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Community School is coming...

Since the beginning, we have been educating our younger children on-site at the orphanage. As most of you know, Haiti does not provide public schools for its children. So if parents can't afford to pay tuition, their children do not get the privilege to attend school. Since moving to our property, it has been a dream that we open a community Christian School.

When Haiti is having political issues, schools have to close in order to keep the children safe. This is an election year, so things tend to ramp up. Some of the neighborhood parents have already asked if they can attend school at our ME Orphanage. God is on the run again, and it is time for us to catch up to Him!

Get ready!!! We are building a school! We have had a small board of experienced people in the education field meeting for over a year, and now is the time for you to meet them!



My name is Albert Amling. I have been in Christian Education ministry for 40 years, most of them as an administrator of a Day School. I am currently blessed to be the Principal of

Hales Corners Lutheran School in Hales Corners, WI. I passionately believe that through Christian Education, we can make a difference in this world for Christ. I was blessed to go on a Mission Trip several years ago to our Orphanage in Haiti. Pastor Mike asked us to envision what Mission Experience would look like as we stood on the new site. What I was thinking was not close to what God had in mind, in fact, it wasn't even the same location! I have learned to have faith in the plan that God presents. When Mike asked if I would serve on this school board to investigate starting a school for our orphanage, I knew right away that God had a plan and I wanted to be on board! My prayer is that, together, we can discover just what education plan God has in store for our children! I so look forward to this challenge.

Hello! My name is Jana Horn. I am currently a classroom teacher at Hales Corners Lutheran School in Hales Corners, WI, but have also taught in Germany and Colorado Springs, CO. I have been teaching for over 20 years and was blessed to be named Wisconsin Private School Teacher of the Year in 2016. I was drawn to serve on a mission team to Haiti after my principal, Albert Amling, spoke so passionately about his experience there. Once I went and met the children and staff - I was hooked! To see the love of Jesus in the eyes of the people of Haiti and hear their sweet singing gave me a renewed sense of my own faith. On my second trip to Haiti, I was asked to help train teachers in Haiti and again, it was such a fulfilling experience that energized my own teaching! I hope to be of service as a member of the school board to see God's will come to fruition to bring Christ into more hearts in Haiti.



Bonjour! My name is Kathy Ortiz. I am a retired Special Education teacher. I taught for 40 years in many settings including classrooms, the community and sheltered settings for all ages of the disabled. I have taught in Virginia, Colorado and numerous VBS lessons with the kids at God's Garden in Haiti over the last 8 years, including Zoom. God laid missions on my heart even before I retired. From my first trip in Sept. 2012, I knew I was in the right place. Since then I have followed His lead. The adventure has been amazing. I will continue to teach in Haiti as long as God lets me! I have served on the administrative Board of Directors since Mission Experience began. So when Pastor Mike asked me to be on the Board of Education, I said Yes! My passion is to share the gospel with all people in Haiti but especially the children. Build a school in Haiti.....they will come!!



My name is Teri Lynn Schrag. As a missionary kid from Africa, my heart is in missions and discipleship. Born in Côte d'Ivoire and growing up in Mali, West Africa. I saw in my parents a deep love for the Lord and a profound love for others. Moving back to the United States as a teenager, I am currently the superintendent of a non-denominational Christian school in Nebraska, a pre-K-12th grade school of 427 students. I have worked in Haiti for the past twenty years, with my first trip to train Haitian teachers and more recently with my students from Cornerstone Christian School, Bellevue, Nebraska, on school sponsored missions' trips. I have also traveled to China to teach English and to Taiwan to work at an orphanage in the district of Ilan. Most recently by the Lord's grace, I helped start a Christian school in Blantyre, Malawi, as part of Cornerstone and helped launch a college, dedicated to training discipleship missionaries.

My calling to be part of starting Mission Experience was a brief conversation with Pastor Mike, sitting on the edge of the dining pavilion, one very hot day. We were trying to find some shade in between building the playground and digging holes for some fruit trees. The conversation can best be summed up with the question, "Why not?" Why not start a school? Why not welcome the neighborhood kids? Why not offer the best academics in the region? Why not? And God answered with a resounding, "Yes!"

And the Lord's wonderful purpose and plan for the school is for each part to give Him utmost glory! What a privilege to be a small part of His work!

