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# Gleanings For The Hungry

A Ministry of Youth With A Mission

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## Quilts, with Love and Prayers to Haiti

We recently received a donation of sheets for Haiti, and were inspired. Why not make quilts to ship with the sheets? Last January's outreach to Haiti has heightened our awareness of the overwhelming poverty in this disaster torn country. The orphanages receiving our food have very limited funds; two of the homes we visited have dilapidated or non-existent mattresses, and bedding is scarce or in sad condition. What a joy and privilege to send 200 quilts to three orphanages in Haiti. Two of these homes are in the mountains, where it gets quite cold at night. Not only will these quilts keep them warm, but will brighten and cheer their rooms and spirits. *Home of Grace*, caring for the elderly, also will receive 20 quilts. These quilts will beautify their environment, and give comfort and dignity to the residents.



## Sending Food to Syria!

A near impossible task was accomplished by partnering with Israel Food Outreach. A shipment of 1,100,000 servings of soup, transported through Israel, will reach Syria to feed refugees. We are thankful that *Israel Food Outreach* also raised shipping funds. *Gleanings'* founder, Wally Wenge, birthed *Gleanings For The Hungry* with his original vision to feed the refugees in Thailand. The first-fruits of *Gleanings* were shipped to refugees in Thailand in 1987. We are excited Wally's vision continues to be fulfilled to this day.

## Help Needed

Do you have skill and experience replacing house siding or painting the exterior of houses? If so, we are offering an opportunity for you to serve as a volunteer right here at Gleanings For The Hungry. Our houses are needing facelifts! Two of our modular houses have already been re-sided and painted, four are still awaiting the much needed renovation. Please contact the bookings department if you'd like to serve with us in this capacity.



## Prayer Focus

Countries recently receiving *Gleanings'* food

The following countries have received food and supplies from *Gleanings for the Hungry* this year. Join with us in remembering the people from these nations in prayer. Let's pray that the blessings of the Lord will follow those who received the food in: Guatemala, Haiti, South Africa, Greece, Israel, Syria, Ukraine, and Mexico!



**"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me." Matthew 25:35-36a**

# OUTREACH REPORT:

# HAITI



Fritz and Cindy Meier, our directors, were privileged to minister with a team in Haiti. The 10-day outreach included visiting four orphanages; each home has a school where the children are fed our nutritious soup mix. These children would otherwise live in poverty, uneducated and undernourished.

Mission of Grace was our home base. Our relationship began in 2011 when our Discipleship Training School initiated construction of the first home. Over the past six years, the ministry has grown by leaps and bounds. While serving with Mission of Grace we worked at the medical clinic, played with the orphans, massaged, prayed for, and played dominoes with the elderly, did evangelism in the school and village, and helped with various maintenance projects.

## Some Highlights

-Last year we installed a solar system and electrical wiring at Home of Grace for the elderly; it was only a shell. Now it is a beautiful, cozy home, where the residents are comfortably living in dignity.

-Arnelia, from Home of Grace, was baptized by Fritz and the local pastor.

-Asalisa, a new resident at Home of Grace, received salvation.

-Teammates shared God's Word in two Sunday services and the women's and men's Bible study groups.

-We visited God's Plan Orphanage, where Madam LaFleur had founded a school. The 52 children were being educated and well cared for. We were delighted by the dances and songs they performed.

-Marilyn and Margaret, retired nurses, assisted in the birth of Gabriel.

-Our team partnered with contacts to build two small houses for families who had been living in shacks.

-We played with, held, and loved the beautiful Haitian children.



## Director's Corner

By the grace of God, the ministry of *Gleanings For The Hungry* is continuing to thrive. I don't know about you, but I sure enjoy the favor of the Lord. Without His presence in my life, my goals would be centered around my comfort and well-being. With following Jesus, it all changes; I want to be more like Him! By giving up the right to provide for myself and trusting Him, He is adding a dimension of faith to my life that blows me away. To experience Him daily and to follow Him is an adventure of a lifetime. I had the opportunity to travel to Haiti and Guatemala in the last two months; I was present at many churches and ministries that feed little children. These precious kids were smiling and thanking me for the blessing of these nutritious meals and I want to pass on the THANK YOU to all of you who are a part of the *Gleanings'* team. I appreciate each one of you!



*Fritz Meier*