

*“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Galatians 6:9*

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## PARTNERSHIP AT WORK — IN KENYA

Since 2009 East West InterKnit (EWI) has partnered with Julian Orimbo of Faith and Hope Ministries to achieve our mutual goals of reaching people with the gospel message and helping to alleviate human suffering. Under Julian’s leadership the Christian school, the women’s and youth seminars, children’s camps, care of elderly, and evangelistic outreaches have all been instrumental in leading many to faith in Jesus Christ and to meeting human needs. Funds sent from East West InterKnit help cover the cost of food for more than 300 school children, seminar expenses, student tuition, and recently assisted in the purchase of malaria meds. The hardship they face is difficult to put into words.



Heavy rains in March washed out bridges and stranded some of Julian’s students who were unable to cross the river to get home. She had to house and feed an additional 13 children until they could get home. This had an impact on her food budget, but she said it was good as she had a special opportunity to minister to them. The bridges have not yet been restored but the rivers are now crossable though not very safe. Julian is concerned for the children who must wade through the water.

The effects of the flood have been far-reaching, severely affecting people from the church and the community as a whole. Church members from the other side of the river began meeting in the home of an elder when the bridges went out. They continue to do so as many are still afraid to cross. Two church members who attempted to cross on motorbikes on April 20<sup>th</sup> were swept away. They survived but lost their bikes. People whose employment is on the opposite side of the river have been unable to get to work so there is now famine in the community. The loss of crops and loss of employment affect Julian’s school when parents are no longer able to pay fees.

### For prayer

- Pray for Judith and her family She is a church member whose husband and the father of their three children was lost in the flooded river while trying to help his wife wash clothes.
- Pray for Julian’s health as she has had another bout of malaria and is dealing with a heart condition.
- Julian taught two sessions at the recent ladies’ seminar. Praise God for the attendee who committed her life to Christ.
- Pray for Julian’s teachers who serve sacrificially even as they struggle to provide for their families.

## PARTNERSHIP AT WORK — IN HAITI

### Mission Evangelique du Nord d’Haiti (MENH)

The country of Haiti has been facing severe economic and political crises, gang activity displacing over 1.3 million people, and the collapse of its government. It is one of the world's least developed countries and has been described as a failed state. Nevertheless, despite the gloomy picture, we know God is working through the efforts of His people to positively influence the lives of many.

The churches, schools, clinic and other outreaches of Mission Evangelique du Nord d’Haiti (MENH) have provided hope for thousands across North Haiti. Through the efforts of the 21 churches, families have been restored, youth are being trained and equipped to lead in worship, in evangelism, and in teaching. Many families regularly participate in service projects that benefit entire communities. Hundreds have come to faith in Jesus Christ including former witch doctors and practitioners of Voodoo.

Recently a group of volunteers from the MENH church in Plaine du Nord visited the Grand Prison in Cap Haitien where they were permitted to share the gospel and to provide meals for more than 900 inmates. As a result, three individuals gave their lives to Christ. The experience of showing love and care for marginalized individuals is said to have left a lasting impact on those who participated.

The 14 MENH schools have provided education for hundreds of children. In addition to daily devotions, Bible study twice a week, and chapel every Friday, College Evangelique Emmanuel, the first and largest of the MENH schools, offers a strong academic program along with opportunities for practical experience.

There have been several non-classroom activities since the beginning of the year. The January event was called Egg Day. The students learned about the composition of an egg and its nutritional value, and how to handle, prepare, and serve a variety of egg dishes to their teachers and classmates. This was in support of the school’s agricultural program which involves all students in gardening and small animal husbandry. This program has already produced results as students have been able to sell their produce, improve family diets, and learn practical skills.



In February students visited a plant that produces alcohol products used in medicine, and in March they took a class trip to a cassava plant. They had opportunity to view the entire Cassava production process from cultivation to processing and preparation of food products.

These activities contribute to an understanding of the importance of agriculture for the economy, the science of food production, safety and hygiene issues, and small business management. It is also intended to encourage entrepreneurship.



Preparing egg dishes



Serving Classmates



At the Cassava plant - Cassava flat bread is a staple in Haiti

MENH has identified several needs that, if met, will help them strengthen spiritual, educational, and social development in North Haiti. East West InterKnit's main support goes toward the school in Plaine du Nord but we also want to help bring the clinic back and address other needs as funds permit.

- Access to medical care is extremely limited in the area. About \$8,000 is needed to bring the clinic back to full operation but about \$1,900 would pay back salaries.
- Funds are needed to provide materials, meals, and transportation for participants in the annual leadership training conference which is usually attended by 100 or more pastors and leaders.
- A new campus gate is needed. Controlled access to campus is essential to protect students, staff and facilities.
- Other funding needs include installation of the church roof, repair of the lawn mower, and renovation of the basketball court and soccer field.
- Pray for the mission as they continue to preach the gospel, educate children, strengthen families and impact whole communities in northern Haiti.

## PARTNERSHIP AT WORK — IN SOUTH ASIA

### Two States in India

**South East India** - Because of the difficulty in transferring funds to India, the children's home in SE India had to borrow funds to continue caring for the children. We are now able to send funds but are concerned that the door might close again. We are in the process of helping them eliminate the debt and helping pay medical bills. Despite the difficulties, the children have progressed and we recently learned they all passed their annual exams. Pray for the children as they return

to their villages during the school break. Most knew nothing of Jesus until coming to the home. Now they are reading Bibles, singing Christian songs, and sharing with their family members.

Recently the home took in a young woman and her two children because the husband had abandoned her. Since she had nowhere else to go, she came to the children's home where she had been raised. She will serve as an assistant, but this is an added expense for the home. Please pray for Jyothi and her children.



**South Central India** - During the latter part of March Pastor Frank and his associates ministered at two separate leper colonies in a neighboring state. They showed the love of the Lord to them by providing a special non-vegetarian meal to about 150 lepers who "seldom would have such a hearty meal."



Pastor Frank wrote that the Lord enabled them to have wonderful Good Friday and Easter services. The church was crowded and many had to be seated outside the church. He said they felt the presence of the Lord throughout the services. Despite the many challenges and threats, they have apparently been able to hold services without significant difficulty.

Good Friday service led by our EWI partner was well attended.

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