

Esperre Kay Newsletter – November 2016



Enjoying Sunday dinner together

Dear Friends of Esperre Kay,

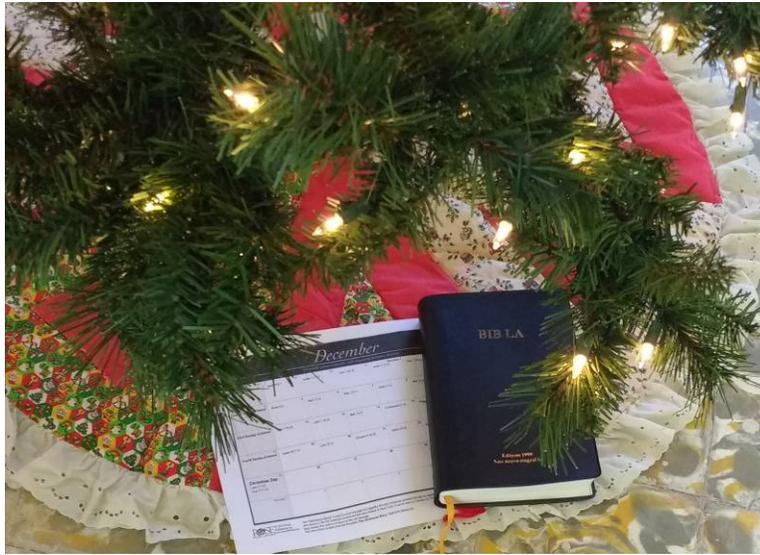
We have so much to be thankful for! Everyone here is doing well. All the young adults are in school (including John who has started university), everyone is healthy and we are all growing together as a family in Jesus Christ. Since our last newsletter, the young adults have taken their examinations, we had a week of school vacation, we celebrated Thanksgiving and Haiti held an election.

Vacation Week



To break up the routine, during vacation week, we took all the young adults on a field trip up the mountain. EK began the day at Fort Jacque and ended with lunch and a self tour of the museum and zoo at the Baptist Mission. At Fort Jacque we learned a little Haitian history and used the opportunity to witness to our tour guide. At the Baptist mission, we learned more history and a little bit about Haitian culture. For lunch, many of the young adults had their first experience ordering and eating at a restaurant. We finished the week by attending service on Saturday at a very large Haitian Church (Shalom) and by attending a special concert that Stevenson played guitar in on Sunday. It was truly a blessed week! We hope to continue to take the young adults to more places in the months ahead.

Bible Study



After spending a few weeks studying Ephesians, we decided to take a break for the season of advent and prepare our hearts for Christmas. Last week we discussed what the season of advent is and we handed out a daily devotional for the month. We encouraged the young adults to read the scriptures every day. For the next four Saturdays, we plan to look at the scriptures and spend a time in study, devotion, prayer and worship.

Giving Thanks



Sharing Thanksgiving dessert, yummy!

Thanksgiving is just another ordinary day in Haiti. It is an American holiday so most people do not celebrate it here. After Dave picked the kids up at school, we (Deb and Dave) were blessed to share a meal with new missionary friends. Afterwards we came home and explained to the young adults about the meaning of Thanksgiving and why we celebrate. Stevenson read Psalm 100 and everyone shared what they are thankful for. All expressed their thankfulness for EK. Afterwards, we shared a delicious apple crisp. It got lots of thumbs up. Maybe we have begun a new tradition at EK?!

Working Together



Jesula cooking



Myrlande mopping



Jhonn getting water

Each month we hope to give you a little peek into life at Espere Kay. This month we will focus on our daily work. Besides going to school, one of the biggest parts of our day is doing chores. At EK all the young adults work together to get things done. As brothers and sisters, we are part of the body of Christ. Just as the church body must work together so does the body at EK. If everyone does their part, the body functions well. (1 Cor 12: 12 – 26) When we first moved in, we had the young adults help us develop a job chart. Each week they look to the chart to see what their assignment is for the week. The jobs listed are: buying food, sweeping/mopping the floors, cleaning the yard, laundry and trash. We have a separate chart for cooking the daily snack for school. Each day the young adults also assign someone to do dishes. We do not have a written chart for this but they know whose turn it is. The girls also take turns cooking the food on weekends and vacation days. It's the boy's job to buy and carry in the drinking water for all the young adults. (We have, on occasion, seen the boys help with the cooking too!) Between school, homework and a little down time, the days are quite full here.



Peterson and Myrèse doing laundry

Christmas Blessings



One way we can celebrate Christmas is by being a blessing to other people. We would like to give you that opportunity at Espere Kay. Below you will find our Christmas Wish List. You can choose from any of the items listed and then send a check to Helping Haiti's Orphans (put EK Christmas in the memo line). Please email us at EspereKay@helpinghaitisorphans.org with a list of the items you are purchasing. We will then email you a blank copy of our EK Gift Cards which you can feel free to copy and hand out as Christmas gifts. If you would prefer to make general donations to EK, we can send you cards for that too. Jwaye Nwel! (Merry Christmas!)

Checks can be mailed to:
Helping Haiti's Orphans
PO Box 323
Wyoming, RI 02898

Christmas Wish List

Toiletries for a girl for 1 year	(\$25)
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Cleaning supplies for 1 month	(\$20)
Cooking oil for 1 month	(\$20)
Rice for 1 month	(\$20)
Beans for 1 month	(\$15)
Drinking Water for 1 month	(\$15)
Household Water for 1 month	(\$50)
Cooking gas for 1 month	(\$40)
Electricity for 1 month	(\$50)
Internet for 1 month	(\$35)
Clothing for a girl for 1 year	(\$50)
Clothing for a girl for 6 months	(\$25)
Clothing for a boy for 1 year	(\$50)
Clothing for a boy for 6 months	(\$25)
Shoes for a girl for 1 year	(\$40)
Shoes for a boy for 1 year	(\$40)
Underwear and socks for a girl for 1 year	(\$15)
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Donation of a keyboard	
Donation of an electric guitar	

Please pray for the following:

*We have successfully submitted all of their information for our Permis. We are due to pick them up in January. Please pray the rest of the process goes smoothly.

*For the young adults as they prepare for next months exams

*The enemy would not be allowed to have a foothold at EK. Pray for spiritual protection.

*For the salvation of all Haitians and the removal of Voodoo as the national religion

*EK would be a spiritual light for Jesus as we enter the Christmas season.

*For good health and physical protection for all at EK.

*For God's wisdom and discernment for us as we continue to strengthen the young adults in the Word.

*For God's continued provision for this ministry.

*For a peaceful response to the announcement of election results and for a stable government. Pray this new president would be for ALL the people of Haiti and would have a heart for Jesus.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. We are forever grateful!

God bless, Deb and Dave