

# HAITI UPDATE

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I was able to send off the first relief funds to Haiti yesterday. It was a bit late but considering the pandemic and the hurricane disaster in Louisiana it was the best we all could do.

The funds for Haiti were earmarked: DRINKING WATER, Rice, Oil and tarps for shelter. All of these items are readily available in many places in Haiti. Many well meaning Christians from the USA have bought water and other items in the Dominican Republic with the intention to bring it into Haiti but the border is closed due to Covid19. It is better to send funds to trusted Christians in Haiti. We have our TIMOTHY TEAMS who are very experienced in disaster matters. We have helped after the big earthquake 11 years ago, where we rebuilt 7 church buildings from the ground up. We restored the homes of many elderly Christians and we fed people in many places in Haiti. Then came Hurricane Matthew. Again, our TIMOTHY TEAMS knew how to handle that disaster. They worked swiftly and efficiently.

As soon as the many victims of the last earthquake and hurricane are somewhat stabilized we will help them with the rebuilding of their homes. Right now they all are offered refuge in the church buildings that are left standing.

The 7 church buildings that we rebuilt from the ground up after the past two disasters were built so well that very minimal damage is being reported. Your money was put to very good use. We rebuilt the 7 church buildings that we lost, so well that all of them are still standing. All buildings are very large, sitting up to 700 persons. The construction was \$35,000 for each building. It was well done and it saved lives when disaster struck once again.

As you can see from the picture, not all buildings (some very old) did fare well due to poor construction. We will try to help by asking you all for partnering with us helping to rebuild the many church buildings (as many as 40 of our church buildings were damaged, many totally destroyed. Besides serious or total destruction of homes and schools, people are left destitute, being totally dependend on our help. Again, I am sorry to report that 42 of our brethren died in the disaster.

Look at the building below, how can we help to rebuild? The brethren always find a way and as they all worship in the shade of some trees they look to God for help. They know they have Christian friends in the USA who have helped before. Will you help?

God bless,

Joe Worndle

