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## Hello Friends!

Great things are happening at Rescue Children, and we are seeing the Hand of God firsthand at work with these children.

We hope you will enjoy our latest news and feel a part of this special ministry to the orphans in Haiti.

If your church, organization, or school is interested in a mission project, child sponsor ideas or you would like to hear more about us in person, contact us using the information above. We will be glad to call you, set up a visit or come and meet with you and share the Rescue Children vision and **how you can get involved.**

*Lynda Morrison*

## Helping Hands Bags Project

Got any jeans you want to donate to a good cause? If so, please call 864-809-4611. These recycled jeans will be used to make



Helping Hands Bags for shopping, diaper bags, beach bags, etc. **Helping Hands Bags** are made with love and care by a generous but small sewing team and will sell for \$10, with 100% of the proceeds going to the Emergency Medical project.

In 2006 Miss Valerie, co-founder of HHB, visited the orphanage with Miss Katie and "the kids just grabbed their hearts and wouldn't let go." Valerie had a fundraiser on her 50th birthday that raised over \$20,000 to help pay for

our 2006 expenses (teachers, workers, food, daily supplies, medicines, and a generator), but the cost of caring for our kids is ongoing in 2007 and doing projects like this is surely a blessing to us!

Remember it takes a village!!! Please join ours!!! The rewards are endless!!! Contact us for project ideas.

## What It Is All About...the Children!

The children are learning English. A teacher was recently hired and excitement is in the air! The kids are working hard on their new words and phrases. We are very pleased at their progress, but we still have much work ahead. All have learned to say, "Mommy Lynda, I want some banana pudding, PLEASE!"

It's important for these children to learn English because most never attended school before coming to us. Of those who had, attendance was minimal at best, so we are faced with the difficult (but not impossible with God's help) task of getting them to acceptable standards for their ages. For example, we have 15 and 16 year old boys, very talented and gifted, who are at Level 2 (2nd to 3rd grade); and two brothers ages 10 and 13 who can't read.



One of our older children, **Simon Alexis**, 15, (shown here with a nice car he made from tin cans and scraps), was able to translate during a staff interview. He did a great job, and although not yet fluent, he's well on his way.

After learning English, we will need computers with some educational software to help them advance more quickly in school and reach each child's acceptable level.

**Baby July**, 2, is trying to talk and is running all over the place. She thinks she can do anything the older children can do. Always happy and smiling!

For those of you who don't remember, July confirmed that we do "Rescue Children" when we took her into our orphanage as she was being carried to the garbage dump in January 2006.



*One of the most important contributions you may ever make in this world could be simply to invest in the life of a child. You may never know the impact of that investment in a child, but imagine the seeds of possibility. It has been said, "You can count the seeds in an apple, but you can't count the apples in a seed!" What a glorious thought! - LM*

## Mission Statement

To help destitute and disadvantaged children by providing safe drinking water, food, clothing, housing, and medical services; to assist in providing education and vocational skills training; to lead by example while encouraging and loving them; and to minister to their spiritual needs.

### Other Projects...

**Aldersgate United Methodist Church** in Greenville donated \$500 for our School Project.

**Hope Point Community Church** in Spartanburg has begun an "Adopt-A-Child Through Prayer" project to have families pray daily together for the orphaned. This project will also help our RC children to pray for the HPCC families as pictures will be exchanged to remind them to pray for each other.

### Prayer Request for Relocation of Orphanage

Please pray for us as we look to relocate the orphanage from the Santo area where we have been since January 2006 to a safer area that has electricity and a well.



As a result, we are forced to run our generator to charge the inverter to pump water into our reservoir for baths, cleaning, cooking, and laundry; power the building during the day and to keep a few security lights on at night.

Gasoline is very expensive in Haiti, about \$42 Haitian or \$6 US a gallon which will run the generator for about an hour. Purchasing water is also very expensive. **Moving into a more efficient facility will cut down on our operating costs and provide a safer neighborhood for the children.**

### Fundraiser!

On August 11th we held a Yard Sale to benefit Rescue Children. We raised over \$650, amazing considering a sweltering 103° F.

Special thanks go to the Ramantanin family; Debbie Tirrell; Fuan and Jean Yang; Ross Morrison; and Dylan Wofford for their efforts on behalf of the sale.

**We will hold another Yard Sale on September 1<sup>st</sup> and Labor Day from 7 am – 12 Noon!** If you have items to donate or would like to volunteer to help, just call or email at the address above.

### Prayer and Financial Partners

We are looking for committed Prayer Partners for Rescue Children who will **pray daily for our ministry and children**. Prayer is the most powerful tool we have available to us and it's FREE!! Imagine the Power of 100 Prayer Partners praying for us every day. We can do it together!

Join us by making a tax-deductible contribution to help support our monthly operating expenses or fund a project. For only \$30 a month you can provide food for a child or \$100 can support a staff person.

Rescue Children is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization recognized in the U.S. and is licensed by the government of the Republic of Haiti.

### Rescue Children Welcomes John Ramantanin Aboard

On June 1, 2007, Rescue Children welcomed a new partner, John Ramantanin! John has a heart for missions, loves children and joins us to help in areas of administration and organization on behalf of the children. His gifts and talents in these areas and his excellent leadership and communications skills, will greatly enhance the effectiveness of Rescue Children and facilitate fulfilling our vision.

John joins us with an impressive professional background in sales and management. He has served on several ministry boards in the past and currently works as Chapel Coordinator for a local children's home. His wife, Merissa, is Director of Children's Ministries at their church, and they are the proud parents of Karis and Ian Spencer.

### Improved Security Situation in Haiti

For the first time in years, Haiti is not listed under "Current Travel Warnings" on U.S. State Dept. website. There's finally a feeling of optimism and hope in Haiti as improvements in security are seen and felt. Under President René Préval's leadership, progress is being made to restore Haiti to a more civil and secure state than it has seen for decades. Préval has appointed Mario Andrésol as Haitian National Police Chief. Andrésol has purged the police force, firing many officers with connections to drug trafficking, organized kidnapping rings and politically motivated killings. His efforts to clean up the police force have made him a symbol of reform. The UN maintains a strong presence in Haiti with 8,800 peacekeeping forces.

**On a personal note**, before this administration, our vehicle was often stopped when police spotted me - a "blanc," a/k/a white person - wanting money each time. Rarely happens now!



With Love to You from Rescue Children Orphanage!  
Amalita, Riviere, Lynda, Viegela, Marie-Lourdes and Kids

