



**HOPE**  
Mission International  
Helping Other People for Eternity

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HOPE is a federally recognized  
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“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” 1 Peter 1:3

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February 2013

It has been over 7 years since HOPE Mission International was formed to serve the Haitian people, particularly, the people of Duchity, Pestel. On HOPE’s web page, we wrote: “Beyond meeting tangible needs, we strive to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to all we meet as well as encourage local believers.” That has been true for all the ministries we put in place there, for example, Film Outreach, Bible Study, Child Sponsorship, Basic Computer Training, Construction Outreach, etc.

We have been taking ministry teams to Haiti at least once a year. But the trip of November 2012 to provide disaster relief to the victims of Hurricane Sandy was exceptional. We are grateful to the financial donations from supporters as well as a special Thanksgiving offering from Eastford Baptist Church, which made the disaster assistance possible.

God demonstrated His total power and complete authority over the weather. While we were there, it was raining every day and we could not start repairing the roof of a small house for a widow lady. On Wednesday, we prayed and asked God to delay the rain until the house was completely repaired. Supporters in the states were also praying on Wednesday for the rain to stop. God heard our prayers and did just that!

We started the repairs at 8:00 AM. We kept reminding the team to trust God for all aspects of life. God held off the clouds. At 3:00 PM, we completed the repairs and invited the widow lady to enter the house. We prayed with her. She thanked us and God and THEN it started to rain immediately. What a mighty God we serve! We pray this testimony will encourage both believers and non-believers in that region. We would like to thank God for using HOPE to show His love and compassion to the people of Duchity and not taking into account our flaws, faults and weaknesses.

In addition, we:

- 1) Built up a small house for the diesel generator as a temporary shelter
- 2) Filled in the septic holes, which could cause harm to the pedestrians
- 3) Added a second layer of paint the benches built by summer team members in July 2012
- 4) Installed casters, painted the bookshelves and built reception countertop in preparation for the opening of the Library in July 2013
- 5) Completed disaster relief project. A great number of families received assistance, both in terms of supplies or monetary gifts
- 6) Implemented a new electrical strategy to save energy by allowing electricity to be just in the room for the basic computer skills class
- 7) Cleaned the ceiling of the entire building to remove wet paints due to using bad or expired paints
- 8) Met with the students (youth and adults) attending the basic computer training
- 9) Distributed medical supplies to about 20 families and young people combined with gospel tracts and New Testaments
- 10) Distributed donated clothes and shoes to several families and young people

~ Wilfrid Decossard



Local woman assisted by  
Disaster Relief funds



Team members repairing the  
roof of a community member



Over 20 families received assistance:  
a new roof, metal sheeting or wood materials were provided





# 3rd Annual HOPE Benefit

Join us for an evening of Praise and Fellowship  
Learn more about the work of HOPE in Haiti

Saturday, April 27th 2013

7:00 pm@ Evangelical Community Church  
1155 Newfield Avenue  
Stamford, CT

Dinner Ticket ~ \$15

A Love Offering will be taken

Please R.S.V.P by April 1st

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## Ways to Get Involved

These are just a few of the children who have an urgent need for Child Sponsorship. For \$20 a month, you can provide education, uniforms and school materials. Your gift will help alleviate the strain that many families feel in providing for their daily needs and their child's education.

Visit our website for more information



- Pray for HOPE, the Pestel community and the country of Haiti
- Join a Summer Ministry Team
- Opportunity to see first hand what God is doing in Haiti and to build relationships with the Pestel Community

- Consider becoming a regular monthly supporter- \$5,000 for internet access at the library for computer classes
- Monies to provide additional books and furniture for the opening of the HOPE Library- July 2013
- Like us on FACEBOOK- for updates and prayer requests

HOPE Mission International

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I commit to pray for HOPE    Daily    Weekly    As the Lord brings to mind

I would like to give the following gift at this time \_\_\_\_\_

I commit to support HOPE with the following monthly gift:

\$25       \$35       \$ 50       \$75       \$100       \$150       \$\_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sponsor a child in Pestel, Haiti @ \$20/month    \_\_\_\_\_ boy    \_\_\_\_\_ girl    \_\_\_\_\_ most need

I would be interested in more information regarding joining a Ministry Team to Haiti

I would like to attend the HOPE Benefit Dinner April 27th    \_\_\_\_\_ # attending RSVP 4/1/13

My email address is: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_