SEEDS OF SUPPORT MISSIONS

A Ministry of St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN and United Lutheran Church, Langdon, ND

SOWING SEEDS. BUILDING COMMUNITY

FALL 2024: ENGAGE IN OUR MINISTRIES!

Hello everyone, and God's blessings to you all.

Seeds has been active this fall in our work across the globe. Partners like Kerlange and Joseph in Haiti, and Traci in Belize, focus on projects bringing hope to those in need and spreading their faith. We're excited to see how their work continues to unfold and where God's light might shine. We invite you to think about how you might engage in this work—will you go on a mission trip, support us financially, or simply offer your prayers for the work we're doing with partners around the world? However you choose to stay connected with our ministries, we are grateful for your participation.

JOIN US ON SPRING BREAK IN BELIZE!

You are warmly invited to join us on our next spring break mission trip to Belize from March 30th-April 5, 2025! As our third trip to the country, this experience will focus on relationship building and Christian service as we meet new Belizean friends, work side-by-side with our partners at Showers of Glory Camp and Oxmul Coffee Farm, help with kids programs at a local church and school, snorkel a barrier reef, and more! All are welcome to participate in this unique opportunity! The registration deadline is **November 14th**. Contact Deb Hetherington (thx4blessings@gmail.com) for questions about the trip. You can register online here.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION DONATIONS REQUESTED

For the past several years, both Joseph (in Port-Au-Prince) and Julien (in Pasquette) have asked for our support in hosting Christmas celebrations for the children in their communities. Children attending Joseph's kids club in December receive ingredients for a Christmas meal to take home to their families. Julien invites children to a holiday celebration that includes a food distribution, holiday decorations and a small gift. In such challenging times for Haiti, we want to continue this support in 2024. We humbly ask for your support in reaching our goal to raise \$6,000 by November 20th. Please visit the <u>St. Andrew Giving page</u> to make a donation.

KERLANGE CONTINUES HER HOSPITAL MISSION

In early October, a gang killed 70 people, including women and infants, in the town of Pont Sondé, near Kerlange's home in St. Marc. Many others were injured and/or driven from their homes. As a result, the local hospital has once again been inundated with victims and many people are left homeless.

Kerlange and her friends organized and delivered 150 packages of supplies to the hospital, including personal supplies like soap, detergent, toothpaste, diapers and more. She shares with us, "I'm so happy we had the visit. The people were so happy. But...I never saw this much people in my life in the hospital. It is very sad. Those that are very injured are crying for a family that are dead. So much pain in their eyes."



THANK YOU to generous Seeds of Support donations, including a gift from United Lutheran Church in Langdon, North Dakota, that allows Kerlange to continue this vital ministry.



Kerlange and her team at the hospital (husband Armstrong is on the far right)



Packages of supplies ready for distribution

SHOWERS OF GLORY CAMP CONTINUES TO GROW!



Our partners at Showers of Glory Camp in San Antonio, Belize continue to work on the camp's kitchen! St. Andrew's Endowment Fund generously supported this project over the summer, and the Tzib family has been hard at work! We look forward to seeing continued growth at the camp on our mission trip next spring. Traci Tzib shares that one of the next goals for Showers of Glory is pipes for running water, which will help them better serve more youth from the community. For more updates on the project, visit the Showers of Glory Camp page on Facebook!

Showers of Glory camp kitchen in progress!

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SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES

Seeds of Support Missions relies on donations to keep our work going. In 2024, our project goals include:

- Supporting a kids club ministry in Port-Au-Prince
- Food distributions in Port Au-Prince, St. Marc, Pasquette, and other Haitian villages
- Hospital visits and personal supply distributions
- A rural medical clinic
- Supporting the development of Showers of Glory Camp in San Antonio, Belize
- Educational scholarship support

If you would like to support these projects financially, you can make a donation on the <u>St. Andrew Giving</u> Page. We are grateful for your prayers as we continue to find ways to creatively do mission in the world.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE AND GOD'S GLORY TO BE SHOWN

As unrest in Haiti continues, we ask for prayers of safety for our friends, for wisdom from the leaders steering the future of the country, and for all those who have been impacted both in the country and abroad. We pray for the health of Joseph, Kerlange and their families and friends as they navigate such uncertain times.

And we pray for our friends in Belize as they continue to build Showers of Glory Camp. We pray for all those who will visit the camp, whether campers, missionaries or others, that they'll see God moving through the Tzib family's work.

Blessings,

Pastor Peter, Linnae Stole, and the Seeds of Support Board

CONTACT US!

For questions about the contents of this newsletter or Seeds of Support's work in general, contact Pastor Peter (pastorpeter@standrewlu.org) or Linnae Stole (lbstole@gmail.com).