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Extreme Times Call for Unity: Helping Haiti

After the "Lock Country-2019" period (September-November 2019), which designated the socio-political crisis in Haiti where school, tourist and economic activities are almost all paralyzed, now occurs since December 31, 2019, an alert by the World Health Organization (WHO) on several cases of pneumonia in the city of Wuhan (Hubei Province of China)



This virus which did not resemble any already known formerly, panics the whole World, overwhelms Haiti and troubles all students and parents who know very well that Haiti does not yet have a well-equipped and equitable health system, or economic resources to face such a planetary death threat. Hence the need for prevention, and to seek human, material and financial resources from outside to fight together against this global pandemic, baptized temporarily on January 7, 2020 by Chinese authorities "2019-nCov, then definitively COVID-19 or SARS Cov2 since it was indeed a new virus from coronavirus family.



The first two cases of COVID-19, confirmed in Haiti on Thursday March 20, 2020, prompted Haitian Government to take a series of restrictive and draconian measures to contain the spread of the pandemic. For example, the interdicts on any gathering of more than 10 people, all schools are closed, as well as training centers and universities until further notice.



The Haitian Government has therefore declared a State of Emergency. They have just officially listed 5 other cases of COVID-19; every Haitian becomes more panicked and overwhelmed. The inflation of dollar, sanitary and basic necessities is everywhere; despite 82% of Haitian Population do not work. Destitute children who used to receive instruction bread and a hot meal per day in some schools are deprived of this.



Faced with this shortage and global pandemic, our hearts challenge us to do a few things with you who are reading this article, "friends and volunteers" of human development to support children, pregnant women, widows, families at high risk in disadvantaged neighborhoods and alongside garbage of all kinds. We therefore invite you to:

1) Pray that God will allow medical science to find a completely effective treatment to eradicate this virus "COVID-19"

2) COTEDIH is working with 12 schools in 3 departments in Haiti, West, South, and Artibonite, with an enrollment of 4,510 students for 750 families. Our goal with each donation nowadays is to give them access to treated water, sanitary materials (Nose masks/straps, gloves, Vitamins C, D, Zinc tablets etc.), school supplies and food products in their homes without the need for move. Imagine a family of 4 or 6 members wakes up every morning but has nothing to eat or even to take sanitary measures; food and sanitary kits from COTEDIH will prevent 750 families and 4,510 children from starvation, coronavirus and early death. According to our latest statistics \$20 or \$30 can provide a sanitary and food kits to a poor family per week. We urgently need your supports.

3) Definitely, we need more volunteers to strengthen our field staff by engaging 2 health workers, 2 psychologists, 4 pedagogues and 4 Sunday school monitors for awareness campaigns and training in families, 3 times a week.



We are already in Haiti to support people directly. For your donations and more information, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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Bank address: ELF Plaza, Delmas 105, HT6141, Frères, Pétiion-Ville, Haiti

City: PETION-VILLE, PORT-AU-PRINCE, WEST, HAITI

Account name: COTEDIH

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I therefore encourage you "Dear Friends and Readers" to take a lot of precaution because; this virus (COVID-19) is very dangerous for the whole World. **Please, Please, Please stay at home unless you have a real or urgent need to go out**

Remember also the Bible says:

"Blessed is he who cares about the poor! In the day of disaster the Lord delivers him" (Psalm 41: 2) and I think it was this attitude manifested by Americans that made America what it represents in the World in terms of power.

A Big Thank you for your friendship, fraternity and solidarity

May God protect Haiti, United States of America and all countries affected by this COVID-19.

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