# Letters from Haiti



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### **CHILD SPONSORSHIP**

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# A Note from Larry

### A belief in that I am part of something much bigger than I can imagine

Recently I spoke at one of my favorite churches, the New Windsor Presbyterian Church. I literally grew up in this church and the people there helped raise me. My childhood home was across the street and I was sent there for bible school. My lovely wife, Jean, and I were married there. I have always felt embraced in love every time I walk through the door.

Marcia Johnson has always gone to the New Windsor Presbyterian Church and babysat me for years. She is like a mother to me and has watched me grow. It brings me great joy to see her pleased with the work that the Lord has set upon me and that I have accepted. I can tell you that there were many years when I am sure that these wonderful people thought my life would not look like what it looks today.



I spent a large portion of my life angry, without guidance and on a path that would only lead me to despair. One of the



worst times in my life was when my dad passed away. I felt responsible for not only my family, but my mom and all her needs as well. At the same time, I was tending to my beloved grandmother who was aging. I felt overwhelmed and I told no one. I just pushed forward hard and, from what I thought, alone. But the truth is I wasn't alone, God was there. His son had paid the price for me, and I was not in control of any of this. I never was and never will be. It took years before I came to the Lord. I lost my grandmother, my sister became very ill, and I performed CPR on not one but two infants unsuccessfully.

I describe this time as the Lord having his foot on my head saying, "I have a better way for you, if you would only listen." I fought hard against the Lord, but thanks to

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many people in my life, some from the little church in New Windsor, I was given a way out. It was in 2005 when I finally came to Him fully. I felt the Lord touch my face and pick me up out of the mud. He cleaned me off and freed me of the burdens I thought I had to carry. I apologized to my wife and asked her to forgive my behavior. (I have not yet corrected all that behavior by the way). I began to speak to my daughter about the Lord and was so very happy when I heard she had accepted Christ.

Now look at what the Lord has done with this unworthy person! I thank God for all of you. I thank God for my wife and daughter, and I thank God for the people I love in Haiti. I give God all the glory for everything that I have that is successful. Jesus is the way, the *only* way.



Decide to make the call on Him today. You are loved more than you know...

In His Service, Larry

# Prayer Requests

- Health for Dada and all the kids
- For a great start to another school year
- For our teachers at our school to show the love of Jesus
- Sponsors for our teachers at the school
- Sponsors for all kids
- Godly wisdom for Larry as he follows God's vision for Servants Gift
- Our new partnership with LY-PEDHA

## **Update**

- **School:** We will resume school for our students on October 7th. We are looking forward to 65 students attending!
- **Teacher sponsorship**: We are looking for sponsors for our 9 teachers. The cost would be approximately \$750 per year. Please let us know if you are interested.
- **Come Serve:** Servants Gift will be having a July 2014 mission trip. Be watching for more details about this trip.



## **Getting Involved**

There are several ways to get involved with Servants Gift:

- Child sponsorship
  - For more information contact Nancy Wadhams at 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
- 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.