



Christmas Newsletter 2007

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Dr. Allen Parker (above) of West Virginia pulled 65 infected teeth his first day, 12 in one mouth! While he has been to Haiti many times, this was Dr. Allen's first trip with Hope Alive!



October 26 – November 2, 2007 a U.S. team of 20 (above) went to Hope Alive! Clinic to share the love of Jesus with over 1,000 Haitian people through evangelism, prayer, medical care, and gifts. Also pictured are Administrators Abel and Renaud.



Dr. Larry Geisler (above) is an E.R. physician in Langhorne, PA and has been to Haiti 3 times, twice with Hope Alive! Clinic.



Dr. Doug Mayer (right) is an E.R. physician in South Jersey. This was his 3rd trip with Hope Alive! Clinic, and he has worked at 3 of the 4 clinics. On his first trip, he met his wife, **Jenna** (left).



Dr. Major Dave Blocker (above) is an Air Force physician who spent most of his summer in Iraq. This was Dave's 2nd trip to Haiti with Hope Alive! Clinic.





Many thanks to **Jolene Wagner**, Hope Alive! Clinic Board member (left in red). Jolene worked months day and night before the trip to procure medicines for this outreach. She kept track of inventory of the medicines before, during, and after the trip. Jolene volunteers many hours every week all year long to Hope Alive! Clinic. Simply put, this ministry could not function without her. Thank you, Jolene for showing the love of Jesus to the Haitian people. **You're the BEST!**



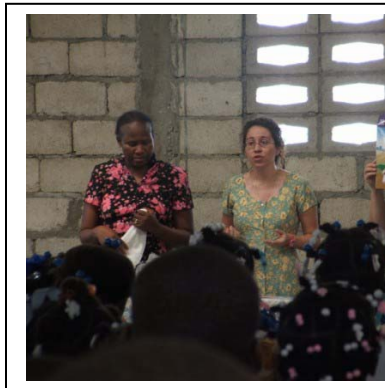
Gillian Eckardt (left) will begin nursing school soon, and hopefully she'll be a career missionary with Hope Alive! Clinic in Haiti.



Tony Chillemi was playing soccer in the rain! Tony is engaged to marry Becky, Frank and Leslee Jacobs' daughter.



Nancy Pisano is giving a Diphtheria-Tetanus vaccination. Nancy also made balloon animals for the children, and was such a blessing to all of us.



Maggie Stein (above) wants to be a dentist. She learned a lot working with Dr. Allen.

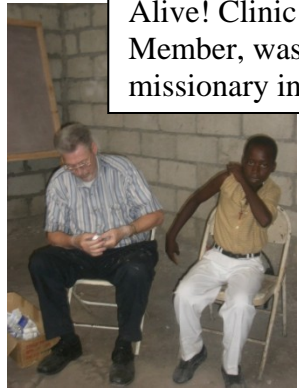
Michele Renfrow delivers the Sermon at church, and **Catherine Pierre-Rosia**, Hope Alive! Clinic Board member, translates from English to Creole.

If you would like to go on a Hope Alive! Clinic missions trip to Haiti, let us know at hopealivehaiti@yahoo.com

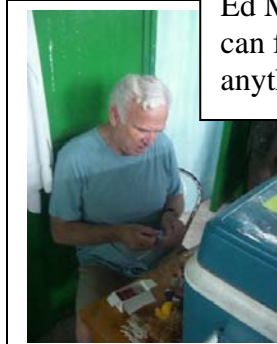


Hope Alive! Clinic in Kolmini Hundreds of people wait to be seen by the U.S. visitors. Titonton uses a megaphone for crowd control.

Blair Wagner, Hope Alive! Clinic Board Member, was once a missionary in Haiti.



Ed Mayer can fix anything!



Eric Stein (above) prayed with the patients, leading dozens to Christ for the first time. Many backslidden Christians also returned to the Lord.



Frank Jacobs, Pres. Hope Alive! Clinic

Jay Pisano worked in every station with a willing heart.



Theresa Mayer (above) is giving away a beautiful doll she knitted.

Leslee Jacobs (left) V.P. Hope Alive! Clinic.



"Girlfriend" (right) waves "Bye, Dr. Larry. See you Feb. 2009."



Tropical Storm Noel, the uninvited guest (right), forced a change of plans. We were able to bless Hope Alive! Clinic Kolmini. But a bridge near Hope Alive! Clinic Parent was too flooded to cross. So we set up a mobile clinic outside a church one day (left), and assisted at St. Marc Hosp. another day.



Dr. Larry Geisler... “What stands out the most after my return is the smiles of joy I saw on so many faces, children and adult alike. I began to think of what it takes to have such joy with so little. I realize that it takes a faith much bigger than is required in the USA. We are so blessed and have been given so much that we do not require or have not developed the same kind of faith. I marvel at the faith and joy I witnessed in the Haitian people and their church. I cannot wait to get back.”

Dr. Dave Blocker... “My best single word for the experience is "transformation." It was like a "loaves and fishes" experience for me, as we gave the small offering of our time, medicines, and gifts to the Lord and we watched him transform them into blessings to wave after wave of people in every location. I was simultaneously overwhelmed by the severe need of the Haitian people around Kolmini, with the joy and love of the people expressed to us, and with God's provision for them in the midst of their circumstances. I know that the small seed we planted in Kolmini during our brief visit will continue to grow and spread into a mighty tree that will bear good fruit of God's favor in the midst of that dry and thirsty land.

We trusted God in the midst of the hurricane and the darkest night of the year in a nation given over to the power of our enemy, and we watched God claim the victory time and again over the storm and the enemy of our souls. I will never forget our Haitian brothers on their knees through the night praying over us and claiming the victory in Christ in the midst of spiritual oppression on Halloween, even as we slept peacefully through the voodoo drums and chants all around our hotel. Our Haitian brothers and sisters are true warriors for Christ, and I feel proud to be counted among them in God's service! I can't wait to see what God will do next!

Eric Stein... “Words are really inadequate to describe what we saw God do in Haiti. It felt great to get out from under the ever-so-subtle anesthesia of the States and feel the harsh reality of a country where light and darkness are so easily identified. Praying with the wonderful people of Haiti was one of the coolest things I’ve EVER experienced (around 700 people). I explained the Good News of forgiveness of sin and saw folks understand it for the first time. I believe actual conversions were around 35, but I think the number of people who understood the message for the first time was MUCH higher. The intense oppression, need, and the pure love of the Haitian people were evident in their eyes. You could openly sense the conflict when the enemy was present. Better still was the thick and sweet presence when Jesus showed His power. Seeing the woman who was comatose from a stroke have another chance at salvation through Leslee was a highlight I will never forget. Watching my daughter Maggie interact with the Body of Christ and seeing the believers on the trip make her feel like they had known her all their lives and love on her melted my often cynical heart. Seeing her there at all was a miracle let alone having her pull 6 teeth with Dr. Allen. The Haitians could see that we really did love them.

Hurricane Noel was literally on top of us, but never hit where we were! The trip was definitely trying at times and just hard work. It was like an endurance run but in the midst The Lord gave incredible grace. We are looking forward to returning to Haiti as soon as possible. God has altered our perspectives and lives forever through this ministry.”

Jolene Wagner... “A young woman came to the "Pharmacy" for medicine carrying a beautiful, small baby. I soon learned he was blind. Even though they were very poor, she did her best to care for herself and her son; she dressed in a clean dress and the baby was in a clean romper. The thought hit me to the core of my soul that this woman, with this beautiful little boy, had such an uphill struggle just to make it through another day in Haiti. When I think about all of the times that I complain about this or that, I realize that I have no reason to gripe. Here in the USA we are blessed! As the holiday time approaches, we take stock of all that God has done for us. Our recent trip to Haiti brings all of these things into focus.”

Jenna Mayer... “Doug and I didn't realize how much we missed Haiti until we went again this year. We were grateful to be back and be reminded of how gorgeous all of the people are...”

Gillian Eckhardt... “Haiti is such a desperate place with such desperate people that it feels almost unreal. It's hard not to come off a trip like this one and feel like I made a difference. But I believe by the grace of God, somehow, we helped further the Kingdom. Whether it was hugging a little child or giving a tetanus shot, God had us there for a reason. I know one day we'll see what He did through us to make a difference for eternity. I think what stood out to me the most on this trip was God's faithfulness to us, and the provision we saw daily.”