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Encouraging and Equipping the Church in Northwest Haiti

"Please pray for the recapping of the spring, replacement of pipe, repair of what is left so clean drinking water can flow again. Pray for the preaching of the Gospel during this work and for the leadership of ODRINO as they race to keep up with the overwhelming community participation."







We hope this note finds you doing well and growing in whatever and wherever life has you.

We are so grateful for groups that come to us in Northwest Haiti. They bring encouragement and valuable skills each winter to help and teach us and our Haitian colleagues. Our Ham radio is up and running again and many large and small (but important) things were built, repaired or put into service at the shop, churches and our home.

A team came this winter to fulfill our longstanding dream of having a 50'x 80' Quonset hut on the property adjacent to the shop. This means we can get equipment and vehicles out of the damaging sun and rain. In the event of a serious natural disaster we now have the necessary space to work out of. Putting up a Quonset hut takes a lot of manpower. Some days it took all the men from the Florida team along with all our Haitian missionary crew working together on this strategic project.

The work on the LaComa spring capping and drinking water system continues to amaze all of us. The churches in the area have worked out a schedule so that there is a volunteer work group on the job every day except market day and Sunday. Saturday seems to be the day when even more people come. Bruce has gotten a couple frantic Saturday morning phone calls from the pastor at Lacoma asking where else the people can work. The trench was packed with workers and there were still more people asking how they could help. Huge boulders that once seemed impossible obstacles in the new path of the pipeline have been broken up and used in the concrete and masonry that protects the pipe. Again, Noise! Energy! and Excitement! as people witness the rebirth of their 40 year old drinking water system. Now that the rains have stopped, and the stream has dried up farther down, the 10,000 people who rely on this water system are walking miles for water.

We are looking forward to more visitors in April and through the summer. Would you pray for changed hearts and the different team activities in the months ahead? Whether it's putting together church benches, installing new technology hand pumps for clean water, or organizing basketball and English camps, pray that the Lord would be glorified in all that we and these visitors are doing.

Your prayers make it all possible and strengthen us daily.

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