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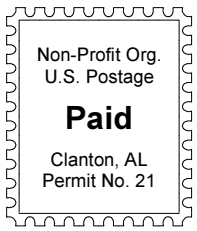
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Attendance at the Bible Conference on our Milot campus was very good, averaging about 300 per session for all five sessions. Glenn Bonds of Providence Baptist, Clanton, AL preached. *There was truly a mighty movement of God.*



**Bible Conference April 7-14**



During the mornings, local Haitian pastors attended the pastor's conference led by John Copeland (*1st Baptist, Fulton AL*) and Toney Wales (*Elkton Rd Baptist, Athens AL*).

Dr. Jamie Cox of Quitaque TX led the 4/26 Med Team. Here he enjoys one of our students at the clinic for our school at Biclaira.



**Team Report**

We are very grateful for all of the team work we have been blessed with over the past few months ...

- Mar 3 - **Maintenance:** Southwide Baptist Defuniak Springs FL sent two men in to do handywork and repairs
- Mar 22 - **Maintenance:** Harbor City Baptist Melbourne FL sent a big group in to do painting and repairs
- Apr 7 - **Bible Conference:** 10 pastors from churches around the S.E. conducted Bible conferences in 5 churches in N. Haiti. Total attendance for all of the meetings combined was right at 9000
- Apr 14 - **Medical Team:** a great group of 10 from all over the S.E. ministered to our schools and communities
- Apr 26 - **Medical Team:** another great group continued the work, completing the care needed for all of our children

## When words seem to fail ...

... use scripture! In Philippians 1:3-5 Paul describes his thankfulness for the Philippian church's partnership with him in the work of the Gospel. We have mentioned this verse before, yet it continues to describe our hearts toward you. Because of you, GSM is able to continue our Lord's good work in Haiti. It is your work.

**We Thank You** for your partnership and faithfulness. We pray that you will continue with us in this work and that God will richly bless you in every way. We love you. Please pray for us.

Pray for Haiti.



## Did you Know ...

*Christian Charity:* Bill and Sandy are constantly helping the Haitian people with their emergency needs. Whether it is a family that just doesn't have food, has a medical crisis where we pay for needed care, needs clothing, or help with funeral expenses - Bill and Sandy

are constantly helping to meet acute needs of the Haitian people. Recently, one of our faithful Haitian workers, Beebee, was sitting on the steps of the mission house softly crying. His wife and daughter had been in a taptap (*bus*) accident. His daughter had broken her ankle. He was at the end of his rope and at the point of despairing. Bill put his arm around the man and said, "Beebee, we will help you". GSM paid the hospital bill to repair her ankle. Thank you for helping.



Bill visiting with a Haitian mother

## Critical Need

► complete set of batteries for our generator/inverter system ◀

27 batteries - \$145 each - available in Cap Haitian

This system supplies 24 hr electricity to the mission house, high school, elementary school, and vocational school. Our batteries are all expiring. Normally we charge the batteries for a few hours, then run off of the batteries for the rest of the day and night. But because we are unable to store electricity, we are having to run lights, etc. right off of the generator. This is like using a semi-truck to bring home a sack of groceries. Our diesel fuel expense is very high because of this.

Also, we are in need of a new inverter and batteries to power Faith Hall, which houses our seminary, dorms, and offices.

12 batteries - \$145 each    1 inverter - \$850

## Testimony from a Recent Team Member

Dear Bro. Bill,

There are no words or ways that I can use to express what GOD has done in my life during my time in Haiti. I thank you for allowing me to be part of the Keswick Conference and the Pastors' Conference. What I saw GOD do was beyond anything I could have ever thought possible. I wanted desperately to see HIM work, and had prayed earnestly for that, but I guess I am so accustomed to what I see in the American church that I had allowed myself to forget what HE could do. I have prayed for you and GSM, but my prayers will have a completely different depth because of what I saw this week. I have literally not been able to talk to my wife about all GOD did because every time I try to share with her, I can only weep. I have never been as aware of the presence of our LORD in all my life. I am already ready to come back and be busy doing whatever I can do as the LORD may lead. Please pray for me and with me as to how the LORD will use me in the ministry of GSM. Our discussion about training the pastors has burned in my heart since we talked. I just want GOD to use me, and I believe Haiti and GSM will be part of that. Just please pray with me about this and all the things in my heart to be used for HIS glory. Know that I will continually pray for you and Sandy as you serve our LORD. I love you as my brother in CHRIST and thank HIM for bringing our lives together. GOD bless you richly in CHRIST JESUS.

John Copeland

*John Copeland is the pastor at 1st Baptist Fulton, AL*

## Pastor Maxie Michele

Pastor Maxie graduated from our Milot high school in the mid 1980's. Today he is pastor of one of the largest and *best* churches in northern Haiti - The Premier Eglise Baptiste de la Grande Rivier Du Nord. He is an amazing and wonderful man of God. In May of this year his beloved wife passed away. He is pictured here with their 2 children. Please keep Pastor Maxie and his children in your prayers. *Note: Pastor Maxie is also pictured at the pastor's conference, back row on the right.*



- GSM:**
- Continuing the Christian Education and Discipleship of nearly 2000 Haitian children in 3 villages.
  - Sending them out as missionaries to their own people.
  - Changing a nation by changing hearts - one child, one person at a time.



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