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Left: Students from the Beree program were excited to receive their schoolbooks. For security reasons, they did not wear their school uniforms for a few months.

So we're not giving up. How could we! Even though on the outside it often looks like things are falling apart on us, on the inside, where God is making new life, not a day goes by without his unfolding grace.
Paul, II Cor.4:16, The Message

Faithfulness

Why, when the country of Haiti is in such distress and when so many other programs there are shutting their doors, is Rescue One able to maintain its programs? The main reason for our ability to function is that we are a partnership with citizens of Haiti who remain in the country and know the ins and outs of doing business there. Handelsona, our new director, has the passion and the skills to lead this team. She tells us: "I pray and then go out. The Lord protects me."

At this time, 75 of our 81 students are in school and the other six plan to start next week. Our numbers are down somewhat because some families have left to seek refuge outside the city. **Even with a smaller number of students, we need your donations more than ever. Inflation is rampant. Food sacks that cost us \$5,000 just a short time ago now cost \$7,000.**

God has blessed many of us in the US. While we decide which brand of coffee to buy, the Haitians struggle to get clean water. While we decide which car to drive, they choose between walking or riding a crowded tap-tap.

God has given us the task of sharing these blessings. He is faithful. Our Haitian partners are faithful. We intend to remain faithful. We will strive not to be weary in well doing. (Galations 6:9) We will continue to support our partners in Haiti unless God shuts the door. If we don't, who will?



Students enjoyed treats at the Christmas party

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in two days time, Handelsona and committee members from the churches put together a Christmas party to celebrate the birthday of our Savior. The practical and reasonably priced gift for everyone? New underwear!



Handelsona with some of the students from the Calvary Chapel program. She has organized a WhatsApp Group with about 20 of the older students. She asks them if they are in school, shares Bible verses and devotions with them, asks about problems they may be having and talks about being different because they are Christians. When she is not busy with other tasks, she tutors students.

Jimmy

Jimmy was brought into the Rescue One program when his twin brother who was in the program died in a fall from a mango tree. His father is also deceased. His lives with his mother and sister in a dangerous area in Croix des Bouquet where he has been robbed and threatened by gangs.

Jimmy, now in his final year at the University of Quisqueya in Port-au-Prince, has been invited by his school to go to Belgium for an internship. At this time, there are issues with his birth certificate that makes it difficult for him to get a passport. We pray that these difficulties can be worked out.

Prayer Corner

Donors, our Haitian friends cannot survive without our prayers, our love and our gifts. Daily they face issues that we cannot imagine. Give thanks that they remain willing to bring God's mercy and love to the children. Pray that they remain safe and able to carry out this ministry. Pray for safety for each of the children and committee members. Pray for Jimmy and ask for the miracle that will enable him to go to Belgium for an internship.



Young people are always eager for their dinner.



Everyone helps in cleaning up.

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