Thank You

FOR YOUR LOVE, SUPPORT AND PRAYER

Your gift can transform the life of a child who is suffering in Haiti today. Together, we can change Haiti, one child at a time!
THANK YOU TO OUR
FAITHFUL FRIENDS &
PARTNERS

It’s hard to believe that this year is my 20th anniversary in Haiti. If anyone does not believe that there is a God, they need to walk throughout our campus and see the many miracles the Lord has done - His goodness is apparent everywhere you look.

It really moves me most when I look at all our children and see how much they have grown. The children who lived in our home in the early years are now in college, married, or finishing high school. My oldest daughter, Francia, got married last April and she surprised me with the news that I will soon be “Grandma”! How wonderful to see our family continue to grow!

Throughout the years, there have been so many joyful and painful seasons. But in every season, I have learned to trust the Lord for strength, guidance, and peace. Without Him, I would not be here today.

THANK YOU for all your prayers and support that have kept us strong these past 20 years. The seeds you have sown have eternal value. You have given life and hope to hundreds of children desperate for a home, medical care, food, education, and the love of Christ.

We are currently living in one of those difficult seasons. As many of you have heard, the crisis in Haiti continues to get worse and the country is preparing for a possible COUP. Please know that although the recent news being reported appears hopeless for many Haitians, I still maintain hope for Haiti. I have unwavering faith that with God all things are possible! In Mark 5:36, when Jesus heard people in the synagogue speaking with a sense of uncertainty and fear, He boldly spoke out and said, “Do not fear, only believe.” Please pray and believe with me for the dear children of Haiti and their desperate country during this time of seeming hopelessness.

With God’s guidance and your generous help, we will continue to meet the needs of each child that is entrusted to our care and seek new solutions for the problems they face. Because of your continued assistance, the programs and services of Danita’s Children have been able to expand to serve more poverty-stricken children.

No matter how desperate the situation gets, all of us at Danita’s Children will remain steadfast in our sole mission to rescue, love and care for each orphaned and impoverished child that God has entrusted to us.

On behalf of John, myself and the Danita’s Children family, thank you for helping us change Haiti, one child at a time through your continued prayer and generous gifts. Our mission would not be possible without your loving partnership in this important cause!

Micah 6:8

JOHN & DANITA WATTS
Where have the years gone...
YOU MADE THIS HAPPEN!
YOUR GIFT IN ACTION...

When children become sick in Haiti, their options are limited by the area in which they live and the resources they have to afford medical treatment. Danita’s Children dreamed of providing quality healthcare where medical treatment is possible for all families. Today, our medical center is able to provide such life-saving healthcare to these children in need.

With over 8,000 patients seen annually, our three-story, 17,000 square foot facility is a place of healing. Children and families travel to Ouanaminthe from across the country for care, as our medical staff is able to diagnose patients with our lab, x-ray equipment, on-site pharmacy and operating room.
WHEN REFLECTING ON THE PAST 20 YEARS AT DANITA’S CHILDREN, I THINK OF 3 THINGS: LEGACY, PERSEVERANCE, AND MIRACLES.

Legacy: This is our 20th year providing care for orphans and impoverished children in Haiti. Legacy is putting into action the mission, dedication, and love Danita has for the country of Haiti and its people. This became the model used by our medical staff to care for the most vulnerable and sick children that walk through our door. The medical center is now saving thousands of lives. This is legacy.

Perseverance: 2019 is a year of perseverance for the Haitian people. This year has been one crisis after another; lack of fuel, rioting in the streets, and a countrywide shutdown. All of which makes medical care very scarce throughout the nation.

We have met with our emergency response teams and have committed to fight for the most defenseless. Danita’s Children Medical Center has continued to provide quality healthcare for the children of Haiti, while many other hospitals have been forced to shut down due to political unrest or lack of resources. This is perseverance.

Miracles: In 2019, I have personally witnessed miracle after miracle of dying children revived and loved by the medical staff at DCMC. Premature babies born at 28 weeks have been able to survive, severely malnourished children with multi-organ failure come back to life, and just this morning when a pregnant mother gave birth en route to our hospital on a motorcycle, our amazing team quickly revived the baby and gave hope to the mother. This is a miracle.

It is in these moments where we see legacy, perseverance, and miracles combine to accomplish our mission to rescue, love, and care for desperate children in Haiti.

MODERN MEDICINE SAVING LIVES IN HAITI

Since January 2019, we served the following number of children:

- 2,811 children were treated in our Outpatient Clinic.
- 1,539 children were treated in our Dental Clinic.
- 405 critically ill children were treated in our Malnutrition Center.
- 287 children were treated through our Malnutrition Outpatient Program (PTA).
- 9 children were given life-saving surgeries.

A total of 5,042 children were helped at Danita’s Children Medical Center. This excludes the Mountain Outreach treatment.
Adassa was admitted to our malnutrition center in November 2017.

Her family survives solely off their gardens. The few extra carrots, onions, and beans that their gardens produce, they attempt to sell in the local market.

Her mother walks miles with produce on her head to the local market, hoping to provide for her family.

Adassa didn’t walk at the time of admission; she was too weak. Currently, she remains on a follow-up program and sees our pediatrician 2 times per year when we do mobile clinics in her village to ensure she is receiving proper nutrition.

She also receives free health care at our partner clinic in her village where our nurse follows up with her and her family to prevent a malnutrition relapse.
Times have been difficult in Haiti due to political unrest, but that is all the more reason to continue helping our partner clinics in the mountains that are working to prevent and treat malnutrition.

Blocked roads mean ambulances can’t get through and more and more people in these remote places are suffering. One little girl, Marie Michel, was saved this month through our partner clinic in Baie d’Orange. She had Kwashiorkor malnutrition with complications, and needed to be transferred to an emergency facility.

Due to political unrest, helicopter and emergency airplane services were down, and she was too critical to be transported on a motorcycle taxi. The only chance she had was an ambulance that was 4 hours away, but because of the roadblocks, the ambulance took 8 hours to get to her.

After another 5 hours back to the hospital, she was seen by a doctor and treated.

I believe our prayers carried her through those 13 long, critical hours.

Despite remote and sometimes impossible conditions, lives are being saved every single day by the unsung Haitian heroes who are working tirelessly for their people in their remote communities.

Joel Jean, our partner nurse in Baie d’Orange is one of those heroes.

There has never been a more crucial time for our Mountain Outreach Program to be running. Roads are blocked and food and gas prices are high. Malnutrition is on the rise and we are keeping our partner clinics stocked with medicine and malnutrition supplies so they are ready for the next malnourished child who comes knocking on their door.

Many families have received goats and sheep to provide them with both protein nutrition and a source of supplemental income from our Mountain Outreach Program.

Families living deep in the mountains of Haiti often rely on livestock as their main source of income. Having sheep or goats in this rural area is an important investment.

Similar to money in a bank, the family can breed these animals and sell them when they need money to send their children to school or when they need medical care. It is truly a gift that keeps on giving!

At Danita’s Children, we believe this is a practical solution in partnering with families to keep their children from falling into malnutrition.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PARTNER WITH US?

Visit www.danitaschildren.org and learn more about ways that you can partner and get involved!

WWW.DANITASCHILDREN.ORG/GET-INVOLVED
One of our Greatest Needs
Today is 280 Sponsors
Your tax-deductible contribution of just $35 per month rescues an orphaned or impoverished Haitian child with a loving and caring, biblical-based Child Sponsorship Program. Will you prayerfully consider sponsoring a child today?

**YOUR SUPPORT PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING:**

- Nutritious food, clean water, life-saving medical care such as surgeries, pediatric medical and dental care, house parents, special needs care, education and above all discipleship that transforms their minds and hearts through the love of Jesus Christ.

When you sponsor a child, you’ll receive your child’s sponsorship card with a photo, their personal story, FAQ sheet, and sponsorship kit.

There’s no greater benefit than the knowledge that your gift made a difference in the life of an orphaned or impoverished child, allowing your donation to shape future leaders who likewise touch the lives of others.

To complete your sponsorship, please visit us online at www.danitaschildren.org or contact us at our stateside office. Phone # 615.721.8433.
SPONSORING A CHILD IN HAITI FAQ

Sponsorship is a relationship. When you sponsor a child through Danita’s Children, you are changing a life. As their sponsor, you will provide the basic necessities they need to have healthy lives.

Your decision to sponsor will change the life of a child living in poverty. Through your sponsorship, we are caring for the next generation of Haiti.

WHICH CHILDREN CAN BE SPONSORED?
Children that live in their orphan care homes, special needs home, or attend our school are a part of the sponsorship program.

CAN I PICK THE CHILD I WANT TO SPONSOR?
Sponsors are allowed to request a child based on gender and/or age, but children in need of a sponsor will be given first priority.

HOW MUCH DOES SPONSORSHIP COST?
Sponsorship costs $35/month/child.

HOW DOES SPONSORSHIP BENEFIT THE CHILD?
Sponsorship provides food, shelter, clothing, education, medical care, and discipleship to children in our program. Most of all, you will be sharing love and hope with your sponsored child. When you sponsor a child, you have the opportunity to invest in the life of a future leader of Haiti.

OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

There are so many ways you can be involved with bringing lasting change to Haiti through Danita’s Children:

> DONATE ANY AMOUNT ONLINE - Make a financial contribution today at www.danitaschildren.org.

> SEND A CHECK - Make the check payable to Danita’s Children, PO Box 280750 Nashville, TN 37228
Financial partnership is one of the best ways you can help serve the people of Haiti.

> SHOP AMAZON SMILE - Amazon created an easy way for shoppers to give back to their charitable organizations. When you shop on Amazon Smile, 0.5% of your eligible purchase will be donated to Danita’s Children. Simply go to www.smile.amazon.com, select Danita’s Children and start shopping!

> FACEBOOK FUNDRAISE OR SPONSOR AN EVENT
Create your own fundraiser through our ministry page on Facebook or host a sponsorship event through your church, work or school! Donate for your birthday, raise funds for one of our programs through a bake sale, car wash, etc. We welcome your creativity!

> PRAY FOR US - Please send your prayer by visiting www.danitaschildren.org/get-involved

SAVE A CHILD’S LIFE THROUGH GIVING TODAY!
Your partnership saves lives and makes a difference to the families and children in our community.

YES! I want to help Danita’s Children meet their needs this season. You can count on me!

☐ I WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A CHILD SPONSOR FOR $35 PER MONTH
☐ I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A ONE-TIME GIFT OF

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REACHING THOSE WHO CANNOT REACH US

Baie d’Orange Community Malnutrition Center and Carice Partner Clinic Report:

Since 2016, Danita’s Children has helped the community of Baie d’Orange, a town of 14,000 people in rural SE Haiti, establish and maintain a malnutrition center of their own.

It is the community’s project funded by Danita’s Children. Our Pediatrician, Dr Jeanty and lead nurse Joel Jean, along with a team of nurses volunteer to be on call 24/7 for this center.

We make several trips every year with our medical team to provide life-saving medical care, train the nurses, expand the malnutrition program, and share the gospel.

Our team set up two in-patient rooms, one full-time pharmacy, consultation room, one medical storage room, and purchased a motorcycle to help Joel travel through the rugged terrain in the mountains.

This past year we served the following:

- 1,340 children received medical care.
- 433 boxes of Plumpy Sup (A vitamin infused peanut butter) used for moderate and severe malnutrition and prevention.
- 17 children hospitalized and treated at our In-patient Malnutrition Center.
- 10 emergency patients were transported via Haiti Air Ambulance to our hospital for life saving care.
- 6,000 women received prenatal Vitamins.
I am often asked what my favorite memories have been since I moved to Haiti 17 years ago. My mind flashes back to the early days when we only had one home for all our kids, our school was under a thatched roof, and our children were all in elementary school, plus many more such vivid memories. However, in the past couple of years I have created my most cherished memories of seeing the next chapters unfold in the lives of our precious children.

Just two months ago, I watched several of our children graduate high school. It was our 6th graduation. It never gets old. Most people in Haiti do not have the privilege to dream. How can you dream when you are just trying to survive? Seeing children and young adults thriving and dreaming is priceless!

Children who were once toddlers are now stepping into the next chapter of their lives. How is this possible? Because of your long-term investment.

I have witnessed the impact you have made year after year. Through your support, the love of Jesus
INVEST IN THEIR LIVES THIS SEASON

As I get older, I realize the power of your investment. I would not be in Haiti today if it were not for people who have invested in my life over the years. And our children in Haiti would not be where they are today without you.

As you continue to invest in the lives of our children and become a part of their story, I pray that you see the abundant blessing of God in your own life.

Filled with gratitude.

KARRIS HUDSON
Donita’s Children Vice-President/Field Director
Missionary in Haiti for 17 years
This month marks the end of the first period of our school year. While our school and others in the northeastern portion of the country opened their doors during these past eight weeks, many schools located in other regions, mainly in Cap-Haitian and Port-au-Prince, have remained closed due to ongoing protests throughout the nation demanding our current president to resign.

My staff and I, in the midst of this time of turmoil, thank the Lord for the privilege we had to function during that eight-week period, and most importantly, for protecting our students, teachers, and staff. Had it not been for God’s mighty hand over us in Ouanaminthe, the chaos in the rest of the country could have badly disturbed the peace of our city. Glory to Him!

This desperate time that Haiti faces today does not mean the end for the nation. There is hope for a better tomorrow. Yes, I am optimistic and positive. And I have faith in the Creator, the One who can move mountains, bring about light where darkness reigns, and turn despair and suffering into hope and joy. God cares for His children.

This is why Peter reminds us to cast all our anxiety on Him because He cares for us (1 Peter 5:7). This fact sets the foundation for my hope in the relief of Haiti someday.

Our suffering today will be our testimony to the nations tomorrow. But I believe in a two-component hope for Haiti: God and education. What can we do or be without God at the center of our lives? Absolutely nothing. And what would any society be without education? Absolutely nothing.

We need the combination of the Living Bread and the power of education in order to take Haiti out of the desperate hole. These are two forces that can make a lasting impact on Haiti. Nelson Mandela, for instance, was a believer in the power of education, for he said that “education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

I am excited and thankful that God has called Pastor Elisma Fleurimond, Sadelyn Lucien, Ornica Norvilus and I as the new leaders of Hope For Haiti School. It is a calling we have happily embraced and to which we have opened our hearts. We see our students as the hope of the country.

The mission of the department of education of Hope For Haiti Children’s Center is to nurture our students spiritually, intellectually, physically, and socially by providing them with a quality Christ-centered education. Our school values and strives for the development of their character, their sense of responsibility, service, and leadership. Our purpose is to raise and educate godly generations of Haitians who will rise up someday to be servant leaders used in building God’s kingdom and rebuilding their nation, our beloved Haiti.

We are fulfilling our mission through several wonderful programs the ministry of Danita’s Children provides for our students. This past school year, all our students in both 9th and 13th grade passed their government exams. 100%! Yay!

We are striving for academic excellence in everything we do. We are blessed with a great ongoing feeding program, a way for our students to learn without empty stomachs. We have added classrooms, giving us space for our kindergarten students and even a teachers’ room. A group of our students known as “Genius Team” is preparing for regional and national knowledge-based competitions. We are thankful! Our new staff of Christian educational leaders is very excited and motivated for a brighter future for our school.

With God on our side, we believe all things are possible. Our school will continue to shine for the benefit of our students, our beloved Haiti, and God’s kingdom. We appreciate the generosity of everyone who has supported Danita’s Children. It is because of your support that we can provide an education to the impoverished children of Haiti. May God bless you! And please continue to pray for Haiti.
 Hundreds of people from **Ouanaminthe** and neighboring villages attend weekly services at the **Hope for Haiti Worship Center** (Temple De Espoir Haiti) where they receive the message of love, hope, spiritual growth, and healing...

Our church was built to extend the reach of our ministry into the surrounding community. The worship center provides a place for the congregation to grow in a relationship with Christ and receive discipleship and encouragement from a community of strong believers.

Our VBS Outreach is another opportunity hosted by teams to bring hope into our community through the gospel.

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**

Our Youth Pastor, Dave, organized and hosted a week-long Youth Leadership Event for 110 teenagers! This event was led by some of our older students. In addition, they spend many hours each week preparing to lead Sunday School and Wednesday night service at our church.

It is exciting to see our youth build their leadership team to encourage and disciple others in their relationship with Christ. We love seeing them use their God-given gifts and talents to impact their generation!

“**And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’**”

– Matthew 25:40

In addition to our church, Danita's Children reaches children living in rural communities through a weekly outreach program called "Safari Sunday School".

This fun, interactive program, led by our youth pastor, shares a message of love and hope and teaches the children what it means to have a relationship with Christ.

#GIVING TUESDAY

**DECEMBER 3**

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One of our greatest needs today is:

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Will you help us reach 280 sponsors this year?

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Celebrating 20 Years!