



# MISSIONMATTERS

Allegany Region Missions provides a multi-denominational Christian mission ministry to the needy of the world, through a focus on mission projects and programs in medical care, surgery, construction and education.

## HEART FOR HAITI

January 12, 2010 will remain in the memories of many who were overwhelmed by the Haiti earthquake tragedy. Many of you reading this article have been on mission trips and have been touched directly by the beautiful and resilient Haitian people. Allegany Region Missions (ARM) has been praying for a way to make a difference in the lives of the Haitian people and also help Christian Service International (CSI) in its efforts to **rebuild and grow** its ministry in Haiti. The result of prayer and action is the **Heart for Haiti** Campaign.

ARM's ministry has been blessed many times over by **cooperative work** with CSI. Without CSI and its infrastructure and missionaries in Haiti, ARM would have no viable ministry in a nation of people we have come to treasure. As CSI rebuilds, ARM will also be able to serve in Haiti wherever our Lord leads. To this end, ARM has made a commitment to CSI to raise \$250,000 toward this goal.

How will this \$250,000 goal be met? It will be met with the cooperative fund raising efforts of churches, organizations and individuals who have been blessed by CSI and Haiti, and by those who desire to help, in even a small way.

The funds raised in this campaign are earmarked for special CSI Haiti projects: 1) the repair and restoration

of **team housing**, 2) the clinic's **health care response** to the earthquake displaced and injured, 3) support of the **Community Relief** program assisting neighbors to help neighbors rebuild, and 4) the exciting goal of **building a school** in Galette, Haiti.

How can you help? Have you been touched by the earthquake devastation and want a way to respond? Have you been to Haiti and know first-hand the amazing and precious people of Haiti? Join this Heart for Haiti endeavor.

**Contact ARM** for \*bulletin inserts, \*donation envelopes, \*posters, and a 5-minute \*PowerPoint presentation set to music telling of this vital project. There is also a group of speakers willing to come to your venue to share this vision of hope.

Together we can help rebuild...empower...give hope.



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we can help

**REBUILD...  
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GIVE HOPE.**

### Upcoming 2010 Mission Trips

October 2—9: HAITI Charlie Hodges, leader  
Construction on the new H.O.P.E. orphanage; other team focuses added with people and interest. **MANY OPEN POSITIONS AVAILABLE.**

October 30—November 6: HAITI Molly Lindberg, leader  
Mobile Medical — **TEAM IS FULL ; needed 1 Doctor or Nurse Practitioner**

## The Container Arrived!

Thank you to all who had a part in donating items, packing hours and muscles, and to those who prayed the container safely to Haiti. The container is now on CSI property in Croix-des-Bouquet, Haiti, and everything made it—no damage!



Special thanks to Allied Alarm Services for donating the space to package and store all the donated items, and to Jamestown Container for donating dozens of custom size boxes made to fit the packaging needs of the items being shipped.

Included in the shipment were: 350 sets of crutches, 200 walkers, 70 canes, 60 boxes of surgical, cast and medical supplies, 2 small refrigerators, 1 small freezer, 4 file cabinets, 3 washing machines, 1 lawn mower, 14 boxes of bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, 180 gallons of paint, 250 lbs of dog food, miscellaneous tarps and tents, 3-100' hoses, 2 bathtubs & 2 anesthesiology machines with parts & supplies.

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## ARM Depot Update

by Chuck Lindberg



The Depot store in Randolph continues to fulfill Sam Huffman's vision and mission by marketing and/or giving away gently-used clothing and household items to those less fortunate and in need.

Two notable things have occurred recently: 1) We have incorporated a 6 cu.yd. dumpster into our operation. Despite our best efforts to limit donations to useful and resalable items, we still find unusable items on our doorstep. 2) Another part-time volunteer sales person has joined us, bringing the total volunteer staff to four. We are open 5 days per week, so this helps tremendously.

One struggle we have is disposing of large electronic items (TVs, computer monitors, etc.). Presently we take them to the Transfer Station, however, there is a \$5 charge per unit. Does anyone have a better solution?

I would like to conclude this report with quotes by Rev. Amy Rohler, Director of Community Helping Hands who challenged that Board with these questions: "Do our structures and policies reflect the Kingdom or this world? What is the Kingdom way of empowering people to help themselves and others? What is the Kingdom way of meeting needs for clothing and household items? What is the Kingdom way of helping people in poverty?"

Send me your comments and suggestions through ARM or stop by the Depot store to chat sometime.



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In love He predestined us to be adopted as His sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with His pleasure and will—to the praise of His glorious grace, which He has freely given us in the One He loves. Ephesians 1:5-8