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Dear Friend:

Haiti is the poorest country in the western hemisphere. Serving there over the past seven years I have observed that poverty is both abject and pervasive. The depth of **hopelessness** and **human suffering** across this nation is unlike anything I've ever seen and it is truly **heartbreaking**.

While returning from Haiti in 2012 a stranger asked me a question the answer to which has radically influenced my thinking about reducing hopelessness and poverty in Haiti. What are the solutions are to Haiti's problems? I remember being asked this question because I was dumbstruck at the time – I didn't have a good answer.

In time God provided an answer and it has been deeply imprinted on my heart and in my mind ever since: **Jesus and jobs are the solutions to Haiti's problems!** Jesus Christ being the ultimate provider of hope and healing and jobs improving the quality of life and restoring lost dignity of the people.

I'm telling you this because Sharon and I (and a few dear friends) have embarked upon an exciting new ministry journey that promotes Jesus and jobs in Haiti and we'd like for you to join us. We have recently established **John 6:35 Ministries**.

The mission of **John 6:35 Ministries** is to spread the good news of Jesus Christ to the people of Haiti using a marketplace evangelism model and to provide impoverished Christ-followers with job training, employment, and business ownership opportunities. We accomplish this by guiding and supporting the creation of locally-owned, self-sustaining, and easily replicated food and beverage manufacturing businesses.

Our first effort is the **Diri Lavi "Life Rice" Project**. This project will guide and support the creation of a small food product manufacturing company in Les Anglais, Haiti. This company will employ three to five full-time workers that will introduce a locally-sourced, healthy (vitamin supplemented) food product to the regional marketplace.

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With enough support (our budgeted need is \$22,000) the doors of the first Diri Lavi Project manufacturing facility will open in early January 2019. During Year 1 this facility should produce more than 6,000 units (36,000 meals) that will be sold in markets throughout the region. **Our goal is for every sale to lead to a discussion about Jesus!**

Please join us on this ministry journey and invest in John 6:35 Ministries. Your return on investment will be the knowledge that Jesus (hope and healing) and jobs (improved quality of life and restored dignity) are actively changing lives for the better in the one of the poorest places on the planet.

Every supporter of **John 6:35 Ministries** will receive quarterly e-mail updates, an annual stewardship report, and an invitation to the annual John 6:35 Ministries business meeting held each July in Cincinnati.

You can invest in **John 6:35 Ministries** by praying regularly for the ministry, providing financial support, or assisting with evangelism and business training in Haiti during 2019.

Gifts of financial support can be mailed to John 6:35 Ministries, P.O. Box 343, Maineville, Ohio 45039. On-line giving opportunities and information about upcoming training trips can be found on our web site www.j635haiti.org (coming November 1st).

Thank you for joining us on this exciting ministry journey!

In His Service,

Rick J. Santa
Lead Servant
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