

2018 Haiti Relief Mission Trip

Dear Family and Friends,

It is hard to believe that this coming January, I will be doing my eighth mission relief trip to Haiti with the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Renewal. Once again, my wife, Helen, and Bob Thompson will accompany me on this trip, and Karen and Mary Fitzgerald will be joining for their first mission trip.

As many of you remember, damage from Hurricane Matthew and the earthquake of 2010 was significant. This year we are scheduled to build 25 houses and many latrines. We are excited to also be building chicken coops so that the Haitians can raise their own egg-laying birds which will go a long way to helping feed their communities.

Your continued financial assistance is critical to our work during these relief missions. Our needs - which continue to grow - include: medicine for the clinic, building supplies for the new houses, latrines and chicken coops as well as food for the families. We provide basic food items such as rice, beans and pasta for hundreds during the food handout. Last year, we fed 2,400 families, and we hope to reach that goal again this year.

All donations are tax deductible. Checks should be made payable to "Friar Suppliers" and mailed back to me at 275 Swamp Road, Fairfax, VT 05454. You will receive a tax form in early February. If you have any questions, please feel free to e-mail me at greghelen@myfairpoint.net or call me at 849-6232. This giving season, we hope that we can count on your continued support of our relief mission.

Thank you once again.

Yours truly,

Greg Hartmann

