

# Jacques & Marie Alexandre

Serving Haitians in Dominican Republic, Haiti, and Florida



February-March, 2025

Dear Mission Partners,

## Training Haitian Leaders to Advance the Gospel

Over the past few weeks, I've had the privilege of training and equipping 14 emerging Haitian leaders—men and women from our church community here in Tampa. This group includes deacons, future church planters, and individuals devoted to mission work here in Florida. Our focus has been clear: preparing them to lead with biblical wisdom, genuine love, spiritual conviction, and a passion for the Great Commission. Discipleship remains at the heart of my mission work, and it was encouraging to see these leaders leave the training deeply motivated and joyful as shown in the picture. We held an 8-week seminar on subjects like, "How to Boldly Share the Gospel & Disciple Others", "Practical and Theological Basics for Planting Churches," and more. This was more than leadership training; it was a launching pad for missions. By investing in these leaders, we're sowing into a gospel movement that will reach beyond our church walls and strengthen the Haitian faith community in Tampa and beyond.



## Resilience & Hope Amid Hopelessness: Our Haiti Children's School Reopens

As many of you may have seen in the news, the situation in Haiti has grown increasingly difficult in recent months. Gang violence has escalated rapidly during February and March, now controlling over 80% of the capital, Port-au-Prince. Government offices were forced to relocate further east into Pétion-Ville and upper Delmas. According to human rights groups, a staggering 5,601 lives were lost to gang violence in 2024 alone. During this growing insecurity, thousands of families are fleeing their homes, seeking safety in Pétion-Ville, Delmas, including Tabarre, the neighborhood where our orphanage is located, not far from the U.S. Embassy.

The needs are growing every day. The prices of food continue to rise chaotically, making basic survival even harder for the displaced and everyone in Haiti. Our community is swelling with new arrivals; many of them children who had to leave behind their schools and friends.



Amid this hardship, God has opened a door for us to love and serve. Our school at the orphanage has reopened, not only for our children but also for many from the surrounding community. We now have 132 students, many of them new to the area. What a precious opportunity to share Jesus, our gentle Savior who said, "Let the children come to me." Please continue to pray with us for protection over the children, staff, and community, for wisdom as we respond to growing needs, and for the Lord's miraculous help amid ongoing threats of gang violence. We have no other refuge but God's mighty hand, and we are so grateful to have you standing with us in prayer and support.

## Words of Thanks (Merci Beaucoup!)

We are deeply grateful for your continued prayers and monthly financial support and personal notes of encouragement. Your partnership is vital to everything God is doing through the ministries in Tampa, Haiti, and the Dominican Republic. Please continue to lift us up in prayer as we disciple and equip leaders, care for vulnerable children, and share the hope of the Gospel in communities facing great challenges. We trust in God's provision and protection, and we are so thankful to have you standing with us in this mission for Christ.

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### SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST

Dear Mission Partners

As I finished putting the February–March update together, I received an alert from the orphanage staff. There was another attempted incursion by armed bandits in the area. Thankfully, the police intervened swiftly and repelled the threat — again. We are deeply grateful for God’s hand of protection. They sent me photos showing a bullet casing from a stray shot that pierced the side window of the orphanage bus parked in the yard. No one was nearby when it happened, and we thank the Lord again and again that no one was hurt.

The situation is now under control and calm, and the children and staff are safe.

Please keep the orphanage, our staff, and all of Haiti in your prayers as we continue to pray and hope for things to come under control and the country to reopen.

Thank you for your prayers.

Jacques

