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Meet our newest, youngest (and cutest) donors



The Young Contributors
Ally, Grace and Kira

From another donor:

We love giving to Rescue One because we know the funds are directly used to care for both the physical and spiritual needs of Haitian children. As our family has a love for Haiti, we love it that Rescue One allows us to share the resources that God has given us to care for children in need. Through education, medical care, Summer Camp, and other activities, it's great to see the impact made in raising up Haitian children to build God's Kingdom.

—M. Andreas

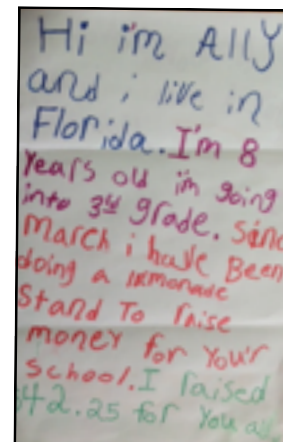
On a lovely March day I was bicycling when I heard young voices calling out, "Haiti, Haiti." Since children and Haiti are dear to my heart, I stopped to check things out. The children were selling lemonade to raise money for children in Haiti. Introductions and information were exchanged (as well as some money and a glass of lemonade) with the children and with their mother. We shared our mutual interest in Haiti.

The children decided that they wanted to give their proceeds to Rescue One. Their first check, in March, was for about \$9. In July, they sent a check for \$42.25. This second check will provide approximately 54 meals for children in Haiti.

We thank God for Ally, Kira and Grace who are learning the joys of giving at an early age. We wish them God's blessings as they grow and continue caring about others who are less fortunate.

(Note that the girls are holding a Rescue One newsletter.)

—NT



Loude, a student from the Rescue One program, wrote: "I thank you with all my heart for what you've done for

us. Thanks to the three of you (the girls). I love you very much. May God bless you."

Board of directors: Gary Nederveld, John Nielsen, Suanne Sweetman, Nancy Tuit,
Jody Vogelzang, Tom Waalkes, Carol Woltjer

Summer Camp 2014 from Trials to Joy

From Kerline Jules, our Director in Haiti:

Greetings dear brothers and sisters in Christ!!!

To God be all the glory!

***This year I was very pessimistic about the summer camp** because of the chickungunya fever (see page 4, prayer requests) all around the country. I was extremely worried about taking the children to an area where the fever was affecting most of the people. I was wondering if I take the children and the whole crew (cooks and other leaders) to the camp and they become sick, would I be able to manage that crisis? My motivation was not in it at all. I decided to have the coordinators give me their input about having the summer camp or not this year. Fortunately, everyone said to me, it would be a good idea to have it done because all the children are waiting for the date, time and place. I agreed with them and it was a joyful decision for all of us.*

***After we decided to move forward, I started to face many bumps on the way.** The first day of the camp was planned for July 23rd at 7:00 AM. On July 22nd around 2:00 PM the administrator of the camp site refused to let me come the next morning to start the program with the children. I don't have to tell you how devastated I was after receiving that awful news.*

I started making calls all over to find a place that was available.** Guess what? Around 4:00 PM on that same day God opened another door. I found another site. I have to tell you how helpful Lorkendia (a graduate of Rescue One who helps with the program) was. She was the leader and the messenger all at once; it took her two hours to do it all. She went to visit the whole place and communicated with me via telephone while on the site to assure me the place was acceptable to start the camp the next day. I gave her the credit for helping to get this done safe and well. After the Lord, Lorkendia lead me to the right place this year so the children could have fun and learn all the great things the leaders prepared for the program. The leaders and I did not get all the great things we expected but we managed to have everything done. At 10:30 PM I was driving all over Leogane, looking for drinking water, electric cables, and cooking instruments to make it happen. Fortunately, I have great leaders around me who gave all the support I've needed to make the camp a great success this year. **I thank the great Almighty for them all! I'm grateful.



Students arrive at Summer Camp aboard colorful buses and converted pick-ups called tap-taps. Each school committee is responsible for the transportation of their students for the 1 1/2 - 2 hour trip to Leogone. After an enjoyable week at camp, students again board the tap-taps for the homeward journey.

The theme of our summer camp this year was: "The Fear of the Lord," and we find our reference verse in Proverbs 8:13.

Our favorite activity of the Summer Camp is the Bible study. The topic of the study for the kids was on the theme "Knowing Christ." They learned the following verses: John 10:11, "I am the good shepherd ... John 6:35, "I am the bread of life ... and John 8:12, "I am the light of the world."



Using our own sound system is a blessing. God has been so good to provide a sound system through the Andreas family. Together we sang the English versions of the songs, "My Jesus, my Savior," and "Our God is an Awesome God."



I have learned from my personal experiences that most often difficulties bring with them great blessings. The Lord has given me an inner peace and I managed that difficulty with joy knowing that blessings will flow and I am convinced that the Holy Spirit has done a tremendous job in the lives of the youths and the kids through sessions of Bible studies, songs, handicraft activities, games, sports, mentoring moments with young people, food and training of all kinds. We educate our children to become impactful citizens, useful to themselves, their families and their communities. So we take into account their holistic development, we aim at all aspects of their lives. —KJ

Prayers Requested



PRAISE

Thank God that, in spite of many obstacles, Summer Camp was a great success.

Thank God for Kerline, our director in Haiti, who put much time and prayer into organizing the camp.

HEALTH NEEDS

Since May, the **chikungunya virus** has been prevalent in Haiti. This virus, spread by mosquito, results in a sharp fever, headache, full-body rash and joint pain. The illness is rarely fatal but recovery usually takes about a week. Many Rescue One children (and adults) have been affected, some so severely that one coordinator wept when she saw one of the children.

SCHOOL NEEDS

As the start of school approaches, pray for the students and the church committees and the many decisions that need to be made.

Shop for Rescue One!

From October 13 to 18, 2014,
Global Gifts

(a non-profit fair trade store at
2055 28th St., Grand Rapids, Mi 49506)
will donate 20% of all your
purchases except food and sale
items to Rescue One.

It's easy:

Simply present the salesperson with this certificate or mention our name, Rescue One, when you shop.

Put the date on your calendar and start your Christmas shopping early while you help students in Haiti.

Introducing Gary Nederveld

Gary is the newest member of the Rescue One board. A native of Grand Rapids, he attended Calvin College and received his MSW from the University of Michigan. He has broad experience with children and families in community mental health and has 15 years of experience in Haiti through CRWRC.

We are pleased to welcome Gary to the board.

Board Position Available

After 7 years of faithful service, our Treasurer would like to move into other areas of service. If you or someone you know would like to serve children in Haiti by collecting and recording donation checks and wiring money to Haiti on a regular basis, please respond to the address or website in the heading of this newsletter or speak with one of our board members.

The Rescue One Board **thinks you** for your compassionate and generous support. Rescue One is a small light bringing God's grace into the lives of 80 Haitian children. Your check can be made out to the Rescue One Foundation, a 501(c)(3) corporation. Donations can be sent to PO Box 8174, Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49518. All contributions except for printing and mailing costs go directly to Haiti.