



# BON ANE!

The Haiti World Herald **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

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## Living a New Life in the New Year

Dear Friends and Partners,  
Happy New Year from Haiti!  
We welcomed in the New Year returning to Haiti on January 1st after a blessed time of visiting family and friends in the US for the holidays. In Rev. 21:5 Jesus said, "I am making everything new!" His work is shown through changed lives.



OneHope

One of God's new creations is beginning what will be her first full year as a Child of God. Elienne (above) is a 22 year old girl living in the city of Les Cayes, Haiti. She lives away from her parents and attends a private non-Christian high school. Like other young Haitian girls facing desperate circumstances, she would sometimes prostitute herself for pocket change to get enough money to buy food. Sometimes she would cry as she thought about the difficulties she was facing in her life. She would always ask herself, "Is there anyone who loves me?"

Elienne recounts the day her life became new. "I was very sad on the morning of Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 when 3 young men visited my school to present the *Book of Hope*. One of the young men shared a very interesting sketch with an important lesson. The presentation was called *Lollipop*. In the sketch, the young man gave the lollipop to one of my classmates. As he did so, he dropped the lollipop and it became dirty. As I paid close attention, he then substituted a dollar bill for the lollipop and explained that even though the lollipop had lost its value when it became dirty, young people like me were like the dollar bill to God. No matter how many times we fall and get dirty, we never lose our value in the eyes of God. The young man reminded us God loves us and that we are important to Him who created us. After that, the young men gave each student a book. I read the book and found a lot of good advice that helped me. The two subjects that attracted my attention the most were the chapters on love and sex."

"After the presentation, I began feeling hopeful. Vionel, one of the young men in the group, made me realize Jesus Christ wanted to become my friend and help me with my problems. At that moment, I decided to begin walking with Jesus. Truly, Jesus has become the best friend I've ever had! He has taken all my sadness and given me a new eternal joy." Today, Elienne is part of a Church and growing in her walk with Jesus Christ everyday. Praise the Lord!

## Visiting Family and Friends



Arriving in Florida in late November, we were happy to visit our friends Wayne, Tammy and Rebecca Brown. (top left) The Browns are A/G Missionaries preparing to move to Thailand. Joey was especially excited to see his old Haiti friend Joel as we spent Thanksgiving with the Trimble family in Orlando. (top middle) Arriving in Omaha in early December, Joey's prayer for snow was answered almost immediately! He loved sledding and playing with his friend Tim Foral. (top right) While in Omaha, we stayed with Dan's brother and sister-in-law. Dave, Angel and Logan Carl opened their hearts and home to us and gave us some wonderful holiday family fellowship and memories. (above left, center and right)

## Looking Back at God's Faithfulness

At the beginning of 2009, we were running short meeting our monthly budget. We had ministry partners dropping out left and right and were tempted to panic, even considering going to the States to itinerate much earlier than planned. In the midst of this financial shortage, the Lord impressed upon our hearts not to go home for itineration, but rather to stay calm, work with the funds He had provided, and trust him to provide all our needs. He gave us creative ideas to stretch our resources which ended up being more effective reaching children than when we had more funds in previous years. Today, we are happy to report that He is truly our provider! He has made a way when there seems no way. In May we were impressed to write to you ... "We don't know what to do but our eyes are on you." (2Chron 20:12) We want to testify that at the end of 2009 He met all our needs. Thank you Lord God!

Thank you for your friendship and partnership in the Lord's work!  
Love, Dan, Liz & Joey

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