



Christian Hand *“The Leoda Jusma Foundation”*

CHRISTIAN HAND HUMANITARIAN TRIP IN HAITI SPRING 2011

We have just returned from our mission trip in Haiti. All went well as our LORD calmed all the waves so we could go about HIS business. Sometimes we wonder why we stress ourselves so much since every time we trust HIM, things go well according to HIS will. First, we were stressed because our bus did not reach Haiti as we planned back in December of 2010; the people that were supposed to make it happen backed out on their words each month until March. By the end of March we decided to take the bus back, drive it to Florida for transport to Haiti. The bus ended up in customs warehouse in Saint-Marc, Haiti. Our coordinator in Haiti went to quite some difficulty getting the bus out. That in itself is another great testimony. Finally, the day before our arrival in Haiti, the bus was unloaded in our premises in Les Cayes, Haiti, and returned to Port-au-Prince just in time to pick us up at the airport that Saturday April 16th. Only GOD knows what would have happened to all our stuff and even the bus if it was delivered 4 months before as we planned.

Well, we landed in Haiti Saturday afternoon, picked up the kids that we sponsored and traveled our six-hour journey to Cayes. After Church on Sunday, we cleaned up our clinic, and set up our tents. Joy and grateful smiles were noticeable on all that passed by as we were setting up. Officially on Monday, one of our members went at 6:00am to give out numbers to a long line of people waiting eagerly to be seen. We went there right after our personal devotion and breakfast. Our gospel coordinators started a prayer with the waiting group and we started providing care at about 7:00AM. Our members and volunteers were then split up based on their area of specialty. The gospel continued with prayers, exhortations, songs and counseling. The children's education coordinators formed about five groups according to age and worked while rotating the children to different programs such as sport, art, praise dancing & singing, and of course math and grammar. Two meals and a snack per day were given to all registered children. At least one meal was given to all present.

The boutique was a blast; we blessed all who showed up with clothing, shoes and toiletries as the LORD had blessed us with a loaded bus of such items. Toys were given on a daily basis to all kids and babies. The medical and dental team worked daily from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm providing medical and dental care, and giving out medicines and medical supplies. We also sent some of our patients to the local hospital for f/u care at Christian Hand's expenses.

It was a great week. Even though we worked a lot, we were energized by the appreciation we got from these unfortunate group of people we were serving. After one week of hard labor, we are back, and as GOD provides, we will be planning our next trip soon. As GOD leads you to get involved with Christian Hand, if you cannot go to the field with us, please make a contribution so this great work will continue!