



SAVING LIVES

The Clinic of Hope's recently acquired digital x-ray machine saves lives!

The x-ray machine arrived at the clinic earlier this year. Clinic staff have already seen the value of this equipment as it helps with diagnosing very ill patients.

diagnose in infants. Failure to quickly make the correct diagnosis can be fatal for severely infected children like Juliette.

Without the presence of the x-ray machine in the clinic, it would have been necessary to send Juliette to Gonaives for an x-ray exam. When patients are very ill, as Juliette was, it is extremely difficult to quickly arrange transportation and funding for an x-ray in another facility. Also, with an active case of tuberculosis, other people who would have come in contact with her would be at risk of becoming infected with tuberculosis.

After her diagnosis was established, the other six individuals who live (and sleep) together in her home were also examined. Two of the six were also diagnosed with tuberculosis.

Being able to establish the correct diagnosis in Juliette, not only impacted her health but also the other members of her family.

By Dr. Joe Markee, HFH board member and team leader



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Haiti Foundation of Hope is a Christian organization addressing the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the people in the impoverished and underserved rural communities of northern Haiti.

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YOU CAN HELP

Would you consider supporting the Clinic of Hope in Terre Blanche and helping more patients like Juliette?

The clinic is open all year and is staffed by Haitian medical professionals.

To learn more about the clinic and how you can help, go to haitifoundationofhope.org.



Recently, 11-month-old Juliette came to the clinic with a high fever, failure to thrive, shortness of breath, and dangerously low blood oxygen saturation levels. Initially, her symptoms suggested that she might have pneumonia but she did not respond to intravenous antibiotics during her first 24 hours of treatment.

A digital x-ray exam immediately diagnosed the problem. She was infected with tuberculosis.

This disease is difficult to

THANK YOU, TRANSLATORS

As I reflect on how much growth has happened in Terre Blanche the past few years, I am struck by the reality that none of it would be possible without our translators.

Besides their primary role of translating for our providers and patients, which is no easy task in a rural clinic, they help us build relationships with the staff at the Clinic of Hope, community health

workers, teachers, and support staff.

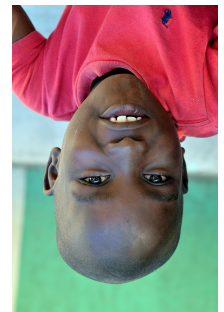
They explain cultural nuances and share with us the realities of living in Haiti.

They partner with us in being the hands and feet of Jesus in Terre Blanche, lovingly caring for those seeking Hope. I am so grateful for their friendships and inspired by their servant hearts.

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