



# REDEEMED

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

## WE CHOOSE TO BELIEVE

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*Keep your life free from the love of money.*

*Be satisfied with what you have,*

*For he himself has said:*

*I will never leave you or abandon you.*

*Hebrews 13:5 CSB*



This verse seems so appropriate for Haiti right now. All of our problems come down to one thing—and that is greed. All the fighting, all the chaos, all the misery, everything that's been happening, is because of greed. People are fighting for money and power, and it has taken a nation already in poverty down to a whole new level of survival.

Sure, there were bad areas of town that everyone avoided if possible, but today we stay home when possible, and when we cannot, we are very cautious. So many people we know have experienced robberies or worse at the hands of one of the gangs.

We go about our life, but we also know fear daily. We cannot go grocery shopping without fear. We cannot run our businesses without fear. And

Haiti was never easy, but we look back fondly on the Haiti that was before. The Haiti of the past was difficult, but we had no idea how good it was. In the Haiti of the past we made plans and accomplished things. We traveled and enjoyed this country.



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

we cannot plan for the future because we have no idea what will happen tomorrow.

We thought things were bad, but then our president was tortured and killed at night in his own home. President Jovenel has been a controversial president, but he was also something of a David going up against a few giants. These giants do not want to lose, and they have literally turned this country upside down trying to hang on to money and power.

And now, it would seem, the giants have won. The giants are not supposed to win...and yet...

*My flesh and my heart  
may fail,  
but God is the strength  
of my heart,  
my portion forever.  
Ps. 73:26*

We choose to believe that God is in control and that someday we will understand the story He is writing today.

As His children, He calls us to contentment and trust. In reality, that trust is what brings us contentment.

When we believe that we serve a good God who is all powerful and all knowing, when we choose to serve Him instead of money or things, we don't need a large bank account to be happy or to feel secure.

*He is more than enough,  
and He is walking through  
this valley with us.  
He will NEVER abandon us.*



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For the past several years, Haiti has been struggling. The chaos is a result of the power struggle in the government. Those fighting for power pay the gangs and supply them with guns and ammunition to get the president to back down. Even if they stop paying the gangs, the gangs now have guns and a taste for power and greed, leaving the rest of Haiti vulnerable to attack.



Everyone goes about life, but we live with the fear of robbery or worse at the hands of the gangs. The gangs control more and more areas of the country and we don't have any idea when it will be over. We feel safe here in Fond Parisien, but any travel brings risk.

# PLEASE PRAY...

- ...FOR A PEACEFUL END TO THE CONFLICT
- ...FOR HEALING FOR OUR LITTLE NATION
- ...THAT WE COULD SHINE A LIGHT IN THIS PRESENT DARKNESS



# CLASSES AT RVS

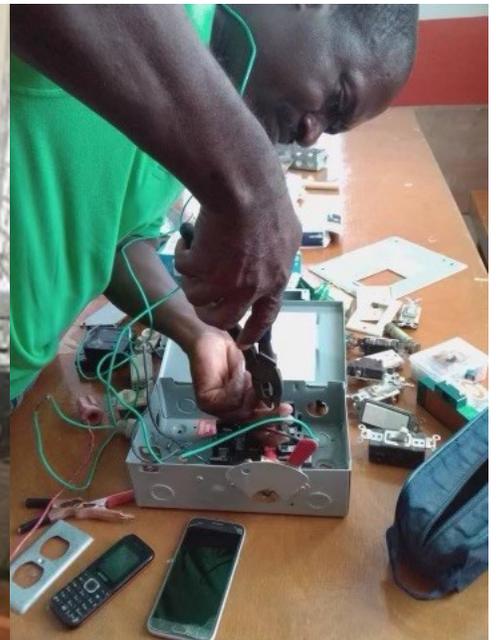
At Redeemed Vocational School, we are attempting to keep moving forward even in the middle of all the uncertainty. Classes are in session and we are in the middle of summer classes with plans for a youth seminar and a graduation for our students at the end of summer.

*Praise God and rejoice with us in His faithfulness!*



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*Please join us in praying for our students*

that they would be eager learners, that they would grow in knowledge and skill,  
and above all, that they would become strong, mature, committed followers of Christ.





## Andy Eversole

was an unexpected gift from God to us.

We were a young couple, just married, with the dream of starting a trade school in Haiti. We didn't have a lot besides our faith in God, and one of the greatest blessings He sent our way was Andy and his wife Joy (IFM supported missionaries). They were there for our first classes, but he was also a mentor. His advice was invaluable as we started classes and set up the school.

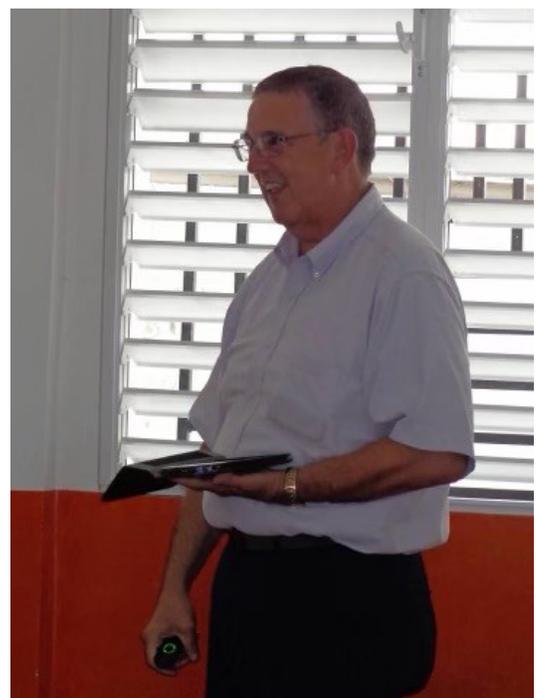
He taught an English class and a finance class and later he became one of our first board members. Even today, 9 years later, we still valued his friendship, support, and Godly counsel. We will miss him greatly.

We know that God does not make mistakes, but somehow, this feels so wrong. The world still needed Andy. We still needed him.

*So teach us to number our days,  
that we may apply our hearts  
unto wisdom.  
Psalm 90:12*

Joy, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

*Wismith & Rebecca*



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