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# The Peart Family On Furlough

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Dear Praying Friends,

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." The passage goes on to explain that there is a season for everything that the Lord brings into our lives. Each season is different, some bringing joy while others bring trials. But Solomon is confident in saying that there is a God-given purpose for each season.

The Haitians in our churches are now celebrating a *Season of Harvest*. Our two church plants each had successful harvest festivals where church members bring a tithe of their gardens as an offering to the Lord. Shortly after the festival at New Life Baptist Church, the money given during the festival was stolen along with all of the school tuition for the year and many school supplies. Please pray that the church will stay encouraged in spite of this difficulty and that the things stolen would be recovered.

We are now ending our *Season of Furlough*. In just over two months we will be back home in Haiti. Repeatedly the Lord continues to remind us that this time away from Haiti was in the center of His perfect will. Not only were we able to recover much needed support for the ministry, but we have seen much fruit from our ministry to the churches, pastors, friends, and family here.

As we end our furlough, we are entering in to a *Season of Preparation* for all that goes into returning to the field. We are assembling much needed items to take back with us. Attached you will find an explanation of how you may be able to help with this seemingly momentous task.

But most importantly, we are looking ahead to a *Season of Building* when we return to Haiti. This coming October, our second church plant will have been meeting under tarps or a pole building for two years. They desperately need a permanent building. We have already set aside two weeks in November where teams are coming to build this church. As of now, we have only about one-fourth of the \$20,000 needed to build this church. Please pray about how you as an individual, church, Sunday School Class, or VBS could partner with us to build Good News Baptist Church. We praise the Lord that this church has continued to grow in our absence. God has a plan for this church, and we would like for you to be a part of that plan.

We cannot forget that we also must extend to you a *Season of Thankfulness* for all of the kind acts you have shown us during our furlough. We cannot express how thankful we are to have crossed paths with you and how thankful we are for the blessing each of you has been to us. May the Lord bless each of you.

Harry, Melissa, Benjamin, Madelyn, Micah, and Bethany Peart

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**February - April 2011**

### *Praises*

- Churches in Haiti still growing
- New Supporting Churches
- Traveling Safety
- Calm Presidential election in Haiti

### *Prayer Requests*

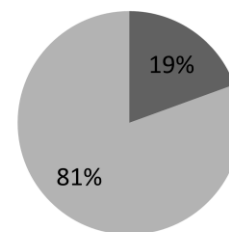
- Traveling Safety
- Funds for Church
- Souls to be Saved
- Monthly Support
- *Continued Revival in Haiti*

### *A Word From Bethany (5):*

One night Bethany was very tired from travelling. She asked, "When are we going home?" I responded, "We'll be back at our trailer on Tuesday." She said, "No, our home in Haiti! That's where we live, you know!" She spoke our sentiments exactly - **We are all ready to get back home to Haiti!**

### Funds for Good News Baptist Church

■ Funds Given ■ Funds Needed



As I mentioned in the letter, we are beginning our *Season of Preparation* to go back to Haiti. The Lord has laid it on our hearts to ship some heavier things on a container. These items are too heavy to be shipped on the airplane because of the cost per pound. Many of these things could be easily found at yard sales, flea markets, or sitting unused in a garage or attic. Here are some of the items that we are looking for as we return.

- School Supplies (pencils, chalk board erasers, pens (mostly blue, but black, red, and green also), pencil erasers, protractors, rulers, compasses, etc.)  
No spiral notebooks or notebook paper
- Wooden puzzles (no cardboard because of the humidity)
- Preschool blocks, wooden lacing cards, or learning games
- Any elementary posters, books, or learning materials **in French**
- Globes
- Bunk beds with mattresses for visiting teams
- 5 gallon buckets, wheelbarrows, shovels, metal rakes, hoes, picks, axes, sledgehammers
- Elementary school desks, tables, and chairs
- 6 foot plastic tables
- Metal folding chairs
- Communion Set
- Accordions or other musical instruments
- Double and twin sheet sets
- Towels and washcloths
- Easel
- Portable canopy or awning

We also have some personal family needs that someone may want to help with.

- A good lab quality microscope for school
- A full-size keyboard or Clavinova for piano lessons
- Canned goods or non-perishable food items (peanut butter, jelly, etc.)

If you would like to help in providing some of these items, please contact us by email at [peartfamily@gmail.com](mailto:peartfamily@gmail.com) or by phone at (864) 884-5072. We would like to have all of these items in South Carolina by July 15 in order to get them packed for the container and to the shipping port before we leave for Haiti on August 11th. Depending upon how many items we receive, the cost of shipping the container could be between \$1500 and \$2000. If you would like to help with this cost, you may send a check to Open Door Baptist Missions, 1115 Pelham Road, Greenville, SC 29615, and write *Peart outfit and passage* on the memo line.

Please pray for us over the next few months as we try to think ahead to all that may be needed in the ministry. Also please pray that we would have strength and wisdom as we pack up our things and get ready to go. We are excited about what the Lord is going to do in our ministry when we return to Haiti, and we would like for you to have the opportunity to be a part of that ministry. Thank you for your prayers and support.

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