



NEWS IN HAITI MAY 2014



DFG VISITS HAITI: A note from our CFO Lindsey Connolly

Our trip to Haiti in March was very productive! We started our trip by attending an event hosted by our Project Manager, Menahem Janvier, celebrating World Water Day. It was great to be

*Please consider
contributing towards
the building of our new
school!*

included in a community event where hundreds of people learned about the importance of clean water. The Kindergarten class at Ecole Destined for Grace was included in the event and performed a skit for everyone in attendance. I was standing next to one of the parents and it brought such joy seeing how proud this father was of his daughter. I had numerous encounters with parents who expressed their gratitude for Ecole Destined for Grace and all that is being done for their children.

While in Haiti, I was also able to meet with our staff and discuss the future of Ecole Destined for Grace. We discussed the expansion of the school with the addition of the seventh grade. By adding a seventh grade, we will be the only secondary education institution in the area. Most children have to travel to the next town over to attend school after sixth grade and because of this many of them stop going to school. This meeting reconfirmed the importance of the work we are doing in the area and the opportunities provided to these children.

There is always so much to do and see when we travel to Haiti. The best part of our trips are always the time that we get to spend with our students and their families. Education brings great hope in Haiti and we are thankful for the opportunity to currently be educating 187 students.

This trip also provided opportunities to take our first steps toward building new classrooms on our property in Duvier, Haiti. After meeting with our contractor, we anticipate the construction of the new school to cost upwards of \$100,000 US. Destined for Grace has currently raised \$19,424 towards this fundraising campaign. We are excited to begin this process and anticipate the construction to begin mid summer. Please consider donating towards this need. These classrooms are essential in being able to continue educating these students and provide them with higher education!

Thank you for your continued support! It is because of YOU that our project in Haiti is not only growing but providing hope for our students.

DONATE NOW



Due to your generous donations, our students in Haiti receive a hot meal every day! The teachers at Ecole Destined for Grace have seen a dramatic change in our students both physically and academically.



Please continue to donate and shop at our Goleta and Carpinteria Thrift Stores!

Carpinteria Location :
5406 Carpinteria Ave - Open Mon-Sat 10-5

Goleta Location :
5960 Hollister Ave - Open Mon-Sat 10-6 & Sun 12-5

Please note: We have closed our Santa Barbara Store.
The Shop, which was located at 2830 De La Vina in Santa Barbara, is no longer affiliated with Destined for Grace. We have decided to focus on our two other locations that provide the most financial support for our project.

Spring cleaning and have items to donate???
Call 805-619-0649 to schedule a donation pickup

*Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old,
he will not depart from it
Proverbs 22:6*

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