



Greetings from Big Hope Ministries!

God's eye has been on this ministry from the beginning, but it was never more evident than this summer. As we began our set up of a medical clinic in batey, Isabella, one of the poorest in the region, an unusual vision was noticed directly above the church. We all stood in awe as one of the team members call for us to see it. Directly above the church appeared to be God's eye. As you can see in the picture, there is a perfect pupil, iris and sclera looking down on us as if to say.



“I see your good works that I have prepared for you to do beforehand.” It was if the scripture from Ephesians 2:10 was being fulfilled. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Good works are a natural outcome of a transformed life in Christ.

They are not a means of earning salvation, but a way to express love for God and others. Good works should always glorify God and are a sign of a genuine faith.

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Purchase of New Work Truck

Thank you for your donations to help purchase a work truck! Our truck will be used to transport our supplies and equipment in the Dominican Republic.



Stories of Hope

Last December, we were asked to help a young Haitian man named Rubio who had been shot in the batey. He had been in the hospital for over a month without the surgery he needed to survive. Big Hope Bearden Ministries stepped in, providing the supplies for his operation. Though the surgery saved his life, the damage left him paralyzed.

When a surgical team and Donna visited Rubio in March, we found him malnourished, septic, and in terrible pain. His family refused to take him back to the hospital—tragically, many Haitians are neglected and left to die. All we could do was clean his wounds, give him medicine, and pray over him, believing it might be the last time we saw him.



But God worked a miracle. When Donna returned in June, Rubio was sitting in a wheelchair, smiling, pain-free, and reading his Bible. His wounds were healing. He also was reading his Bible and attending prayer sessions in his home with pastor Lucas and his sister.

Rubio's story reminds us why this ministry matters. Every donation helps bring hope and healing to those the world too often forgets. Thank you for being a vessel God uses for His glory. May God Bless Each of You Richly!

PARTNER WITH US THROUGH MONTHLY DONATIONS

Our prayer is that you would partner with us by setting up a recurring monthly donation. Giving monthly is a great way to support our work on a regular basis.

Visit www.bighopeministries.org/giving to set up your REOCCURRING gift in any amount or scan the QR Code with your phone.



Grace Fellowship Construction Team



Trip Recap

- Rebuilt the security wall at the clinic.
- Hosted Vacation Bible Schools in various Bateys.
- Street evangelism - distributed adult and children Bibles in an effort to share the gospel and show the love of Christ.
 - These Bibles were a donation from team members, Orian Motley and Chiquita Parks of Delta Sigma Theta sorority.
- Repainted the murals in the clinic.
- Organized the clinic pharmacy



100th Anniversary of the Iglesia Evangelica Dominicana de Barahona



In June, we joined the 100th anniversary celebration of the Iglesia Evangelica Dominicana de Barahona, honoring the Lord's work through this church. Founders John and Donna Bearden received a plaque recognizing their 25 years of mission service with the IED.

Pittman Park United Methodist Church Medical Team



Trip Recap

- Traveled to various bateys to deliver medical care.
- This team had a gynecologist/obstetrician with them who performed women's health exams and pap smears.
- During the week a total of **615 patients** were served.



TyTy Baptist Construction Team



Trip Recap

- Painted the newly constructed security wall at the clinic.
- Led many worship services at the Mt. Horeb church located in the clinic compound.
- One afternoon, a member of the team led the church in an old-fashioned Southern gospel hymn singing complete with piano accompaniment. So many people heard the sound of the lively worship music and packed the house at the church. An old camp meeting service began.
- This team also distributed Haitian Bibles to another batey church in Algodon.



For the Widow Ministries



We have a new partnership with For the Widow Ministries in Dallas, TX to assist with medical care and needs of widows suffering in the bateys. We will see and evaluate these patients and provide medications and referrals as needed.

MannaPack Partnership



In the April newsletter we mentioned our partnership with Manna, a ready to use therapeutic food. With help from the medical teams who have been assessing children and families for malnutrition in this area, we have identified 11 families who are currently receiving the nutritional packets. These families are being monitored according to our protocol and are returning for weights and measurements. We are excited to see how well the program is working from the data we hope to obtain.