

# 2008 ... A year of Growth for World Wide Village

*Transforming Impoverished Communities*



## Christian Education/Spiritual Enrichment



Quality education is virtually non-existent in Haiti. Promoting Christian education in primary schools is a principal objective of World Wide Village. Assisting parents who are unable to provide for the essential needs of their children by offering healthcare, nutrition, uniforms, and basic schools supplies is possible through your support.

Two schools are presently supported by your gifts:

- the child sponsorship program at the Arcahaie school at a cost of only \$28.00 per month offers support for some of the more than 350 primary students (many students still need sponsors); and
- almost 200 children at the Coeur Primary School in Dumont benefit from a partnership between Twin Cities based "No Time for Poverty" and World Wide Village, providing financial support and administrative oversight.

## Transportation

Pastors on 125cc Jialing Enduro bikes emit chuckles from the average American but that vision is exactly the goal of World Wide Village for pastors of partner churches. The roads in Haiti are miserable. Vehicles and fuel are extremely expensive.

Often a pastor will walk, ride a donkey or ride in multiple Tap-Taps (pickups with toppers and benches for seats used as public transportation) to reach his congregation. Sometimes his travels will take one or two hours.



With the motorbikes purchased with your financial support a pastor is able to travel more efficiently to his church(es), saving time and money and ministering to a wider community.

Your donations also purchased a 35-foot school bus that was donated and transported by ship to Pastor Rene Joseph and Loving Hands Ministry. The bus will provide comfortable and reliable transportation to mission teams and is being retrofitted to carry supplies for construction projects and health care clinics.

## Micro Enterprise

Economic development in Haiti has many obstacles. Government officials and interna-



tional development organizations have begun efforts to create industry and manufacturing, agribusinesses, and encouraging entrepreneurial initiatives – all with the goal of creating jobs in a country where unemployment is said to be 80% or greater.

The most exciting startup business supported by WWV is "Apostolique Art." It is based in Port au Prince and was formed by six ladies who in

one year have produced in excess of 5,000 hand embroidered greeting cards, generating more than \$10,000 income for the group.

Donations of equipment have supported other startup efforts in construction and cement block making. The AMICA banking cooperative start-up is another result of your financial support.

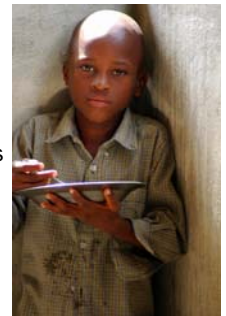
## Disaster Relief, Shelter and Food

Imagine being awakened at 2 am by sounds of rushing water and howling winds from a hurricane – for the fourth time in two months. You watch torrential rains flood the already water soaked land.

Any country would reel from a single tropical storm or hurricane but coping is particularly complicated in Haiti which lacks basic infrastructure. In the face of total destruction, hope is hard to muster.

In response, World Wide Village used your gifts to provide relief in the following ways:

- 185 displaced families in the Gonaives region were provided with life saving rations of rice, beans, cooking oil and water.
- A church in Lakawan was repaired. Emergency supplies were purchased for the 350 residents whose homes were destroyed and an encampment was established on the banks of the river that had destroyed their homes and church.
- pastors in a Port au Prince church were provided funds to replace tarps used as a roof over a makeshift structure hosting 350 people for worship services on Sundays which was damaged by the high winds.
- critical repairs to a water distribution system in Arnoux were possible with your contributions. The system was damaged by multiple hurricanes, which left a community of 17,000 residents without access to potable water.
- emergency supplies of water and food were delivered on foot and by donkey to residents of Cazale after their community was completely isolated when floods made all roads impassable.



Our new-look logo and web site launched last month. In addition to improved navigation and simpler links to partner sites, the events calendar, and current news, the new website features more photos, links to videos and information about upcoming mission team trips. We hope that you find it easy and enjoyable to use. Take a look around and let us know what you think.

[WWW.WORLDDWIDEVILLAGE.ORG](http://WWW.WORLDDWIDEVILLAGE.ORG)



# Initiatives for 2009

## Nutrition (Medika Mamba)

Medika Mamba, a Ready to Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF), was developed and is produced in Haiti by Meds & Food for Kids, a non-profit based in St. Louis, to save the lives of severely malnourished children in Haiti.

### Malnutrition:

- An estimated 160,000 Haitian children—nearly 1 of 5—suffer from malnourishment
- Untreated children will never be as smart, strong, or healthy

### Made in Haiti with Pride

- The recipe: peanuts, powdered milk, sugar, oil, vitamins and minerals.
- No refrigeration needed, no cooking needed, no fuel needed
- Factory in Cap Haitien employs 18 people who make the Medika Mamba.
- Peanuts are purchased from local Haitian farmers – farmers will grow more peanuts
- Most supplies purchased in Haiti, contributing to local economy

The program is administered by our partners, Real Hope for Haiti



**Soline at admission**  
4 years old—18 pounds

**Soline 13 days later.**  
Smiling and happy

(www.realhopeforhaiti.org). The program cost is only \$100 per child. The goal for 2009 is 250 saved lives.

## Micro Enterprise

### Poultry

Provide funding to purchase 50 chickens, feed for three months and wire mesh for \$500 USD per family. Hens immediately begin producing, laying as many as 200 eggs per year, providing the recipient an average monthly net profit of \$18 USD.

### Goats

Provide goats for school children (approx. \$45 USD each) to learn animal husbandry and provide family income and a source of milk. A goat can give up to one gallon of

milk per day. Goats often give birth to twins or even triplets some of which are donated back to expand the program.

### Sewing Machines

Treadle sewing machines (\$380 USD each) are provided to graduates of the Port au Prince based Heartline Ministry's women's sewing school program. This empowering curriculum offers the ladies a chance to immediately earn significant income with a valued skill along with future sustainability.

We are honored to recognize the following partners:

- Agape Flights
- Convoy of Hope
- Evangelical World Outreach
- Feed My Starving Children
- Hands of Friendship
- Heartline Ministries
- Hope Seed
- Kids Against Hunger
- Loving Hands Ministry
- Mission Aviation Fellowship
- Mission of Hope
- Minnesota Teen Challenge
- Nehemiah Vision Ministries
- No Time For Poverty
- Real Hope for Haiti
- Solar Oven Society
- Starfish Ministries

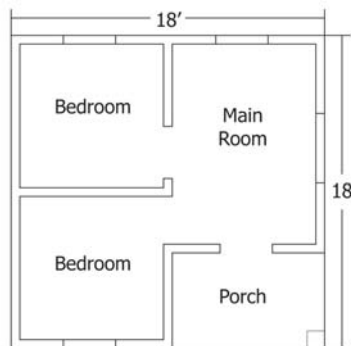
## Low Cost Housing

The plan for reconstructing Haitian homes lost in recent storms can be summed up this way:

- Supply Haitians with resources they don't have
- Empower them to use the resources they do have

Labor in Haiti is plentiful while access to building materials is out of reach for many. Homeowners lack finances to purchase cement, blocks, roofing materials and lumber. In most cases either the homeowner, a relative or someone closely associated with the family possess building expertise necessary to construct a solid Haitian home.

For less than \$5,000 USD, a Haitian family is empowered to construct a 3-room concrete block house including a poured concrete floor and metal roof. The homeowners contribute the labor. In a six-stage



plan (monitored by World Wide Village), funds are provided for materials upon verification of completion of the prior stage. Smaller homes can be constructed for as little as \$3,500 USD.

Would you, a civic organization you're involved with, or possibly your church consider donating funds sufficient to build a home for a deserving Haitian family?

## How your contributions are spent:

