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### Widow's House dedication



A vision that was cast well over a year ago came to completion in October. In a first for HCM, there was a partnership with Welcome Home Haiti to build a house on the Pillatre campus for ten widows. Using the newer compressed earth blocks to build the house, it was completed by the Welcome Home Haiti workers in

September. An HCM team came down to put the finishing touches on the house as well as be a part of the house dedication on October 25th. A special plaque was made and mounted on the dedication day in honor of Dr. Harold Nord. Dr. Nord had a special relationship and concern for the widows at Pillatre.

Each trip he made to Haiti, he would spend time visiting with the widows. He took to heart making sure the widows were cared for even beyond his last days. Memorial



contributions went to the house and furnishings. Now there will be a place for widows to live safely and comfortably for many years to come.

The house is five rooms, each with space for two beds and a table. There is an attached bathroom with two stalls and a shower. The house is situated on the



back of the Pillatre campus, right behind the medical clinic. This spot was chosen because it does allow easy access to medical assistance. There is security on the campus at all times and will keep a watchful eye over the widows. During the school year, the widows will be fed via the same meals provided to students. When school is not in session, members of the church will provide meals.

While only three widows were able to attend the dedication, the joy and excitement was very evident. It was a time of celebration and praise to our wonderful God! The goal is to have all widows selected and living in the house within the next several months. Thank you for your continued prayers

for the widows that will occupy the house as well as for Dr. Nord's family.

## **Continued growth**

It is truly an exciting time in Haiti. The board was able to come together at the end of October and visit with all the pastors and churches. There are multiple areas in mind to continue expanding the outreach of the Gospel in Northern Haiti.

- Difou continues to see growth in those coming to Christ and believe there is an opportunity to begin evangelizing an area further up the mountain. Pray for guidance and the Holy Spirit to move as this outreach begins.
- Haut DeHaine is thriving with 220
   attending weekly and just about half
   being members of the church. Please
   pray that we will know God's plan for this area in continuing to grow His influence.
- Lory is beyond capacity on most Sunday mornings. What started as a 48-person church now sees 400-500 attendees each week. There is now a school and multi-use facility. The congregation would like to expand the church and complete a border wall around the property. Pray for wisdom for the leaders as they seek to use His resources for kingdom work.
- Pillatre continues to be our main campus and an area we see creating strong leaders and partnerships to continue spreading the Good News and Love of Jesus. Pray for continued strength, courage, and wisdom in equipping the next generation of leaders in Haiti.

"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:37-40