



# REDEEMED

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

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*Discouraged  
but Hopeful,  
Fearful but Believing,  
Troubled but Trusting*

*Claiming  
not just victory but*

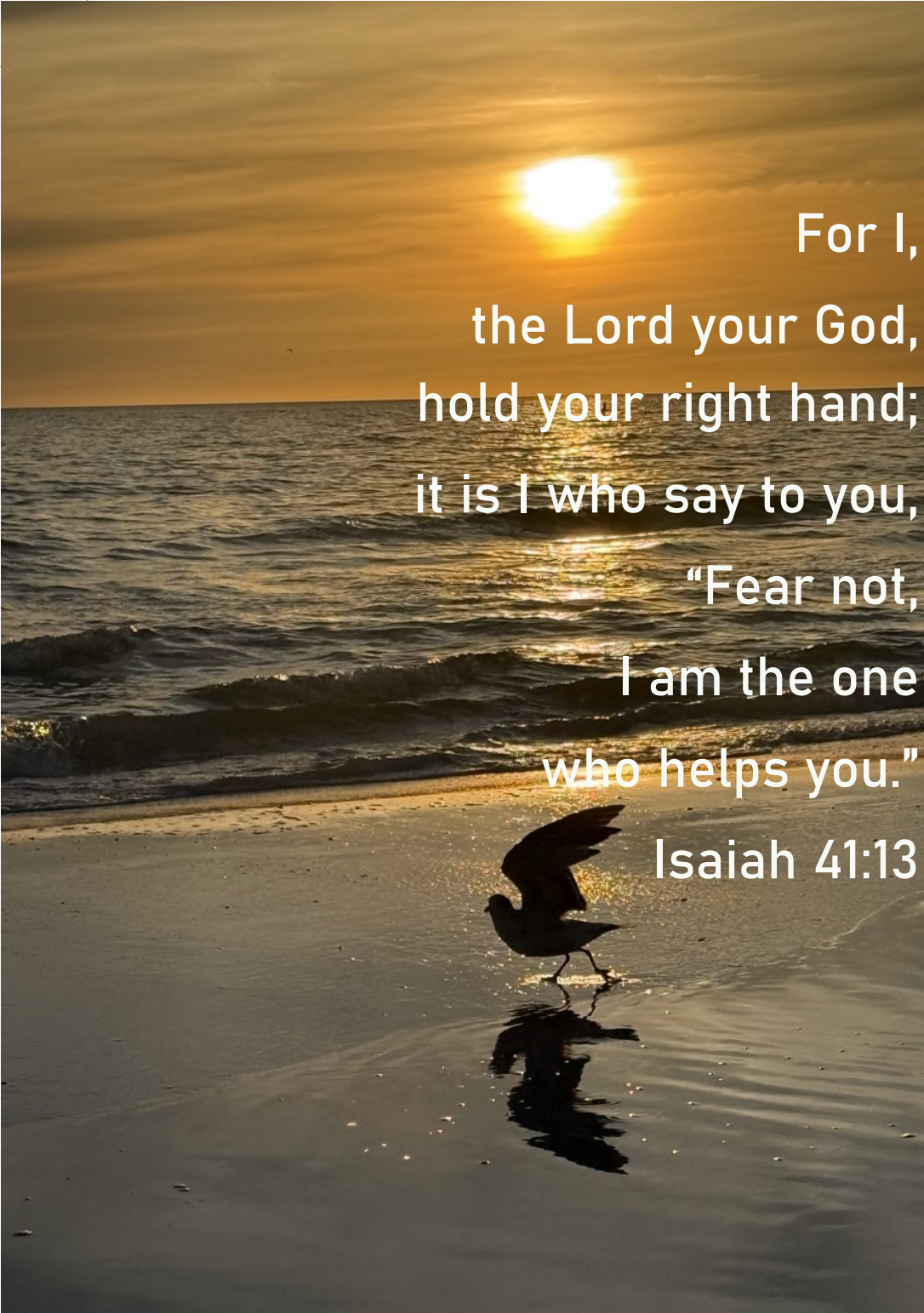
**OVERWHELMING**

**VICTORY**

**THROUGH THE LOVE OF  
CHRIST!**

Please join us in praying...

- For God's love to be clearly displayed in all we do and say
- For wisdom, direction, and strength to fulfill our responsibilities
- For every teacher, student, and staff member and the role they fill at RVS



For I,  
the Lord your God,  
hold your right hand;  
it is I who say to you,  
"Fear not,  
I am the one  
who helps you."  
Isaiah 41:13

# [COUNT EVERY BLESSING]

When you reach the end of one year and begin another, it's a good time to take a breath and evaluate—to remember and count each blessing that God gave you. 2024 was a very difficult year, but God was faithful, and He sent so many good gifts along the way.

The best gifts of 2024 were 3 visas for Wismith. After being stuck in Haiti for several months when the Dominican border closed and they stopped giving visas to Haitians, we were finally able to travel again when Canada granted his visa renewal in January. Wismith's US visa had expired in 2022, and with the American embassy in Haiti being closed, we were unable to leave Haiti for almost 6 months.

*...but God is good and He gives good gifts!*

In April, we traveled to Canada and while we were there Wismith received a Jamaican visa. We traveled to Jamaica in June and renewed Wismith's US visa at the embassy there. We finally traveled to the US together for the first time in over 2 years! Our time in Canada and Jamaica felt like such a gift after the uncertainty and anxiety of being stuck in a country that was falling apart more and more every day. We had a beautiful time—but it still feels hard to be safe when we have so many friends and family who are not.

In July, we were back in Haiti doing our annual Youth Seminar when Ganthier (the town closest to us) was attacked and taken over by the 400 Mawozo gang. The gang had attempted the takeover numerous times, but they were always unsuccessful before. We, in Fond Parisien, always felt safer with Ganthier between us and gang territory, but that ended in July.

Our town has been protected so far by a small local "militia," a few policemen, a small outpost of soldiers, and a group of mercenaries hired by a local mission. There have been several attempts to attack and take over Fond Parisien since then, but so far we're still standing strong.





# [ COUNT EVERY BLESSING ]



*Join us in prayer that God would build a hedge of protection around us and make our town a haven for many of the Haitians displaced by violence.*

When violence began in Haiti, we all assumed it would end sometime, but 6 years later, things only continue to get worse. There is still no end in sight, and no hope on the horizon.

Pray that God would give us the wisdom to make good plans and good decisions while the future looks so hopeless.





# [ ONE TINY SCHOOL - ONE BIG GOD ]

At RVS, we are still open for classes, and will continue to be unless the gang succeeds in entering Fond Parisien. We feel so privileged to be able to serve Haiti during the unimaginable difficulties of living in such a broken country.

*We're a tiny little school, but we serve a big God who can multiply the smallest offering!*





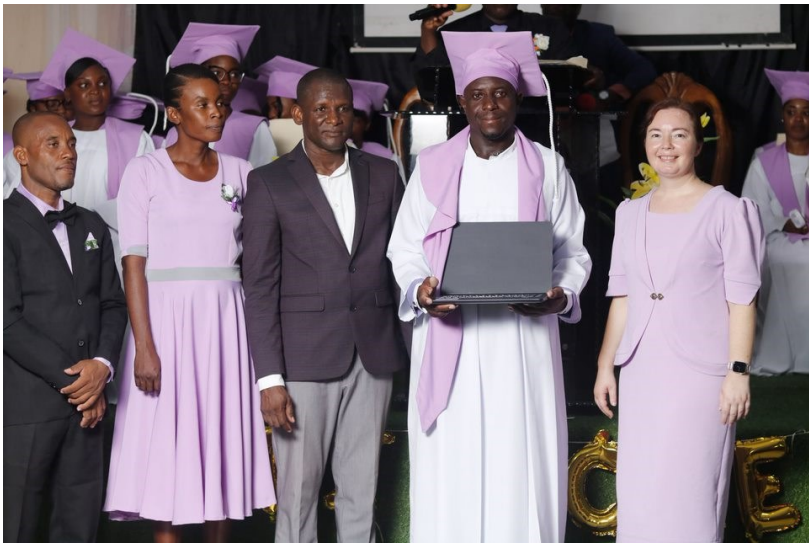
# [ GRADUATION 2024 ]

In October, 60 out of over 100 graduates participated in our annual graduation ceremony. Pray that each student's life would be touched by God in a special way during their time with us, and that God would give them a vision for their future.





# [ GRADUATION 2024 ]



The Class of 2024 includes 13 graduates from the English class, 23 from the Computer class, 22 from the Sewing class, and 2 from the Plumbing class. Student enrollment for 2024 was 120. Our staff consists of 7-8 teachers and 7 office staff.

*We thank God for each of them and their participation in the vision and mission of Redeemed Vocational School!*





# [ JOIN US IN PRAYER ]

Praise God with us for allowing two of Wismith's siblings to immigrate to the United States last year. In the process of helping them get settled in Florida, we have experienced with them some of the enormous challenges faced by newly arrived immigrants.

Everyone who has any possibility of travel has left Haiti—many travel to Brazil, and many have traveled to the US through the Humanitarian Parole Program. It is a common assumption that immigrants entering through the Mexico border are illegal. However, everyone we know has entered the country legally and has official documentation to live and work legally in the US.

All that to say that there is a huge new immigrant population in the US, and many of them could use a helping hand as they start their lives over again in a new country. We are praying about starting a ministry for immigrants in the US. Pray with us for wisdom and email us with any suggestions or wisdom that God gives you.

*The effectual fervent prayer of the righteous avails much. James 5:16b*





## THANK YOU...

To **every person who prays, visits, donates, encourages, and shares about RVS**  
FOR INVESTING A PORTION OF YOUR LIVES IN HELPING RVS FULFILL GOD'S PURPOSES IN FOND PARISIEN, HAITI

◀◀◀ MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU ALWAYS ▶▶▶



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