



# Newsletter

October 1, 2004

## Orphanage Dedication

Port-au-Prince, Haiti



After 338 Volunteers made a total of 402 individual trips the past 26 months, we were able to dedicate our Haiti adoption center on August 12th. We estimated that there were 250 people present including 41 volunteers from America and several significant Haitian dignitaries. We were especially grateful to share the moment with Mommy, Gina, and Lucien Duncan; the family which donated the land for the facility and kept us housed and fed. This has been a life-long dream of the Duncan's which has awakened our spirits and already brought much joy to our orphans. The day of the dedication we moved our first 14 orphans in to fill the first of 150 beds. 11 of those children are already spoken for! We now have about 14,000 square feet of a beautifully finished facility that will not only serve as an adoption center, but as a center of hope for the community – the facilities include a wing for a school and a clinic.

We estimate that volunteers put in 17,688 hours and another 45,118 hours put in by local Haitians we hired to complete the facility. We delivered two 40 foot containers of supplies by ship to the orphanage and delivered 1146 totes of supplies and aid brought by volunteers by plane. If these totes were placed end to end they would stretch half a kilometer.

We are now pressing forward in Mexico. The board of directors and members of the Mexico committee met with our potential Mexican foundation's board as well as a construction contractor in Tijuana on September 2, 2004. It was a productive meeting. We were also able to spend time on the property ACHF plans to build on. We are waiting for final purchase price on the property before breaking ground, but anticipate having another adoption center very soon.

Thank you everyone for all your dedication and the happiness you have brought many children and future parents, helping create loving families.

## Adoptions & Families

The Directors and staff members at A Child's Hope Foundation are thrilled to announce the first five official ACHF adoptions are underway from TiMache, Haiti. Currently, Crèche De L'enfant Jesus is home to 14 infants and children under the age of six. Several more children are expected to arrive soon. 5 of these beautiful 14 children have been matched with wonderful families and adoptions are formally in process. By December of 2004, it is estimated that the facility will be home to 50



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## NEXT PROJECTS

**Haiti** Oct. 6-15  
Dec. 23-31

**Mexico** Dec. 24-31

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## SPECIAL THANKS



**Brent & Kathryn Pryor Woods**

The board members, directors and staff of A Child's Hope Foundation would like to extend a sincere thanks and special appreciation to the Brent and Kathryn Pryor Woods family for their gracious donations and sacrifice of time, service and selflessness. Recently, several members of the Woods family, along with spouses, traveled to TiMache, Haiti for the official dedication of the first ACHF adoption orphanage. Arriving early, each member worked hard physically along with volunteers and staff members to prepare and make ready the facility for dedication.

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## LIST OF NEEDS

1. Formula
2. Cloth Diapers (and anything that pertains to the process of diaper changing: pins, ointment, wipes, plastic diaper covers)
3. Baby Food (Gerber, etc.)
4. School Supplies
5. Money for items that can only be purchased in the country.



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infants, toddlers and children. Eventually, the orphanage will hold up to 300 children total.

In order to facilitate adoptions as quickly as possible, ACHF has carefully selected 3 adoption agencies to work with. It is the overall goal of ACHF and each agency to bring families and children together, while keeping costs as low as possible. As the number of children increase in our orphanages, so will partnerships with additional adoption agencies who meet only the highest standards of ACHF. In addition, the first PAF (Perpetual Adoption Fund) loan has been allocated to an adoptive couple, allowing them to move forward with the adoption process immediately without having to wait or save additional funds.

Adoption inquiries are being received daily at ACHF and many families have begun taking steps to bring these beautiful children from Haiti into their homes. For additional information about adoption from Crèche De L'enfant Jesus in Haiti, please contact: Holli Karren at 801.427.7158 or hkarren@achf.org.

**(cont. Brent & Kathryn Pryor Woods)**

Tiffany Wood McCarthy and Jay McCarthy swept several floors and made ready the nutrition center for dedication guests. In addition, Angela Wood spent several hours holding and caring for the first children of Crèche de L'enfant Jesus. Each member of this family made amazing contributions of time and love to make the experience a success. As the dedication began, it was a surprise to Kathryn Pryor Woods to have one of the children's wings named in her honor. Without the Wood's family, this day may not have been a reality. We thank them for making a difference in the lives of many children now and many more to come. Thank you.

**- A Child's Hope Foundation**



**What's Happening?**



**Benefit Concert**

October 1, 2004, 8:00pm

Studio A Children's Choir is going to be having a concert at the Provo Tabernacle Friday October 1, 2004 at 8pm. Doors open at 7:30. Admission is \$2 for individuals, \$10 for families. Proceeds will be donated to A Child's Hope Foundation.

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