



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.

ARM Depot Update Selling Gently-used Items in Jesus' Name A Special Thank You to the Volunteers

There are 3 hardworking volunteers in the ARM Depot that deserve a standing ovation for their work and dedication.

Thank you!

Mary Jo Lindberg
Margo Doner
Josefa "Josie" Pence



These ladies make sure the Depot is staffed every Tuesday through Thursday, from 9am to 2:30pm, they inventory all items donated that day, sort, hang and display items, record all sales, and keep the store clean and inviting. All of this is done with a loving Christian example and interactions with customers. A word of encouragement, empathy and listening ears have made them treasured by those who visit the store and by ARM.

Recently, through the leadership of Mary Jo, the ARM Depot volunteers were able to help the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) by donating needed clothing items. As Mary Jo said, "We all received the bag in the mail to fill with used clothing. We were excited to help fill a good portion of their truck with bags and boxes of clothing! God has His reason's for the store and He shows me in time what needs to be done. I am glad to be able to help."



Mary Jo preparing items for the VVA

We also cannot forget to thank Charles Lindberg for his infectious love for his fellow man and his tireless overseeing of the daily needs and duties for the Depot. Thank you Chuck!

The Lord continues to bless ARM, the staff of volunteers and the people of Randolph and surrounding areas who visit and donate to the ARM Depot. As Mr. Lindberg stated, "Problems do present themselves daily, but through God's boundless grace they are resolved (most often not as we expect) but none the less amazingly."

Always needed: Infant and toddler clothing (all sizes) and supplies (baby blankets, play-pens, walkers, high chairs, etc.).



Learn more about the Depot ministry on its web-page:
www.armissions.org/local_regional.htm

ARM Depot, Main Street, Randolph, NY
Tuesday-Thursday, 9am-2:30pm

Lazarus Project—Haiti

Local Members to Help with Clinic Construction

A group of 14 individuals will be traveling to the Village of Hope in the Ganthier region of Haiti (15 miles from Port-au-Prince and near Crois-des-Bouquet) to help with the construction of a new medical clinic. The team will be in Haiti from October 29—November 5 and will be lead by Jeff Ireland.

This team made up of people from 5 different states has many skilled workers who will be helping with plumbing, electrical work and building cabinets for the new medical clinic on the Village of Hope school campus. **Please pray** for the whole team, including the local members: Jeff, Doug, Steve, Steve, Bert and Mary—from Panama United Methodist Church; Ralph from Warren; Jim and Brian from Kidder United Methodist Church; and Rick from Bemus Point United Methodist Church.



Village of Hope clinic under construction. Work on the 2nd floor has just begun.



The Lazarus Project of the Village of Hope ministry includes the Village of Hope school and clinic, University Scholarship program, and continued support of the Little Children of Jesus home for handicapped children.

ARM's connection to the Village of Hope is through Bert and Roberta Anderson, missionaries with VOH who also happened to be from Sherman, NY and were past board members of ARM!



Roberta with school children on the first day of school.

Cattaraugus Youth Make a Difference—Good Job!!

Remember back to August 13, 2009....42 Cattaraugus youth raised money for the children of the H.O.P.E. Orphanage for Girls in Haiti (ministry of Christian Service International, CSI) following the devastating earthquake that January. The youth spent the night in Haitian-style hand-made tents and sponsors supported their endeavor, raising over \$2040. The money was used to place furnishings in the “adopted” library and play gallery. The following update is from an e-mail interview with Toby Banks, director of the orphanage.

ARM: Tell us about the library. Toby: “We “finished” the room this week, still some shelves and handles to put on. Homework table and computers were all set up today (10/11/11). The big girls did homework there today and we had English class there for the younger girls since the English room is still under construction.



ARM: What do they like best? Toby: “They love to go through the books and tell stories. They can’t wait to get going on the computers.”

ARM: How is the play gallery? Toby: “Their favorite thing to do in the gallery is to jump rope. The gallery has been great since we don’t have grass yet and it has been rainy and muddy. They get their outside time there.”



ARM: What do you still hope to do? Toby: “We are looking at using the gallery area for some outreach activities. Once the evening rains stop, we’d like to begin showing movies to the neighborhood kids. Our dream is to get a popcorn machine and raise some funds to serve popcorn at the movies.”

ARM: Other info/news? Toby: “The 4 oldest girls are attending Faith Academy so it’s been great to see them make friends and interact with peers, plus get outside the walls and see some of the real world.”



Building a School in Haiti ~~ Keep Praying.

The search for the perfect piece of land to build the new Mixte La Trinite Chretienne (Trinity Christian Mixed School (boys & girls)) in Gallette, Haiti, continues by Pastor Bernato and the school board.

ARM is patiently (and not so patiently) waiting for the project to “take off.”

Bert Rappole (ARM President) and Mary Rappole will be traveling to Haiti in October and will meet with Pastor Bernato to obtain a first-hand update. The core foundation of this project is for the Haitians to take the primary role in the purchasing of land, the planning and building of the school with the support of ARM. As the project moves at a slower rate that we Americans are used to, we need to remind ourselves that God is in control, no matter the pace. ☺

Trinity Guitars

Helping the Gallette School One T-shirt at a Time

Having traveled to Haiti for mission work, Jim Holler, owner of Trinity Guitars in Jamestown, wanted a way to help raise funds for projects that would directly help this needy people and nation. Jim contacted a famous guitar company and asked them for their help; they sent T-shirts. In order to add pizzazz to these shirts, a friend of Jim’s tie-dyed the white shirts with wonderful, colorful results.



At \$15 per shirt, little-by-little, Jim’s fundraising has made a difference in Haiti for the H.O.P.E. Orphanage and he is now raising funds for the Gallette School building project. As Jim tells, “A big thank you goes out to all the folks who stopped in and purchased a shirt. It is a lot of small contributions that will add up to help complete a project like the school.” Jim also shared that several people have made larger donations once they learn of the purpose for the funds. “It is so rewarding to share the stories of the children we serve and to have folks respond with a shirt purchase and donations,” Jim says.

There are still plenty of shirts available for Haiti mission fundraising. Stop in at Trinity Guitars to get your shirt and help the children of Haiti.

Jim Holler is a Luthier (makes and repairs stringed instruments) and the owner of Trinity Guitars on 3rd Street in Jamestown, NY.

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Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy name.
Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all His benefits— Psalm 103: 1-2