

Loving Hands Orphanage Summer 2024 Newsletter

“Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.”

James 1:27



Dear Sponsors and Friends:

We are happy to share the good news with you that, despite the current conditions in Haiti, all the children from the orphanage continue to do well. Osner, the director, has informed us they are in good health with all of their needs being met. They continue to be safe at the home of Yvette, the owner of the orphanage. Yvette’s nephew and his wife are living in the house and are taking care of the children. Osner lives nearby and visits as often as possible.



The children attend church and school when it is safe to pass through the streets of Port-au-Prince. On the weekends, they are receiving English instruction and soon French instruction will resume. Both tutors come to the house. We give thanks to God for His continued provision and protection for the children.

**“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens.”
Ecclesiastes 3:1**

It is with sad yet thankful hearts we announce the retirement of Lucy Fraioli as our LHO Sponsorship Coordinator. Lucy has dedicated 15 years of service to the Lord in this position. She has done so with the utmost grace and beauty. In honor of her retirement, we thought we'd share an excerpt from our Helping Haiti's Orphans website:

“Since 2009 Lucy Fraioli (known to the children as Mama Luc) has been involved with the Centre of Loving Hands Orphanage. God guided her to the orphanage when, due to global economic situations, it was struggling to remain open. She has since then been responsible for gathering and maintaining sponsors for the children. Before the pandemic, Lucy visited the orphanage several times a year. Her vision is to see healthy, educated children who grow into independent adults that positively impact the future of Haiti and express the love of God.” Lucy was also one of the founding members of Helping Haiti's Orphans in 2014 and has served on the board as President and Director.



At our last board meeting Lucy had these words to say,
“It has been a great honor to serve on the board of HHO, to love the children of LHO and to have oversight of the financial daily operations of the orphanage. I am so thankful for each and every one who has supported me along the way.”

Lucy wanted all of our faithful sponsors and friends to know how much she appreciates the love, prayers and support you have shown both her and the children over the years. Recently, the board and their families celebrated with Lucy at her retirement dinner. We all discussed how it has been both a privilege and an honor to serve with Lucy. She will be greatly missed. In the words of our great Lord and Savior, “Well done good and faithful servant.” (Matthew 25:23) Well done Mama Luc, well done!



“ I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” Philipians 1:3-6

The work isn't finished yet! There are still nine orphans remaining at Loving Hands Orphanage who need your love, prayer and support. It is going to take several of us to do the work Lucy has been doing but we are up to the task. Dave Kreyssig will assume the role of liaison between Osner, the Orphanage Director, and the HHO Board members. Linda Nooney will step into the role of Sponsorship Coordinator and I (Deb), will take over the LHO Newsletter. All of us can be reached at lho@helpinghaitisorphans.org

We look forward to working with all of you in this blessed work of raising up and equipping the children at LHO. In the words of Mama Luc, “We serve a mighty God.” We are very grateful to be able to serve him together with you.

Please continue to pray for the insecurity and unrest in Haiti. The situation is still grim. Please keep Lucy in your prayers as well as the children and staff from LHO. Thank you!

May the good Lord bless you all,

Deb Kreyssig and the HHO Board

(Tim Stasiunas, Dave Kreyssig, Justina Victorino, Sophia Pearson, Dan Mills, and Linda Nooney)