



## 2020 Newsletter

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*Dear Friend,*

*What a year it has been for the entire world!!! We fully sympathize with you and your love ones for any hardship and headache that you may have endured because of Covid-19. Regardless how bad things have been, Christmas will come. We will celebrate it. The spirit of loving and giving thanks transcends all! It is in that spirit that our team, and on behalf of the children, and families who benefited from your generous support, we would like to wish you a very merry Christmas.*

*This year again, you showed up, and you showed out...in a big way!!! Although things are challenging all over the world, and even in your own lives/countries, your support to the children did not waiver. For that, the children and their communities are grateful beyond words. We are so grateful that you are always on our side during our worst moments.*

*Here in Haiti, 2020 has been one of the most challenging years in recent time. In addition to Covid-19, other factors such as*

*extreme poverty, the deepening of the political crisis, and the forever-worsening social-economic challenges have made life here even more difficult for all.*



*One good news that we can only attribute to Devine intervention is that Covid-19 contamination and death rates have remained low. For a country where living conditions, poverty, and other factors made it impossible to implement all Covid-19 safety guidelines, everyone expected the worst.*

*2021 will most likely be as challenging as 2020, if not worst. The political situation is expected to boil over all throughout next year and will by default make all the other issues even more challenging, to include the continued impact of Covid-19.*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us here in Haiti.*

*With Love, Myrtha*



## 2020 Highlights

- 2 separate food kit distributions to the 3000 families our program supports
- Low contamination rate, and no Covid-19 death within the Star of Hope Foundation family
- Provided sanitary supplies and robust training to school/church staff on Covid-19 do's and don'ts
- Uniforms, school supplies, personal gifts, health care support, and hot meals were delivered to school children as planned
- Classroom furniture and other materials delivered as planned
- New water well dug in Marigot
- 87% of the 3000 children were promoted to the next grade
- Distribution of 500 breeding hens and goats to preschool children
- All Schools operating at full capacity this year with a total head count of 3222 students



## Immediate Needs



Winter 2021 emergency relief distribution of food kits to all 3000 families to soften the impact of rampant poverty and low economic activities brought about by Covid-19:

- Kit contents: 55 lbs. bag of rice, 14 lbs. bag of beans, 7 lbs. bag of sugar, 1 gal of oil
- Kit cost: 50USD (40USD for food, and 10USD for packaging, transportation, and distribution)
- Number of kits: 3000
- Impact: expected to last 8 weeks for a family of 6
- Distribution period: Jan 2021- Mar 2021
- Reason: More than 50% of the population is expected to be impacted by hunger and severe food shortage. The communities we support fall in that category



## Merry Christmas!!!!

May this Christmas mark the beginning of return to normalcy in all lives throughout the world, particularly yours that that of your family and love ones. We think you immensely for always being there for the children of Haiti in their most challenging times. With you and God in our sides, we have nothing to fear.

