



THE GIFT OF SALVATION

New Missions is a mission to preach Christ. In preaching, we also have our eyes open to the needs of God’s people in areas such as education and health care. Our hearts forever celebrate when we see or hear about one more person saying “yes” to Jesus.

We have the honor and joy of telling children about the birth of Jesus and His plan to give them the greatest gift of all: salvation. Your gift of a Christmas shoebox gives us the opportunity to preach the Gospel when we give the children their shoebox. It is thrilling to see them raise their hands saying “yes” to Jesus.

At 11 years of age, my Sunday school teacher invited me to receive the gift of salvation. From then on, I have had the God-given desire to tell people about Jesus. I love to hear an altar call inviting people to come to Jesus. I love to say the words again and again, and to use this occasion to pray for those who have not said “yes” yet!

This Christmas, I want to tell you and others about the gift of salvation; incomparable and unperishable. Say “yes” to Jesus. Become a child of God and join His family for now and eternity. *“Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved...” Acts 16:31*

~Jeanne DeTellis Loudon



Top: There's still time to give a shoebox gift this Christmas! Visit ShoeboxDrive.com/gift to order a shoebox.

Middle: Come, let us worship and bow down this Christmas to our Savior and maker.

Bottom left: What songs are you singing? Honor God for who He is and all that He has done.

Bottom right: Who will you invite to church? Don't miss out on the gift of inviting someone.

A TRANSFORMED FAMILY

Over the years, I have been able to see the impact that New Missions has had on the lives of so many people. I am especially encouraged by the number of teenagers who are following and serving God. Cousins Elanda and George Jean started at our Redemption Village school, later moving to New Life High School. When we started our church in Los Castillos, they both began attending regularly and became involved in the children's and youth Bible classes.

As Elanda entered her older teenage years, she began to rebel against God and church. However, God never gave up on her and neither did we. Today, she assists at our Playa Chiquita preschool.

George experienced significant loss early on, with both parents passing away by 2019, leading to depression. He attended a youth camp where he was reminded that even though his mother and father were gone, God had chosen him before creation and he is God's son. Since that time, he has been actively following Christ. He leads the praise and worship in Los Castillos. We praise God for all He has done in the lives of these two young people.

~Heather Williams Katz



George is currently working as an assistant in first grade at our school in Los Castillos.



Elanda enjoyed working with the kids in our summer camp and was a great role model for the children.



Pastor Richard Gay from our Masson church prays over Sherlaine, Auguste, and Madame Cedras.



Pastor Yaguel and the other leaders from our Bord-Mer church serve communion to remember Jesus' ultimate sacrifice.

UNTIL JESUS RETURNS

Jesus taught us to be watching for His return, but we are also instructed to keep working while we watch. The Haitians have had several years now of unprecedented disturbance to their lives and security. Through it all, we have seen the churches forge ahead in service to God. The churches have communion monthly and are continuing in prayer, evangelism, and preaching the Gospel. Besides Bible study, one thing that Pastor Richard Gay encourages is starting home prayer groups.

A prayer group visited Auguste Gilbert's home. They prayed with him and he soon began visiting church. Madame Cedras Saintiac found no help from the Voodoo priest for her son-in-law with mental health issues, and realized that Jesus was the only one who could help him. Sherlaine Alsuis lives very close to the church and as a child heard the worship and started attending alone. Recently, she felt a touch from God and chose to follow Him. On October 8, 2023, these three confessed Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Our work is not done until all the harvest has been brought in. Keep watching and working!

~Rachel DeTellis



REFLECTING ON IMPACT

Praise the Lord! There are thousands of lives impacted through our mission every year. From each student who sits down to pray before a hot lunch at school to a pastor who prays with someone to make Jesus Lord of their life, we are witnessing the life-changing power of God in action.

When unrest took place in Haiti due to gangs this year, our churches united by hosting prayer and fasting services. New believers walked into the baptism waters, and God's presence prevailed as our churches were overflowing. Weekly church attendance surpassed 6,000 people across our 30 Haitian churches. When I would reach out to our pastors and send an encouraging note, their reply was often short and powerful: "Our God is greater!"

New leaders were mentored in the Dominican Republic through our *Leaders for Christ* program where 45 students are now representing a new generation of Christian leaders on the rise. When it comes to measuring success, someone could ask the question, "What matters most?" For me it is faithfulness to God's call and discipling followers of Jesus. We are thankful to all who are a part of this mission: our local teachers, pastors, cooks, nurses, doctors, missionaries, and visiting teams. Plus, we honor each donor who makes New Missions better...to the glory of God.

~Tim DeTellis



Top: Providing lunch at school is love in action, and we thank all of our cooks for caring for our students.

Bottom left: Thank you to Charlie DeTellis who has served in Haiti for 41 years and supports local churches.

Bottom middle: Thank you to all of our donors who placed a Bible in the hands of each student in 2023.

Bottom right: Heather and Arismendy Katz, with Rob and Beth Arms, love serving together in the Dominican Republic.

MORE ONLINE AT NEWMISSIONS.ORG



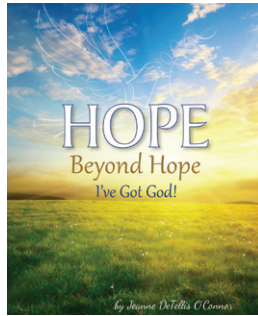
PURCHASE A SHOEBOX

You can now preorder a shoebox gift to be sent to your sponsor child for Christmas. For more info visit NewMissions.org/gift



PRIORITY PROJECTS

Join us in completing some priority projects, plus partner with parents to send their kids to school. NewMissions.org/projects



FREE BOOKS

Enjoy some free resources to help you live life on mission. Visit NewMissions.org/books to download *Hope Beyond Hope* by Jeanne DeTellis.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Join us in prayer for our mission and the families we serve. Read our prayer requests online. NewMissions.org/prayer

"We love because He first loved us."
1 John 4:19



You can send a shoebox gift
to bless a child in Haiti.

NEWMISSIONS
CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX DRIVE



Order a shoebox gift. newmissions.org/gift



A SACRIFICIAL LOVE

I was 20 years old during my first year in Haiti. On Saturdays, I would go off exploring by myself. While walking the beach through Ti-Riviere heading toward Léogâne, I came across an old fisherman in a boat. He gave me a beautiful, small Triton conch shell. I still have this seashell today. I felt terrible because I had no money to give to him. I might have given him my water bottle because I had nothing else to give. This exchange taught me a lesson early in life. The Haitian people have no way of repaying us for the gifts and service we give to them. *“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord...”*

Colossians 3:23

In 1992, my wife, son and I were in a rollover car accident in the state of New York and my son was injured. In the emergency room of Albany Medical Center, a woman who also had a child there said to me, “Wouldn’t we exchange places with our children’s lives?” I did not reply; I was still in shock from the accident. I could not look upon my son who was in pain crying under an oxygen tent. Yes, of course I would exchange my life for my child’s life.

God gave His son to save the world. We have no way of saving ourselves. This is an unfair exchange. We have nothing to offer for this gift. The story of our salvation is a love story. Jesus gives us more than His love. He gives us peace in our lives. This Christmas season, look to Jesus to be your peace. We can have peace while being

**LOOK TO JESUS TO
BE YOUR PEACE.**

in the midst of conflict. *“And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”*
Philippians 4:7

Jesus does require something from us. Jesus requires our love and obedience. We are to die daily to ourselves. We are to be a living sacrifice. *“What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?”* (Matthew 16:26) Living a life of obedience to God is a lifelong pursuit.

Some people don’t have any faith in God and therefore they don’t make the first step toward a relationship with Him. I have a very close friend who has no faith in God. These people do not know where they have come from or where they are going. They do not have any true purpose in life and do not know how to live their lives. God is in the business of saving sinners. We can come to God dirty and sinful; just as we are.

It can be Christmas any day of the year with Jesus. He is willing to give you the best gift ever: the gift of eternal life. Many people struggle with receiving something for free. People want to work for something and earn something. But the life of the son of God is far too precious and cannot be bought. It is priceless! *“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life.”* John 3:16 ~Charlie DeTellis

I have always loved giving gifts. I think I inherited this from my great-grandmother, Marian. A person recently asked me, “Is your job to give gifts?” I replied, “Yes. This is one of my jobs.” I know there are Haitian children who have never received a gift in their lives. I have even watched children cry with joy after receiving a gift. The Christmas shoeboxes are a blessing to the Haitian children and their families.

Sincerely,

Charlie DeTellis

Charlie DeTellis

*P.S. “Thanks be to God for His
inexpressible gift!” 2 Corinthians 9:15*



© 2023 New Missions ~ P.O. Box 2727, Orlando, FL 32802 ~ 407-240-4058 ~ info@newmissions.org



facebook.com/newmissions



instagram.com/newmissions



twitter.com/newmissions