

Bonjou!

The fruits of healthy spiritual partnerships are immeasurable.

Guinel and Anid Isnadin and their children Valkinyara, Este, Shalinsia, Dorly, and Molina

Shortly after the Haiti Earthquake in 2010 I met Guinel, the village leader of Kilbitè. While walking together through the jungle I asked him about his faith. He said he wasn't good enough to be a Christian. That's when I told him about the righteousness of Jesus and the cross.

He listened, then started to cry, even shake. Moments later he received Christ and was baptized in the cholera infested stream. An eternal union was forged.

But the Holy Spirit was just getting started. Months later Guinel and I talked about our goals for a church and school. And by the power of God it happened.

Fast forward 13 years. Two churches and a school are thriving. Last month I asked our Haiti leadership team to write down what they were personally thankful for. Here are Guinel's words:

I'm Guinel Isnadin. I thank God for all he did me. I was a pagan. I was leading a life of sin. My life was so poorly led. I was without hope. Since I was converted my life changed. I became another person. I wasn't married; I got married. I didn't have a house; I got a house. I didn't know what to do, but now I'm leading a ministry for God. I have goosebumps I'm so happy. He made my family smile. He even gave hope to my elderly family. "You wiped the tears from my eyes, you made my heart rejoice. You removed the mourning clothes from me, and gave me a beautiful robe put on me for me to rejoice." – Psalm 30:11

The Holy Spirit transformed Guinel's life. But that's not all. The Spirit transformed his village too!

Through the many bonds we share, it seems only natural (maybe even supernatural) for Guinel and me to seek other partners to strengthen God's Kingdom in Kilbitè.

Then Jesus asked, "What is the kingdom of God like? What shall I compare it to? It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden.

It grew and became a tree, and the birds perched in its branches." (Luke 13:18-19)

Kilbitè is a place where a mustard tree grew from the seed of God's salvation. Over time, God has fashioned healthy partnerships that nourish and shape this spiritual tree. Today, redemption and compassion are His fruits.

This newsletter is a witness to the many partnerships that have grown since that day. But it's also <u>a plea for more partnerships</u> - to nurture this tree into the future! Join us!... In joyfully expressing God's mercy and proclaiming Jesus and His Gospel.

All to the glory of His name.



Jeff Maskevich Director, God's Mercy to Haiti



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When We Share (PATAZHAY) God's Kingdom Grows!

God's Kingdom Grows through His Word | Demonstrated in Mercy | Understood through Education | Equipped though Sharing

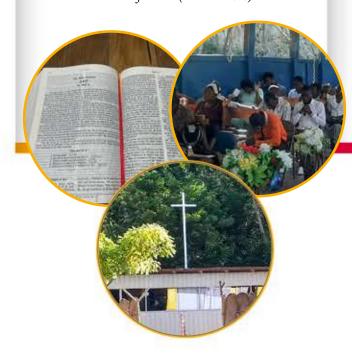
Ministry of God's Word and Worship

GMH equips The Church of the God of Perfection in Kilbitè and Marotte. Personal study, group study, discipleship, children's ministry, and worship all center around the Word of God.

We are ALWAYS in need of Bibles, hymnals, and church curriculum.

- French / Kreyol Bibles are \$25 each
- Hymnals are \$30 each
- Bibles are purchased locally in Haiti. This helps the local economy.

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" (Matthew 4:4)



Hey Buddy Peanut Butter Ministry

Hunger and malnutrition are part of everyday life. Our peanut butter food ministry is VERY cost effective. An equivalent jar of peanut butter in Haiti costs \$12. We produce ours for \$6.50!

Every batch of Peanut butter costs \$400 and produces 62 jars! (No shipping costs!)

Hey Buddy Peanut Butter provides nourishment for:

- Haitian refugees displaced by gangs
- Pregnant women and young children
- Students and staff at The School of the God of Perfection

ALSO, we pay ladies from our churches to produce Hey Buddy Peanut butter. This helps provide for their families too! Prayer and the Word are delivered with every jar.

Send a \$400 donation (or more) and specify "Hey Buddy" and 100% will go into our food account. Thanks.



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The School of the God of Perfection Ministry

God's Mercy to Haiti is a teaching and mercy ministry. These come together beautifully with our church ministries to our school.

Please support deserving hard-working teachers and hungry

- Payroll and school food are our biggest ministry expenses.
- Our teachers are hard-working professional in need of a raise
- We feed our kids year-round.

Our school ministry is by far our biggest ministry. For 10 years we have never been fully funded at the start of the calendar year. BUT our kids have NEVER missed a meal, and staff have NEVER missed a payroll. God has ALWAYS been there to provide. Our ministry truly LIVES BY FAITH.

A one-time gift of \$8000 will supply over 3000 meals pay our 22 staff and for a month! This reaches deep into the village as Haitians share (PATAZHAY) with one another to survive.

The fruits of healthy spiritual partnerships for this ministry are truly immeasurable!

We are all so grateful for our annual ministry partners that jump start our school every year!



Supply Line Ministry

Every battle needs a supply line.

How do we get supplies to our villages? UPS from Iowa to Florida. Then a strategic ministry partner, Missionary Flights International (MFI) flies our cargo from Florida to Port au Prince. Then Patrick our operations manager travels to PAP at great risk through gang-controlled territory to pick up and deliver.

We ship to Haiti about 9 times a year.

- Diapers, clothes, and supplies for our baby mommy ministry
- Kids and adult clothing
- School supplies for students and staff
- Kitchen & construction supplies
- Christmas presents for our kids

After "Customs Fees" our total cost is \$6 per pound. 200-400 pounds per shipment.

Note: Any time we can purchase an item in Haiti we do. We support the local economy! Some items are simply not available or too dangerous to acquire.





PROCLAIMING . EQUIPPING . REJOICING

We Give Thanks to God and Pray for Our Ministry Partners



Faith Evangelical Church, Radcliffe Iowa

Pastor Andrew and the Tuesday Men's Study feeds my soul and has rallied behind GMH.

The youth group just wrapped Christmas presents for our kids. Praise God for our growing partnership.

Mom's Diaper Ministry, Mason City, Iowa

Nancy and her daughters, Linda, Cindy, Sandy, collect quality clothing plus material to sew diapers and blankets for our baby/mommy ministry. Nancy has sewn over 450 diapers! Thank you ladies!





Stone Cliff Winery Dubuque, Iowa

Stone Cliff Winery has faithfully partnered with GMH for over 7 years. They sell our Wild Pineapple Wine (goes great with turkey... hint hint) donating \$3.25 per bottle. Thanks Bob and Nan!

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Dr. Vlad and the Alpha Omega Clinic, Titanye, Haiti

Dr. Vlad and the Alpha/Omega clinic are adversly affected by local gangs and violence. Their hospital is vital for our area. Please pray for their mobile clinic to return Kilbitè and for their safety.

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Pastor Nico, Christ's Church Travo, Haiti

The Church of the God of Perfection partners with pastor Nico. We teach, feed, and pray together. Generous partners expanded their reach to help Nico with a salary and housing. We love Pastor Nico!

More of Our Treasured Partnerships...

God bless **Downtown Church** in Miford, Iowa. Our longest running partnership. Thank you! **Trinity Christian Refomed Church** in Ames. Thank you for your steady support and mercy.

Many thanks to our warm and generous partners at the **United Reformed Church** in Wellsburg, Iowa **VooDoo Rangers.** Nimble warriors, quick to be merciful. Showing grace to the enemies of Christ. **To EVERYONE who gives and prays** – Your partnership steadies this ship. Thank you all so much! **Maria and Victoria** – the design divas who make the GMH media look oh so good! beautebook.com



It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken."

Since we have that same spirit of faith, we also believe and therefore speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself. All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

(2 Cor 4:13-15)