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Haiti Need: \$72,000

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- Church planting
- Evangelism
- New fields
- Leadership development — superintendents and pastors stipends
- Leadership development — Bible school
- Leadership development — Bible school facilities operations
- Community transformation — Dessalines Rural Health Project
- Community transformation — Community development

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Haiti



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General Conference

- Population: 11,644,000 (36% urban)
- Major City: Port-au-Prince (1.7 million)
- Evangelical Christians: 17.53%
- Work Opened: 1964
- FM Churches: 141
- FM Membership: 33,771
- Bishop: Eliodor Devariste



Bishop Eliodor Devariste

The Free Methodist Church in Haiti

Origins

The Free Methodist mission in Haiti began in 1964 when Mildred Norbeck, a Free Methodist, turned over the independent mission she had founded to Free Methodist World Missions. The first Free Methodist church was organized in Port-au-Prince with 12 members. Miss Maxine Riddle, who had served with the original mission, was the first appointed missionary. In four years, the conference grew to 694 members. A Bible school was opened and primary schools started.

Present Ministries

Haiti has been plagued by political instability, gang activity, violence and rampant kidnappings in the last year. In recent years, the country has also suffered several natural disasters, including hurricanes and earthquakes. Many destroyed buildings and churches have been rebuilt in better, larger locations. These events, coupled with the pandemic, have only intensified the challenges within this nation. The church has a crucial role in bringing hope. International Child Care Ministries sponsors nearly 7,000 Haitian children, and many churches operate primary schools. Nine secondary schools, a Bible school, Haiti Providence University, and Dessalines Rural Health Program and Hospital serve the educational, health and spiritual needs of thousands. Years of missionary investment are bearing fruit as responsibility and direction have shifted to Haitian leaders. The FMC in Haiti became a general conference in June 2015.

Pray for:

- the Dessalines Rural Health Program as it continually struggles to provide care in a cash-poor environment
- ongoing recovery from natural disasters, the pandemic and unrest that have occurred over the past several years
- the sustained growth of children, in both numbers and maturity
- safety, comfort, perseverance and wisdom for the Haiti ICCM staff