

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring Good News ." Romans 10:15b

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From the Director

Dear Friends of East West InterKnit,

We praise God for all that was accomplished in 2024 through the efforts of Mission Evangelique du Nord d'Haiti (MENH) pastors, teachers, and other workers as they carried on the work of reaching people with the gospel and ministering to their many needs in the midst of great hardship and danger.

Pastor Gerard and his group from the MENH church had to flee Port au Prince passing through dangerous gang-controlled exits from the city. They made it to the relative safety of Cap Haitian where half of the group is being housed with Pastor Thony in Plaine du Nord and the other half are seeking refuge at another church member's residence. They were able to bring nothing with them. Consequently the burden of providing for their needs rests wholly on their hosts.

With the help of our donors EWI has been providing 70 to 75% of the funds needed for the school and additional funds for the mission. However, inflation and an uncertain economy have greatly impacted our income. Today we sent funds for the school, but we are still 1 ½ months behind.

Attached you will find the most recent letter received from Ebed Paul, the president of Mission Evangelique du Nord d'Haiti (MENH). He enumerates many of the ways the mission is sharing God's love and caring for the people of a nation beset by one disaster after another. As you read of the positive impact MENH has had, please prayerfully consider how you might help us to continue to help this vital ministry, and others like it, to meet critical needs in Haiti and beyond.

The Situation in These Areas is Urgent!

- Support is needed for Mission Evangelique du Nord d'Haiti—schools specifically as well as the mission as a whole
- General support for children's homes in India and Kenya

How You Can Help

- Pray that God will provide all that is needed according to His will.
- If you are already a donor, thank you. If you have not been able to give in the past, please prayerfully consider doing so at this time. No gift is too small.
- Send a check made payable to East West InterKnit at PO Box 270333, St. Paul, MN 55127 or contribute online at www.ew-interknit.org/donate

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PARTNERSHIP AT WORK — HAITI SPECIAL EDITION

Mission Evangelique du Nord d’Haiti A Letter from the President



Dear EWI Team,

Warm Christian greetings from the MENH family. We are honored to share the incredible impact your unwavering support has made possible in Northern Haiti throughout 2024. Haiti continues to navigate unprecedented challenges due to escalating armed gang violence which has deepened the humanitarian crisis and uprooted countless families. Yet, amid these struggles, your steadfast partnership has empowered us to make a profound difference. Since our founding by Bishop Jean Berthony Paul in 1971, MENH has remained dedicated to transforming lives, particularly for women and children, through faith, education, and holistic community development. Pastor Thony’s enduring vision continues to guide our mission:

- God First (Evangelizing)
- School Second (Educating)
- No Time to Waste (Equipping)
- Boldly Planning for Tomorrow (Excelling)

With this vision as our foundation, MENH has expanded its work to include healthcare, clean water, sanitation, and economic development, creating sustainable, life-changing solutions across Haitian communities. Your generosity and our team’s resilience have allowed us to achieve remarkable milestones in 2024. Below, we detail the tangible progress made across our church, education, and community development initiatives.

Church Initiatives:

1. Organized 27 dynamic camp meetings across 19 churches, strengthening faith and fellowship.
2. Shared the Gospel with over 5,000 individuals, bringing hope in difficult times.
3. Baptized 190 new believers, celebrating their public declaration of faith.
4. Led 260 individuals into a personal relationship with Christ, deepening their spiritual journey.
5. Progressed significantly on the construction of the Christian Center of Haiti, a beacon of faith and education.
6. Expanded evangelism outreach efforts, including prayer walks, community service projects, Bible studies, and digital engagement.

7. Distributed essential food supplies to vulnerable families across multiple communities.
8. Organized several “group marriages,” enabling couples to formalize their commitment in a Christ-centered environment.
9. Launched a weekly prayer and fasting initiative across all 19 churches, fostering spiritual discipline and renewal.
10. Held twice-weekly outdoor revival meetings, drawing large crowds to worship and hear the Word.
11. Hosted multiple conferences for families, children, and youth, addressing faith, leadership, and community development.

Educational Impact:

1. High quality education provided to over 1,100 students, nurturing future leaders.
2. Trained 50 teachers, enhancing educational quality and student engagement.
3. Connected 350 students to internet access, bridging the digital divide.
4. Integrated daily Gospel teachings into the curriculum for all 1,100 students.
5. Enrolled 60 students in the marching band, fostering discipline and teamwork.
6. Trained over 100 students in home-based vegetable gardening, promoting self-sufficiency and nutrition.
7. Participated in inter-school soccer tournaments, with three MENH schools competing.
8. Won four soccer tournaments, showcasing student talent and teamwork.
9. Increased enrollment at the main school by 40%, expanding access to education.
10. Improved the main school’s financial self-sufficiency by 15%, with the school now contributing 30% of its over-all budget.

Looking Ahead to Address the Migration Crisis and Future Planning:

Despite these achievements, we are currently stretched beyond our capacity due to the influx of forced migration from families fleeing Port-au-Prince to Northern Haiti. This unprecedented displacement has significantly increased the demand for education, housing, food, and other essential services. We are making do with the resources available, but the needs far exceed our current funding. As we continue to serve these communities, we pray for an increase in financial support to sustain our efforts. The instability in Port-au-Prince remains uncertain, making it difficult to predict when families will be able to return home. As a result, we are actively engaged in both short-term relief efforts and long-term strategic planning to address the ongoing crisis.

Gratitude & Call to Action:

Your investment in MENH fuels our belief that lasting, transformative change is possible in Haiti. Despite the escalating gang violence and insecurity in Port-au-Prince, Grace Evangelical Church, the MENH church in Port-au-Prince, remains a refuge for those displaced as other churches are forced to close. In early March, Pastor Gerard, his wife, and 24 church members were forced to flee to Cap-Haitien, becoming refugees in their own country. Despite these hardships, we are continually inspired by the resilience, strength, and determination of the Haitian people. Their story is one of many, and it underscores the urgency of our mission. As we continue to provide for those displaced, we pray for additional support to sustain our programs, expand our reach, and meet the growing needs of the communities we serve. Your prayers, generosity, and unwavering commitment make this work possible. Together, we are building hope, creating opportunities, and transforming lives in Haiti.

With deep gratitude,

Ebed Paul
President