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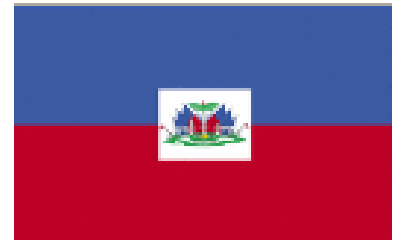
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**April 2025**

*"To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded."*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*



## 16th Annual Haiti Mission Golf Tournament & Bec's Silent Auction May 12, 2025



Amazing! We closed the sponsorship portion of the Silent Auction with **\$170,150** in pledges and donations which has surpassed our Sponsor Phase goal of \$160,000! We are once again overwhelmed with the generosity of our donors! Blessings to all our sponsors. Donations will not be due until the middle of May.

Our 70-man construction team is hard at work building three homes per month. They are currently working on **Homes #388-390**. God's plan has always been bigger than we could have ever imagined.

**It is now time for us to focus our attention on the Silent Auction. Our goal is to raise over \$200,000.** If we can raise the balance through the auction items and additional donations we hope to continue building three homes a month over the next 12 months. Thanks to all who have participated thus far to make the event a success. We are already off to a great start with auction items. Many people have offered to support us again this year. **We hope to send out our first list of items on April 7, 2025.**

**What do we need now?** We need your prayers and an open heart to the possibility of donating or obtaining additional items for the auction. If you own a vacation home or condo and would like to donate a week or long weekend for the auction that would be fantastic. We would like to obtain spa and hotel packages, beauty products, designer handbags, sunglasses, jewelry, art-work, memorabilia, fishing or hunting trips, Chef meals, cookouts and gift certificates to restaurants and clothing stores.

**We welcome any item with a minimum value of \$50.00.** We want to thank you in advance for your consideration and support. We need many generous donors to make the auction a success. These homes immediately impact two and often three generations, as well as, construction workers, their families and the community businesses that supply our needs. Please visit the HMI website to see before and after pictures with stories.

Please contact **David Fakier (985-804-3112)** or **Laura Fakier (985-860-4311)** if you have any questions or would like to donate an item. Thanks again for your support and participation. **Please Forward to Your Contacts.**

*David & Laura Fakier*

*HMI Silent Auction*

Lent is a great time to reflect on prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

*"If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor,  
and you will have treasure in heaven".*

**Matthew 19:21**

### Silent Auction Title Sponsor 2025

**Bec's 16th Annual Haiti Mission Silent Auction**  
*In Memory of Rebecca Claire Fakier*

### Silent Auction Co-Sponsors

**Beth & Marty Deitchman**      **Paula & Charlie Laurent**  
**Maria & Bob Gillcrist: In Memory of Brian Gillcrist**

### Silent Auction Gold / Gold + Sponsors

**Susi & Tom Morrison**      **Julie & Dr. John Steigner**      **Elaine & Pat Gootee**

**CORTEC, LLC #1 of 3**      **CORTEC, LLC #2 of 3**

**CORTEC Employees #1 of 3**      **CORTEC Employees #2 of 3**

**Jackie & John Morgan**

**Anonymous**

**Denise & Rich Gustafson**

**In Memory of Myra & Andrew Breaux**

**Kellie & John Hebert**

**Christine & Jeff Metts +**

**Dr. Rollie Norris**

**Kathy & Paul Metzler**

**Elizabeth & Jim Landis**

**In Memory of Beau Haydel**

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

**Lord Teach Me to Pray Brothers**

**In Honor of Lorraine Folse & In Memory of Eugene Folse**

**Kate & Kenneth Wood, Sr. +**

**Terri & Joe Cunningham +**

**In Memory of Harold, Peter & Paul Callais**

**The Cheramie Family**

**In Memory of Margaret L. Schneeberger**

**Stacy & Bruce Montesano**

Listing on all event banners/posters. Listing on Haiti Mission website. Food & drinks on day of event for sponsors and guests. Dedication of **one home**.

### Silent Auction Builder / Builder + Sponsors

**Faith Community Fellowship +**

**Angela & Matthew Caverly +**

**Donna & Craig Mueller**

**Penny & Dr. Scott Nelson**

**Cathy & Richard Cavell**

**Kim & Dr. Richard Broussard**

**Dianne & Joe Caverly +**

**Anonymous**

**Betsy & Bob Higgins**

**Liz & Joe Bennett**

**Faie & Deacon Lloyd Duplantis**

**Denise & Roy Beyer**

**Anonymous**

**Cynthia & Dr. Warren Green**

**Lacey & Bernie Corripio**

**Diane & Edward "Jimmy" Gaidry (Judge Retired)**

**Yolanda & Ken Trahan**

**Margot & Jeff Donnes +**

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Because of printing deadlines, the most current list of sponsors and commitment totals can be found on the website and on email updates

Thank you so much for your generous support. It has been amazing to witness how these homes transform a family for multiple generations and how the work of HMI has provided the entire community with hope and economic opportunities. God bless you and your families!

# How are things in Haiti?

As I speak with donors and friends, at some point in almost every conversation, “How are things in Haiti?” comes up. It’s always a legitimate question and I am always happy to respond something to the effect of, “Haiti is Haiti but HMI has had an incredibly positive impact. The simple but very effective system that we have developed over the years has continued to serve us well in tough times and in the current time which has been a little tougher than usual.” Because of the trust in our system and to use the popular term – transparency -, our donors continue to show their faith and confidence in what we are doing. We continue to build homes, educate and feed children daily, help needy women with the woman-to-woman project, and do other humanitarian outreach for families in the area. We can continue to accomplish all these corporal and spiritual works of mercy by the grace of God and the hard work of our Haiti based team, a small but dedicated group here in the states and an encouraging and consistent donor base. So, “How are things in Haiti?” From all of us who have traveled to Haiti and experienced Haitian life, we can confidently say they are some of the warmest, friendliest and most resilient people in the world.

Thanks again for hanging in with us!



Dr. David and Laura along with Julie Steigner and her son, Oliver, presenting a cherished solar lantern to the Parnel Jean Louis family during one of the last trips they were able to travel to Haiti.

## 400 houses and counting!

Can you believe it!! Our Haiti Mission family is still doing it. God Willing – by our tournament and Silent Auction May 12<sup>th</sup>, we will have built 400 houses!! (We’ll be real close anyway!) That is 400 families, hundreds of extended families and only God knows how many men, women and children that have been taken out of misery and given a new, safe and secure home to live in. Below is pictured Marie Denise Rene’ and members of her family who received the miracle in February. Over and over the miracle happens because of our perseverance and prayerful persistence. God hears the prayer of the poor and continues to touch us all in such a way to where this continues to come together. This is what Christianity is all about. This is what Lent calls us to do. This has been the best Lent ever for some very desperate folks in Haiti so that means it’s been the best Lent ever for you!!



“Before”

Marie Denise René is a single mother of 4 children. A woman of faith, she sells used clothing to try to provide for her large family. She has long requested a home and she is filled with joy and thanksgiving that God has heard her call. It is easy to see from

the before photo how thankful she is to the donors who answered God's call to hear the cry of the poor!

### Haiti House #382 Marie Denise René



“After”

Marie Rene’ with some of her family after the miracle happened in February 2025

### Upcoming Events and Important dates in the life of HMI

May 12<sup>th</sup> – HMI Golf tournament/Silent Auction at Ellendale Country Club

Summer Mission Trip – TBA  
Yes!!! We think it might just happen!

\*\* If you are interested in travelling to Haiti on one of our mission trips, please contact Dr. David Fakier at [raoulrad@aol.com](mailto:raoulrad@aol.com) (985-804-3112) so we can advise you of availability and get you scheduled. God Bless you for your mission heart!

\*\*\* Passports must have at least six months left before expiration in order to enter Haiti.



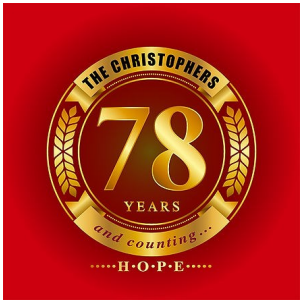
### Golf Time!!



We began this edition of the newsletter with an update about our Silent Auction. We’re closing it with info about the Golf Tournament. It is impossible to say too much about either one. They are our primary sources of income to accomplish all that we are able to do. Enclosed is a flyer about the event at Ellendale Country Club in Houma, Louisiana. You don’t have to play golf to come out. Everyone is invited. We want everyone to have a chance to bid on all the beautiful items we have this year and if you know golfers, encourage them to come out and play. Contact info is on the enclosed pamphlet. Come out and pass a good time! \*\*\* Once again this year - we will have roasted pig by our wonderful pig roaster par excellence, Mr. Clyde Orgeron! Despite some serious health problems, Mr. Clyde says he’s going to keep roasting pigs as long as he can to help us help Haiti. Pray for Mr. Clyde but most especially come out to thank him personally if you can, visit a while (he loves to visit!) and come bask in the joy of the Lord! We’ll be blessed again this year to have Bishop Sam offer Holy Mass for us in the clubhouse at 8:15. We’ll have another Blind Man’s Pillow recipient announced at approximately 1:15 PM after the afternoon flight departs. You don’t want to miss any of the exciting grace and blessings.

### FAIE’S FACTS ...

This Jubilee Year has been entitled “The Year of Hope”. Fr. James Keller, the founder of the Christophers’ Organization, always desired to bring hope to everyone via radio, television, newsletters, etc.



His messages brought hope to people who were deeply distressed in troubled times. Some of his timeless words include the following: “Hope opens doors where despair closes them. Hope discovers what can be done instead of grumbling about what cannot. Hope draws its power from a deep trust in God and the basic goodness of mankind. Hope regards problems, small or large, as opportunities. Hope sets big goals and is not frustrated by repeated difficulties or setbacks. Hope pushes ahead, when it would be easy to quit.” The Christophers’ slogan of, “It’s better to light one candle than to curse the darkness” embodies hope in a powerful way. Despite the hardships endured by our Haitian friends, by the grace of God, their incredible faith and HMI’s continuing encouragement - Hope springs eternal.

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**Silent Auction Gold Sponsors \$4500.** (Listing on all event banners/posters, Listing on Haiti Mission website, Food & drinks on day of event for sponsors and guests, Dedication of **one home**)

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**Silent Auction Builder Sponsors \$1000 - \$3999.** (Food & drinks on day of event for sponsors/guests)

\_\_\_\_\_ I'd like to sponsor a team in the golf tournament for **\$600** (please use the form enclosed in this mailing, print down a form from the website, go online from the website or call Darren at 985-258-3085)

\_\_\_\_\_ I'd like to sponsor a \$100 tee box ad in the name of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I can't make the tournament **Here is my immediate donation to use where most needed:**

**\$1000** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$500** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$250** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$100** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Send me envelopes to be a monthly "helping hand"  
☐ I will be a prayer partner and pray for the Haiti Mission.  
☐ Please put me on your email/info list. email: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ I am interested in going on a mission trip. Call me @: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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***“He who has compassion on the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his good deeds.”***  
**Pvb 19:17**