

Healing Art Missions

We exist to support those in need around the world, especially in the areas of health, nutrition, education, and housing.

*Our work is committed to fostering the dignity of the individual,
respecting the ways of the community and reflecting the strength of a loving God.*

2008 Summary

2008 saw no decrease in the obstacles we face – or the daily suffering of the Haitian people. Food prices soared to the point where even rice is now beyond reach of most Haitians; in April, desperate people rioted to protest the prices. Four hurricanes killed hundreds, if not thousands, and wiped out crops. Fuel costs skyrocketed – and in Haiti, where many people rely on generators, that also affects the cost and even availability of electricity. Our teams wrestled with broken down vehicles, crime, shortages – and with a government limited in ability and resources of providing for a safe and orderly daily existence.

Still, in the midst of this, we persevere and in our commitment to the programs we provide: education at the Bethel school continues, and patients continue to receive lifesaving care. We also took some strides forward. Security improved in Dumay, and Nathan returned for a visit in October. We raised funds to start a feeding program via Evel Fanfan of AUMOHD in Grand Ravin, providing 400 meals, 4 days a week – an essential lifeline to a destitute community. Despite four hurricanes, we had no serious damage in Dumay – roads washed out and the clinic and school closed for one week at a time, but no significant problems. We hired a surgeon and expanded clinic hours.

It is worth reminding ourselves of the goals we set for 2008 – and to take a moment to reflect on all the people who helped us reach or get very close to reaching every one of them:

- *In 2008, we hope to install solar power panels to power the school and clinic. **We installed a solar power system for ~ \$7,000 which will pay for itself in about 1½ years***
- *The Dumay Clinic pharmacy and lab have outgrown their spaces. We hope to build a small pharmacy and storage building for ~ \$15,000. **It has walls and a roof – and we plan to complete it during a work trip in April 2009***
- *The two vehicles ... broke down 3 times during the September trip, leaving us to scramble for unreliable over-priced transportation. **We have a 4 wheel drive Ford Ranger donated and fixed up. We will ship it in December***

2009 Goals

For 2009, we set new goals, and commit to work through the obstacles that will inevitably come our way. We aim to

- *Finish the pharmacy building and start using it* ▪ *Expand the solar power to include the pharmacy*
- *Get the truck working for the clinic and our other projects* ▪ *Obtain a secure supply of HIV drugs*
- *Expand fund raising to cover the significant increased cost of expanded hours and services in the clinic: about \$30,000/year to offer 2 more general physician shifts per week, to employ a surgeon, and to increase support staff.*

We hope that we can, as in the past, count on your help in achieving these important, ambitious, and reachable goals. To read more about our work, visit www.healingartmissions.org.

Accomplishments

In Demier

We continue to support the clean water project for 200 households

In Dumay

The Bethel Clinic

- ✓ *January medical mission:* 4 volunteers spent a week caring for patients at “His Children” orphanage, Sisters of Charity Orphanage, and the Bethel Clinic of Dumay. We also purchased artwork for upcoming art shows.
- ✓ *April medical mission:* 3 volunteers spent 3 days in Dumay despite food riots that turned the country into a war zone. We saw children at the Sisters of Charity orphanage and had a full day to evaluate the boys and employees at St. Joseph’s. We met the architect and builder to plan our pharmacy and storage facility. We worked with Angel Missions to bring 3 children with special needs to the United States for procedures.
- ✓ *July medical mission:* 1 volunteer, due to security concerns following the food riots. 2 days were in Dumay and other days were spent volunteering at the Sister’s of Charity hospital and meeting with Haitian and US Government officials to try to get our supply shipment through customs and to continue to try to become an official PEPFAR clinic. We purchased supplies for the clinic and art for the upcoming show in Asheville
- ✓ *October medical mission:* 1 volunteer spent 2 days in Dumay. We held a first time clinic in Leogane, needed more than ever since Hopital St. Croix was closed, and held a clinic in Grand Ravin, organized by Evel Fanfan and AUMOHD. We also were able to witness the feeding program in Grand Ravin which was started by Evel Fanfan in response to the food crisis and hurricanes.
- ✓ *Clinic operations:* The clinic operated as a general, OB/GYN, surgical, and ophthalmology clinic, with lab and pharmacy services. We hired a surgeon and expanded the clinic hours. There were about 5,000 vaccine appointments and 10,000 patient visits.

- ✓ *Pharmacy:* We did receive one shipment from International Dispensary Association, a Netherlands non-profit dedicated to supplying non-profit clinics with the least expensive supplies available worldwide, but Customs in Haiti is getting more difficult to work with. We also receive donated supplies from Bayer Corp., Interchurch Medical Assistance and families of hospice patients. The pharmacy distributed about \$17,000 worth of purchased medications and thousands of dollars worth of donated medications to patients. We are well supplied with general medications and surgical supplies, but our HIV drugs will expire by the end of the year, forcing us to find a new source of medication for our HIV patients. We have been working all year to register for PEPFAR support.
- ✓ *HIV/AIDS program:* 12 Community Health Workers are responsible for community education, identifying new HIV patients, and monitoring the HIV patients assigned to them (1-3 each).
- ✓ We paid for 5 ophthalmic surgeries, and one surgery for ovarian cancer.
- ✓ We installed solar power and no longer use the generator that was costing us \$100/week to run.

The Bethel School

Continued to subsidize K-8 school and lunch program for 500 children. The school also employs 13 local teachers and staff.

Dumay Library

We continue to fill the shelves with books -- many boxes of books were donated by the Columbus Academy in Gahanna.

Employment

We provide ongoing employment for 51 persons. When our teams visit we employ many more on a short term basis.

Contributions

Medical Missions

- ✓ 6 volunteers took time away from work, family and other activities, and paid all expenses for their trips to Haiti: Janine Flood, Tracee Karaffa, Judy Laing, Judy Bradley, Connie Ray, Leslie Mihalov,
- ✓ Over 100 volunteers raised funds, purchased food, and collected, inventoried, and packed supplies.
- ✓ Churches, Offices, Corporations, Hospitals, and other Groups collected vitamins and other supplies.

“Art from the Heart” Haitian Art Auction (Granville, Seattle, and Asheville)

Numerous volunteers, including musicians, artists, advertisers and auctioneers, put together two art shows—the 11th annual in Granville, and 2nd “annual” in Asheville. Both shows made over \$10,000 while supporting Artists in Haiti.

Support

- ✓ There are so many supporters who donate time and talent throughout the year: stores that sell to us at cost, people with talents or skills who help with fund raising and other special projects, medical experts of different specialties who help with supplies and information, Physicians who consult with us on our Bethel clinic patients, and many, many others.
- ✓ **Fundraisers** this year include Thunderbolt Golf Outing, Newark Kiwanis Club Chili Contest, Heaven’s to Betsy Benefit Concert, St. Luke’s Church Christmas Tree Festival, Erika Schippel’s Spaghetti Dinner, Womenade x 4 meetings, Art shows at: St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Granville, OH, and Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Asheville, NC.
- ✓ Board members meet regularly to plan projects, work on funding and take on administrative tasks and costs.

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Income and Expenses

Income		Expenses	
Grants	35,223.00	Administration of HAM in the USA/Bank Fees	428.19
Art sales	33,265.26	Art Sales: cost of art	5,367.21
Misc. donation	39,515.01	Demier Water Project	1,890.00
Letter donation	29,375.00	Dumay Clinic	99,737.09
Fundraisers	12,558.71	Dumay School	11,565.00
Feeding Program Donations	13,121.00	Emergency Charity and Development	12,501.00
Interest	30.83	Specialized medical care: eye surgery, etc	1,549.80
		US medical team trips to Haiti (x4)	8,363.37
Totals	163,053.81		142,151.66
Balance	20,902.15		