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NEW HOMES FOR STORM VICTIMS

A look at Terre Blanche as families rebuild from the 2008 hurricane damage

It was more than a year ago that M. Gesner and his wife, Marilene, stood in front of their storm-battered house and explained how hurricanes and floods had destroyed it along with their livestock and garden. They were left with "nothing," they said.

Today, Gesner, Marilene and their four children are living in a new house and smiling again, thanks to help from neighbors, Haiti Foundation of Hope and supporters like you.

This past year, with financial support from Haiti Foundation of Hope, several houses with solid foundations and sturdy walls were built in Terre Blanche, Haiti, for families whose homes were heavily damaged in the hurricanes and floods of 2008.

Madame Cepoudy, a widow with three children at home, also received a new house.

When asked what her favorite thing about her new home is, she answered, "Everything is good."

The effects of the 2008 storms are still evident in Terre Blanche. Having enough food continues to be difficult for many families, and for some, including those with new houses, livestock and gardens have not been replaced. Your support for the ongoing programs of Haiti Foundation of Hope is helping these people. Thank you.

M. Gesner,
Marilene and their
daughter, Mirolda,
talk about their
new home as
they sit on the
front porch.
Below, Madame
Cepoudy and her
family gather at
her new house.



COMMUNITY HEALTH GRANT PRESENTS OPPORTUNITY FOR GIVING

Haiti Foundation of Hope was recently awarded a \$13,650 matching-fund grant by the SG Foundation to benefit the **community health program** in the area of Terre Blanche, Haiti. The health committees leading the program chose this year to tackle the problem of childhood diarrhea and have selected community health workers (both volunteers and paid staff) who are undergoing training. They have been visiting homes, educating mothers, and identifying sick children who need referrals to the medical clinic.

Additional plans are being made to construct latrines to improve sanitation and prevent diarrhea. Please consider giving a donation to help us match the grant money and join with us in saving the lives of children through community health. To donate, send a check payable to Haiti Foundation of Hope to Haiti Foundation of Hope, PO Box 61941, Vancouver, WA 98666, or give online at www.haitifoundationofhope.org. Be sure to note that the gift is for "community health."

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Dear Precious Friends

Greetings to you in the wonderful Name of Our Lord and Savior who put all of you in our path as genuine gifts from Him to bless my family and the ministry in Haiti. We are praising Him for you all the time.

Our ministries in Terre Blanche are doing very well. We had six medical teams this year. We now have a community health program with 30 health workers who are in the process of being trained. The micro-loan program continues to be a blessing to many families.

The school is doing well with over 800 students from pre-K to ninth grade. The women's trade school is progressing well with a new instructor. Recently we held a solar cooking seminar and there is much excitement.

Although the new church is not finished, in October we had our first service.

Regarding my family: Elvire is sharing the ministry with me and I am very blessed to have her beside me. Ricky is in good health, happy and his language is much clearer. Although he is very slow to learn, he likes school and serving others.

Danica is a happy seventh grader now and recently acquired a little dog. Delwin is a high school senior in Yakima, WA, planning to graduate next June. Cassandre is in her first year of college at Gardner-Webb University, NC. Rodna lives with us as we are trying to do our best for her. She does not like to go to school and needs prayers.

All of you are Christmas gifts to us. We cannot be where we are with our children and our ministry for the glory of the Lord without your support. You are blessing us very much. May the Name of the Lord be praised for all of you!!!!.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OF YOU!!!!!!!!!

We continue to uplift you and your country in prayers. Thank you very much for all.

In His service.

Elvire and Delamy



Please pray for:

- Completion of the new church building and benches
- Renoir's health (he was in a motor vehicle accident earlier this year and his recovery is slow)
- Rodna to like school
- Delwin to graduate
- More space for the school lunch program

Our partners working in Haiti.

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