

Malcolm's *Haiti Update*



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YWAM Haiti's Response to the Earthquake

"The vision is to cease the day, following the Jan 12th 2010 Earthquake, by revitalizing the Haitian Christian community and partnering with the global Church and YWAM ministries to disciple the nation. With hope of seeing total transformation using the three fold ministry of YWAM of mercy works, training and evangelism. We believe that every YWAM base and Church each play a unique role in this revitalization process."



The goal of YWAM's ministries is to focus on St Marc, and the surrounding area, to use this as a model of where God can transform a city. YWAM has been established in St Marc for over twenty years and has a large thirty acre site that is being used to support YWAM

ministries. Lead by Terry Snow, National Director for YWAM Haiti, the YWAM staff has great respect in this city, not only with the local Church, but also government agencies. With the Haitian government and the UN trying to encourage one million people to move out of the capital, Port au Prince, this places YWAM St Marc in an ideal location to minister to the many thousands of displaced persons that are moving into the area. YWAM Haiti also has two other smaller bases in Gonaives and Port au Prince.



For the first week, of my time in Haiti, I was working alongside Terry to pull together a research document for YWAM International. The scale of the disaster is so great that the international leadership of YWAM are coming together to determine a long term response to the disaster.



Working alongside a photo and video team we have worked tirelessly to capture the vision that God has for this nation and for the needs of the Haitian people. With Terry now away at the long term planning meetings, I have agreed to extend my stay in Haiti and will be here until the 23rd March.



Until now the 10,000 to 20,000 estimated displaced persons in St Marc have been housed in schools, churches and family homes. The situation has become saturated and the need of temporary shelter has arisen. Over these next two weeks I am responsible for setting up tent communities to start housing these people. We now have around 600 people occupying 54 tents at three different locations. Within a week we are expecting to have another 150 tents installed. The task is great in working out land acquisitions, water sources, constructing toilets and hosting visiting teams coming to erect the tents. Not to mention attending UN coordination meetings and talking with various other agencies that are just starting to migrate towards the St Marc area.



Over these next two weeks I ask that you continue to keep me and the Haitian people in your prayers. God Bless, Malcolm

SUCCESSES

Since the earthquake has struck YWAM has seen some miracles:

Over 15 trucks of food, fuel and supplies were driven overland from the Dominican Republic in the days immediately following the earthquake.

Hosted over 750 people, representing 100 different teams or groups.

Received 37 containers of relief supplies (some on behalf of other ministries) via the port in St Marc.

Received a fully functioning ambulance from YWAM's Mercy Trucks.

Received a large circus tent from YWAM's Mercy Works to be used a food distribution center.

Received 200 hoop tents to be used as temporary shelters.

Established a new medical clinic in St Marc and treated thousands of people.

Hosted hundreds of displaced persons in the YWAM campus before relocating them to temporary shelters.

Have the cooperation of 60 local pastors who are caring for displaced persons and assisting in the food distribution.

Received 30,000 Meals Ready-to-eat (MRE's).

Received 60 tons of rice, beans, oil and salt from the World Food Program (WFP).

Registered over 9,000 displaced persons and established their eligibility to receive aid.

Have hosted a medical clinic at a police station near the National Palace in Port au Prince.

Have had the opportunity to present the gospel in the camps and people coming to receive aid supplies.



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