



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023 Newsletter

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WOW! It's hard to believe that half of 2023 is over. Where has the time gone? I guess time flies when you are serving the Lord! It has been a busy six months and it looks like the next six months will be just as busy if not more. Praise the Lord that He is still using Harvest International to meet needs around the world.

Harvest is presently working with two organizations in Honduras to send each a 40' container of supplies. We have a total of 16 church pews that are 16' long. There will be 12 pews in one container and four in the second. Along with the pews, there will be a variety of other supplies and some food. We are also sending 30 twenty-inch computer monitors and about a dozen laptops.



Continue to keep praying for the country of Haiti and its people. Over 90% of Port-au-Prince is controlled by gangs. Getting food and other supplies out of the port is next to impossible. Pray for relief for the people that are being abused by the unrest.

*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*

# BUCKETS OF LOVE / COOLERS OF COMPASSION

Hurricane Season started earlier this year.

We will be needing your help for our BOL/COG over the next few months.



## Buckets of Love, Coolers of Compassion

Disaster Relief Projects of Harvest International, Inc.

Natural disasters occur all over the world. They can devastate the landscape and leave victims without basic necessities to survive.

Since October of 2016 Harvest has responded to disasters with our Buckets of Love/Coolers of Compassion projects. We have sent thousands of buckets/coolers filled with relief supplies to countries that have been devastated by hurricanes and other natural disasters. We were able to be a part of the relief efforts to Antigua, Bahamas, Dominica, Haiti, Houston Texas, Lake Charles Louisiana, Pensacola Florida, Puerto Rico, South Florida, Mexico Beach, Florida and Mississippi



Inside the bucket/cooler we send food, hygiene products and other survival items as they become available. These supplies have been very helpful to the people that receive them after having lost everything.

If you feel led to help with our Buckets of Love/Coolers of Compassion projects you can sponsor a Bucket/Cooler for \$75.00. This covers the cost of all the items plus shipping. Please keep us in your prayers as we work for the Lord helping those in need. God bless you.



Scan the QR Code to Donate Online  
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**Buckets of Love,  
Coolers of Compassion**  
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In 2013, Amazon launched AmazonSmile to make it easier for customers to support their favorite charities. However, after almost a decade, the program has not grown to create the impact that we had originally hoped. With so many eligible organizations—more than 1 million globally—our ability to have an impact was often spread too thin.

In February 2023, Amazon closed down the AmazonSmile program. Harvest International would like to thank each donor who signed up to support Harvest through this program. Over the years, your donations have help Harvest continue serving the Lord in ministry.

## ***ANOTHER WAY TO GIVE***



eBay for Charity allows you to support Harvest International by enabling sellers to donate a portion of their sales and buyers to shop while supporting their favorite charities - all the while giving nonprofits an opportunity to engage new supporters.

**Signup for eBay For Charity**  
<https://www.charity.ebay.com/>

# *Lloyd & Elaine Cook*

Serving the Lord in Jamaica



Elaine was walking towards Bible Study at her church today. She noticed a man staring at her face. As she approached him he said: "You look like a lady I saw in the newspaper with her husband last Sunday". Elaine responded with a laugh saying, "You are right!" His reference was to a series of three articles that have appeared during the past month telling the story of Lloyd and her years of missionary activities in Jamaica, the Caribbean and Elaine in Zambia, Africa. These articles were entitled 'The Dynamic Churchman'; 'The Missionary Man'; and 'Respected Religion Historian'.

They may be searched at 'Jamaica Gleaner'. Three articles entitled, Jamaica Gleaner on twitter: The Dynamic Churchman I NEWS, (4th June 2023); 'The Missionary Man I NEWS (11th June); <https://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20230625/respected-religion-historian>

Despite the glowing reports of these articles we keep our hearts and thoughts set on Jesus, and try to do His will, as He shows it to us. Lloyd, at 81 years, tries to keep up his daily walking within the community, and to share Christ with all. He still preaches on 'Missions' in church, each first Sunday of the month. We also financially support a number of our Jamaican friends who serve in Missions, a female doctor in Liberia; a former Theological lecturer who takes other 'spiritual sons' of his to various countries in eastern Africa for several months each year, finishing up in South Africa; another (a couple) who are doing Bible Translation with Wycliffe among the people on Sabu island, in Indonesia (the Lii Hawu language).

Elaine, continues her classes in schools whenever the 'Wait & Win' program and challenge the children to put their faith in Jesus and to avoid early sexual activity and pregnancy. She also helps the HEART TRUST government jobs-training program. Helping them with lunch, and with their Maths and English remedial studies. She is anxious to begin a Child Evangelism community-club for children near to our home. Many come visiting us for help with school-lunch costs, and other financial family needs. We do what we can!

Lloyd spends much of his time in History research and writing projects. One includes cooperating with writers from the Jamaican Anglican (Church of England) Church -Lloyd's former denomination. Next year will be the 200th Anniversary since a Bishop was sent to Jamaica, just before the Abolition of Slavery in the British Empire of which Jamaica was a part. I am writing about the evangelism and 'missions' activity of the

Church during that period. The story of the Church will be told in two volumes. We pray the Lord will use it to remind the membership of the need to continue evangelistic efforts and outreaches to the spiritually needy.'

Jamaica has just come out of months of drought. But the rains have caused some crop damage, especially to vegetable and fruit-farmers. A need for irrigation for their fields is also a need that they face. Many continue to lose small stocks to thieves who refuse to work, and steal what small farmers depend on when cash is needed. The Police do not do enough to help them. Another national problem is the matter of crime: much of it is domestic violence, and violence against children. Gang warfare is an area of concern. Thankfully nowhere near Haiti. Our government, together with other Caribbean nations are discussing what they can do to help restore a working government to our near-neighbour. Do Pray with us for Haiti. Many Jamaican missionaries have helped to reduce the power of 'Voodoo' in that island nation.

Our Jamaican government has set up a committee to revise our Constitution and Laws, this Committee includes at least two Pastors: one who was an Attorney. We pray that no new laws will be introduced to change those against homosexuality or to make abortions easy. The LGBTQ+ people are using every influence to get Jamaica to accept their lifestyle. We pray that our nation will ever be a bulwark of resistance against these evils. Some Christian groups are presently doing public demonstrations. Pray with us!

Our thanks continue for you faithful financial and prayer support in these times. We were informed that the mission handling gifts sent to us would need to reduce the monthly amount sent since our Account with very low. We asked them to only send what is there as we will continue to believe the Lord for our every need: material, physical and spiritual. We give thanks for your help!

# Daniel & Betty

Serving the Lord in India



# *The Good Samaritan Sponsorship Project with Dick & Barb Johnson*

## Serving the Lord in Uganda



Hello, friends in the Lord Jesus Christ. I bring greetings and love to you from Hope Family here in Fort Portal. We are so thankful to you and grateful to God for all the love, care, prayers, and support you have always rendered to us. We were able to buy desks for the children, chairs, and tables for teachers in their classes. Thank you very much because our pupils and teachers now have a place to sit.

Hope School has a learners population of 815 and a teaching staff of 22 teachers, 15 on the government payroll, and seven paid by the parents. We have a big need to have more infrastructure in terms of classrooms and latrines to match the entire population of both teachers and pupils in the school. The classes we have are meant to accommodate a total number of 477 pupils according to education standards in Uganda today and latrines can accommodate 440 pupils. We currently need classes that accommodate 338 additional pupils.

As a Hope School, we have surveyed the land and developed a building structural plan approved by the government of Uganda. Continue to pray for and with us that God will open doors and provide for the same need. We also discovered that pupils get moral support and comfort from school more than in their homes. That is why we experience big numbers of children joining us, where they are taught, loved, comforted, guided, counseled, and share the Word of God with them.

Continue to pray for us because work is not as easy as one thinks. It's faith, hard work, commitment, and love for duty. Thank you again for standing with us. Gods blessings.

I remain yours in Christ,

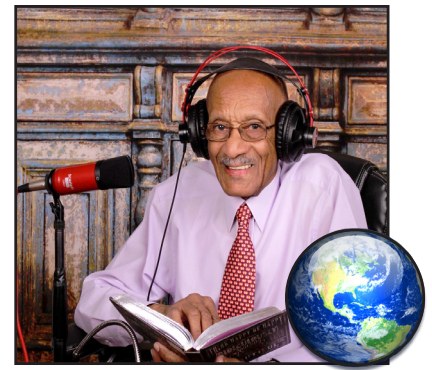
Patrick Amooti  
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# *The Bible Speaks Radio Ministry* *with Audley McLean*

## Serving the Lord by World Radio

The Shepherd 96.3 / 103.5 FM



With praise to our God and gratitude to you, our friends, we report that we are now out of the "red" with payments for radio broadcasting time. Because of your prayers and ready responses, people like you, listeners like: "Y" and "K" are able to report being blessed by "randomly" finding Words of Inspiration on their electronic equipment.

"Y" informed us that Words of Inspiration, our daily five minute talks, have become part of her daily devotions. I don't know how many people listen to our broadcasts and I don't have stats on what percentage of listeners write or call. Experts tell us that it is a very small percentage of listeners that communicate with broadcasters. Most of us can relate to that. With or without written responses, we continue to obey the Lord's commission: "Go into all the world and preach the good news to everyone." Your prayerful participation fuels our journey into all the worlds we touch. Thank you.

We are delighted to report that the matching funds drive we conducted because of a friend's generous offer was successful and served to eliminate the deficit into which the radio ministry had fallen. Thanks to each one who participated.

Toward the end of the matching fund drive we received a phone call from Linda, a listener in Western NY, who called to tell us she believes the Lord was leading her to encourage us to extend the matching fund drive. To that end, she is offering to donate \$1,000 on the basis of donations to match her offer. Although I was initially reluctant to launch another "matching funds drive" I quickly asked myself, "who am I to halt what God is doing?" So, welcome to another drive. If you would like to donate toward this new matching gift please go to [www.HarvestInternational.org](http://www.HarvestInternational.org) to donate to Audley McleanThe Bible Speaks Radio Ministry.

I want to make it clear that I am not asking people who have already given, to give again in this new venture. To you, I repeat our heartfelt thanks. I do, however, encourage you to share this information with anyone you feel led to include.

Please continue to pray for the broadcasts. They are: THE BIBLE SPEAKS, our fifteen minute weekly program and WORDS OF INSPIRATION, our daily five minute presentation.

Our programs are also found at  
<https://www.buzzsprout.com/1573354> and [https://youtu.be/PStGceu3T\\_s](https://youtu.be/PStGceu3T_s)

Additionally, we owe a debt of gratitude to listeners who are sharing on Facebook and other platforms. Please feel free to join them. What a wonderful thing it would be if we had a campaign of "each one, reach one." You can be the catalyst. I would love to hear that you have started to do just that.

May the blessings of our Heavenly Father enrich your lives as you seek to mirror the image of our Savior.



# Faith Foundations International with Ray B. Nelson Serving the Lord in India



Sharath and I went to Bahrain, an island just off the coast of Saudi Arabia, for two weeks to preach to the Indians who were working there. They were very open to us there and received us with open hearts for the Gospel.



Sharath and I visited a new church building being built. We met with him and his people at the site and I gave him a \$150.00 dollars to go towards the construction.



Joshua's son (Sharath Bhushan Yeeda Jr), nick named Jim, celebrated his first birthday (the first birthday is a big deal in India).

Sharath's son got married, there was over 2500 people who came and we fed them all, besides all the things that go on for weeks before the wedding and after the wedding as well.

I'll be coming home on July 19th and as usual, I have needs you can help with. Pray and be faithful to the Lord.



# *Austin & Kaelee Truelove*

## Serving the Lord in Haiti



Back in January, I had asked all who felt led to pray for 10 days for God to remove, destroy, etc. the crows that had been ravaging our area of Haiti. I give God the greatest praise and honor and glory, for only He is capable of such a feat! I have seen only a handful of crows these past three months. They come around when the harvest is being gathered. But they are not here. There is a tremendous harvest! God truly dealt with them in His own way. I am overwhelmed with gratitude. With man, it is impossible, but with God all things are possible!

We've had an unusual amount of rain this spring. Everything is very green. Along every road and in every yard people are eating mangos. Pigs, chickens, turkeys, goats, and flies are eating mangos! You can buy a whole wheelbarrow for less than a dollar. Everyone, no matter how poor, can buy mangos. I saw a great number of pumpkins and watermelons in the market too. This attests to God's blessing of rain and harvest.

This month, we have had many ambulances runs. Except for fuel, we do not charge, and we try to maintain the vehicle, especially for urgent cases. Austin took one patient to Gonaives, a town about five hours away. Due to poor road conditions, we usually do not take long trips, but he felt that he needed to take this lady, as she is a close neighbor and God put it in his heart. Although a hard-to-come-by, tire was ruined on the return trip, the trip to the hospital went very well. The lady was admitted to a good hospital. You can never truly hide in this country. Some people from our town heard about Austin's trip and met him in Gonaives to get a ride back home! The trip benefitted all!

Austin continues to help families by paying rent for them. As I mentioned before, rent is very cheap. This has saved at least one family from losing their father to prison (for delinquent rent), and others from being removed from their rented homes. God's ways are so much higher and wiser than ours! Although we would like to be building a home, in the meantime, we have more aware of other somewhat lesser, but just as urgent needs that we are able to help with.

The lost Bibles were found and delivered! We sent 80 Bibles to fellow missionaries who are putting on a youth conference. Please pray that those young people will understand Christ, and begin to develop personal relationships with Him. We added a few monthly supporters too! Praise God! Thank you all for your faithful prayers and support. It's humbling to have so many parts of a greater work here in this little town. But that is how the Church works. To Him be the glory!

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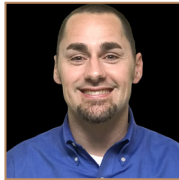
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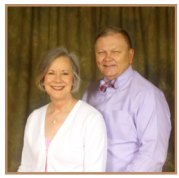
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