



# Rescue One

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## Creativity and Initiative in Haiti

Critical to the success of Rescue One is the local control of the program, utilizing a director in Haiti who oversees five churches, each of which runs their own program. Local control also includes our partner board in Haiti, Fondation Michee.

These church partners see the needs within their community and use their creativity to initiate activities accordingly. Here are a few examples of recent events:

**The Salem Church** organized a meeting with all of the parents. Time was spent informing the parents of the progress of their children and included prayer and Bible study.

**The Community Church** organized a medical clinic for parents and students using two local pediatricians and two lab technicians who followed up on the doctors' recommendations.

**The Calvary Church** organized a special balanced dinner for the students after the first day of school. Each student chose to dress in her/his best and the church committee served them "with dignity."

**Your generosity enables the Haitians to be the hands and feet of Jesus in their own country.**



*The US board and their Haitian partners along with all the children of Rescue One wish you God's blessings as you celebrate with thanksgiving the birth of our Savior in whose name we serve.*



### Keep their hopes and dreams alive!

Please give generously to enable these vulnerable children to continue to receive an education, food, and social and medical intervention. Your gifts of love sustain these lovely children.

Gifts of any amount are always welcome. You can send a check, give through our website and/or mention Rescue One on Amazon Smile. Also consider including us in your will.

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*Committee members serve the daily meal*

## Food Insecurity in Haiti, Part II

"Food, glorious food," sing the boys in Oscar. Glorious food to the privileged of us in the US is golden brown Thanksgiving turkey with mushroom stuffing and a mashed potato mountain overflowing with gravy, or a clove studded Christmas ham ringed with pineapple slices. We may shop for the best at the nearest deli or even have all the trimmings delivered to our door.

In Haiti, where many people live on \$2 a day or less, glorious food may be anything they can manage to secure in the streets. Special to Haitians is the Sunday dinner when, no matter how poor the family is, they hope to have rice and beans with some kind of meat. Meat is a luxury to the Haitians.

This is why the food component of the Rescue One program is so important. From its inception, the program has furnished a meal each day to the children. The cooks work to provide balanced meals. In the last few years, we have been able to pilot a breakfast program in two of the schools. At Summer Camp, food is always a highlight. In their post-camp comments, most students say, "I love the food," or "I love the Sunday dinner the best." **What a privilege it is for us to use the dollars you send to provide nutritious food to aid in healthy growth and brain development.**

*"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.*

*Matthew 25:34-35*

### Prayer Corner

Give thanks with us that the Rescue One students will be celebrating the birth of the Christ child at their annual Christmas party.



Pray for the safety of our students in the Bolosse program. There has been intense gang warfare in the area. Pray that three of our YEP students who have graduated will find suitable jobs.



*Calvary Church students enjoy their meal "served with dignity." How can these small children eat those huge plates of food? In their words, "because we don't have this at home."*

Did you know...

One year at the annual Christmas party, a little girl ate just half of her meal so that she could take the rest home to her sister?

The Rescue One Board **thanks 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 or you can donate by PayPal on our website. All contributions except for printing and mailing costs go directly to Haiti.