






Hope for Haiti®

A New Year of Hope

The people in Les Cayes, Haiti are still rejoicing the arrival of the New Year. This New Year proudly marks 205 years of Haiti's independence from French colonial rule, making Haiti the oldest Black republic in the world. January of 2009 also represents a fresh start in the hopeful eyes of many Haitian families. They are putting the past year of unbearable high living expenses, nation wide hunger, and natural devastation behind them. "We are hoping and praying for a better life this year," states Deula, a single young mother of four.

The spirit and strength of the Haitian people has forever been profound since Haiti's independence in 1804. Today however, they face a new form of slavery, absolute poverty. Haitians are deprived of the basic necessities of life such as food, education, clothing, shelter, healthcare and safe drinking water.  **Hope for Haiti** dedicated to improving the quality of life for the Haitian people, particularly the children, through education, nutrition and healthcare. To date,  **Hope for Haiti** has provided over \$39 million worth of humanitarian aid to Haitian families in the greatest need. This has only been made possible by the generosity of our donors and volunteers.



 **Hope for Haiti** understands that this year families will be spending and giving wisely. Even a small donation can greatly improve the quality of life for a mother like Deula and her four children.

Please help us start off this New Year with the greatest amount of hope that you can offer to the Haitian men, women, and children. Thank you and Happy New Year!

Chak moun gen sò li.
Everyone is on earth for a reason.

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