

# Haiti News: Summer 2011



## **New missionaries to Haiti**

Jeff and Cindi Farber are ordained through the Joan Hunter Ministry with additional schooling through the Andrew Womack Charis Bible College in Colorado Springs, CO. They will be working in Haiti through ministry: teaching, spiritual growth; healing through the power of God's Word; evangelizing; and prayer ministry.

Cindi has eight years of short term mission to Haiti and has been a part of the implementation of HCI missions. Cindi will be helping HCI to share altruistic love that God has for all people. Being the hands and feet of Christ in the surrounding communities, teaching women their value in the kingdom of God and helping us to expand our Children's ministry through the building blocks of scripture.

Jeff has been coming to Haiti since 2009. He has participated in preaching

the Gospel and leading Crusades of salvation; healing; and empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

Jeff comments: "Haiti has been in my heart since my first mission trip in 2009 and in Cindi's much longer. I believe since the first trip we knew that we would eventually make our home in Haiti."

"We are super excited about our future in Haiti and working with Haiti's Children, Inc (HCI), to let ourselves be used by God, and to help bring HCI and its involvement with the Haitian people to the next level."

"We look forward to seeing the growth opportunities Gladys' vision in the HCI village coming to fruition and the positive and powerful impact it will have on the surrounding communities."

"We have a Big God and we are believing him for big things. We know that our God is able to do exceedingly and abundantly above all that we ask or think" (Ephesians 3:20).

"Cindi and I look forward not only to building the village, but coming alongside our Haitian brothers and sisters to help give them a better understanding of the gospel of Grace. The Gospel of our Fathers love as revealed through His Son Jesus Christ, as well as healing the sick, casting out demons and raising the dead" (Matthew 10:8).

Please join us in welcoming Jeff and Cindi Farber as missionaries to Haiti.

Update on our **First annual Pig Roast event for Haiti:**



Thank you one and all for your help and participation in making our Fund Raising event a great success. We are 1/3 of the way to our goal of purchasing a new vehicle.

We are so excited about the work we are doing in Haiti and are blessed to have all of you working together with us.

I would like to give a huge THANK YOU to Judy Ramacitti who helped out tremendously with putting this all together. And who puts up with me (hosts me) when I am back in the states:

**THANK YOU!!!**



**THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU**

Thank you to all the churches, congregations and individuals that made my stay home this summer a blessing. I thank each and everyone one of you for the prayers, support and encouragement. It is with your help that Haiti's Children, Inc has been able to reach out to the many communities, and the beautiful children.



I appreciate all the hard work that the ladies in the church(s) and JRS Dist have done in making the sun dresses, shorts, crocheted wash cloths (patterns are on our website) and school bags. The children enjoy and welcome the new dresses and shorts. A wash cloth is placed in each of the school bags and also given out in our medical clinics when we send scabies medicine home and tell them they need to wash before applying the medication.





We will be shipping a container in the Summer 2012 – so if you would like to start sewing and crocheting we will appreciate the beautiful work.

We will also be looking for shoes. If your business or church would like to do a shoe drive for Haiti that would be great. Please remember; **new or slightly used.**

Other items that are welcome:

Vitamins (**NO GUMMIES!!**) children/adult/prenatal and with iron / over the counter meds (tylenol / aspirin - 81mg/ibuprofen/cold medicine /antacids,etc) / school bags / school supplies / a small (quiet) portable generator / kitchen table and chairs (preferably sits 8 – 10 people) / white 6 ft folding tables / folding chairs / air compressor / floor fans / dressers / futon with a decent mattress / wardrobe (something to keep clothes and sheets in)

The cost to ship a container is approximately \$12,000 – if you would like to make a donation towards the container, please mark it in the memo of your check or credit card payment: Please watch for future newsletters listing other items that will be needed.

Today as I sat in my vehicle in Les Cayes waiting for Junior (our driver) to get our food we ordered, I watched as I waived off the widows and mothers as they stopped to see if I wanted to purchase any vegetables – I saw the desperation in their eyes to earn a few bucks to feed their families; the street kids who looked at me and patted their bellies stating “they are hungry”; the usual beggars outside the grocery store; the young boys as they scooped water out of the ditch to wash vehicles for a few gourds (trying to earn an honest living) so they could buy some food.

I thought about all we have in the USA. I thought about all I have here – sitting in an air conditioned vehicle in anticipation of my next meal. Being grateful for the good night sleep I had in a comfortable bed. Sitting there, wondering what we could do to make a difference. Giving a meal would give them temporary satisfaction; giving them clothing or shoes would only be sold for their next meal; Watching the beaten, the homeless (street kids), the down-trodden. Can I help them? Do they want to be helped? The street kids live on the street because they don’t want to live by rules or guidelines.

As much as we would like to, I know that we can’t help all the people or fix everything in Haiti – but I know that with your help, support and blessings we have made a difference in many children’s lives that would otherwise be on the street wondering where their next meal would be coming from.

## **SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM:**



Make a difference in the life of a child. Sponsor a child – cost is \$25/month (that's .82 cents a day).

Choose a child's picture from our website: [www.haitischildren.org](http://www.haitischildren.org) and contact us for a brief biography. Your sponsorship will provide an opportunity for an education, school books and medical attention as needed. Through our mission you are able to correspond with your child and send care packages as well as receiving letters from them.

Or you can help by sponsoring a school which offers many children in that community the opportunity to attend school and receive a meal a day.

Through our sponsorship program we are currently able to feed approximately 1200 children a day. **THANK YOU** for your support. God has truly blessed us to be a blessing to others.

## **Update on what is happening in Haiti:**

**Horrific Conditions in Camps**  
(<http://www.haitigrassrootswatch.org>)

There are hundreds of camps like Regal, and all of them lack adequate water and

sanitation facilities. A March study by the agencies noted that: Only 48 percent of the camp residents had daily access to an adequate supply of potable water; Only 61 percent of that water had the correct amount of chlorine, meaning that it runs the risk of being contaminated by and transmitting cholera; On average, 112 people had to share a single camp latrine; Only 18 percent of camps had hand-washing facilities; and only 29 percent of camps had a disposal system for "solid waste."

The numbers for Petit-Goâve are even worse: 141 people per latrine, 185 people per shower.

"Instead of getting better or even staying neutral, I think we're going backwards," Bazile said.

### **Plans Leave Out Haiti's Poorest**

In addition to living in subhuman conditions, most of the over 634,000 people still in the 1,001 camps are likely not part of the planned reconstruction projects - which include almost 70,000 new or repaired housing units - because most of them were renters, and renters are not part of the "[Neighbourhood Return and Housing Reconstruction Framework](#)".



**By Jacqueline Charles | Miami Herald**

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti -- Fourteen-day-old Alexandro Joseph has never seen a doctor and 7-month-old Lovemika Belzi has suffered from diarrhea since the day she was born. In the sprawling camps that continue to dot this broken capital after last year's devastating earthquake, health and human rights officials warn of another crisis: an explosion of tent babies.

Haiti's tent baby phenomenon comes as the country continues to struggle to rebuild, and as the nearly 600,000 Haitians still living in hundreds of squalid camps in quake-ravaged communities see the avalanche of medical assistance from foreign doctors and nongovernmental organizations disappear.

"We have NGOs telling us, we are packing up and leaving at the end of this month," said Emmanuel Schneider, spokeswoman for the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, who blames a lack of funding for the departures. "Of the \$300 million consolidated appeal the U.N. system is requesting to cover humanitarian needs, only 52 percent has been funded."

I recall last year returning to Haiti to find that numerous International organizations had moved people out of the refugee camps into warehouses. Gave them some food, a hand shake and never returned. Several women gave birth in that warehouse – where is the ACCOUNTABILITY?!?

### **Haiti: Cholera epidemic reached a second peak and case numbers now decreasing**

18 August 2011 -- As of 31 July, the total number of reported cholera cases was 419 511, of which 222 359 had been hospitalized. Overall, data from health facilities indicate that 5968 people have died (case fatality rate 1.4%). Older people and children are the most vulnerable. After a period of increase from late May to early June, the number of reported cases is decreasing again. This may have been because there was not much rain in July despite being the middle of the rainy season. As the end of the year approaches, a number of organizations are struggling to find necessary funding to maintain activities in some departments.

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### **HAITIS CHILDREN INC MISSION STATEMENT:**

To develop, educate and feed the children, helping them grow in mind, body and spirit, in the remotest areas of Haiti; providing hope and a better life.

Matthew 19:14

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