

DOING ALL WE CAN DO

I delayed my trip going into Haiti during the month of September because of the high level of instability and blocked roads. Several days before my departure date in October, I had encouraged a friend with this passage from Psalm 121:1-2: "I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." This verse also encouraged me—as I had God's favor with arriving at the mission safely.

I enjoyed visiting one of our churches upon arrival. The church had made the sacrifice and had purchased gasoline on the black market for their generator. The Haitian churches never stop meeting. I began doing all I could do to have every aspect of the mission function properly. There was no fuel available—which made it impossible to receive deliveries. Slowly, we were able to start buying some supplies such as diesel fuel, cement, and then food for our schools. It was wonderful to see all the schools receive food deliveries and continue to be operational—even though it was basically a country on lockdown. I boast in the Lord! God gets all of the glory for the things we are doing in Haiti. I believe my life is in His hands. I always say it is a privilege and pleasure to be serving the Lord in Haiti. ~Charlie DeTellis









Top: Charlie DeTellis enjoys visiting churches around Haiti and celebrates the impact of the Gospel being spread. **Middle:** Managing food deliveries and inventory is an ongoing process of logistics at our Haiti warehouse.

Bottom left: Monthly, our schools in Haiti consume 815 sacks of rice and 290 sacks of beans.

Bottom right: Each school has two cooks employed to prepare lunch and serve our students a healthy meal.

GOD'S WORD CHANGES LIVES

Recently, thanks to money generously donated, we were able to purchase Bibles for all of our elementary and high school students in the DR. Our Leaders for Christ student group prepared a special program presenting our students with their own Bibles. At each of our schools, it was a very special time where the kids enjoyed singing songs, participating in group activities, and learning how to use and read the Bible. The children's eyes lit up as each one of them received a beautiful new Bible.

Praise the Lord that we have seen a huge impact with the Bibles being distributed! I've heard reports of students asking their teachers to read the Bible at the beginning of each class and during their recess break...and of families who are starting to read the Bible together in their homes. After receiving his Bible, one of our students, Jhayden Mercado Santos, told his mom that he wanted to go to church. They went and he accepted Christ as His Savior! We praise the Lord for the work He is doing through His Word, and we look forward to seeing more fruit from the Bible distribution.

~Heather Williams Katz



Nagela and Sheguer serving God together for over five years; Nagela also works as a translator at Bire Elementary School.



Sheguer is energetic in God's work serving his congregation, the New Missions High School, and through outreach missions.



The students were so happy to receive their very own Bible; many started reading them right away.



After a special presentation for the students, the Leaders for Christ group distributed Bibles to every student.

A CHRISTIAN COUPLE

Valentine's Day is recognized in Haiti. Even small supermarkets sell heart shaped boxes of chocolates which are purchased by those with disposable income. There are now many Christian couples on the Leogane Plain who found their love at our high school. One such couple is Sheguer Marc and Nagela Rosiclair, who met in tenth grade. Nagela attended the Bire church and elementary school, while Sheguer went to the Brache Milot church and school. Their relationship grew, so Nagela started going to Sheguer's church. She sensed wisdom and leadership in him and Sheguer appreciated her sense of responsibility and how well she led worship. They were married in December 2017.

Today, they are establishing a new church in the village of Mariani where currently about 45 people attend. Sheguer gained experience preaching and directing the youth at the church he grew up in, as well as leading the high school prayer group. He sensed God calling him to minister full-time and, with the help of a sponsor, completed the two-year program at our Bible college. We believe God will use our graduates for His purposes and glory! ~Rachel DeTellis



LIVE A LIFE OF IMPACT

Did you know New Missions does not spend money on advertising? Our mission is made possible by friends like you who share about our mission to other friends and family. When it comes to accomplishing the goal of spreading awareness, we rely on advocates who volunteer their time to share about New Missions.

Standing in front of his Sunday school class, Tony Geist, from First Baptist Woodstock, shared the power of sponsorship to change a life. "I called out each student by name, showed their photographs, and then as a class we prayed for them by name," Tony said. Then, over the next few weeks, all the students found a sponsor as God moved on people's hearts. This would not have been possible without Tony as an advocate and using his voice to speak out on behalf of each of these precious children.

Today, I want to invite you to be an advocate for New Missions—specifically to help find sponsors for our students. What does this mean? You would ask a friend or family member to become a sponsor. The easy part is, you can merely share a photo of a student directly from our website. It's that simple! Together, we can empower the next generation and have a vision that will outlast us. Sign up at newmissions.org/advocate and thank you for making an impact. ~Tim DeTellis





Top: Parents leading their kids in spiritual development by attending church is a priority at New Missions. **Bottom left:** Thank you to our advocates, like Tony Geist, who share with their friends how we are helping families flourish. **Bottom middle:** Our students are graduating from nursing school and also pursuing other professions to provide for their families. **Bottom right:** Advocates Rob and Beth Arms host tables at New Missions events and welcome visiting teams to the Dominican Republic.

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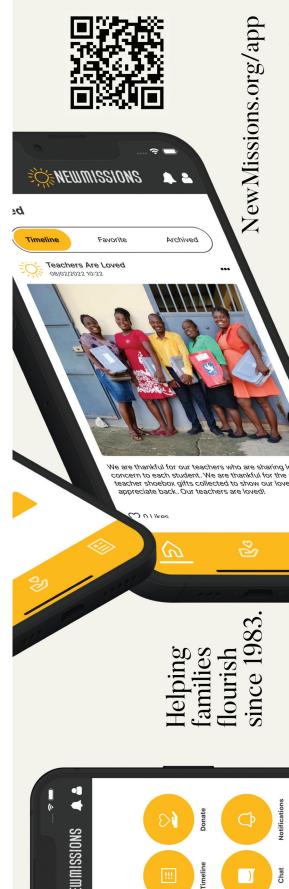
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FROM THE PROJECTS TO THE MISSION FIELD

HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE

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BRING GOOD NEWS!

My grandfather, Michel DeTellis, was an immigrant from Italy. In the 1950s he sold produce off the back of his horse-drawn wagon. He would ride up and down the side streets in the neighborhoods of South Boston selling to families living in tenement houses. Monday through Thursday he would sell fruits and vegetables and fish on Fridays. On Fridays, as he drove his horse and cart down the side streets, he would shout out, "Get your haddock fish!"

On his way home from the wholesale markets in Boston in the early morning of February 18, 1953,

a car crashed into the back of my grandfather's cart on Southampton Street, killing him near Andrews Square in Boston. He was thrown off the cart, hit his head on the cobblestone street and was killed. The driver of the car was charged with manslaughter. His

horse named Sam survived the accident without injury.

My grandfather never owned a car or any real estate. My family lived in the third-floor apartment at 50 Dorset Street in Boston, Mass. My father was just 17 years old and a high school dropout who was working odd jobs to make money. After his father died, my father George and his mother moved into a twobedroom apartment in a government housing project at 12 Crowley Rogers Way in South Boston.

Some women from Boston Christian Assembly came and knocked on the door to my grandmother's apartment. They came with a box of Italian cookies and shared the Gospel with her. My father told me that on that day, my grandmother got down on her knees in the kitchen and gave her life to Jesus Christ. On that day the Kingdom of God came into the DeTellis

family. How beautiful are the feet of them who bring Good News! The next Sunday, Joseph Bombara and his family arrived at the project to give my grandmother a ride to church.

One Sunday at church, my grandmother spoke to Pat Bossio the youth pastor. "Pat, my son is not doing good. He's not going to school, and he is getting into trouble." Pat called my father and came to pick him up in the project to bring him to the mid-week youth group. Soon after, my father made a decision for Christ and felt God leading him into ministry. Another young

> man in the church, Sam Bombara, was attending New England Bible Institute in Framingham. My father called the school and talked to the president, Carl Lindberg, and told him he was a friend of Sam's and wanted to attend Bible school. In the fall of 1955, he

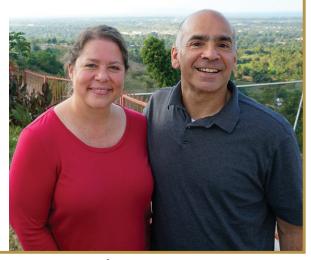
moved into the dormitory to attend Bible school in the missionary course curriculum.

On June 2, 1956, my father returned home from Bible school by taking the bus from Framingham. My grandmother prepared lasagna for my father's homecoming. The next morning, my father found his mother dead in her bed. She had died that night from asthma. After the funeral, the housing project told my father he had two weeks to move out because he was not eligible for government housing. Without parents, and only twenty-one years old, my father rented a furnished room at 25 Hancock Street, for \$25 per week. That summer he worked in the kitchen at the Beacon Hill Hotel—saving his money to go to Bible school in September. In June of 1957, George DeTellis graduated from New England Bible Institute. ~George DeTellis, Jr.

My father pastored churches in Massachusetts for 25 years before going to Haiti as a missionary in 1983. Those years of ministry were preparation for his call to be a missionary as a young man. A high school dropout from the government housing projects of Boston became an educator of thousands of young people in the country of Haiti. The Gospel liberates the poor and sets the captive free.

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