



A three-year Hearts for Jesus initiative by the Florida-Georgia District School Ministries



*All the believers were **one in heart** and mind.*

No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had.

With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all.

There were no needy persons among them.

For from time to time those who owned lands or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone as he had need.

Acts 4:32-35

Facts about Haiti:



Haiti Facts

- Population: 9 million people.
- Poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.
- 80% live under the poverty line.
- Most Haitians live on less than \$2 a day.
- 70% of the labor force does not have jobs.
- 200,000 orphaned Haitian children live in institutions. The rest are fostered, live with relatives, or are street children.
- Haiti is slightly smaller than Maryland.
- Haiti has 14 airports; 4 have paved runways.
- Haiti's capital is Port-au-Prince with about 2 million inhabitants.
- Life expectancy: 60 years
- Languages: French and Creole

Haiti Earthquake

- USGS called it the strongest earthquake since 1770.
- A 2008 estimate: 60% of buildings were shoddily built and unsafe. Haiti has no construction standards.
- The quake struck on January 12, 2010 killing 230,000.
- The 7.0 magnitude quake's epicenter hit just 10 miles west of Port-au-Prince.
- 3 million people are in need of emergency aid.
- The major quake sent 33 aftershocks ranging in magnitude from 4.2 to 5.9 in the first two days (Jan. 12, Jan 13).

The Goal:



Hearts for Jesus is a district initiative that utilizes scriptural principles of unity to accomplish greater tasks and mission efforts than ministries can do separately.

May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

John 17:23

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Acts 4: 32 & 34a

Recognizing the spiritual value of unity, Hearts for Jesus projects reach the lost for Christ by collecting resources to be shared for a common purpose.

Hearts for Haiti:

Hearts for Haiti is an unprecedented, three-year, ambitious project to touch Haitians with the love of Jesus. A fourth world country before the 2010 earthquake and a devastated, hopeless situation after has resulted in this bold, faith-filled, vital plan of action.

Hearts for Haiti will cover the next three years as described on the following page.

(Hearts for Haiti Project continued)



The three-year *Hearts for Haiti* project is focused on a progressive plan procuring specific items for the sake of the people and orphans of Haiti. Each year's specific focus is briefly described below:

Year One (2011)

- Repair boys' orphanage \$15,000
- Buy and equip 2 medical buses \$20,000
- 2011 Total \$35,000

Year two (2012)

- Build and furnish a girls' orphanage \$40,000

Year three (2013)

- Build and furnish a boys' and girls' Orphanage complex \$60,000

Three Year total \$135,000

Please make this a top priority for your chapel offerings to profoundly touch the lives of countless Haitians for the sake of the gospel.

"... whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Jesus as quoted in Matthew 25:40

Chapel skit:



Scripture verses: Acts 4:32

Other Verses: Acts 4:32-36 Jn. 17:23

Songs for older audiences: 1) Brothers and Sisters in Christ (#78 AGPS) 2) They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love (#237 AGPS) 3) The Love Round (arranged by Charles High)

Songs for younger children: 1) Jesus Loves the Little Children (G.F. Foot) 2) He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (#117 AGPS) 3) This is My Commandment (M.V. Frey)

Skit props: bottled water, 3-4 cans of food, loaf of bread, blanket, clothes, shoes, medical kit, a cross, and a basket.

Cast: Narrator and two children: (Recommend 3rd Grade or higher)

Setting: The first child is sitting on a stool with props listed above surrounding him. The second child is sitting on a stool, but has nothing.

Narrator:

Two children, (pause) In two very different places, (pause) But having the very same needs... Clean water, food, medicine, shelter, people to love them, and a Savior.

First Child: (looking sad and falling to their knees in despair) **It's hopeless! No one cares about me.**

Second Child: (He looks over and puts his hand over his heart as if it's breaking. Then he puts the water, food, medical kit, the blanket, clothes and shoes, and the cross into the basket. He carries it over to the first child and places it in front of him.) **Here brother, I give you hope.**

First Child: (He looks through the things in the basket, then he looks at the second child with curiosity) **Why did you do this?**

Second Child: **Jesus said, "Love one another as I have loved you."** **First Child:** (The first child stares at the cross, then smiles.) **Thank you brother!**

Pictures:



Prayers:



A prayer for Haiti:

Thank you Lord Jesus for the blessings in my life and the abundance You have given so I can share with those less fortunate. May You continually open the eyes of my heart to search this world for those in need so I may touch them with your love, grace, and blessing. Take care and watch over the people of Haiti with a supernatural outpouring of provision and lead them to Your Son Jesus and the hope only He can provide. Amen!

A prayer for Hearts for Haiti:

Father, you are most certainly the giver of all good gifts and the ultimate source of all we need. We pray that You would provide a spirit of generosity on the schools and churches of the Florida-Georgia District to provide for the needs in the *Hearts for Haiti* project. May our gifts go beyond our expectations and not only provide buses and orphanages but win souls for Your Kingdom. We claim victory in the name and by the blood of Jesus. Amen!

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