

The Port-au-Press

Training Pastors and Empowering Youth to Transform Communities for Christ

The Zuiderveens in Port-au-Prince, Haiti

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Church and Community Transforming Together

Community transformation begins in the church. In partnership with a church in Canada, our team worked with the Christian Reformed Church of Haiti to provide opportunities for transformation in Jacmel, Haiti.

We were able to work together to create a community bank, build a new church structure, distribute seeds to farmers who had lost their crops to a hurricane, train church leaders with Timothy Leadership Training, and empower youth through training local leaders for IMPACT Clubs.

This is one of the ways that we partner with local churches to help equip them to be a transformative presence in their communities. *Is this something that your church would be willing to consider?* Through visits, prayers, donations, and correspondence, your church could partner with one of these congregations to transform their community. Email me at czuiderveen@crcna.org to learn more!



New Church Construction just outside of Jacmel

Unrest and Rest

Thank you for all of your prayers during the recent unrest in Port-au-Prince! In the midst of this time, the Lord provided a wonderful week of rest at our annual regional retreat with Resonate. This year our regional team (41 of us, counting the kids!) gathered in Queretaro, Mexico, for four days of learning, exploring, praying and resting.



Zuiderveens with honorary family member, Johnny

It is always encouraging to hear the ways the Lord is moving throughout our region. Young people are being empowered, pastors are being trained, churches are being planted, and lives are being surrendered to Christ. Thank you for your faithful partnership with us in the extraordinary work of proclaiming the gospel!

Prayer, Praise and Progress

- Praise the Lord for the new believers who have joined our church! I have had the opportunity to lead the baptism class at our church and recently was blessed to baptize five new believers!
- Thank the Lord for his faithfulness to our IMPACT clubs! We now have 30 clubs open and are looking forward to 10 more opening in the upcoming months as a result of a recent leadership training.
- Pray for Jess as she wraps up her Spring Semester next month. This has been one of the most demanding semesters of her degree, and it has been extra challenging with the shifting schedules and routines.
- Pray for wisdom as we work on developing plans for a new church partnership in Ouanaminthe.

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