field and his historical writings, presented in his two books on Jamaican Missionary activities. You are among the first to know. Do pray the the Lord would be glorified, and many from the Caribbean area would be moved to devote their lives also, to serve the lord in evangelism and cross-cultural missionary work.



Dr. Donald DeVito

Haitian Center for Inclusive Education



More students are attending HCFIE, we're up to about 65 kids now. I saw firsthand this week why we need to have an inclusive school. For many of our students this year, it is the first time they've been around people with disabilities. A couple of times, when one of our special-needs students walked by, the boys backed away as if frightened. Another day during recess, some of the boys didn't want to let one of our girls with Down's Syndrome play on the playground equipment with them. I insisted that she could, but they didn't look happy about it. Then, when she got down, they wiped off the seat she had been sitting on. It just about broke my heart to see 7-8 year olds acting this way because they had learned this attitude from somewhere. We have our work cut out for us, but at least the Center is a place where kids (and their parents) can learn to think differently about people with handicaps.



One little guy, Alvarez, has many emotional needs. He causes more trouble than anyone I know, and he has the reputation at home and at school for being the one causing trouble. I'm not sure I've ever heard him get any positive praise. So, last Friday after chapel I asked Alvarez whether he would "help" me memorize the Bible verse so that I could recite in this week at chapel. Every day we sat together up on the roof of the orphanage and worked on the verse. Friday in chapel, he "helped" me recite it, and he got positive praise! The smile on his face was priceless.

Another student who struggles, Kethia, sat next to me during Chapel. I had my hymnal and Bible with me, and as I was singing, I noticed her moving closer and closer to me—she wanted to read, too. Then, while the group was praying, Kethia took my Bible and started reading from it. She helped me find the memory verse for this week in the Bible, and when I asked her whether we should recite it together next week, she smiled and said yes!

- Jamie Schumacher (stay connect by following Jamie's blog - <http://whippet88.blogspot.com/>)



Dick & Barb Johnson

Serving the Lord in Uganda

The Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project



Paying It Forward

Deputy Headmaster of Hope School, Patrick Amooti, has shared this simple story.

One of Good Samaritan Sponsored pupil, Amanyire Rachael, is now a trained nurse and is working in Eastern Uganda. She chose two orphaned children and brought them to Hope School, where she is now helping them attain education. I have learned that at least every child that went through the project is now helping others.



Pastor Sam and Zoe's youngest child, James, has just married.



After the wedding, Zoe fell in her back yard and broke her leg. She has been bed ridden for six weeks. Please keep her in your prayers for a speedy recovery.





"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." (Jesus - Luke 9:23).

"No one sews a patch of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch will pull away from the garment, making the tear worse. Neither do men pour new wine into old wineskins. If they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, they pour new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved." (Jesus - Matthew 9:16).

In our more recent updates, we mentioned that we are currently meeting with two church groups in our Discipleship ministry – one two Sundays monthly; and the other one weekend monthly. Additionally, we also meet once weekly with a number of individuals as well as small groups. Each group is different and so it is often quite a challenge to prepare for their particular needs. We have learned that what works for one does not necessarily work for the others. Our continuing challenge is to keep ourselves focused on Christ, who is both the Subject and Object of our discussions – “fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith...” (Heb. 12:2). And we are learning that it is only as we remain submitted to Him, He is able to minister in and through us.

One church group is in the small town of Mvurwi which is rural and where most of the folks are very limited in English. They are a very welcoming group and we have spent the last several weeks getting to know them and how we can best serve them. Some walk several kilometers to Church while others come in by bus from neighboring farms when the \$4 bus fare is available.

We have discovered that most have had very little exposure to even the rudiments of following Christ. Many do not own a Bible so, whatever their faith, it is grounded, not on the Scriptures but on what they were told or the clichés they have otherwise ‘overheard’. Really, it is like sewing a piece of new cloth onto an old garment; or like pouring new wine into old wineskins. As we share both the new wine and the new wineskins, we find that the tendency is for them to hold on to both the old and the new! We know that only the Lord can sort this out. So, we must trust Him to reveal Himself to them. At a recent meeting with the Pastor, we agreed to focus on helping the leadership who would afterwards work with the others in the Church.

We praise our Father for you and for your labor of love towards us. You continue to be an absolutely indispensable part of this ministry. The Lord has used you greatly in providing for our material and ministry needs without which we would not have been able to remain on the field these past ten years; nor could we even look forward to renewing our residence permit when it becomes due early next year! Many of you have also spent much time praying for us and for those whom the Lord has sent us. Additionally, you have sent us occasional notes or emails, just to keep in touch. We deeply appreciate all your efforts. But, may we ask one more thing? Please step up on the prayers!

The need for Discipleship here, even at the most basic level, is critical and urgent. The destiny of many rests upon our joining together in prayer for this specific need. We are assured that as you do, our heavenly Father will hear our prayers and grant them according to His riches in glory. Surely, we will begin to see vital changes. Thank you so very much!



Ready, Set, Go!

Kenya Team 2018, a group of thirteen made up of young, not-quite-so-young, and those in between; men and women; first-time and repeat visitors to the Haven set out for a two week encounter with God on July 18th. After 24 hours of travel, we arrived in Nairobi and spent the night before heading up to Eldoret.



The Good Neighbor Project

Upon our arrival at the home, we were greeted with handshakes and hugs for every-body...literally, every child and caregiver greeted each team member individually. It's a process. Afterwards, we got settled into our comfortably outfitted bedrooms in the boys' dormitory. Then we prepared 30 gift bags of sugar, salt, shortening, corn-meal, flour, tea leaves, soap, and a few personal items to deliver to surrounding homes.



After breakfast the following morning, we divvied ourselves into teams of visitors, caregivers, teenagers, and children to make our deliveries and home visits. Most neighbors were home on this Saturday morning, and the warm welcome showered upon us remains unsurpassed. "Karibu!" (welcome!) was the sweet refrain from house to house. Crowding our large teams into tiny homes was in no way uncomfortable...we were ushered in with sincere gratitude for our visit. The cultural difference between the reception of uninvited visitors in Kenya and the U.S. is stark. We offered prayers for homes and families. One poor lady had just lost her sister that very morning, and in the midst of her tremendous grief, she welcomed us. It was our honor to pray for her and her family in the midst of such a trying time.

Worship and Sunday School

One of our young team members, Paul, was asked to preach at the Spiritual Life Centre on Sunday morning. He delivered a powerful message from John chapter 6...Jesus came not to give us bread but to be our bread.

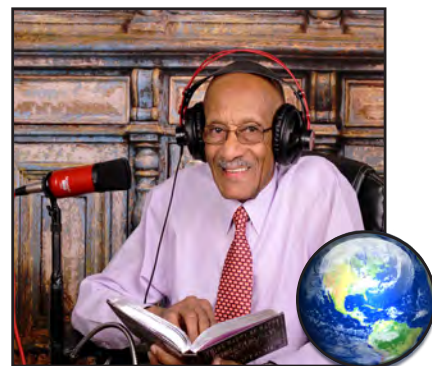
The children's Sunday School classes reflected upon and celebrated our positions as Children of God. The teenagers studied biblical leadership as modeled by Nehemiah. All in all, it was a wonderful day of praise, worship, and teaching.





Audley McLean

Reaching our World by Radio



Nehemiah Declared

**"I am engaged in a great work, so I can't come down...
Nor will we come down or slow down now."**

*Please join us as we gather for this year's
celebration of what God has done through The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry.*

*Nehemiah rebuilt the wall of Jerusalem with the blessing of God and the
cooperation of His people. That wall became a monument to the power and grace of God.
But it was also a statement of faith and faithfulness.*

*Through your faith and faithfulness, The Bible Speaks has completed
another year of proclaiming THE LIVING CHRIST to a dying world.*

*Our special guest speaker is Eugene Coplin, Founder and President of Project LEE Ministries
in Buffalo, NY. He has a message that will bless your soul.*

Join us on October 16, 2018 at 6:00 PM
RSVP by October 9th - Seating is limited
Collegeroad Baptist Church
5010 S.W. College Road
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The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry Fundraiser

☐ I will be attending ☐ I am unable to attend ☐ Enclosed is my gift of \$_____

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Hello everyone,

Through some rerouting I made it to India. Praise The Lord!

On the 6th I arrived in India and on the 12th David and Chris arrived from Trinidad. Sharath started me in the Bible School right away. On Tuesday's at 5:00 AM I have men's prayer meeting.

Sharath took David, Chris and I to a local church service about 30 minutes away. David spoke and we all were used in the prayer time afterwards.

Sunday David spoke again at our church service and we all prayed for all the people that responded, there was a large response.

David and Chris spoke at the youth prayer meeting as I rested in.



Tom & Ginger Schmidt

Serving the Lord
in Haiti



First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world. For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers. ~ Romans 8-9

We are very thankful to you for your continued support for the children in Haiti.

Ginger and I have not been able to get a team together yet to help do some much needed work on the house that the boys are living in. It is a blessing to have things for their care like water and some electric, but the poor condition of the house does effect their health such as their susceptibility to colds, fevers and flues.

Access to supplies, medical help and church are much improved. Over all we are very grateful for the provisions God has provided in this move.

We are very interested in taking a small team to do some basic work on the house; screens, paint, floor that is dirt. These basic changes would improve the boys condition a lot. Nelson and Dieulene have remained faithful to care for the children with little outside help.

If you are interested in forming a small team to go to Haiti to help me work on Shiloh Children's Home, please contact Harvest at 352-622-1818.

Again we wish to thank you for your heartfelt support on behalf of these boys. May God bless you.

Jason



Maurice





Austin & Kaelee Truelove with Sabashtian, Katianna, Majolie & Mirette

Serving the Lord in Haiti



***"...work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,
for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure."
~ Philippians 2:12b-13***

Greetings in the name of God our Father and our Savior Jesus Christ! We are so thankful to have you on board with us as we strive to be Christ's hands and feet in the Santrain/Percrey area of the Far North West of Haiti. In fact we could not do it without the loving prayers and support of the Saints.

August was a month of prayers answered for us personally and for Faith Medical Clinic. This entire year, the clinic has been struggling with insufficient electricity. As there is no electric grid out here, all the electricity needed must be provided by generator or solar. The solar panels on the clinic were about 20 years old, so they put in a lot of good service. That being said, they needed badly to be replaced due to inefficiency. Austin has been charging the batteries from another building and lugging them over to the clinic every couple of weeks. On our giving report at the end of July, we were surprised with an outstanding gift that allowed us to purchase new panels. Austin and a local electrician installed them and did the rewiring required.

The prices of goats are best at the end of August, so the deacons of the church purchased and distributed the animals then. Six nanny goats were given to six different families. The first kid of each animal will be given back to the church to ensure the continuation of the program.

Our best friends here in Haiti, Terry and Carolyn, left for their time in the states. It was hard to see them go, as we meet with them several times a week. Before leaving, they offered for us to purchase their ATV. What a blessing it has been. All of us fit, so we can take it to church or across town. It's Austin's daily transportation.

Austin took a day trip mid-August to visit with missionary friends about two hours away. He returned greatly encouraged and uplifted by their fellowship. As the busy work often leaves us with little energy, it's good to be reminded that God's will is more than work. It's the attitude and spirit in which we do it that marks our work His.



Please pray for: our heart to be transformed daily to conform to His will; for our children to see Christ in us and desire Him in them; for endurance in sickness; for bodily health and recovery; for God's continued provision for us to extend his grace through aid to those in our community; for clarity of mind to make good decisions with the money we receive.



*Rod & Debbie Wray
with Katie*

Serving the Lord in Haiti



Here in Southern Haiti we are experiencing the heat wave of the year with clear blue skies and there is no wind, which is unusual for us. We are thankful that no hurricanes or big storms have passed our way so far this year.

Deb and Katie took the Angels volleyball team to the beach over the summer break. A couple of the girls have departed and gone to play volleyball in Port-au-Prince, but we are thankful for a faithful group of Angels who continue on.

We recently hosted this wedding in the Camp Mahanaim yard and it was very beautiful. There are many requests, but few wedding parties who agree to the No alcohol rule in the yard.



Last weekend we held our big "Back to School" volleyball tournament which was a lot of fun and a huge success. It's a unique tournament because girls and guys play together at a very competitive level.

The Renault Sunday school has gone well over the summer. We are really thankful for the help of the monitors who are young men who have grown up attending the Sunday school and now are great helpers. There are seven of them and their names are (from left to right) Berlin, Junior, Joseph, Andy, Stanley, Watson and Emile. We would appreciate your prayers for these young guys as they truly are trying to live for God and learn more from the Bible.



When our good friend Marv Owen passed away, a scholarship was set up to help children and young people in Haiti pay for school, and this year we had the privilege to administer over \$4,000 in scholarship funds which greatly helped many people with school and college fees.

The girl standing beside Katie is Cassan. We can't be sure of Cassan's age, but we know that she is very close in age to Katie. Cassan has been in the Sunday school for about 10 years and we believe that she is now 13 or 14 years old. Sometimes when a young child is severely malnourished, they do not grow.

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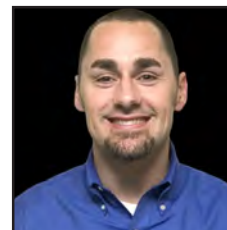
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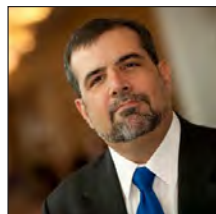
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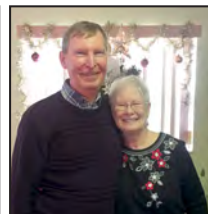
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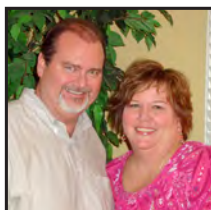
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