

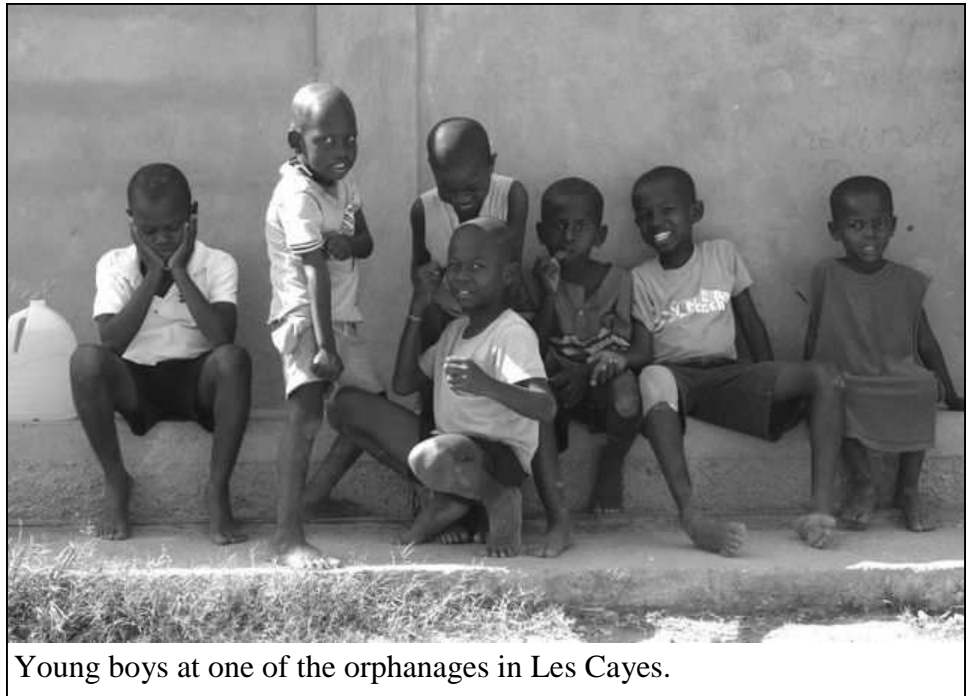
The Water Cooler

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Preparations Continue for Trip to Haiti

In just 5 short weeks four people from CWR will be headed east to Haiti to spend July 11 - 18 in its third largest city, Les Cayes. A great deal of their efforts will be directly or indirectly tied to the tremendous ministry that our Haitian brothers and sister have to the nearly 2,600 orphans in their care. It is for these little ones that most of the medical attention will be focused, and for whom we are seeking to send along quality summer clothing. Pulling this off will take the participation of everyone at City-Wide Redeemer.

Ready to help? Over the counter medicines that still need to be collected for this trip include non-gummy chewable children's vitamins (ex. Flintstones), heartburn medicines such as Prilosec or Ranitidine, allergy meds such as Claritin or Zyrtec (especially those made for children), Children's Tylenol and ibuprofen, Itch-B-Gone, and also meds (the type that don't have to be mixed with water) for eradicating lice.



Young boys at one of the orphanages in Les Cayes.

Other medical supplies that need to be collected include tongue depressors, rubber gloves (all sizes, lightly powdered), pediatric battery operated blood pressure cuffs, and AAA batteries to operate hand-held medical equipment.

In addition to the medicines and medical supplies, our team will be seeking to take along new underwear (all children's sizes), crocks or flip-flops, and summer clothing of all sizes. It is important that the

clothing we send over be new or of good quality, so that it will last, and more importantly because of the lasting message of love that giving them our best will convey.

We will be collecting items each Sunday morning on the back table of the worship space through Sunday, July 5. Please be in prayer for Philip and Philip Jr. Glassmeyer along with Rob and Stacy Arata as they prepare to make this trip. Stay tuned Sundays for further updates.

Our Mission to North Las Vegas (Part 1)

At City-Wide Redeemer we are all about loving and serving God, loving our neighbor, and joining with God in the transformation of this great city, and cities like it around the globe. In fact, by intentionally equipping and setting God's people free to use their gifts on God's mission we hope to plant four more churches in N. Las Vegas, and two churches internationally, by the year 2013.

The relationship between responding to Jesus with love and reverence, loving our neighbor, and seeing the transformation of our city is not difficult to see. But we can't skip past the most important link in the chain. The gospel has got to first change us. Then, as we are changed by the gospel, our homes, workplaces, neighborhoods and cities are transformed, and the kingdom of God is increasingly visible.

It is too easy for men and women to jump on board with a social vision of change and become excited about it. We can observe that phenomenon in our own country every time a national election comes around. But we are not disciples of a vision. We are disciples of the resurrected

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Lord who is inviting us into His vision of a new creation. It is Jesus who said, "Behold, I am making all things new."

Mother Teresa, one of the most visible agents of transforming love to hurting communities around the world, under-

stood this. She said of herself, "By blood and origin I am Albanian. My citizenship is Indian. I am a Catholic nun. As to my calling, I belong to the whole world. As to my heart, I belong entirely to the heart of Jesus."

In order for us to be making the right kind of impact in the world we need to be living out of a vibrant and interactive relationship with our Lord. This way what we

have to offer others will be a natural outflow of the life we are living in Christ. This way we will be constantly motivated by His grace and living out of His acceptance, allowing us to live the kinds of lives that demand an explanation.

We must constantly return to the solid and unbreakable realities of

how God already relates to us in Christ Jesus in order to move with power, boldness, and security toward the hurting world where Jesus takes us.

When Jesus was prepping his disciples one day he told them this: *"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ...As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."*

Desiring to see churches planted, and our city transformed, is a right vision, but only because the vision belongs to Jesus. Our first step in walking forward to see this become reality is a daily, deepening relationship with Jesus through the reading of his word and prayer. If you want to learn about how you can have a more vibrant relationship with Jesus through reading the Bible and prayer, feel welcomed to contact one CWR's pastors today.



General Budget	May	YTD 2009
Local Offering	\$ 11,850.73	\$ 56,147.04
*Outside Support	\$ 8,905.00	\$ 54,341.00
Earned Interest	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.42
Income Total	\$ 20,755.73	\$ 110,488.04
Expenses	\$ 21,343.89	\$ 111,313.69
Surplus/Deficit	\$ (588.16)	\$ (825.65)
Community/Mercy Ministry	May	YTD 2009
Mercy Giving	\$ 1,054.00	\$ 6,094.00
Mercy Expenses	\$ 2,894.67	\$ 5,641.17
Surplus/Deficit	\$ (1,840.67)	\$ 452.83

* Outside support comes from individuals and churches around the country who sacrificially give to this work until the CWR budget is able to be supplied in full by its local members. For more information on how these monies are used visit the website (www.CityWideRedeemer.com) and click on the “Common Questions” link.

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