



DAYSRING MINISTRIES

Walking Hand in Hand with the People of the Light & Peace Missions in Haiti

"She had a Bad Spirit"

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I was talking to Pastor Ronald the other day, and I asked him about the church events of last month. He told me that every three or four months the Mission has a baptism service for the people who recently joined the church and haven't ever been baptized. Being a Baptist church, the Mission has a huge glass baptistery high up across the front of the church. It has a beautiful painting behind it with a flowing stream and waterfall.



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There were seventeen people lined up to be baptized. One by one they walked down the stairs, confessed their faith in Jesus Christ, and were gently lowered in and out of the water. When one lady walked into the water, however, everyone sensed that something was wrong. She was restless and couldn't confess her faith even though she wanted to.

Pastor Ronald said he immediately recognized that this lady had a "bad spirit". He and the pastor that was helping him began to rebuke the unclean spirit with power and authority in the name of Jesus. It didn't take too long for the lady to gently collapse into the arms of the helper as Pastor Ronald continue to pray. When she stood back up, she easily confessed her faith and allowed herself to be baptized.

For many of us in the U.S., this would be a totally unfamiliar experience. However, it wasn't unfamiliar to Pastor Ronald in Haiti, and it wasn't unfamiliar to Jesus. Jesus came upon unclean spirits frequently and rebuked them easily. The name of Jesus still rules!

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The \$10,000 Mistake

Last month the Dayspring budget was suffering from the summer slump...at the same time the orphanage generator stopped working, gravel was needed to fill in the orphanage puddles and other bills needed paying. While we were **trusting God** to provide our needs, a generous friend of Dayspring misread an email I had sent him. Without contacting me, he quickly wrote out a check to Dayspring for \$10,000, forgetting that he had already sent that check several months ago! We offered to return his check, but he said, "Oh, I'm sure you can use it, so just keep it!" Ahhh...God is so good. See Malachi 3:10

The Water in the Road was too Deep

Last month I wrote about a Mission Team from CO that was headed to a village up in the mountains of Haiti called Grand Buchon. The team had **water filters and generators** that they were bringing to the people at the Light & Peace Mission churches there. The team managed to arrive at the first church they were to visit, but getting to the next church further down the road became impossible.

Dale, the team's leader, wrote: "We spent one night in **Grand Bouchon** and had a great time with the village people. The next afternoon we left and headed towards **Cornillion** with Pastor Raoul. We got within 30 minutes of his village and couldn't go any further because the road was flooded. It was too risky to go any further and possibly get the vehicles stuck in the mud. We had to leave the supplies with Pastor Raoul at another village."

Dale said, "This team was so committed to completing the mission and spending time with the kids that they all want to go back again in six months."

A friend of mine said he left a piece of his heart in Haiti, so he has to go back to visit it sometimes. So true!



Brand New Knowledge Computer Lab



It's been a long time coming, but the new **Knowledge Computer Lab** is here! With a major donation from the Knowledge Foundation, we were able to finish the second floor of the orphanage and use one of the rooms for the new computer lab. There are 12 laptops for all the older boys and girls, and the new computer teacher will be starting work soon. People often ask what we're going to do with the kids as they age-out of the orphanage. I don't think we'll do anything until they're ready to leave, but they'll be leaving with new skills that should meet the needs of many local businesses.

Not So New Necklace Business

In an effort to promote special skills among the older kids at the orphanage, we've introduced the art of making "**ladder-yarn**" necklaces. These necklaces are crocheted from a special nylon yarn that has little pieces of colorful ribbon woven into it. The necklaces are very light-weight and shimmery, and they give the appearance of being made of beads rather than yarn.

The original purpose was to have the girls make the necklaces, and we would sell them in the U.S. to raise money for school uniforms. The Lord has since supplied that need in other ways, but the necklaces have become very popular and have taken on a life of their own!

The orphanage girls enjoy making them, and they especially like earning a small amount of their own spending money. The profits from the necklaces will still be used for special needs at the orphanage, of which there are always many! **All necklaces are only \$10 each.**



The photo shows a very full necklace, but since there are many different brands of this kind of yarn, there are also many varieties of colors and thicknesses. Several ladies have ordered 10 or more at a time and sold them for Dayspring in their own church. Others have bought six or seven to give to all the ladies on their Christmas list. Some young ladies have chosen to wear them as **headbands** rather than necklaces, since the length is adjustable.

If you'd like to order one or more of the necklaces, write, call or email me with your request. The colors range from one shade to beautiful combinations of related colors, along with some bright multicolored ones. I can easily send samples because they're lightweight and can be mailed in an ordinary envelope. I think you'll like them!