

The International Village of Hope

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

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

6252 Commercial Way PMB 163 Weeki Wachee FL 34613

www.tivoh.org

NEWS FROM HAITI—PROGRESS ON THE WELL IN GANTHIER

I want to give those of you who have generously donated toward the well in Ganthier an update on that project. The pastor of the village where the well is located died suddenly last summer. He owned the well site, as well as the land on which the church and the school stood. I visited the village while I was in Haiti last month to extend my condolences to the family and to talk with them about the ownership of the well. They were still struggling to pay the pastor's funeral expenses, and the widow and her sons were in great distress over that. They were—and still are--seeking to find a buyer for the whole parcel of land who will continue the work there. The price they are asking is far beyond our resources to pay, even if the International Village of Hope wanted to take on the responsibility for another school--far distant from our own—which we do not.

But the family did agree that in consideration of our paying off the pastor's funeral expenses--\$1100 US—they would make certain that any group or individual who purchased the land would give free access to the well to the whole community. This will be written into the contract for the sale of the land, when a buyer is found.

So the project can now go forward. I left \$2000 US with Monsieur Franck, the IVOH Business Manager in Haiti, to get started. I expect when I go again in February that progress will be made toward the completion of the well. Soon the people will have clean water. And there is some good news. Lines are being strung to bring electricity to the village, so we will have a source of power, when the well is completed and the pump is installed.

We are going forward in faith. We do not now have the money to complete the project—realistically we will need another \$5000 US--but we are certain the Lord—who is himself the Living Water--will provide the funds we need to do his will. If you would like to give toward this project, you can do so through the International Village of Hope. Mark your gift clearly—The Well in Ganthier. [You can also visit our website and donate through Pay-Pal.](#)

Thank you for your past generosity to the people of Haiti. We bless you in advance for anything that you can do to help.

Yours in Christ, the Water of Life,

Bill Roen

WE NEED SHORT-TERM MOMS

Sue Witt now has 18 children at her orphanage in Port-au-Prince. She has some excellent help right now, but she will be in desperate need this summer. If you would like to go to Haiti to help her for any period of time, please let me know. International Village of Hope will provide transportation to and from the Port-au-Prince airport to the orphanage. Age is not an important factor. If your health is good and you have a patient, willing spirit, pray about this. If you want to talk, call me, Bill Roen at 912-220-0841.