

The Gift that Keeps on Giving

Over the course of the next several weeks Baptist Haiti Mission (BHM) teachers and students in Haiti will be in for a wonderful surprise! Thanks to the generous donations of ACSI Eastern Canada, around 750 bags of school supplies will be delivered by BHM to poverty stricken schools.

"*Project Hope for Haiti*, has been in operation over the past few years and seeks to assist schools, churches and individuals," said Connie Mycroft, long-term BHM volunteer associated with ACSI.

BHM is pleased to be in partnership with *Project Hope for Haiti*. The bags for teachers and students will be delivered to schools in different parts of the nation.

Acts 20:35 reminds the believer to remember the words of Jesus Christ when He said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." At times, this can be a difficult concept to grasp. It is a joy to receive gifts; could it truly be more rewarding to give gifts? The excitement behind seeing these packages being delivered to the schools is a clear example that it is truly better to give than to receive.

It is incredibly important to have the necessary materials for school. School supplies are quite expensive and difficult to obtain in Haiti. The education of Haitian students is often hindered due to a lack of proper school materials. Teacher bags are included among the 750 bags that have been collected for the schools. In rural Haitian schools, teachers have as little as their students. This problem makes it difficult for the teachers to be appropriately prepared.

BHM places great value on education. Equipping teachers with the proper training and materials as well as providing students with the opportunity to receive a proper education can truly change the nation. The packets contain markers, paper, stickers, rulers, pencils, etc. Not only are they filled with the basic school materials, but they also have a Creole New Testament and two Creole story books with Bible stories, provided by BHM.

Equipping schools to teach from a Biblical worldview is extremely important to BHM. Thank you ACSI and *Project Hope for Haiti* for your generous contribution to the education of the children of Haiti. Pray for BHM as we deliver the many boxes in the weeks to come. Pray for the teachers and students who are in store for a great surprise!



Special Deliveries

As BHM seeks to assist local churches and schools of Haiti we greatly depend on donations and outside support. Last Friday we told you about the special school supplies ACSI Eastern Canada (Association of Christian Schools International), helped collect and send to BHM. Throughout this week these 750 boxes began to be delivered. The delivery of these special bags brought forth smiles and excited chatter from some very surprised students and teachers.

The students were thrilled to receive these special gifts. As each student opened their package others became incredibly curious to see what was inside.

The students spent a great deal of time exploring and seeing all that was in their bags. Cheers echoed throughout the classrooms as students discovered their very own pack of stickers or brand new markers.



BHM is incredibly thankful for the generous donations of *Project Hope for Haiti*. The time and money spent organizing and collecting items for teachers and students was definitely appreciated. The facial expression of the student below says it all, WOW, thank you for the school supplies!

