



*Building lasting relationships  
with a strong foundation in Christ*



## CONGRATULATIONS

It is with great pride that we announce our first graduating class in over 8 years. The staff and students persevered through great hardship to reach this goal. A teacher appreciation event will be held July 16th and high school graduation on July 17th to show our gratitude for their hard work. Thank you to the many donors who have sponsored students and helped provide funding for the school. ♥

## GIVING BACK

Former Damou graduates designed and are leading vocational programs in plumbing, electrical, tile laying, mechanics, window installation, and culinary arts. It is beautiful to see the graduates giving back to the community and providing vital skills to eager students. The top 4 students in each program earned bags filled with supplies and tools to get started in their chosen profession. Thank you to the generous donor who gathered and donated the supplies. ♥

## UNREST AND UNCERTAINTY

The 2021-2022 school year has been a year of the unknowns for the Eugene family and tragedy in Haiti. In July 2021, the president of Haiti was assassinated and then an earthquake hit Haiti in August. Political unrest and gang violence have become the norm. In October, 17 missionaries were abducted and gang violence continues to consume areas of Haiti. Two small aircrafts have crashed resulting in the grounding of most small aircrafts. Locally, the main market was burned and unrest continues to increase.

The Eugenes love the country of Haiti and its people. God continues to call them to serve the people of Haiti, especially in this time of desperate need. But it is not safe for their family to be in Haiti. Loubens and Jessica have alternated stretches of time in Haiti while Philippe (12), LJ (7), and Dianah (2) stay in Columbus, Indiana and attend Hope Elementary School. When the family is together in Indiana, they are in direct contact with the Haitian Damou Christian Mission employees supporting and coordinating the operations of the mission.

This is a tremendous sacrifice on the Eugenes to be apart and away from their Haitian home and family. Please be in prayer for peace and safety to return to Haiti and for the Eugene's to have wisdom and discernment as they seek God's will. ♥



THE EUGENE FAMILY

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**Please pray for the Eugene Family:**  
Loubens, Jessica, Phillippe, LJ and Dianah



## TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS

Ecole Chretienne De Cyvadier school is experiencing major technological improvements. A new computer lab was created with 20 Apple laptops donated by a school corporation in Indiana. A teacher's lounge has been added with internet. Access to technology is enhancing the students' education and resources for teachers. School morale is positive with visions of adding a chemistry lab and solar panels to reduce reliance on fuel. Though the initial cost of adding solar—approximately \$30,000—is high, it would free the school from the impact of fluctuating diesel prices and the unreliable access to fuel. ♥

## BUILDING HOMES

Last August, Le Cayes was hit by a 7.2 magnitude earthquake. IDES (International Disaster Emergency Service) partnered with Damou to build houses in the devastated region. To date, Damou crews have built five homes with more in process. The 8-man Damou crew is led by engineer and former Ecole Chretienne De Cyvadier student, Gerald Jean. The future homeowners join the crew constructing their new home. The homes are built to higher standards to withstand future earthquakes. We are honored to be a part of this. ♥

## A NEW HOME

On August 14th, Emmanuel Lrya was away from his family when the earthquake hit. His wife and three children were in the house when it crumbled on top of them. The youngest child suffered a head contusion and a broken arm. They were able to receive medical attention and returned to create a temporary shelter living on the ground with scrap aluminum siding overhead. Emmanuel worked daily with the building crew mixing cement, lifting blocks, and building a home for his family with pride and a contagious smile. ♥

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray the Eugene family through these tough times and being apart for long periods.
- Pray that Damou can continue providing the basic needs to the Haitian people through its outreach programs (food, water, and medical assistance).
- Pray that God would lead and guide our graduates onto their next step in life.
- We need each of you, more than ever, to keep shining His light in this dark world. **Help us give hope to the Haitian people.**

## CURRENT NEEDS

- Rent and Utilities for the Eugene Family **\$15,100**
- Graduation and Teacher Appreciation Event **\$6,000**
- School Solar Project **\$30,000**
- Student Sponsors **\$30 monthly**

**“Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act.”**

– Proverbs 3:27

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## \$30 A MONTH TO *change a life.*

**Sponsors are needed now more than ever.** Following COVID, sponsorship dropped by 30%. Damou Christian Mission is currently seeking individual sponsors at \$30/month to give Haitian children a Christ-centered education, one meal a day, uniforms, and books. Your gift will impact a child's future. Sign-up today at [damouhaiti.org](http://damouhaiti.org).

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