

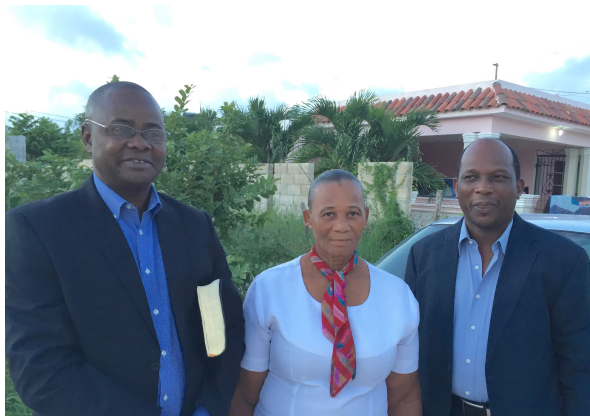
Haitian Support Ministries Newsletter

October 2016

Pierre Etienne was one of the first faithful members to join Pastor Jean-Claude at Calvary Church in 1993. Around 2000 he and his family moved to the city of Higüey in the Dominican Republic (DR) to find better work opportunities. By 2004 he and other Haitians formed The Salem Evangelical Church of Higüey.

Today he serves as Pastor Pierre, the senior pastor. Pastor Jean-Claude has traveled to Higüey over the last few years to preach, encourage, and baptize new members. In August, Pastor Jean-Claude was invited to help celebrate the 12th anniversary of Salem Church and ordain church leaders.

Madame Finell, a long-time leader at Calvary Church in Jacmel, joined Pastor Jean-Claude in the celebration. Pastor Albert Loussaint of Santo Domingo, DR, also joined the celebration.



Pastor Jean-Claude, Madame Finell, and Pastor Pierre Etienne



Ladies of Salem Church presenting their "first fruits"



Children came in their
“Sunday finest” to Salem
Church’s celebration



Nancy Philippi & Jean-Claude

An estimated 1,000,000 Haitians have moved to the DR in search of work. Higüey is a city of 280,000 people. Many Haitians live there and work in Punta Cana in the tourism industry.

Nancy Philippi of Michigan City, who has served HSM for many years, joined the August celebration and has rented an apartment in Higüey for the month of January 2017. Nancy will work at Salem Church teaching both children and adults to speak English as a third language. Speaking English makes the Haitian workers more valuable in the tourism industry.

There is a long history of discriminatory, often violent behavior between Haitians and Dominicans. It is our prayer that Christian Haitians and Dominicans will be a witness to their faith by demonstrating their love for one another.

Started over 20 years ago, Calvary Church, Jacmel, continues to grow and serve the needy. Your continued prayers and financial support enable HSM to help Pastor Jean-Claude and Calvary Church. Donations can be made either online at HaitianSupportMinistries.org or mailed to:

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