

The Bower Family

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Haiti

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(2015-Feb) Church Construction in Mathador, Dondon

We are excited to have completed the construction on a new church building in Mathador, Dondon. Mathador is about an hour drive from our main campus in Wallondry, that is if the river doesn't rise and the the mudpits don't swallow the truck! A work team from Colonial Hills Baptist Church in Indianapolis, accompanied by folks from Taylorville, IL and Ft Myers, FL and Halifax, NS put up the church in a record six days. They finished so fast, they were able to build a parsonage in Garde Biassou and complete another parsonage in Wallondry. We praise the Lord for his provision and are thankful for the spirit of sacrifice of these who have not only supported financially, but have also lent a hand in the construction of a church in this rural area of Dondon.



(2015-Feb) Youth Retreat In Leogane Ends In Sorrow.

Every year we send our church young people to a different location to do evangelism and ministry activities during the Mardi Gras Carnaval week. This year they went to help Pastor Roland in Leogane. Leogane is well known in Haiti as a hard core voodoo area, commonly referred to as "the voodoo capital of Haiti." Evidently, the devil didn't like us in his backyard and fought back. Pastor Vanier and Eliphene had a motorcycle accident on the most treacherous part of the trip, in an area known as "goat mountain." Vanier had a concussion and Eliphene almost broke his leg. After a spiritually profitable week of evangelism and encouragement the young people were climbing the same Goat Mountain in the bus when they had an accident. One of our young people Jhon Béon, the bus drivers son, was killed. Our young people are still in the midst of suffering and dealing with the loss. Haitian cemeteries are not clean places, as there are human bones scattered everywhere. As we carried Jhon's casket into the local cemetery for burial, I was reminded of both the brevity of life and the reality of death. "Work for the night is coming."

