

PASTOR VAUGELAS PIERRE . . . a man with a BIG heart.

Many years ago, when Vaugelas Pierre passed by Lacroix, he wondered about the existence of the people of that community—how they lived, what they ate, what they drank, and how they survived. God challenged him with this verse:



"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the Harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field." (Matthew 9:37-38)

It has been the vision and dream of Pastor Pierre to make a better life for the people of Haiti. Since being called to serve in the Lord's harvest field at Lacroix near the end of 1975, God had made it clear to Pierre that He wanted a school for children whose parents

couldn't afford to send them. Since that time, he has seen the schools grow from less than 200 children to over 3000 by Miraculous Provision!



As administrator and overseer of the seven schools, seven churches, and a medical clinic in the Lacroix area, his ongoing burden for the people of the community is many faceted:

Education:

A quality education in a Christian environment is provided so that opportunities may be opened to them to get a job, to better their standard of living, and to assist the needs of their family.

Hot Meal Program and Medical Attention:

Pastor Pierre contends that "a hungry stomach has no ears." That is why a hot meal is provided daily to the students of the schools. The medical clinic has been a ministry not only to the people of Lacroix and the nearby area, but also to the country of Haiti as a whole.

Spiritual needs:

Not only have the children been touched, but hundreds of families have made a commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ through the love expressed to them and to their children. Each family member is living with new hope every day.

YES! I would like to get involved in the Haiti Child Sponsorship Program.

If that is your desire, don't wait. Call Hillside Christian Community during their regular office hours, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM (EST), at 412-279-2996 or send an e-mail to



Shelley@hccemail.com

and mention that you're interested in sponsoring a child in Haiti. After we obtain your name, address, and phone number, a photo and details about a child will be sent to you. It's as easy as that!

Comments from sponsors:

"Thank you for the opportunity to be a small part of this child's life."

"It warms my heart that I might help a child in need. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to do so."

"The pictures you sent of my sponsored girls brought tears of joy to my eyes. I was deeply touched."

Q & A

We've had some questions about the sponsorship program:

Q: *How much does it cost?*

A: For just \$20 a month, your gift will provide a quality education in a Christian environment, a hot meal every day, and the opportunity to commit their lives and futures to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Q: *Where do I send my gift?*

A: Mail a check made payable to Hillside Christian Community, P.O. Box 689, Carnegie, PA 15106

Q: *Can I send in a check for the whole year?*

A: You may give monthly, quarterly, or with one check for the whole year. If you make a pledge to sponsor a child (or children), we ask you to be as faithful as possible in your support to care for their ongoing needs.

Q: *I would like to correspond with my child. Is that possible?*

A: From time to time, dropping a note by e-mail is greatly appreciated and very significant to them. When you write, you may send a brief note to Pastor Pierre's e-mail, with your child's name in the subject line. Please remember that your note must be translated by one of the staff members or Pastor Pierre, so keep it simple and brief.

Pastor Pierre's e-mail is:

vpierre1952@gmail.com

Q: *Is there anything else I can do to help?*

A: The main purpose of the sponsorship program is to fund the school at LaCroix, which provides a Christian education, a hot meal every day, a uniform, and minor medical attention.

From time to time, there are special projects with which you can become involved. When those projects are made known either through a newsletter or an update from Pastor Pierre and you want to help out, you can send a check to **HAITI SPECIAL ACCOUNT** (mail it to Hillside Christian Community) and designate for what you would like it to be used.

If you would like to send money to purchase beans and rice for the children (general food distribution), it will be used by the school kitchen for hot lunches and will allow for the mission to provide for needy children to come to school.

Q: *What if I am not able to fulfill my commitment to the sponsorship program?*

A: Simply call Hillside Christian Community and let them know. The child will be reassigned to another sponsor so that their education will not be interrupted.

Q: *Can I send money directly to the children?*

A: This is not recommended because it creates a problem within the community and causes a distinction between those children who are sponsored and those who are not. The goal of the sponsorship program is to underwrite the needs of the mission and school, not to benefit individuals or certain families within the community.

Q: *Does my sponsorship automatically renew each year?*

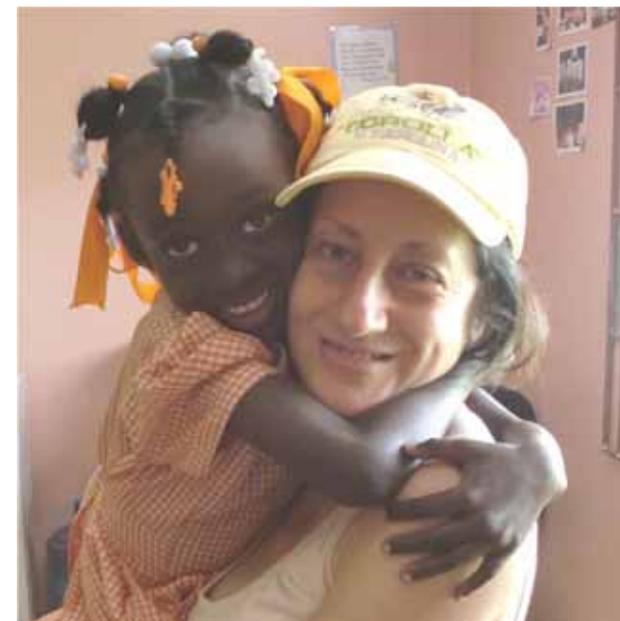
A: Near the end of November, letters with return cards will be sent out to current sponsors asking if they wish to continue in the sponsorship program. You can return the card or call the church office.

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"I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

- Matthew 25:40



Children love to meet their sponsors. Youvena Philippe hugs her sponsor, Victoria, during a recent mission trip to LaCroix.

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