

Haitian Support Ministries Newsletter

May 2016

Pastor Jean - Claude's visit to the United States in May was very fruitful. He had the chance to visit Christian leaders who have worked for decades in some of Chicago's most violent and dangerous communities. They shared experiences and encouraged one another to persevere. Pastor Jean - Claude was invited to speak at the Homewood Rotary. Rotary surprised Pastor by naming him a Paul Harris Fellow for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among the people of the world. He feels very honored. He shared his personal story of perseverance serving his church in Haiti.



Pastor also visited with several of the generous donors who had surprised last January with the gift of a new pickup truck. He told them that he has named the new truck Grace because of God's grace. The truck will be most helpful transporting food to the nutrition centers and missionaries to and from Port au Prince with no breakdowns.

What has become an highlight of his May visits is attendance at the annual Moody Pastor's conference in Chicago. Over 1,000 pastors from gathered from around the world to be encouraged & equipped in their ministries. Pastors lives have challenges which are different from others and this week "recharges his batteries" yearly.



We are presently planning a trip to provide deworming again to the children at our nutrition centers and the schools we provide with hot meals. Virtually all the children in Haiti contract pin worms from a lack of sanitation. We could use a team of up to 12 people. The trip is scheduled for November 5th - 11, 2016. The total cost is \$ 1,590. A current passport is required. Contact your physician for advice reading medications and inoculations. Additionally on this trip we will be carrying down Christmas gifts for children in the after school ministry. By providing gifts to Calvary Church in November the parents or care givers receive the joy of giving rather than us.



November is the cloudiest month in our area. Haiti will be warm and sunny. By that time we can celebrate a Cubs world series with our Haitian Cub fans. If you would like more information regarding the trip please contact Lou Hoekstra at (708) 363 0902 or LouisHoekstra@comcast.net