

# Merger Student Sponsorship

## Thank You for Your Support

Thank you to everyone who financially and prayerfully supported the building fund for new classrooms in Merger. Construction on the next kindergarten building is scheduled to begin in September! It has taken a few months to get things started due to some changes happening at the school. A board of nine people, including Mason Young, Jeff Tompkins, and John Dryden, was recently established to oversee the running of CENV and to help Johny. Wadestrant (Wawa) Jean-Baptiste will be leading the board as chairman. We are thankful that God has brought this group of godly men together to lead CENV.



### “Bouje Ko Pou Gen Bon Sante: Moving Your Body for Better Health.”

For almost a year, Lauren has been leading a Saturday morning exercise class for ladies in the community around the STEP campus (see above). This past April, she and her sister, Meg, along with these ladies, put on a three day seminar to introduce women in the surrounding areas to the idea of taking care of themselves through nutrition and exercise. It was a success! During the three days the ladies were given physical exams that included blood pressure, blood sugar, height, and weight. Lauren shared delicious and nutritious recipes (i.e. potato salad made with avocado instead of mayonnaise) and they participated in group exercises. What a great way to introduce these ladies to the idea that taking care of themselves can be a fun! If you would like to read the blog posts that Meg wrote about the seminar you can find them at <http://itstheyounglife.com/do-you-know-the-muffin-man/>



### Praises:

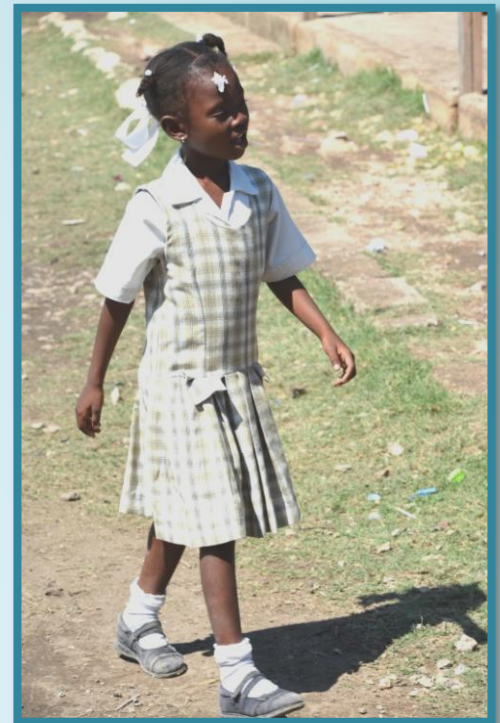
- **Praise** for the new board for CENV and the added help it will bring to Johny and Rosadite.
- **Praise** that construction on the new building in Merger will begin in September.
- **Praise** for the success of Lauren’s recent health seminar.

### Prayers:

- **Pray** for the students and their families – for spiritual growth, health & safety as they prepare to begin a new school year.
- **Pray** for health and safety for Johny & Rosadite as they continue to expand their ministries in Haiti.
- **Pray** for Lauren as she continues to build relationships with the ladies in Haiti.
- **Pray** for the next G.O. Team that heads to Haiti on September 30.

## Christmas in August

I know the sun is shining, the flowers are blooming and the beach is calling...but for just a moment, let's think about Christmas. Every year the Glenwood family contributes money that supports a Christmas party for the students, teachers and families of CENV. The party is full of awards, Bible stories, songs and a hot meal for everyone. This is also the time when each student receives a gift and what excitement that brings! Due to the fact that purchasing the gifts for so many students takes time and the price of merchandise goes up the closer it gets to Christmas, we send our contributions in September which means that now is the time to donate if you would like to do so. To support this event, please designate your contributions "Merger Christmas Party" and drop them in the offering bags or bring them to the church office. Thank you for your generosity and support!





# For the kids

(or the kids at heart)

In just a few short weeks, students here and in Haiti will head back to school (I know... I wish summer could last forever too)! Below is a word search puzzle with words associated with heading back to the classroom. Let's see how many you can find!

## Back to School

S B W L V K S S V T M M I S U  
P D T A Y C L R V A U C E S Q  
X E Y M I M J E T S W Y T E P  
V J N E F V J H I K J N Q C B  
D M N C C A E C P T E U J E H  
R C O K I M W A G D V A W R V  
E S L O A L S E U D U K W W C  
T F D T R K S T Y R O T S I H  
P E I N O S S U N I F O R M S  
P C S O E N S T R A P P E W S  
S O B T M I E A U J A D A G W  
Q Z A B S Y R W L F P G D G N  
L U N C H W K F O C E J I H T  
D F D G Q S V T Q R R G N R L  
D R A O B K L A H C W O G R Z

ART  
CLASSROOM  
LUNCH  
PAPER  
RECESS  
TEACHERS

BOOKS  
FRIENDS  
MATHEMATICS  
PENCILS  
SCIENCE  
TESTS

CHALKBOARD  
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