

# Letters from Haiti



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## A Note from Larry

### *The Old Woman*

On my last visit to Haiti, Jef and I were in Port-Au-Prince looking for some items in the stores. We ended up parking the car and walking from small storefront to small storefront. The streets of Port-Au-Prince are crowded and when walking, you often find yourself on the sidewalk, in the street, back on the sidewalk, passing hundreds of people along the way. Being a white man, I attract extra attention. The Haitian people are used to seeing people like me drive by, but not walking by. I had my backpack on, constantly watching for robbers. Jef was watching to, never letting me out of his sight. The sidewalks are broken and rough in places, so watching your step is critical. Along the streets, there is water running. Port-Au-Prince has no sewer system, so that gives you an idea of what may be in that water.



As we were walking, Jef and I passed by countless vendors along the street selling everything from mangoes to radios. Somewhere along our walk, I saw an elderly woman begging. She had a hat in her hand, holding it out, asking for money. I saw her; and I kept walking. Yes, I kept walking! It was at that moment that I heard God's voice, "Go back and give her something." I kept



following Jef and the message continued. Whenever I hear God's voice in my life, it always comes to me quietly and calmly. It never makes me nervous or scared. His voice is always loving, gentle, and strong.

Jef and I reached the store we were going to and once again they didn't have what we needed. We went back the way we came, and now I was really looking for this woman, praying, "God, give me another opportunity." It seemed like we had gone too far and I was thinking she must have left. But then I saw her.

I had plenty of Haitian money on me, so I reached in my pocket to give her 100 gourds, but God says, "No, give her 1000." I



switched to the other pocket and grabbed a 1000 gourds bill and approached the woman. I ignored her hat and put the money into her

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hand. Jef stopped a few feet ahead of me, turning to see what I was doing. The woman covered my hand with hers and she began to weep. I pulled her close and she sunk into me, her frail body in my arms. She began saying something in Creole that I did not understand. I held her, this precious child of God, and said in Creole, "Jesus loves you Momma."

It wasn't until later that I realized that at that moment, there were no sounds or smells. She and I were alone in something special. I looked up at Jef, both of us with moist eyes. I made sure she had her footing and I turned and left. I didn't look back, but Jef did. He put his hands on my shoulder and said, "She is

blessing you, my friend." Jef shared this story with everyone the remainder of my stay in Haiti. He told of how warm his heart felt and how through getting to know me, he has learned to be generous and give when he can to those in need.

I wasn't planning to share this story. The truth is, I don't share a lot of these types of stories. It is all good stuff between me and God. However this time, I am moved to share. There are no photos of this event or others like it. Cameras sometimes take away from the moment, rather than making it better. It is great to serve the Lord and to be called into His service.

In Christ,  
Larry

## Prayer Requests

- Health for Dada and all the kids
- God's guidance through next phase of new land construction
- Sponsors for all kids
- Medical clinic
- Stability in Haiti
- Project Papillon team
- God to bring the right people to the July trip
- Godly wisdom for Larry as he follows God's vision for Servants Gift

## Needs for Servants Gift

- New and used lap-tops for school
- Funds to begin construction on the new land
- Contact information for a company in Haiti to drill a well on the new land

## Child Sponsorship

Praise God! All, but two, of our kids have been sponsored! If you are interested in sponsoring a child, go to our website and click on [Sponsorship](#). We would love to let ALL of our children know they have been sponsored...you could help that happen with only \$40 a month!



## Getting Involved

There are several ways to get involved with Servants Gift:

- Child sponsorship
  - For more information contact Nancy Wadhams at [sponsorship@servantsgift.com](mailto:sponsorship@servantsgift.com)
- Larry is available for speaking arrangements.
  - If you are interested in hearing more about his trips and testimony please contact him at [larry@servantsgift.com](mailto:larry@servantsgift.com)
- Administrative support- data entry and mailing
  - Contact Jean at [jean.maloroberts@gmail.com](mailto:jean.maloroberts@gmail.com)
- Monthly financial support
- Be a prayer partner
- To be added to our newsletter mailing list, please send your email and mailing information to Stephanie at [steph@jasonmckee.net](mailto:steph@jasonmckee.net).