

December, 2011

Dear Praying Friends,

Psalms 34:1-2 says: "I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord..."

I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause: Which doeth great things and unsearchable; marvelous things without number. Job 5: 8,9:" How thankful we are for all His blessings this year. He certainly has done "exceeding abundantly, above all we that we could ask or think."

January-When we arrived back in Haiti, we were happy to see that Pastor Cebien had given us a big surprise! Our home had been remodeled, giving us eight feet more across the front of the house. The addition includes our bedrooms and the living and dining rooms. We have been able to seat as many as 18 people around our dining room table which is a real blessing since we have had many teams this year. Christmas also was great. Even though we have over 100 orphans now, the Lord provided gifts for each of them because of your generosity. Thank you so much for all you all your help! We truly thank the Lord for each one of you.

February-Remy, one of our older orphans opened his orphanage just down the road from ours. He and his staff of former orphans from EBAC now have 17 children all two years old or younger. We are so proud of this work. Older orphans in our school go there every Sunday and do visitation in the area and hold children's Bible classes.

Sue and Paul Parsons, Alice's sister and brother-in-law, came to help us for the month. Paul taught at Faith Christian University and Sue painted murals of Bible stories on the walls of the study pavilion that had been enlarged. This pavilion is also used for Junior Church each Sunday.

March- Junior Church started again. How happy the kids were to be together again! We also had visitors almost every day of that month. They were a big help in the school and with other projects in the yard.

April- The high school addition to the school was started. Above the school there will also be an addition to the existing girl's dorm. What an answer to prayer this is! Because we were unable to renew our visas for Haiti, we had to make a quick trip to the Dominican Republic for a day and were so thankful to get back to Haiti!

May-Someone stole our email address and scammed us. We are so thankful that to our knowledge no one believed the scam! It was frustrating, however, trying to let friends know what happened. A team Students from Clearwater Christian College came and really worked with our kids in the school helping them finish PACES before school closed. We really needed their help!

June- We came to the States supposedly for the month, but a few days before we were to go back, Alice got hurt while putting a package in the trunk of the car. The trunk lid came down hitting her in the arm. When she jerked, she ruptured a disk in her neck and did damage to nerves in her arm, causing severe pain. How thankful we were that surgery was not required to correct the problem. We were unable to return to the field until August, but she is much better now and we praise the Lord for His healing!

August- Coming from the airport, a Haitian jumped onto the back of the truck where Kathy was sitting and snatched her "carry on" which had in it her passport, \$500.00, Bible, eyeglasses, a nook, and several other things. He then jumped back off the truck and got on a motorcycle that was waiting for him and got away. How thankful we are that she was not hurt.

September-A few more young teens were added to the orphanage and Jacqueline asked the Lord to save her. One of the new boys is named Bill Clinton. How interesting! Three of our boys were baptized. The boy's dorm addition was started. The cement roof was "poured" for the addition of the school and plastering was started on the walls and ceiling.

October-Walls were put up for the girl's dorm addition. We went to Port au Prince to get an emergency passport which is only valid for three months. Kathy has since received a regular passport for the same fee, since she applied within three months. The orphanage kitchen was remodeled. Beige tile was put on the floor and part way up the walls. Gas burners were purchased and installed to take the place of charcoal for cooking the food. The kitchen is so much brighter and cleaner now and the cooks are very happy

November-We came back to the States. Pastor Cebien had a ten day tent meeting in the interior of Haiti and over 50 people made professions for salvation, and many others rededicated their lives to serve the Lord.

December-May we keep Christ not only in Christmas but in each day of our lives.

As we think about all the blessings and trials of this year we are so thankful for the Lord's faithfulness. We just can't thank Him enough for all He has done! Psalm 113:3 says "From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the Lord's name is to be praised."

Because of Calvary,
Kathy and Alice