

## “Caring for Orphans”

*“Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you.”*

James 1:27 NLT

“On January 12th the nation of Haiti was rocked by a devastating earthquake that literally shook the foundation of that small island country. The 2010 Haiti earthquake was a catastrophic magnitude 7.0 earthquake with an epicenter near the town of Léogâne, approximately 25 km (16 miles) west of Port-au-Prince, Haiti’s capital. The earthquake occurred at 4:53 local time on Tuesday, January 12, 2010. By January 24, at least 52 aftershocks measuring 4.5 or greater had been recorded. An estimated three million people were affected by the quake; the Haitian Government reported that an estimated 230,000 people had died, 300,000 had been injured and 1,000,000 made homeless. They also estimated that 250,000 residences and 30,000 commercial buildings had collapsed or were severely damaged.

We at Light house Christian Fellowship and B.A.S.I.C. College Ministries (Alfred State College/Alfred University) have been invited to partner with one another through Christianville Mission near Gressier, Haiti near Léogâne. The mission was founded in 1978 and operates six schools ranging from primary school through the accredited 4-year Christianville College. Along with their educational emphasis, the staff at Chris-

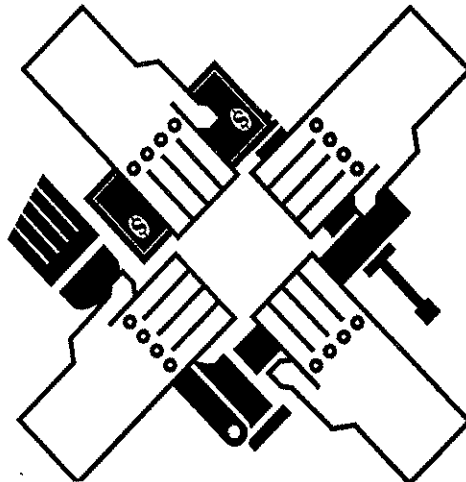
tianville also sponsors a broad agricultural program with FISH Ministries through providing water wells, Tilapia fish ponds, and goat, swine and chicken production. In addition to these services the staff also provides medical, dental and eye clinics in conjunction with Haiti Health Ministries. Approximately 1,800 students are provided with free medical care and receive meals every day.

As a result of the January 12th earthquake, the area around Christianville complex suffered extreme damage. News reports indicated that 80% of the structures in Léogâne had collapsed. The Christianville complex itself suffered extensive

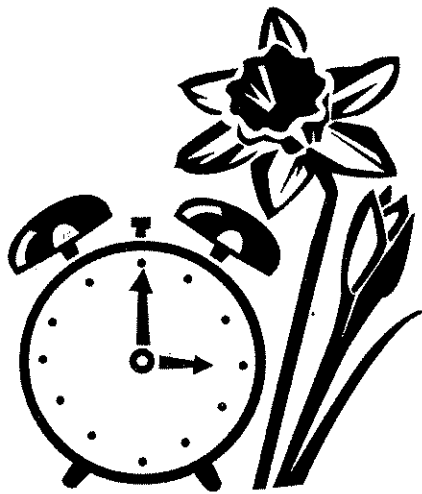
damage to school buildings, dormitories, and medical facilities.

They are beginning to “turn the corner” from humanitarian provision of food, water, medical care and shelter to a rebuilding phase. The teams that we are currently partnering with will participate in this rebuilding phase.

As a result of this invitation we were able to partner with Alfred State College in June 2010 by sending a team from our ministry to follow up on the work begun by two Alfred State construction teams through the removal of debris, production of building materials, and repair of



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Time to  
Spring Ahead

## Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday, March 13

Remember to turn your clocks  
ahead one hour Saturday evening,  
March 12.

## Penn-York Camp's Spring Banquet Friday, April 15 • 7:00 PM

The Spring Banquet is one of Penn-York  
Camp's major events of the year to introduce peo-  
ple to the ministry of the camp and support the  
ongoing outreach and Campership fund.

This year's guest speaker is Jill Kelly, author of  
the recent New York Times best seller, *Without a  
Word*, chairman of the Board of Hunter's Hope  
Foundation, the wife of Buffalo Bills quarterback  
Jim Kelly, and a mother. The event is free, but you  
must have a ticket to attend. For more information  
please see poster located on the bulletin board in  
the foyer.



During periods of hazardous  
weather conditions, please call  
the church (593-5136) or the  
parsonage (593-2537) before  
coming to a service. A message will  
be left on the answering machine if  
a service has been cancelled.

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facilities. While in Haiti a wonderful opportu-  
nity came our way. An invitation was given to  
our team to participate in a Sunday morning  
worship service with the Evangelical Church  
of Jabot, located in a mountainous region  
near Christianville. During this time our  
hearts were knit together with the congrega-  
tion of this rural local church community as  
we worshiped the Lord together. During the  
earthquake their simple yet vital church  
building was totally decimated. This church  
structure was not only used for worship but  
was a center for community fellowship. In  
March of this year we will be sending a con-  
struction team back to Haiti with the goal of  
rebuilding their church facility."

*We are supporting this "caring" work.  
Opportunities to help will begin Sunday,  
February 27. May God guide us, bless  
the team and truly refresh and encourage  
those in "distress".*

— Pastor Mason

Mark your calendars now for . . .

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## RESTORE TOUR: Child Soldier No More



Coming . . .

**Tuesday,  
May 17**

**7:00 PM**

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Church*

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