

Missions-2019

Throughout 2019, we have seen God work miracles through Olive Cove's ministry. Thanks to the generosity of donors like you, Olive Cove has been able to bless countless individuals all over Haiti.

This year, Mike & Alexis spent time on the



ground focusing on several major areas of concern: the "Restoration" of EBAC, the condition of Faith Christian University, the reassessment of the University Perimeter Wall, and the design and construction of a future mission "house." They also conducted interviews with



potential indigenous candidates to serve in future roles at the main compound, and negotiated with first-generation EBAC graduates to provide cooperative assistance – all this in addition to handling impromptu humanitarian issues as they arose.

While the ultimate mission of Olive Cove is the development of sustainable communities centered in faith-based education, they are also sensitive to crisis management emergencies. With the skills that volunteers bring, and the financial contributions from donors, Olive Cove is



committed to addressing any individual or communal need that arises throughout the year. This could mean putting on a roof (Outreach Ministry), sending a child to school or paying a teacher's salary (K-12 Schools), subsistence for a Pastor (Benevolence Ministry), supporting the cost of a marriage ceremony (Wedding Ministry), food and income

opportunities via livestock (Goat Ministry), or providing Creole translated Bibles to a church (The Word Ministry). Your continual support allows Olive

Cove to use any funds available for impromptu "love in action" scenarios. We hope as you read this newsletter



you'll see how your contributions have translated into an investment to further God's kingdom.

Robillar, Haiti

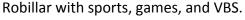
As always, Olive Cove seeks to be out in the community



reaching those who are often forgotten due to their remote location. This year was no different. The Olive Cove team was able to bless



more than 300 children in the commu nity of



Most importantly, the team focused on "Champions for

Christ" imparting how regular people can show tremendous love for the Lord.

Morne Rouge, Haiti-EBAC Restoration Project



Over the last several years, the needs facing Pastor Cebien at the EBAC orphanage, school, clinic & infrastructure became apparent. The leaders of Olive Cove spent months behind the scenes, discussing realistic possibilities for change and restoration given the tremendous challenges and the uniqueness of the situation. Time was also spent in discussion with first-generation graduates of EBAC to seek their potential cooperation and assistance, expertise in certain areas, re-incorporation of crucial practices in the orphanage and school, and on-ground oversight when needed.

The first restorative act at EBAC was the removal of two full-size, non-



functioning vehicles from the premises. A three-ton dump truck went first and then a 28-foot school bus that had been a fixture for the previous 15 years. This act reinvigorated the community.







One week later, Olive Cove, the firstgeneration EBAC graduates (Idadee), and the current orphans took part in a grounds cleanup day. Alice and Kathy contributed as well by donating paint to freshen up a few exterior buildings. It was a true community event.





This summer Olive Cove once again saw the "Wedding Ministry" in action. Located approximately two hours from base camp, the community of Acul Samedi came together to



celebrate the marriage of few of its favorite locals, with Pastor Cebien officiating the event. The people were excited about the opportunity.



Olive Cove was able to provide dresses for the brides, suits for the groom, and a celebratory spaghetti dinner reception.

Champin, Haiti



To thank God for his extraordinary healing power, a local resident working closely with Olive Cove arranged an "Action of Grace" celebration for her home church.



More than 200 people took part in the four-hour event. Attendees shared worship, fellowship, recommitment to the Lord, and testimonies of faith, followed by a grand feast.

Mombin Crochu, Haiti

To celebrate the completion of a new church building, Pastor Cebien held a prayer meeting with the locals. Olive Cove was able



to provide additional support for church benches; Creole translated Bibles, and approximately 150 prepackaged outfits for the children in the community.



Construction of a repurposed small group "mission home" continued on the EBAC grounds. During the first quarter of 2019, supplies such as roof materials, insulation, and electrical wiring



were shipped. To support the economy, Olive Cove locally purchased lumber for the re-roof project, the interior framing, and the patio area. Indigenous labor poured concrete slabs in the bathrooms to set the plumbing in place and assisted in other areas of the



process. All the interior doors, as well, were commissioned from local craftsmen. The electrical work,



wall refinishing, and flooring are next on the installation list. Once completed, the repurpose will allow more missionaries to

construction



visit, assist, and extend stays to further the ministry and Kingdom.

Missionary Spotlight-Joele Montes

This summer, missionary Joele Montes, spent three months in Morne Rouge at the EBAC orphanage. The goal was to begin assessing the psychological needs of the orphans and the interrelationships of those in the community. Ms. Montes spent time interviewing many of the current orphans to learn more about their needs and desires. Ultimately, Olive Cove hopes to work toward providing future resolutions for their concerns.





Madame Arsene, was a huge success.

To further the community atmosphere Ms. Montes also decided to host and sponsor a birthday

celebration for the orphans at the compound. The event for 150 people, which included help from Alice, Kathy, and



40' Medical Supply Container

In September, with the generous help of three other humanitarian organizations, Olive Cove was able to facilitate the acquisition of much-needed medicine and medical supplies shipped via a 40'



container. This included items such as medicine for water-borne illnesses, diabetes, and dementia; antibiotic lotions; instruments; and medical scrubs. The sheer volume of supplies - 37 palettes worth - will allow Olive



Cove to bless the EBAC medical clinic, as well as other

hospitals, and clinics

throughout the entire country of Haiti. Countless individuals have been blessed by this gracious donation. While it is easy to focus on the supplies, however, we know that it is simply a vehicle to demonstrate the love of Christ to those who could never have afforded the treatment. In this process we hope to convert souls and look forward to sharing testimonials of those directly impacted by this blessing.



Faith Christian University-Perimeter Wall-2019

Work began on the construction of a perimeter wall spanning the ten-acre property several

years ago in order to expand the future potential of Faith Christian University. While approximately 70% has been completed, back-to-back hurricanes and subsequent flooding caused severe damage to certain wall sections. Although repairs were completed, a complex section must still be designed to complete the perimeter and raise the wall height an additional threefeet. Additional funding is necessary to continue the

construction effort and ensure the future of FCU.







Ministry Banquet



This fall, Olive Cove held its First Annual Ministry Banquet. During the event Mike and Alexis provided key updates on the progress of certain programs and services, and shared their vision for 2020. There were

testimonials, food, fun, and entertainment. We thank all the volunteers and attendees who helped make it possible.





Vision for 2020

In closing, we sincerely thank you for your time and resources in support of Olive Cove. The vision before us is truly a God-sized vision. We are aware of the challenges, and excited to see how God will materialize His plan in 2020. Through your support and generous contributions lives are being changed throughout the country of Haiti. We hope you'll join us by continuing to invest in God's Kingdom.



In Christ, Mike & Alexis Swittel

"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 25:40

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