## **KEEPING DREAMS ALIVE**



Performing Mass Wedding Ceremonies in Neply

When the poverty in Haiti, there are many people who will never be able to experience a wedding! When people fall in love, they often end up living together their entire life because they are so extremely poor. In the Haitian culture as Christians, if you are living together and unmarried you are not allowed to serve in the church in any way! You are not even permitted to clean the sanctuary until you make things right before God!

With so many new Christians who desire to be baptised and become involved members, our church in Neply has been performing mass weddings to help people start their lives together on a firm foundation which is right before God! The wedding reception acts as a feeding program to give a nutritious meal to all who attend! In the Haitian culture, you do not pass out wedding invitations but you are expected to feed whoever shows up at the wedding! If an average amount of people show up then the plates are full. If hundreds of people attend then everything is shared equally and people may receive as little as only a few tablespoons of food. No matter what the numbers are, everyone will receive something and be given a warm welcome and feel loved! Even though this year brought disaster, life goes on and people are not dwelling on the past but looking to the future and they continue to live in hope that there are brighter days ahead! All donations, school sponsorships, gifts and monthly support should be sent to...



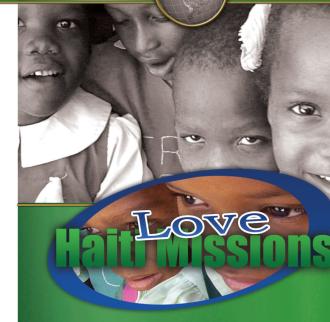
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## SINCE THE EARTHQUAKE ...



People Praying for Haiti

S ince the earthquake that hit Haiti on January 12th 2010 we have kept moving forward and NEVER looked back!! In the beginning stages we quickly erected temporary shelters for over 4000 people, provided hot cooked meals plus distributed dry supplies of food and other necessary items! All night prayer services were held for weeks by our Haitian Pastors and leaders! In April, we ran special crusades and people flocked to Christ filling our churches! Four temporary churches were built and 2 new pieces of property purchased for rebuilding with adequate space for future use! Two wells were drilled

and water piped to 2 other locations and some homes along the way. A new school was built in the village of Ti-Brache to provide education to over 200 hundred primary students, plus run high school classes in the afternoon, trades in the early evening, and special classes on weekends! This summer, training seminars were held to equip people to evangelize Haiti while people's hearts are still so open towards the gospel. In August a team who passed the summer evangelism course was sent out to Miragoane to preach to a new area and 165 people accepted Christ. God is doing amazing things on all levels in our villages and through the people! Around the new property we purchased in Neply, we have almost finished building the large security wall. In November we will be starting to build a new and larger clinic on that property so we can add more people to our clinic programs. I will taking a team to Haiti with me in November and we will have the ground breaking ceremonies in the village of Flonc (The Rum Village) and construction of a brand new Church Sanctuary will begin following that week!!

The year started out looking hopeless, but we are experiencing amazing growth and things are moving forward!! This doesn't mean we can sit back and relax in all that's been accomplished!! The needs in front of

Rebuilding Provides Employment to Haitian Families

us are still so overwhelming and thousands of people remain living with no help in extreme poverty! With your continued Faithful prayers and support, we will keep reaching out as far as we possibly can to rescue, restore and edify the lives of the Haitian people!! Note: The Makbraneth Foundation has come alongside our ministry and is working in unity and parallel to us. Their entire focus is to work within our villages and train people in business and provide micro-loans to assist families to become self-supportive!