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Photos of Haiti are on facebook: [Cay Merritt - Albums Haiti 2010](#)

Prayer Points:

- For 200 Silent partners for GSCHome from \$5 per week. (200:5 Plan)
- Work team to head to Haiti in July, 2011
- Govt fulfilment of promise of land.
- Improved health of the children who have had fungal infections on their heads.

• Praise Points

- Opportunities to share in different churches.
- People helping in the States and Australia.
- New job for Cay - which means better opportunity to financially support the children.

Verse for Haiti:

James 1:27 "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this; to look after orphans and widows in their distress & to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

Moving forward

Ongoing help for Good Samaritan Children's Home:

In September last year Max had the opportunity to join me in Haiti and meet the children at the Good Samaritan Children's Home (GSCH) for the first time. Of course, they instantly loved him and the feeling was mutual. We spent the time looking closely at the needs of the children and the committee who cares for them without monetary pay.



Max in the marketplace.
Mattresses loaded up.

The children had no mattresses nor beds and had been sleeping on a rug on the floor. So off to the market - there was much haggling in the marketplace to acquire 12 new mattresses and then the excitement as the children unwrapped the plastic and floored their bedrooms with mattresses.

Max took the time to check out the newly rented home to see what could be installed to help in future. It seemed that the home has been wired properly to be able to connect a generator which is what we may look at for a future project - possibly July 2011. However, with any project we think of we have to be careful that are not looking with just white person's eyes. The reason I say this is because sometimes what we may see as a benefit could be a problem due to the cost ie if we install a generator we need to be able to also fund the fuel to run it, as the folk at the home will not have those funds.

Hope brings life

In every community there is work to be done. In every nation there are wounds to heal. Unknown

Shoes, uniforms and back packs:

For children in Haiti to go to school they must be properly equipped. This is a requirement from the Haitian gov. Most parents can hardly feed their children, let alone buy black shoes, have a uniform made and source the materials for schooling such as books, bag and stationary. Due to some generous donors the children were kitted out with everything they needed and the advent of receiving their school items was almost bigger than Christmas and quite overwhelming for some of the littlies. A big thank you goes to Dawn and Lee at the flipflop/thong/slipper/shoe ministry www.flipflopfleet.blogspot.com - ministry who now also collects good quality second hand shoes. They sent the children 30 pairs of black shoes and prayed over the boxes that the sizes were correct - we only needed to buy 6 pairs of shoes due to incorrect sizing - PTL. Many thanks also to the wonderful folk at the Cedar Road Missionary Church in Osceola, Indiana, USA who donated 22 new backpacks. Also, a huge thank you to everyone who donated towards the school fees, uniforms and school stationary needs. For the first time, all of the children from the Good Samaritan Children's Home were able to go to school. Their academic year started in October and will finish in July.



The children proudly showing off there new gear. From back packs to cute uniforms as above here for kindergarten to fancy black shoes. Little Kervenson is not quite sure about his backpack - he could almost fit inside - Picture up top. **It is a requirement in Haiti that children wear uniforms and black shoes to be able to attend school!** And yet many families cannot even feed their children!

**What would you choose?
Shoes or food for your child?**

Volunteer Spotlight :

Dr Wilbert Antoine is a **REAL** Medical Doctor - he did his studies in the University of Haiti and then did his internship in the Dom Republic. For many Haitians, if they have arrived at such a scholarly level, they would use their qualifications as their ticket out of Haiti. However, Dr Wilbert has a heart for his people and he loves children.

He is the Coordinator of the GSCH and also practices as a Dr on the side often taking a taxi out to a village and setting up a clinic in the church. He rarely gets paid for his work - sometimes he receives a small portion of rice, or some beans as payment. **He is an inspiration to his people.** We are trying to help Dr Wilbert access medications that he dearly needs for his work. If you know of a pharmacy or hospital who may like to help with medications please contact us.



Dr Wilbert with one of our youngest on the feeding program



Feeding program Sponsorship:

Feeding the children on the Feeding Program still poses a big problem as we do not have enough resources to feed the children adequately. Currently we are trying to feed the children after Church each Sunday, however, sometimes we do not have enough supplies to even provide for them weekly. We are wanting to provide for them daily as this will greatly increase their health and also help them with their growth and ability to concentrate if they are in school. Many of these children are very malnourished and 1 substantial healthy meal a day will make all the difference for them.

In order to feed the children daily and sustain the children in the Home we are launching the 200@\$5 Campaign.

Will you think about becoming a \$5 per week partner?

Jesus often fed folk physically before He started to feed them spiritually and emotionally. As we share the love of Christ through our practical giving to these young ones we also have the awesome privilege of feeding them the word of God.

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Launch of the 200@\$5

We are looking for 200 partners who will support the **Good Samaritan's Children Home at \$5 per week.**

These funds will ensure the children always have adequate food.

Are you willing to partner with us?

Christmas in Haiti:

Jochem is a young American whom I met while working with Haitian Christian Mission last year. He has a heart to serve and a big heart to love. He mentioned to me that he would be interested in helping in some way our children in North Haiti. It worked out perfectly that he was able to visit just a few days after Christmas to take gifts to the children. He had an awesome week with the kids and



the volunteers and is keen to help again. Praise God for people like Jochem who are willing to go and help where needed. Here are some pics with him and the children - the first time the children have received a Christmas gift.



Aussie treasure uses her birthday to raise money for Haiti's children:



Casta Keeley recently celebrated her 30th Birthday. Most young ladies would request gifts such as books, chocolates, CD's, iPods etc but not Casta. Her birthday request was for her friends and family to donate money to the Good Samaritan Children's Home for their building fund. Casta raised \$650 - which not only showed the generous heart of her friends/family but also Casta's love and conviction to help the vulnerable ones in Haiti when she handed over the cash. She was the first contributor to the building fund and has now got the ball rolling. In 2010 the Haitian Government gave the Good Samaritan Children's Home a block of land that they

can build an orphanage, small school and medical clinic on. We are continuing to seek ways to raise the money to build. If you have any creative suggestions please feel free to email me cay@maxncay.com or phone +61 421 855 770. **Picture of land** - I know it doesn't look very exciting but it is a good size block and it is fairly level and flat.



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