# Nouvèl la Jan 6:35 Ministè

(The news of John 6:35 Ministries)

## The Biggest Blessing of All!

When John 6:35 Ministries creates job opportunities in Haiti obvious blessings result. Believers that have never held a job before are able to earn a living, provide for their families, and support their churches. They buy healthy food, send children to school, and seek medical assistance when illness comes. Jobs also produce hope for the future and a sense of personal dignity.

The biggest blessing of all, however, is not so obvious. I like to call this the "gleaning" blessing. Gleaning is a scriptural concept that is well-presented in the OT Book of Leviticus (Chapter 19, Verses 9 - 10).

"Now when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. Nor shall you glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather the fallen fruit of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the needy and for the stranger. I am the LORD your God."

These verses instruct the Lord's people to leave some of the harvest (i.e. our material and spiritual blessings) for those who live in material and spiritual poverty. The beauty of the gleaning is that the provision is provided in a way that is not demeaning to the recipient.

When workers of Diri Lavi, a J6:35 business in Les Anglais, are not producing "Life Rice" or running their motorcycle taxi business they are quietly providing gleaning blessings. When a neighbor is hungry a meal is available. When a widow needs a roof repaired, labor is available. When a soul needs hope the Gospel Message of Jesus Christ is available. No fuss or fanfare – just blessed gleanings!

I strongly believe in the core mission of John 6:35 Ministries and so appreciate the obvious blessings that result. I'm learning, however, that the biggest blessing of all is the gleaning that occurs as we pursue our mission - one business, one job, and one soul at a time.

If supporting our mission to promote Jesus and jobs in Haiti (and the gleaning blessings that result) is something that appeals to you, please help us financially. Nearly every penny you give will be spent in Haiti creating job opportunities for impoverished believers, sharing the Gospel Message of Jesus Christ in the marketplace, and providing daily opportunities for gleaning in the name of Jesus!

Se pou Bondye beni ete ou (May God bless your summer)!

In His Service,

Rick

Lead Servant John 6:35 Ministries

### **Summer 2019**



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Jesus replied, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. John 6:35

# **Our Mission**

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.



The Wednesday market in Les Anglais, Haiti

# **Praise Report!**

## Praise God for the blessings that He provided during the first six months of 2019!

- We received 42 financial gifts during the January-June 2019 timeframe!
- We received our first church support and interest from local churches improved!
- We were able to fully cover our organizational expenses and then some!
- Thanks to a generous CPA firm we submitted our first tax returns without concerns or complications!
- Four men for the first time in their lives earned a FT wage and were able to better care for their families!
- The Diri Lavi Team built a home for a wheel-chair bound special needs friend and repaired many widow homes!
- The Diri Lavi Team shared Jesus with nearly 1,000 people in the greater Les Anglais region!



# **Board Spotlight**

### Tim Carr Board Member, West Harrison, Indiana

Tim loves to worship his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, spend time with family (wife Jennifer, three grown children, and two grandchildren), fish, camp, enjoy wildlife, and serve the people of Haiti. He has traveled to and served in Haiti since 2014. Tim is an excellent leader and has led some very productive (orphan and widow care) service trips to southern Haiti in recent years. Tim works as a Transportation Logistics Manager for the David J. Joseph Company and attends Grace Covenant Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

# The Impact of Your Support

Each gift you make, regardless of size, makes a big impact for the Kingdom in Haiti:

\$5 = Tank of Gasoline for Diri Lavi Moto Taxi \$60 = Breeding goat for goat farm \$75 = Taxi license for Diri Lavi moto taxi driver \$100 = One month of worker pay \$150 = 500 creole gospel message tracts \$250 = Fencing for goat farm \$400 = Land rental – one year - for goat grazing \$900 = Moto (scooter) for Diri Lavi taxi service \$2,500 = Small barn for goat herd \$5,000 = Diri Lavi Les Anglais depot (production building) Thank you so much (mèsi anpil) for your support!

### **Gifts Made in Honor**

Eric J. Santa 2-19-19

Grandchildren and great grandchildren of John and Patricia Santa 3-5-19

Rick J. Santa 5-22-19

Greg Garrett 7-6-19

# **Ministry Update**

- Our Life Rice business in Les Anglais, Diri Lavi, continued operating at full capacity through February. Rising raw material prices and distribution problems caused by widespread civil unrest resulted in decreased production through the spring. Our hope is to resume full production by 1Q 2020.
- In the April/May timeframe we purchased two motorcycles (moto's) so that four Diri Lavi employees could continue to work by operating a taxi and delivery service in Les Anglais and by traveling to regional job sites to conduct construction work with partnering ministries. We're hoping to add two more moto's by 1Q 2020 for expanded taxi service and wider Diri Lavi distribution in 2020.



- In the May/June timeframe we began business planning in earnest for our second J635 business plant in Les Anglais – a goat farm aimed at selling both breeding goats and meat goats. Our hope is to have the farm operating by September with two full-time employees.
- During the first six months of 2019 the workers of Diri Lavi have introduced Jesus to nearly 1,000 residents of Les Anglais during Life Rice sales, taxi rides, and construction work.

### **Support**

If you would like to support John 6:35 Ministries you can do so by making an on-line gift at <u>www.j635haiti.org/our-support.html</u>) or by mailing a check or money order to John 6:35 Ministries, P.O. Box 343, Maineville, Ohio 45039.

### Contact

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