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LiveBeyond

Why Haiti?

By the Numbers:

- Poorest country in the Western Hemisphere
- 70% practice satanic Voodoo worship
- 54% live in extreme poverty (less than \$1 a day)
- 51% of adults are unable to read or write
- 80% underemployment
- 50% of primary school age children do not attend school
- 7% of infants die at birth
- Average life expectancy is 62.7

2010 Earthquake:

- 7.0 earthquake on January 12, 2010
- 330,000 people killed in six seconds
- 1 million locals injured
- 1.5 million people displaced
- 30,000 children orphaned

What We Do

Medical Care

We believe that we are called to care for the oppressed, not just care about them. There are countless avenues to positively impact lives in developing countries like Haiti, but at LiveBeyond, we believe that quality of life starts with good health. LiveBeyond established a base of operations in Thomazeau in 2012. Our medical clinic, the first facility of our hospital complex, was completed in 2014. More than 12,000 patients are treated at the medical clinic each year. Our long-term goal is to establish a sustainable health care system to serve 200,000 people with modern medical facilities, 21st-century technologies and skilled teams of medical professionals.

Maternal Health

Giving birth in Haiti is extremely dangerous. Women do not have access to comprehensive prenatal or postnatal care, adequate nutrition, family planning, and maternal health education. The infant mortality rate is among the highest in the world, with 7% of deaths occurring at birth. We believe these deaths are preventable, and every life matters. To address these critical issues, LiveBeyond established a maternal health program in 2012. Our program provides mothers with:

- Initial screenings & weekly pregnancy monitoring
- Weekly provisions of prenatal vitamins & daily meals
- Maternal health education & laboratory evaluation
- Medical treatment & medical care for one year postpartum

Obstetric delivery kit

Thousands of women have gone through our program and have seen the positive, live-saving impact in their lives. Since the program was established, the perinatal mortality rate has substantially decreased by 66% throughout the region.

Kè Pou Timoun

Kè Pou Timoun means Heart for Children in Creole. And that is what this program is all about. All of the children in Kè Pou Timoun were 40 percent underweight when they entered the program and did not have a regular source of food outside of our provision. Thirty percent had never attended school. The goal of our Kè Pou Timoun program is to see children's lives transformed and to develop a generation of strong, Christian leaders in Haiti. Kids in the program are provided with daily meals, spiritual and leadership training, tutoring, academic scholarships and livelihood opportunities in a Christ-centered environment.

At Risk

Adults and children with disabilities are often called cocobai — Haitian Creole for "worthless." Whether it's a physical or mental disability, individuals with special needs are neglected by their families, bullied by the community, excluded from social activities, and left alone with no one to care for them. Our At Risk program exists to love and care for the "forgotten ones." We seek out the vulnerable and provide for their essential needs, including medical care, meals, physical and occupational therapy, education and one-on-one time to show Jesus Christ's abounding love for them.

Ministry

Voodoo is the dominant religion in Haiti, and is ingrained into the culture and beliefs of the Thomazeau community. The practice and acceptance of the satanic religion negatively affects all aspects of Voodoo followers' lives. In Matthew 28, God commands us to go, baptize people and teach them to be obedient followers of Jesus. Our organization hosts a variety of programs to care for people's needs, but our central focus is to make disciples by reflecting God's love and teaching the mighty works of God through the Word. We believe God has equipped us to share the Gospel and develop faithful believers in Jesus Christ, so we established the LiveBeyond church in 2015. Through the Spirit of God, gospel-centered community and discipleship, we want to see people of Thomazeau transformed by God's love and living in His abundance.

Clean Water

Clean water is a vital aspect of good health and is not naturally available throughout the region of Thomazeau. To address this essential need, LiveBeyond installs 800-gallon water tanks with an in-line filter that can be used indefinitely in local communities. We employ a Haitian staff to help us expand our clean water projects in the community and maintain our existing projects to provide access to clean, safe drinking water in every village.

Orphan Care

LiveBeyond partners with Children of Hope Orphanage & Hospice (CHOH) to support orphans under their care. Many of these children lost their family in the 2010 earthquake, while others were abandoned at birth. CHOH provides excellent care and support for these children. It is our hope and prayer that these kids will be Christian

leaders in the Thomazeau community someday. Their current support system and education are stepping-stones to help make this dream a reality for the Kingdom. Monthly sponsorships provide for a child's basic needs and hope for their future through clean water, routine healthcare, education and most importantly, a loving Christian environment.

Community Development

Job creation is a core element within all of our programs. In order to see a sustainable transformation in Haiti, we believe that jobs, economic opportunity and an education will empower the Haitian people for success and a brighter future. Approximately 60 percent of Haitians work in agriculture, but do not know proper farming techniques. Our agriculture program works with local farmers to teach them appropriate skills to grow resilient, high-quality crops and raise healthy animals, so they can better support their families. In 2016, we launched a jewelry business to create job opportunities for women suffering from extreme poverty. This business provides women with a dignified, sustainable income to provide for their family and empower them for the future.

How to Help

There is no shortage of work to be done to transform Haiti into a thriving nation. Our programs are designed to reduce poverty, improve health, empower economic development, and restore dignity and purpose to an oppressed community. Since our establishment in Thomazeau, we have demonstrated that providing for people's essential needs greatly enhances quality of lives. Our goal isn't just momentary change, but to lead a sustainable transformation in this region. There are incredible opportunities that lie ahead. Through new programs and strategies, we can continue to build a secure future for individuals and the Thomazeau community.

Whether individuals want to join us for a mission week in Haiti or support our work, we want encourage a variety of ways to get involved and "live beyond."

- Serve on a mission trip
- Support our programs
- Help us raise funds
- Donate supplies
- Pray for us

For more information:

http://livebeyond.org/waystohelp/