



# Hope Collective

## A New Look for the Same Purpose



**HOUSE OF HOPE**

We wanted to give our newsletter a new look and theme - something we could refer back to time and time again. We landed on "Hope Collective!" We believe that as a group and with our combined efforts, we can work alongside our friends in Haiti to provide resources, opportunities, encouragement, and hope in Jesus. You are part of that group, and we are so thankful! We can all do so much more together than we can individually.

"Hope" has been a theme within the organization since its origin in the 1970s. We want to carry that on, and do our part to maintain that legacy. Hope is referenced numerous times in the Bible. It's referenced as a characteristic of God, and also as a peace we can find with God. We want to ensure that anyone who sets foot on our property feels the hope of God, and hears about the hope He offers. We are grateful for the ways you partner with us in that!

You'll also notice an updated logo! We worked with a talented designer, Jordan, to come up with a symbol that encompasses House of Hope at a quick glance. Jordan is also helping us redesign our website, so be on the lookout for its launch very soon! The web address will be the same ([houseofhopetabarre.org](http://houseofhopetabarre.org)).

It's a joy to serve with each of you! Enjoy the rest of your summer!



**KATE CLARK**  
Programs Manager

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# Light in the Dark

Travel all over the world has been hard lately for everyone. I really miss getting to see the people of Haiti, and all of our girls and staff frequently. But that is what makes getting to go back even more special right now! In March, I was able to visit Haiti for a week and it was so good to be back! We have been working really hard to keep the house at full operation during these tough times, and I am happy to report that everything is safe and sound inside the walls of House of Hope.

I'm sure that most of you, if not all, have heard by now that Jovenel Moise, President of Haiti, was assassinated in his home on July 7th. Tension has been high as the people don't know what the next day could bring. We ask that you continue to keep Haiti and House of Hope in your prayers. We are grateful to those that have been asking how they can help. There's no simple solution that any of us can provide. We know that the work at House of Hope will keep marching on to ensure that the girls, staff, and neighbors receive tools and resources they need to grow, thrive, and succeed despite the obstacles that continue to be thrown in their path.

We are confident that Haiti will rise. The resiliency of her people is unmatched.

Unfortunately, the tension and uncertainty did result in closing school for the remainder of the year. Eduar will be reaching out and recruiting people to teach the girls some skills to keep their hands and brains busy. They will have the opportunity to bake, sew, and make jewelry. We are proud of the family atmosphere that has grown even deeper, despite all of the hardship they've endured over the last few years.

Youth group is continuing to gather weekly. Their love of worship and fellowship is such a bright spot in the community. I have been working with Eduar to help him create sermon plans and write sermons. I had the privilege of preaching while visiting in March, and on a day where some tragic violence had occurred throughout the country, I witnessed 80 Haitians, with their eyes closed and hands raised, worshipping with a hope that is found in Christ. The youth that I have had the privilege of interacting with give me a lot of hope for the future of Haiti.

As always, thank you so much for all the love and support we receive. Our work and the spread of the Gospel in our little corner of Haiti is made possible because of your faith in Christ and support of His work! Thank you!



*The Youth Group averages 80 in attendance each week!*

*"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."*

*-Romans 15:13*



**PAUL CLARK**  
Executive Director



# Hope Stories



In each issue moving forward, we're going to highlight one of the House of Hope girls, a staff member, or a friend from the community. Their lives reflect so much resilience and faith; we hope you are encouraged by them, and will continue praying for them.

## Sophia - House of Hope

My birthday is on March 22nd, and I am 20 years old.

I am studying medicine at university. I would like to work on my professional knowledge, and someday I'd like to have my own clinic to help people who don't have means, and to help underprivileged children. I would like to ask everyone to pray that God will always keep me in His presence, that He keeps my steps, and that He accompanies me throughout my life. The thing that is bringing me the most hope and most joy is singing for God!



Summer fun!



Swimming and card games are always a hit!



Don't forget to find us on social media!



We're so excited that we have been blessed with ten laptops! They are all equipped with English and computer skills teaching programs. These programs can equip the girls with a skill that could help them find employment in the future.

## *In Loving Memory - Carl Vorst*



Carl Vorst, faithful servant to House of Hope for over 25 years, passed away in early June. While we rejoice in his full healing and his reunion with Jesus, he will be deeply missed. As Executive Director, he and Carole faced many challenges and obstacles, but never gave up.

They helped grow House of Hope into what it is today.

Carl's tenacity, passion, kindness, humor, and love will have a lasting impact on House of Hope for years to come. The heart and soul he put into this work certainly changed many lives.

We are grateful to have known and served alongside him, and we are sure many of you could say the same.

Carole and their son, Matt, provided us with these photos from over the years. They're a beautiful display of the heart and dedication Carl put into his work in Haiti, and the bright light he was to all who knew him. Please continue to pray for his family, and all those who loved him.

