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Dear Friend,

According to the Human Capital Index, a child born today in Haiti will grow up to be only 45% as productive as they could be if he/she enjoyed full education and health. We are asking for your help to change that.

A vital part of the former Rhode Island Conference UCC Task Force, and now the SNEC UCC Haiti Partnership, has always been education. Over the years our Student Sponsorships have helped thousands of financially needy children and adults to attend Haitian schools. Because there is limited public education available in most areas, our Sponsorship Program provides financial support to cover school tuition fees, books and uniforms.

Many Haitians say that this past year of violent protests, political unrest, and economic dysfunction has been the worst yet, worse than anything they have ever experienced. To make critical times worse, the COVID pandemic and dangerous political climate have meant Mission groups cannot travel to Haiti to deliver the supplies that are desperately needed. The currency is almost worthless. Without the sponsorship provided by generous friends the students we support would not be able to participate in one of the few stabilizing and meaningful endeavors of their lives.

We are deeply grateful to our many consistent loyal sponsors, and we ask for your support once again. And now that our UCC churches are joined in the Southern New England Conference UCC, we want to invite those of you who have not yet experienced the joy of sponsorship to become part of this group. \$240 sponsors a child for a year, but smaller donations are gratefully accepted and combined to provide assistance.

Please send your contribution in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope, and know that you are playing an important role in giving a Haitian student an opportunity to grow up to be fully productive, and to share in the bounteous gifts of our God and Savior.

With sincere appreciation for your generosity,

Patti Gross and Barbara Thompson
SNEC UCC Haiti Partnership

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

Enclosed please find my donation of: _____ \$240 to sponsor a child for a year
_____ to support the Student Sponsorship Program

Make checks payable to: SNEC UCC Haiti Partnership

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