



# FOHO MISSIONS

## Friends of Haiti Organization.

Dear friends and supporters of FOHO Missions, Inc.

Hope everyone had a happy thanksgiving and are looking forward to a very merry Christmas. The end of the year is fast approaching and we want to bring everyone up to date with what has been happening in FOHO the last few months.

To begin with, it is with profound sadness we report the loss of another longtime FOHO member and supporter. Dorothy West went home to be with her Lord on Monday November 30, 2015. We will always be grateful for the service of Dorothy and Merle over the many years.

Not everything that has been done this year is included in this one communication, but we will hit some highlights and then continue communicating with you on a more frequent basis.

The annual **FOHO membership meeting** was held on June 20, 2015 in Spring Arbor, Michigan at the Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church. A board of directors was elected as follows; Larry Osborne - President, Phil Beemer - Vice President, Marc Pedlar - Secretary, Karyn Beemer - Treasurer, Danny Dennis - At Large Director, Sue Logeman - At Large Director, and Leland Prebble - At Large Director.

Work continues on our **501(c)3 IRS tax exempt application**. More papers were filed with more to do. As part of this, we have been working with the leadership of the Free Methodist Church in Indianapolis and they are suggesting a couple more changes to our Articles of Incorporation. These will be communicated and approval requested once final wording is agreed upon. Also, work is being done on an updated set of bylaws which should be ready for all to review after the first of the year. This is a huge endeavor in which a volunteer or two that have a "passion for paperwork" to assist in this process would be tremendously appreciated.

As most of you are aware, FOHO recently **purchased property in Tabarre**, a suburb of Port au Prince. The Haiti FMC Conference and Bible Institute needed the space we have been using. There is a river along one border, a hotel and gravel company adjacent and a beautiful view of the mountains. We are getting to know the 'neighbors' as we hire local men to work alongside us. Women and children also stop by to watch the activity and a VBS was held for the children. We are excited to report the property is continuing to move along. Several teams have worked on various projects which include perimeter walls, fencing, excavation, construction of caretaker's house, etc. A well is our next project. Dec 10-15 several board members, along with Russ Cole and Jim Donnelson, will meet in Haiti to finalize property layout and plan for the teams that are scheduled in 2016. *There are still openings for available teams. If your group would like to help on this important step, please contact us!*

*Thank you for your support through going, giving and prayer.*

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