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## NEWSLETTER

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### Counting Your Blessings

*“Count your many blessings, Name them one by one  
And it will surprise you, What the Lord has done!”*

As many of you know, last August 2021 a terrible earthquake struck the South of Haiti.

Several months after, we still have to deal with aftershocks from time to time, which creates fear and panic for most of the population, kids in particular. When visiting the South of the country now, one can be surprised to see that many churches and schools are still closed, because the buildings were destroyed or severely damaged and have not yet been repaired.

Access to a standard education for all was already a challenge, but now, there are thousands of pupils who cannot go to school anymore because of the disaster's consequences.



How blessed the Divine Help School pupils are during this difficult time that they still can go to their classrooms and continue to have access to a good Christian education!

There, classrooms are fine and the school functions as usual.

When we see the little children who have begun school for the first time of their lives in October, we feel happy for them and praise the Lord for your great support.

Not only do our 644 kids benefit from a good education, they also have a hot meal each school day. The professors and the

school staff have a job, receive a salary and provide for their families. The parents feel relieved, as they know that many other kids in the South of Haiti cannot go to school at this time.

Even in the darkest time, God keeps on blessing Haitian people in several ways. Thanks to your financial commitment by the side of Water for Life, God keeps pouring his blessings on many families in Passe Bois d'Orme through the Divine Help School. And we are blessed indeed to have good leadership to make the school happen! Pictured below is everyone involved with leading the school.



### Heartbeats From the Field: Madame Fortuné

**Q:** How do you understand and appreciate the mission of Water For Life?

**A:** WFL's mission is to provide access to water, education and health to a poor population. The school has developed over the years to be able to provide an education accessible to those who did not have one, covering classes from kindergarten through high school.

In a difficult country context, WFL's action gives children access to a good Christian education and to a meal every day. WFL also allows teachers to have a salary each month to support their families (many teachers in other schools have salary arrears for months).

For water in particular at Passe Bois d’Ormes, the mission is a success because it has changed the lives of people who were really miserable before. Now people have enough to drink, wash, and even irrigate, which has also allowed agriculture to develop.

I always hope that God would allow WFL to continue to support the projects and am grateful for all that has already been done.



**Q:** How do you understand your participation in this mission?

**A:** The school team and I make efforts and sacrifices to ensure that everything works every day and that the service is well provided. I start very early and finish very late, I am present for the parents of students. I motivate and accompany parents and children to convey to them the vision of the school. I always give my all.

**Q:** What impact has this mission in your life?

**A:** With this mission for several years, I have learned to depend more on God’s help to have courage, strength and patience every day. I also learned to understand better my skills and to put them at the service of others.

**Mark Your Calendars,  
Indiana Golfers!**

Water for Life Golf Benefit • **May 20, 2022!**  
Meadow Valley Golf Course • Middlebury, Indiana

Have a great day & help drill wells in Haiti!!  
For further information, call: **260-350-4448**

## From Leon’s Desk

Greetings once again to all our wonderful friends! There continues to be a lot of trouble in Haiti, with gangs continuing to kidnap, carjack, and extort money to allow vehicles to pass, especially in Port-au-Prince and the surrounding areas. It makes it hard to get around in Haiti and is why we are not inviting visitors to come at this time. But God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. So we press on by His power that enables us to stay focused and to keep being watchful, to keep loving people and sharing His love as we keep working the best we can. In the midst of bad news, we have a praise report to tell you! Remember we’d asked you to pray that God would make a way for our containers to be safely delivered out to our place, five hours from Port-au-Prince? God answered our prayers, and by His grace all three of them arrived safely just the other week!! We are so thankful that our drilling teams and pump teams have materials to work with!

I am thankful that we can rest in God’s sovereignty and almighty hand in the midst of so many uncertainties, knowing that in His time, He will open doors for us to bless others. No pressure; I just want to be at rest as I work for Jesus! To be at peace as we love others! And to remember that what we do is for the Lord and not just for numbers and reports! So we press on and keep listening to the Lord as to what all we can do in His behalf. I know he wants me to acknowledge Him, and He will direct my paths. And that is true for you too, according to Proverbs 3:5-6. In the natural sense, it seems all backwards—that I can rest in Him yet get a lot more done for His glory. But that is the result of resting in Him. And it only comes by grace through faith, a gift of God, not of any works lest we should boast.

Hebrew 4:9-10 says, *“There remains then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God. <sup>10</sup>For anyone who enters God’s rest also rests from his own work, just as God did from His.”*

So let’s rest in the finished work of Jesus.

~Leon

### — January 2022 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: **1**  
Hand Pumps Installed: **0**  
Hand Pumps Repaired: **33**  
People Served: approximately **11,550**  
WFL School Meals Served: **4,661**

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