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From the president's desk-

Grace and peace to each of you!

This month as I think of Father's Day, I thank God so much for my earthly father. I have so many memories of my dad—the many years we spent doing things together here in Haiti, the things I learned from him, seeing how his giving heart showed others the love of Christ. All of you who knew him know that he loved to talk about Haiti and water! And he almost always ended his conversation saying how God has blessed him SOOOOOO much! But the most important thing my dad ever did for me was when as a young boy of 12, God's Spirit had been convicting me to accept Jesus as my Savior, but that aisle all the way to the front of the Brunk Tent Revival meetings looked so very long and I didn't know if I had enough courage to walk up there. But Dad sensed my struggle and asked me if I wanted to go forward, and when I said "Yes" he walked with me to the front. Precious memories! So as fathers, let's take time to help our own children and others to find the freedom in Christ that they are seeking, and make sure they understand it is only by God's grace that we are saved, and not by any good works of our own. The Resurrection Power that raised Jesus from the dead is for us too! And remember—it is not cheap grace; it cost Jesus His life.

So be blessed in Jesus! ~ *Leon*

A Father's Pride



"The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice, and he who sires a wise son will be glad in him." Proverbs 23:24

A proud father walks his son through the gate of the WFL school in Paswadòm, holding his hand firmly, knowing he is leading him towards a better future by providing him with a good Christian education.

Though times are tough in the village due to prolonged drought that struck the crops taking a toll on their finances, great sacrifices were made in order for him to attend school. Stepping up to the role for which God has anointed him, he is grateful for the opportunity offered to him by the wonderful donors that provide help and support to the school.

On Father's day, we pray that fathers all over the world would understand God's clear will for children to receive a good education. Then, they would rise up and diligently apply themselves to this task by bringing up godly children despite the immorality and wickedness of the day, by creating strong bonds between them and their children, and by raising them to become responsible citizen of this country.

Abounding Grace

Colossians 3: 23 "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters."

The Lord Our Father has made it possible for us to share His love and compassion with the community of Mersan in Camp Perrin, Haiti. Over 995 patients received medical care through the different services provided: eye care, dentistry, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, general physician.

God provided the staff with strength, patience and love to answer to each of them. The blind, the crippled, the sick came to the clinic with all their hope, touching our hearts with their stories:



Mariette, 24, gave birth recently at home with no medical assistance, as is the case of the majority of women living in remote areas. She came to the Mobile Clinic with shortness of breath and swollen feet. Mariette is now suffering from severe left-heart decompensation due to untreated anemia that she developed following heavy post-partum bleeding. She was immediately sent to a hospital for proper management of her pathology.

Help Keep the Water Pumping

In poor and remote areas of Haiti, many villages draw well water. Like any living creature, it is necessary for those villagers to have access to clean water on a daily basis for survival. Water For Life sponsors have been providing the villagers with clean water, by drilling wells, installing hand pumps and most importantly, maintaining them.

The hand pumps are one of the most economical and simple solutions for providing a collective supply of drinking water in those hard-to-reach remote villages. They are safe to use, eliminating the risks of children falling into open wells, and they ensure better hygiene conditions, and access to clean water.

An average of 350 people uses each of WFL hand pumps every day. The pump teams inspect and repair those pumps for the people to continue to have safe drinking water which is essential to human health and development. Service interruptions can lead to greater use of unimproved sources, which may reduce or eliminate health gains from safe water.



For the over 1500 wells you sponsored, more than 525,000 women, men and children depend on maintenance to keep water flowing through the spout. A pump's actual maintenance cost is \$300 on a bi-yearly basis. We make it our responsibility to keep the water flowing so people can continue to quench their thirst from one generation to another. We cannot do it without your help.

Sponsor one pump for maintenance through our website www.wflhaiti.org or by sending your donation for pump maintenance to

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**Blessings to you! ~
*The Water for Life Staff***

We really could use more baby bundles/ layettes!! Perhaps your women's group would care to put some together for new mamas in Haiti! Contact our Iowa office at waterforlife@hotmail.com for details!

April Statistics

WELLS DRILLED : 9

PEOPLE SERVED : 3,150

HAND PUMPS INSTALLED: 5

SUBMERSIBLE PUMP INSTALLED: 1

PUMPS REPAIRED : 44

MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC- 995 PEOPLE!!!!