

Newsletter May/June/July 2010

Grace & Peace Missionary Fellowship

So Many Good Things Taking Place



Ava with her new sunglasses



Manuel's appendix burst almost 4 years ago now



Gerald in the red striped shirt accompanied us in Haiti

DIRECTORS:
William and Karen Rumple

Stateside:
(330) 448-8234

SUPPORT ADDRESS:
2055 Pleasant Valley Rd.
Niles, Ohio 44446

ADMINISTRATOR:
Linda Simmer

EMAIL:
gracepeacemissn@aol.com

WEBSITE:
gracepeacemission.com

In our April newsletter, we told a story about a 3-year-old girl who had come to one of our free medical clinics with 3rd degree burns. Her name was Ava. G&P went back to visit Ava several times to check on her progress and found a wonderful surprise. Next door to her was a little boy whose life had been saved through a medical team New Life Baptist Church had sent down about 4 years ago. Manuel had his appendix taken out but they had burst and apparently he was septic from his operation where the doctor hadn't thoroughly gotten all the toxins from his burst appendix. There he was playing in the streets just a picture of health. During one of those visits, Ava asked us for sunglasses. We decided to go to town and get her what she wanted and we bought Manuel a pair as well.

I reminded Manuel that the Lord had saved him for something great. He has his health back and is a constant reminder of God's perfect timing. For both he and Ava, we had a medical team in the right place at the right time. Pictured here is Lorenzo, along with our Pastor



Alejandro and his wife, Angiebell. In April, during one of our medical clinics, Bill and his team came to evangelize while the patients waited their turn. When Bill walked into the waiting area, he told me he was going out on the street so he could talk louder. For whatever reason...and I know how loud Bill can get when he's sharing the Gospel...I asked him to start talking to those closest to the exam area because no one had shared with

them yet. He reluctantly went over and started sharing. And there sat 94-year-old Lorenzo. He made a commitment that day and we were all so thrilled. We've returned to visit with him in the last few weeks and he's regularly attending Pastor Alejandro's church in Penyon and growing in the Lord. In May, Bill and I headed into Haiti with Rhonda and Eric Dodson from New Life Baptist Church. This was a pioneering trip for Bill and I to assess what the needs were and where exactly we would concentrate our efforts to help rebuild. It took about 7 hours to get to Gressier which is 10 miles outside Port-au-Prince. We picked up Gerald, a Haitian Policeman whose wife had come to Barahona after being crushed in the earthquake. The medical team from Boston saved her life

So Many Good Things Taking Place Continued....

by pushing for a transfer out of Barahona into a border hospital better equipped to operate on her a 2nd time, something that would need to be done to save her life. Gerald and his wife became our family right then, so he accompanied us into Gressier to help us keep things in order. We went to Haiti with over \$8,000 in donated medicines. Rhonda treated 200 people in Haiti and another 125 back in the DR her last 2 days here. In May, the director of our Children's Program invited all of the Mothers to a special



presentation at the school. The kids put on a skit and we gave each mother a gift.

Also, since January, Grace and Peace stayed in touch with a Cuban doctor and his wife who took care of many Haitian refugees here in our hometown of Bara-

hona during the earthquake. Dr. Silvio, along



with another Doctor from up in the mountains planned a medical clinic for Haitian Immigrants in late June. They would treat the patients and we would provide all of the medicines necessary. We passed out tickets for 150 and 275 showed up. We were exhausted but so blessed to continue to help this devastated group of people who are trying hard to get back up on their own 2 feet. The widow program also added another 3 widows in June. One of the widows, Clara, has a terrible



skin infection on her feet all the way to her knee. We have been treating her and are seeing slow progress as she has had this infection for about 4

years now. We continue to hold our prenatal pro-



gram and have seen 5 commitments for the Lord so far this year. We coordinate with local churches and invite all the pregnant ladies from that area to come and get vitamins and calcium. We minister to them first and then take their blood pressure and give them enough vitamins for 2 months. In June, Hope Deemer and Julia Simmons from Belivers Christian Fellowship came down as interns. 10 days after they arrived, Nicholas, our son, came with Traci Todd from Boston. These 4 worked very hard in the children's program, assembled all of the food for our widows, delivered the food, worked on miscellaneous projects with us and assembled 150 backpacks for both children's programs that will be distributed in August. Traci has been here 4 times in the last 12 months. This was

Hope's 3rd trip here and Julia's 2nd trip here. Our internship program is designed for those who feel the call to missions. Interns come here anywhere from 2 weeks to 2 years and they get to see our day in and day out routine of life on the mission field. Of 28 interns we've hosted in 11 years, 3 have been called into full time service. It's not easy leaving family and life in America to go to a strange country to share the Gospel. This program is a great way to see if you are truly called.

Grace Fellowship Church from Niles, Ohio, is here in the Dominican right now with their youth. They arrived this past Saturday. On Sunday, they helped Grace and Peace prepare medicines that will be taken into Haiti through an independent ministry, Casa del Caribe, where Dr. Silvio is affiliated. They are holding a 5-day 4 community wide free medical clinic and will be treating over 500 Haitians. It's been such a blessing to be part of all of this in Haiti. Your generosity has made that possible.