



The last few months of the 2022 – 2023 school year were incredibly busy, yet fruitful and successful. Due to the late start of the school year last fall, it did not finish until mid-July, when our mid-school classes finished their testing. The end results included all 24 of our 9th Graders passing their tests. As such, they will all be going on to the 10th Grade which we will be expanding to this fall, PTL!

We are happy to report that our Principal Ceneil Pierre has completed all preparations for the school expansion to the 10th Grade, with all Ministry

of Education approvals received, all schedules developed, and all required staff being hired. In light of additional new requirements from the Ministry of Education for mid-school and the 10th Grade, as well as the requirement to add a Pre-K 3 class, his work was no small undertaking. We are so blessed for his continued diligent labors in leading our school, all while setting high standards, which a number of our local contacts inform us of, as they believe ours is the best school in the area.



As we've communicated previously, our soccer team had a successful 2nd season. We had stated that they were again in the regional finals, and we can happily report that they were victorious, winning the finals 4-3! We have rewarded them with a "sea day," a trip to the beach for swimming, water games, a special meal of goat, camaradery, and laughter. They and their teacher chaperones enjoyed a special day for this year's accomplishment.

The end of the school year likewise brought the annual Teacher's Day & Flag Day celebrations, and the AWANA end of the year party. Above, we have a photo of some of the current school instructors. Everyone worked so hard this year, as the school grew to 356 students and 35 staff. We are thankful for their faithfulness.

As we said, the 4th – 6th Grade AWANA program enjoyed their annual party, as they completed their 6th year. Here again, we are blessed with faithful staff members who conduct the program Thursday afternoons after school.



Cenel has continued to make progress toward completing the purchase of the larger piece of property just two lots down the road from our existing school property. The NWHM Board has started preliminary discussions about what we need and would like to build on this piece of property, not only a building for High School classrooms, but also a much larger church building, as the church at the school has outgrown the existing church building, PTL! The Lord is working in Passe Catabois, and we are blessed to have the opportunity to help spread the Gospel through the church and other outreach in the community. With the 10th Grade using the existing church for the 2023 – 2024 school year, we are praying we will be able to start building construction later this year, to be completed in time for the 2024 – 2025 school year in September 2024. We are enlisting the aid of our previous builder, Sadrack Merisier, as we begin our planning.

In June, after three months of delay, our 2nd suitcase finally arrived in Port-de-Paix. It included many important items, such as numerous books for the library we will be setting up for this fall in the mid-school, with new cabinets being built over the summer for them; microphones for the church PA systems; a new phone for our friend Rob; and the drone, to enable us to get better pictures and videos of the property, as well as school and village events. In June, Cenel was finally able to go to Cap Haitien to pick up our Bike/Trailer and drive it to the school. His brother Noe, one of our teachers, will be taking care of it for us, as it will be a great help to transport water or supplies, when we need to do so.



We have completed our planning for our annual Benefit Dinner, scheduled for Friday, September 15th, at Faith Bible Church, where our theme will again be a Western one, “Boots and Bowties.” Tickets are available through the website or checks may be mailed to our PO Box given below. Please go ahead and get your tickets now for this exciting evening.

If you have not done so recently, we hope you will visit the Facebook page often to stay up to date with what is happening at the school and in the village of Passe Catabois. <https://www.facebook.com/NWHaitiMinistries>.

We are so thankful for the growing support of the ministry in prayer, as well as with growing financial support. As we expand the school to include Pre-K 3 and Grade 10, our budget has

increased significantly for the coming school year. Please continue your faithful support of the school, either via online giving or through the mail, and consider joining those providing our baseline of support by setting up a monthly donation to the ministry through our website, at www.northwesthaiti.org. Please also share the ministry website and Facebook page with friends and acquaintances and invite them to join in supporting this ministry, however they are able. Finally, please continue to pray for Haiti as a nation and that our staff will be able to safely travel to Port-au-Prince and back, as necessary, to pick up our Crech books and other necessary supplies we get from there.

We pray this newsletter is an encouragement to you, as you are to us. May God bless you abundantly in the days ahead as we continue to work together for the children and families of Northwest Haiti.

In Christ,

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