

# THE INTERNATIONAL VILLAGE OF HOPE

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A 501.c.3 Non-Profit organization founded by Carol Herget.

A non-denominational Christian organization dedicated to helping the children of Haiti

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<sup>4</sup> Jozef te rete nan peyi Galile, nan yon bouk yo rele Nazaret. Men, paske li te moun nan fanmi ak ras David, li moute, li ale nan Jide, nan lavil David yo rele Betleyem lan. <sup>5</sup> Jozef tapral fe yo pran non l'ansanm ak non Mari, fiyanse li, ki te ansent. <sup>6</sup> Antan yo te la, jou pou Mari te akouche a rive. <sup>7</sup> Li fe premye pitit li a, yon ti gason. Mari vlope pitit la nan kouchet, li mete l'kouche nan yon kay kote yo bay bet manje, paske pa t'gen plas pou yo nan lotel la.

(Luke 2:4-7 from *The Haitian Creole Bible online*. [www.kreyol.com/creole-bible/bib-la.html](http://www.kreyol.com/creole-bible/bib-la.html))



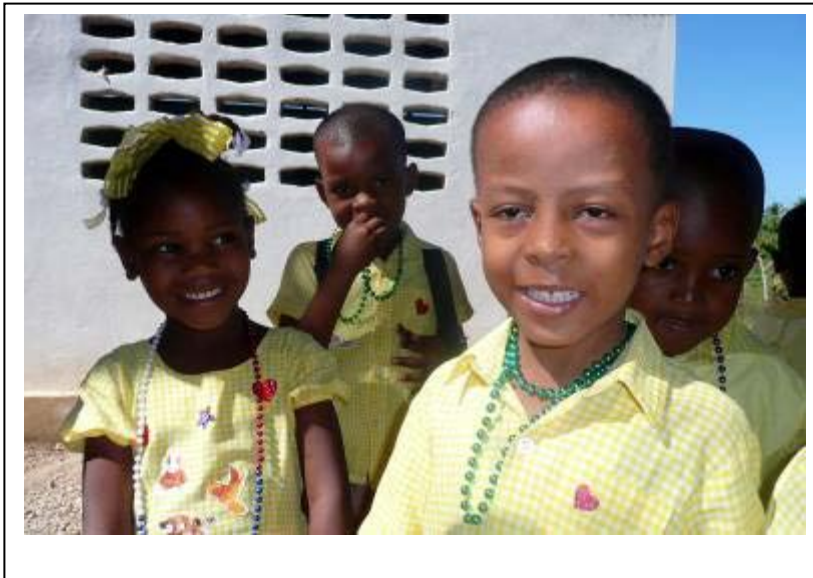
## The Marechal and Heroes of Savannah Schools

As in the past, we will again provide a Christmas meal and gifts to all of the children in the two schools.

Looking back, 2009 has been marked by growth, both in terms of the numbers of children educated and in facilities. Twenty-nine children graduated from the Marechal school in 2009. For the 2009-2010 school year, there are 360 students at Marechal and 152 at the Heroes of Savannah School. At last report, the new classroom at Heroes of Savannah is nearing completion, although the work has been slowed by wet weather and bad roads.



A small proportion of the more than 500 children educated at the Marechal and Heroes of Savannah Schools in 2009.



Our support showing the love of Jesus brings smiles to the faces of children in Haiti.

## The New Life Home

Sue Witt reports that she is caring for 11 orphaned children living in a three bedroom house in Port au Prince. From her recent e-mails:

*I just want to let you know that the funds sent are so greatly appreciated. The timing was perfect for the gift. I have kept in contact with many of the children since the Lamb Center closed. Three of the little girls were in a terrible situation. They were becoming extremely malnourished. Many days they would go without food. When they had food it was only one meal a day. My friend that went to see them said they were always dirty and wearing rags. I had to pay the children's home \$3,000 (Haitian) to get them. When they were brought to me, I cried. They ate until they were sick for a few days. They still eat three helpings of food at noon. I think they forget that they get three good meals a day at my house. The girls are 6, 7 and 9. They are really happy to be with us. Thanks so much for your prayers and support.*

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

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January – November 2009

Income :	\$ 34,974.90
Expenses:	\$ 46,991.82

Cash on hand:

In U.S. Checking Account 11/30/09	\$ 13,009.92
In Haiti Checking Account	\$ 6,612.30
TOTAL	\$ 19,622.22

By comparison, January – December 2008 income was \$ 40,969.94 and expenses were \$44,147.45. Unless we have a “Christmas miracle” in December, our 2009 income will be much less than in 2008, while our expenses are higher.

Our 2010 Budget has not been completed, however we expect that the cost of operating the two schools will be substantially higher in 2010 than in 2009. This is largely because we will have to raise the wages for our teachers to meet Haiti's new minimum wage (200 gourds/\$4.79 US per day) which is more than we have been paying the teachers at the schools.

Please pray for more support so we can continue our mission outreach in Haiti.

Ernie Horeis, Treasurer

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***An envelope is included with the newsletter for your gifts to The International Village of Hope. Thank you , on behalf of the children of Haiti, for your gifts. Your Spirit-filled generosity gives hope to children who are caught in a trap of poverty. Your financial gifts bring the love of Jesus into lives that are blighted by superstition and despair. We thank you in advance for whatever you can do to help in “The Work” Jesus Christ has given us to do.***

**The Board of Directors of the International Village of Hope**