

Haiti Ministry Update

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A Dream Takes Form! Join us!

In May of this year we produced a Haiti Newsletter that focused on Monadnock's involvement following the January earthquake. Much of this work would not happen without people like you who pray and support this ministry. What we would like to do in this newsletter is share a dream that is turning into a reality and ask you to pray and to participate in the way that God calls you. Like all dreams, this will involve a group effort.

But first, let's look at a verse of Scripture. The Bible has a lot to say about the poor and our responsibility to them. Here is what Isaiah says, "If you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday" (Isa. 58:10)

A Problem that Requires Immediate Action...

On January 12th when the major earthquake occurred in Haiti it damaged our rented orphanage where our 33 orphans in Port au Prince stay. Though far from ideal, we rented a few rooms of an apartment building near by to serve as a temporary orphanage. The owner of the building is not happy with our presence since other potential renters do not want to rent next to our children.

We must do something as the current situation is a temporary solution.

Action Taken...

We started with prayer. Obviously, God knows what we need and He cares about these children. We began to pray about locations outside of Port Au Prince where we could safely raise these homeless children. One of the properties in particular seemed to be the right one. Many of our contacts have inspected this piece of land and feel that it is a perfect fit for our needs and what we are trying to accomplish. This 1 ¼ - 1 ½ acre property is for sale for \$31,000.

Some of our Teams visited this property, prayed over it, and echoed that this would be a great place to re-locate our orphans. After prayerful consideration, our MBC Board recently authorized the purchase of the land. We paid \$14,000 down and committed to \$2,000 per month until the land purchase is complete.

The orphanage will continue to be directed by Julie Joseph who has great favor with the Haitian Government. She is authorized to take up to 100 children. Currently, we have 33 orphaned children.

We would like to build a building for the boys and girls to live, a kit-

chen as well as classrooms for school. Tragically, this earthquake has orphaned thousands of other young ones. As sponsors allow, we would like to add to the number of orphans that we can rescue. This is our dream. It is big, but our God is much bigger.

What Can You Do?

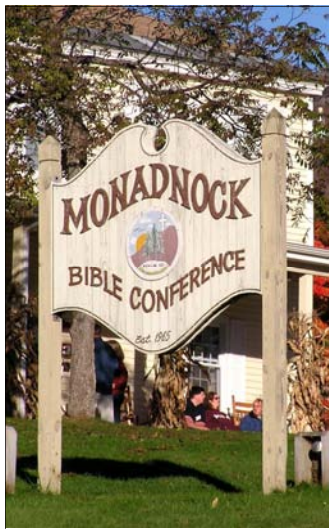
1. **Prayer** is the greatest thing we need. Will you pray for God's provision for this new orphanage?

Please pray for us at MBC as we raise the funds for the purchase and construction work, as well as finding additional orphan sponsors and the provision for education for these young adults upon graduation.

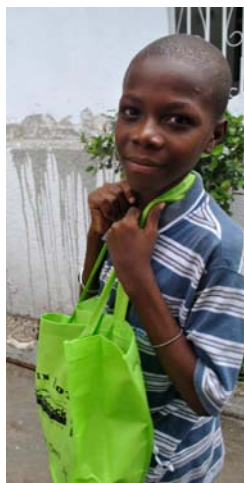
2. **Participate**—We are starting a "New Orphanage Fund." Will you pray and consider how God may want to use you to turn this dream into a reality? We need all the help we can get to finish the purchase of the land and in starting the construction. Would you be willing to make a one time gift, or, for a season, make a series of gifts to this cause? You may donate online at www.monadnockbible.org or by sending checks to MBC P.O. Box 70, Jaffrey, NH 03452.

Thank you for helping to turn this dream into a reality! We can not do this without you.

~Russ Bryant



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This field is the future home of Redeemer's Child Orphanage

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Meet Erline...making room for one more

By Julie Joseph, Redeemer's Child Orphanage, PAP

We have a new baby in Bousol Timoun (Redeemer's Child Orphanage). Her name is Erline. Let me tell you the story of Erline's 16 year old mother whose name is Rosemond. Rosemond lost her family and her house in the earthquake. She broke her leg when the earthquake occurred and woke up in a hospital. There she gave life to Erline on March 30, 2010.

When she left the hospital, she found herself face to face with real life. She didn't have a house, a family or friends, and she didn't have work. She was on the streets with a little newborn baby. When the rain fell, they got wet, and when the sun shone, they burned. Little Erline only weighs 8 pounds. She's anemic, dehydrated, and she is very weak, but she has a lot of smiles when she sees someone that she loves.

On June 29, 2010 Rosemond was out walking with Erline in the area where our Bousol Timoun is, and heard people talking about our orphanage. When they saw Rosemond and Erline they asked to hear her story and see the baby. After that they called me and I reminded

them that we do not take little babies in our orphanage. This was at 9 o'clock in the morning and when I finally went down to see them it was 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Rosemond was still there. She had said that she needed to wait to meet the woman who was in charge of the orphanage. Maybe if she sees Erline she would have pity on her.

When I got there, I could not wait for her to finish the story of this little baby's life. God wanted me to hear it. I thought about it. We aren't rich, and we are fighting everyday to take care of the 32 we already have at the orphanage. Our finances are very limited, and we are not set up for a little baby.

I thought to call Miss Joan. She is responsible for the sponsorship program at Monadnock Bible Conference. When I finished telling her the story of this little girl, she followed her heart and allowed this little baby to find her place in Bousol Timoun. Now we have named her Erline Joan Joseph. Erline is for us to never forget Rosemond who sacrificed the love of a mother so that Erline could have life and left her at Bousol. "Joan" because she is



Meet Rosemond & baby Erline

the person who gave her the chance to live in Bousol and "Joseph" because she seems to be the last little child in the Franceli and Julie Joseph family.

We say thank you to God for the opportunity to raise this little one. We don't know how many "Erlines" January 12, 2010 left in the streets, but I know that Erline Joan Joseph is not the last one. Mama Erline did her part: she knocked, searched, asked and found. Joan did her part. She opened her heart to Erline and welcomed her in. Bousol Timoun did their part too. And you, what do you think? You can do something if you really want to.

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