

Greetings to all of you in the Name of the father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit!

I am sure you have had a blessed Christmas and am praying that this New Year brings you many blessings from God.

Last December 31st, 06 we had a very BIG gathering in the city of Gonaives in which all the Pastors, teachers and administrative staff were present. About 200 people were there and we had discussed many topics on how we can improve many things so that the LCH can keep walking in the light of the Word of God while serving God's people. We had adopted five resolutions which will serve as the 2007 short vision:

1. Planting 40 new Mission congregations across Haiti
2. Providing regional training to our Lay Pastors since they cannot come together as a group at Global village because of the kidnapping crisis in the city of Port-au-Prince
3. Encouraging and teaching our members to increase their financial contribution to the Church as the Credit Union program is growing
4. Being open to talk to other Lutheran groups in Haiti and oversea for reconciliation purposes, particularly the ELCH
5. Praying, seeking ways to get a New 320 B Excavator for the Quarry as we realize the quarry is the LCH business that can easily make us becoming a self-supporting Church body.

The above is the five short resolution in which we'll make attempt to achieve for the year 2007. We did talk and reflect on ways to find sponsors from the US and Canada for the 10 congregations that became Lutherans through affiliation with the LCH last December 2006. These 10 congregations make us now a Church body with 160 congregations. It is now our prayer that we find 10 families or individuals who can each support a congregation with \$150 a month for two years. This will make it a total of \$1,500.00 to support 10 congregations and ten schools. Investing such amount in the Lord's kingdom will help to impact and touch many lives as these funds will be used not for salaries, but rather for both our Christian school system and Ministry purposes such as: 1. Getting Bibles for new converts 2. Local Mission and Evangelism 3. Assisting widows and orphans in needs, school tuitions etc...

In case you have a family or someone interested to provide that \$150 monthly assistance to the LCH to sponsor a congregation for 2 years, please get in touch with the HLMCC treasurer, Mr. Paul Klenner. That special sponsorship will put in touch both the congregation and the sponsor. As soon as we find a family or an individual interested to support a Church, we'll be sending the congregation and the school pictures to that person and also the Church address so that there can be a relationship between that Church and the Sponsor. Please pray about this program and talk to your family and friends to support this program.

For the year 2007 we do have a very great and interesting pure water project for our Lutheran schools system. This is a project of \$20,000 for 220 Lutheran schools in the

LCH as well as other Lutheran groups in Haiti. So far Haiti Lutheran Mission Society of Canada has granted \$4000 for the first 50 schools. Thousands of kids die each year in Haiti for drinking dirty water both at school and home. The Biosand filter can be made in Haiti and is practical way to provide good and potable drinking water to the schools and we foresee that in about a year this program can be extended to Lutheran families as there is more and more interest concerning the Biosand water filter program. One or two filters will be installed in each school depending on the school size. We are all very excited about this program and looking forward to start the program this coming March 2007 with Mr. Charles Adams' group who is committed to assist lots of Haitians getting pure drinking water.

Besides being a way for our Lutheran kids to drink good water, the LCH will be also partner with that organization in providing all the materials needed to make the filters. As you know we have the facilities in the concrete business to assist Mr. Adam's organization. For instance our LCH rock crusher can provide the type of sand they would need to make the filter. We can provide cement and rent them a facility so that they can have a secure place to make the filter at a reasonable cost. Please I request your prayers and support for this project.

I do plan a five days trip to go in Florida at the middle of March 07 to get in touch with Reverend Darrel Sthuenberg who will introduce me to a BIG Caterpillar guy who is a Church member at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Davie, FL. I am looking forward for this meeting and pray that God will open a door through that guy so that the Quarry might finally get an Excavator for at a low cost.

May the Lord bless all of you. And many thanks for your monthly faithful support to the LCH. Your financial gifts have blessed and will continue to touch many lives.

In Christ' service,

Reverend Revenel Benoit
President