



1st Quarter 2025 Newsletter

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Hello to all our prayer warriors, friends, and supporters, 2024 has been a year for giving much praise to God for all His blessings for provisions and protection over the mission.

When the gang crisis started over three and a half years ago, it was never thought it would last this long and get as bad as it has. After president Jovenel Moïse was assassinated on July 7, 2021, the gangs got much worse with control over the country. Mid-year in 2024 when the Kenya troops went into Port-Au-Prince, it looked like Haiti was going to finally get some relief from the gangs, but their progress in controlling them have been slow at best.

Turning to the situation for all Hattians with lack of, to no jobs to support themselves, the void of electricity for going on five years, and the extreme inflation for everything there, is at best a dire situation for many in Haiti. Melio tells me there are many in Haiti starving from lack of water and foods in which there is no immediate resolve for the problems.

With all this going on, one could say what's the use of trying? Melio and those at the mission knows exactly why they keep trying. They know we serve a God who can provide the impossible which includes their basic needs and far more!

In 2024 God not only pricked the hearts of our supporters to send funds to cover their needs, but also many of the goals far above their needs. We were able to teach 351 students, provided jobs for 48 school staff and fed 399 individuals each school day. In May we sent \$1,000.00 to feed ten families in extreme need, in August we sent \$2,000.00 to feed the summer VBS and Youth seminar's children, in September we sent \$1,600.00 to feed the second VBS's youth, in October we finished the second phase of the school for \$100,000.00 to start the 10th grade and add additional grades until the school is complete through the 13th grade, and last but not least, in November sent \$2,500.00 to feed the church a meal for their 19th anniversary and homecoming.

Gods' protection over the mission and all who attend it has been the biggest blessing of all. Though several passed away this year and some of the younger adults left the country, those who remained have been blessed by what was poured out on the mission and the unity of brotherly love to each other. There were seventy-five souls won to Christ and the trips they took to other villages to share the gospel as the "Great Commission" requires and return safely shows the power of our Lord Jesus.

God bless each one of you throughout the coming year,

Kenny Lovelace

Treasurer

Sonlight Christian Mission, INC



The above pictures are of the mission's homecoming on November 10th. We were blessed to be able to send funds to feed the church congregation and bless them with a good meal. God continues to provide!

I would like to ask our supporters if you know of someone in your church or that's familiar with Sonlight Christian Mission, that would be willing to engage on our board as the treasurer of the mission. I have been treasurer since 2013 and am looking to get someone I can train and become the backup to secure future years for the missions needs. I still plan to serve on the board but in a different capacity. The time consumption to do the tasks of treasure is considered minimal. I generally spend about one to two hours a week entering checks, sending out donation receipt letters and communicating with Melio through texts. I can explain this in more detail to the person interested. Everything is either on QuickBooks, Excel or Word documents. I am praying for God to lead the person who has a heart to serve in this capacity to fill this need. I have been blessed for the past eleven years to witness the many miracles and answered prayers from our great God! I know when I took this position from Shirley Kelley in 2013, she had done the position since its conception and did it well. Thank you for any consideration and most importantly for your prayers that God will send the right person to take this on.

Prayer request and Praises:

- Pray for control of the gangs in Haiti.
- Pray for the school children, staff and congregation going to and from the mission.
- Pray for new supporters to cover costs for adding additional school grades.
- Praise God for His protection over the mission.

Thank you all for your interest, commitment, and prayers for the mission. I know without the prayers, we would not be where we are today. I praise God for each one of you.

Kenny Lovelace, Treasurer

Please share this with all your congregation, family, and friends. Prayerfully they may become interested in serving this mission with prayers and finance.