

Twin Parish News

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A partnership between St. William and St. Joseph, Côtes-de-Fer, Haiti



Because You Remained Committed

January invites us to pause, not to tally accomplishments, but to **give thanks for faithfulness**. Since 2009, the people of St. William Parish have been twinned with St. Joseph Parish in Côtes-de-Fer, Haiti, walking together through years of challenges and hope. In 2016, we began this newsletter as a way to share that journey with you. The work has continued—quietly, steadily, and with care - **because you remained committed.**



Father Faustin and community members gather at the opening of a new well in Renard, 2025

Clean water continues to flow at St. Joseph Parish, supporting health, dignity, and daily life—made possible through years of steady support. ***Because you remained committed.***

Because You Remained Committed, Learning Continued



In 2025, classrooms of St. Joseph Parish remained opened with students ready to learn. Teachers showed up day after day, offering instruction, encouragement, and care in ways that are often unseen but deeply formative.

Progress here is rarely dramatic, but it is real. Learning continued, and children were given **steady the gift of education** shaped by patience and dedication - **because you remained committed.**



Faithfulness, practiced daily.

Because You Remained Committed, Roots Took Hold

*Your commitment didn't just maintain what existed —
it made it possible to **build something new and lasting.***



Through the Agroforestry **Tree Currency Program**, families at St. Joseph Parish continue the slow work of **restoring land and securing food for the future**. Trees are planted, cared for, and protected—not for immediate gain, but for what they will become. This work requires trust, time, and effort. Farmers are investing in their land and choosing to build a future where they are - **because you remained committed.**



Tree seedlings grown and distributed
through the community nursery

Because You Remained Committed, Care Did Not Stop



In a place where medical access is fragile, your commitment made it possible for people with hypertension to be seen regularly, monitored carefully, and treated consistently. Blood pressure was checked. Medication was provided. Follow-up mattered.

This kind of care is quiet. It does not make headlines. But it **saves lives**.

Health became something that could be sustained - **because you remained committed**.



Nurse Angela visits three times a year.

Because You Remained Committed, St. Joseph Parish now has reliable Power and Connection



Solar panels provide steady electricity for the church—light for prayer, gatherings, and celebrations no longer dependent on daylight or chance. A **satellite internet connection** at the rectory makes communication dependable, allowing parish leaders to stay connected and respond in a timely way.

These improvements are not simply technical. They **strengthen relationships, support ministry**, and make daily parish life possible.

The parish is lit, connected, and able to move forward with confidence - **because you remained committed.**



Because You Remained Committed, the Daily Life of the Parish Continues with Care and Stability

Administrative support keeps the parish functioning and resources well used. **Food** is shared with families in need, offered simply and with dignity. Routine **maintenance of automobiles and motorcycles** allows parish leaders to reach chapels, visit the sick, and remain present across a wide and challenging landscape.

These are not visible achievements, but acts of faithfulness that sustain the church from the inside out. Ministry continues—quietly, reliably, and with compassion—**because you remained committed.**



Because You Remained Committed



Education continues. Health is protected. Water flows. Lights turn on. Communication remains possible. Food is shared. Ministry reaches across distance and need.

These are not single achievements. They are **the fruit of years of faithfulness.**

What has endured is not a project, but a relationship—imperfect, tested, and real. Through uncertainty and challenge, you did not turn away. You stayed engaged. You continued to care.

Lives are better today not because everything is solved, but because something has lasted.

Because you remained committed.

Thank you for walking with us.



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