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Send a poor Haitian child to school

It's their best hope for a better life

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Wilgens Civil St. Joseph Parish School

Dear

As we continue our journey through this pandemic, we pray that you are safe and that the coronavirus has not adversely affected you nor your family.

I am writing because it is time for our Education Campaign for our twin parish in Haiti. The purpose of the campaign is to provide an education to students in our three elementary schools and to offer tuition scholarships to those able to go on to high school. Without your continued support, lack of education can adversely affect the children and the community.

Through your generous donation we have been able to educate elementary and high school students. For various reasons not everyone goes on to high school and some go to high school but don't graduate.

In setting up our 5-year vision we realize that many of our students are leaving school without a skill. While we can't afford to set up a trade-school at this time, we hope to set up a few areas of vocational training in the near future. Doing this will require additional funding for equipment and certified teachers. You can make this happen! We invite you to join us on this exciting venture and in continuing to support all of our students.

Your gift of \$65 will provide a year of schooling for Wilgens and others like him. A gift of \$130 will send a student to high school.

By sending your gift today, you can be assured that everything will run smoothly when school resumes in September:

- Teachers will receive training during the summer.
- Each elementary child will receive a book bag.
- Learning supplies will be available in each classroom.
- Each child will receive a nutritious lunch to help them focus on learning.
- Each elementary child will receive fabric for a new uniform and, if needed, a new pair of shoes for the long walk to school.

You may contribute to Wilgens' education by returning the enclosed reply envelope or by selecting "donate" on our website, <u>www.helpinghugsinc.org</u>.

Yes, you are a very important person in the life of a Haitian child in our twin parish. Your gift demonstrates that you care and that you want life to be better for them each day. <u>Please send your gift today</u>.

Gratefully,

Jan LaBoone, EducationChair

P.S. Did you know that some employers will match your donation? That will double your gift! Be sure to ask.