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### 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

## GOD IS GOOD

One of the most important things we can do as believers is to count the blessings that God pours on our lives. Words feel inadequate when we see what God has done for us. We keep thanking Him for allowing us to serve Him together in Haiti. It's not always an "easy" life, but we love what we're doing. We enjoy the day to day interaction with the students and the meaningful discussions. We praise God every day for the way He has provided not only funds but also the different people that make this dream possible-from the students to the teachers to the security guard/handyman!

2016 has brought a lot of growth to RVS. We've been stretched as God continues to

broaden our responsibilities and we keep trusting Him for grace. We are blessed to have the Galdonik and Gingerich families join us in the work here. The classes become more stable each year as our experience grows. We are also making the transition for all of our funds going through International Faith Missions to having our own 501c3. After 4 years of classes, we are officially recognized as a non-profit organization in the United States. Our office will be in Pennsylvania and we're including all that new information in this newsletter.

**VOCATIONAL SCHOOL** 

One other change that is happening this year is that we're hoping to cut down on the amount of time our annual PR trip takes by doing several fundraisers instead of speaking in so many churches. If you would still like us to speak at your church, we're definitely open to that. Contact us and we'll make arrangements. Otherwise, come see us at Shady Maple on October 21st and Mt. Hope, OH on October 29th.

Every day is a challenge and a gift. Pray for us that we would fulfill God's purpose for us here in every way.

Wismith & Rebecca Joseph



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# **G R A D U A T I O N**















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### ENGLISH CLASS

I enjoy watching the language learning process take place. More rewarding than seeing a student learn, however, is hearing them communicate more effectively and with ease and confidence. Learning and interacting with the cultural aspect of language learning is particularly interesting and often humorous. A few examples: • explaining "blushing" to dark-skinned people who don't have a direct translation for that word in their language • explaining why "fat" is not a compliment in the US, even though it is in Haiti • explaining how a commercial for skim milk helping one be thin is a good thing in American marketing, when they would perceive it as the exact opposite.

One of my classes is made up of young adults. The other class, which Michael and I taught together, was a summer class for children, ages 8 -12. Each class is challenging and rewarding for different reasons, but the reasons I teach are because of the opportunities to make a valuable contribution to another's life and future, build relationship, work together, achieve together, and learn from one another.

**REBECA GINGERICH** 



### FROM A CHILD'S PERSPECTIVE

The shade of a thorn tree is their playhouse; the biggest piles of rocks and boulders are their playground; discarded strips of fabric and containers are their treasure store. All this, combined with their God-given creativity, imagination, and resourcefulness, provides hours of entertainment for the children of RVS. They are learning many big life lessons as little foreigners in Haiti. While in many ways their lives are unique, in other ways life for them is quite normal. They need your prayers, as do their parents!

Haítí ís always hot and never cold.

I want to go back to Florída, but Haítí feels líke home too.



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PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR GOD'S DIRECTION AND PROVISION FOR THESE NEEDS:

- Mechanic to work

   in shop and give
   oversight and
   assistance to
   mechanic students
   while working
   alongside a Haitian
   mechanic theory
   teacher
- Funds for teachers' salaries - they are the lifeline of RVS!
- Future programs we would like to add:
  - Bible
  - Business/
     Finance

We really miss our friends, family, and living in Florida!

> We like riding in the front seat and not having to strap into booster seats!

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#### THE SHOP







A few products to come out of the shop are 5-gallon water jug holder/pourers, metal doors, a bench, couches, bunk bed, bed frame, lock boxes, bolt bin, peg board, and a set of cornhole boards, and a sign. A number of these items were built to meet some practical needs at RVS, while at the same time providing opportunity for brainstorming, cross cultural communication, and honing some practical skills.

We also envision the shop as a place for business startups. Auto mechanic repairs are a first source of revenue for RVS and still in beginning stages. Welding and woodworking could also become training programs and sources of revenue.

Pray that the shop would be a place where young men not only learn a skill, but also develop a great work ethic, and a Godly conscience, making them men after God's own heart.

MICHAEL GINGERICH













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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

We will be speaking at: Cornerstone - Dayton, OH - Nov. 13

Fundraising Banquet Fundraising Banquet Reservations Required Call 610-823-9186 Friday, October 21, 2016 @ 6:00pm

at Shady Maple

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# A VERY BIG THANK YOU ...

## **TO INTERNATIONAL FAITH MISSIONS**

FOR GRACIOUSLY SERVING AS OUR FIDUCIARY THE PAST FOUR YEARS

# WE HAVE RECEIVED OUR 501c3 DESIGNATION AND ARE NOW OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED AS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION!

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# A VERY BIG THANK YOU ...

# TO ANDY & JOY EVERSOLE AND DAVE & DONNA BARKHOLZ WEAVER

FOR THE MANY WAYS THEY HAVE INVESTED IN RVS DURING THEIR SERVICE AS BOARD MEMBERS.

WE PRAY GOD'S BLESSING AND CONTINUED GUIDANCE ON THEIR LIVES.





# A VERY BIG THANK YOU ....



## TO JONATHAN SOMMERS

FOR CONSENTING TO SERVE AS A BOARD MEMBER

## TO STEPHANIE LEHMAN

FOR CONSENTING TO SERVE AS OUR U.S. SECRETARY

