



EMMAUS HOUSE  
HAITI

2023 YEAR  
IN REVIEW

*A Year of  
Celebration*



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# Friends of Emmaus House,

2023 was a year of celebration at Emmaus House. Not only did we reach an important 10-year milestone, but we also celebrated graduations, job offers, new hires, program growth, marriages, babies, baptisms, and more. Each celebration lifted our spirits and brought us closer together. And each one was a reminder of God's faithful love and care.

Even through the celebrations, however, times in Haiti remained difficult. While we prayed for resolution in the government, we ended another year without a president. We had hoped for peace in the south, and still the gangs have kept their power. We waited for the prices of fuel, materials, and food to return to normal, yet they spiked again due to a shut down at the Dominican Republic border. We longed for the people of Haiti to rise up and move the country forward, but instead we mourned the mass exodus of close to 100,000 on humanitarian parole, causing the shutdown of many universities, businesses, and hospitals.

I think it's fair to say that the challenges were new every morning in 2023. Thankfully, however, so was God's mercy and faithfulness. With this truth as our strength, last year we chose to pray for and focus on what was and what could be. And we celebrated. Every good moment. Every accomplishment. Every milestone met. Big or small. We celebrated. We gave thanks to God and used every celebration as a way to encourage each other that hope is possible.

We talk a lot about hope at Emmaus House, and recently I asked our staff what hope means to them. When the troubles in Haiti seem overwhelming, what gives them courage to move forward? I want to share with you what Samuel, our Assistant Administrator, said:

*"Hope is commonly used to mean a wish for something, and it is up to the strength of the person to get it. But in the Bible, hope is the confident expectation of what God has promised us, and we find strength in His faithfulness."*

Despite all the odds against us, this is why we continue on at Emmaus House. Because we have hope, a confident expectation, in God's faithfulness. And it is our goal to share this hope with as many youth in Haiti as possible.

This past year, we were gifted with so many opportunities to celebrate what can happen in the lives of young people when they have hope. Each and every one of these celebrations were made possible because of you, your prayers, and your financial support. THANK YOU!

So as we begin another year, hope remains our focus at Emmaus House. Within our walls and in our hearts we want to be known as people who have a confident expectation that, with God, mountains beyond mountains can be moved for orphaned youth in Haiti.



*Jillian Kittrell*  
Executive Director

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## OUR WHY

In Haiti, children who grow up in orphanages and domestic servitude are often forgotten once they age out at age 18. When released, these youth often lack the education, life skills, and emotional maturity to live a functional life of independence. As a result, many orphaned youth are left to the streets and turn to crime or prostitution to alleviate their poverty. This leads to a higher societal crime rate, breaks down the family system, and contributes further to the orphan crisis.

## OUR VISION


We want to see orphaned youth find restored hope and be empowered to create a more stable future for Haiti.

## OUR MISSION

Emmaus House exists to transition orphaned youth into independent living in Haiti.

## OUR APPROACH

Rooted in Christian family settings, we help youth heal from their pasts, be equipped for today, and find empowerment for tomorrow.



**30** YOUTH WERE SERVED AT  
EMMAUS HOUSE IN 2023



**4 NEW**  
YOUTH WERE  
WELCOMED INTO  
THE EMMAUS FAMILY

**THREE** NEW STAFF  
JOINED THE  
TEAM AT  
EMMAUS HOUSE



**14** SECONDARY STUDENTS  
**8** TRADE & BUSINESS STUDENTS  
**8** UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

**SCHOOL GRADUATES**



**TWO** SECONDARY SCHOOL  
**FOUR** TRADE SCHOOL  
**TWO** UNIVERSITY

**SIXTEEN**  
ORGANIZATIONS  
PARTICIPATED IN THE  
ANNUAL TRANSITIONING  
HAITIAN YOUTH CONFERENCE  
CO-LED BY EMMAUS HOUSE



**50** KIDS CAME TO THE EMMAUS HOUSE  
CAMPUS WEEKLY FOR THE YOUTH  
LED "GOD'S CHILDREN" PROGRAM

**FOUR EMMAUS HOUSE  
YOUTH TRANSITIONED  
INTO INDEPENDENT LIVING**



**10** COMMUNITY MEMBERS WERE  
HIRED WEEKLY TO KEEP  
THE STREETS OF OUR  
COMMUNITY CLEAN

**SERVICE PROJECTS**

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR  
THE EMMAUS HOUSE YOUTH  
LED 5 SERVICE PROJECTS  
INCLUDING MEDICAL CLINICS,  
SERVING AT A NURSING HOME,  
AND HOSTING A DINNER FOR  
LOCAL POLICE MEN AND WOMEN



**CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

- INCINERATOR FOR TRASH MANAGEMENT
- BASKETBALL COURT FOR OUR SPORTS MINISTRY PROGRAM



**\$123,681**

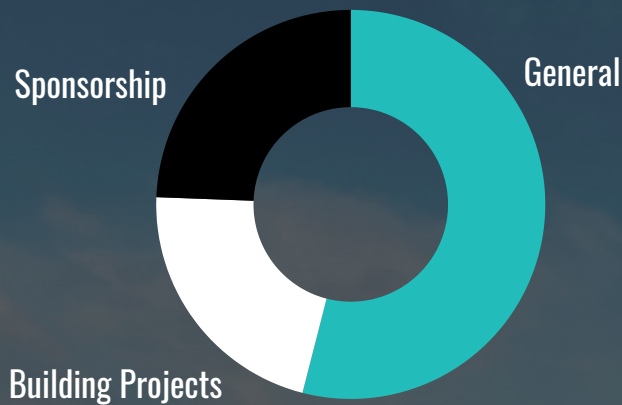
WAS GIVEN TO  
HELP BUILD TWO  
NEW YOUTH HOMES  
ON CAMPUS

# YOUR IMPACT 2023



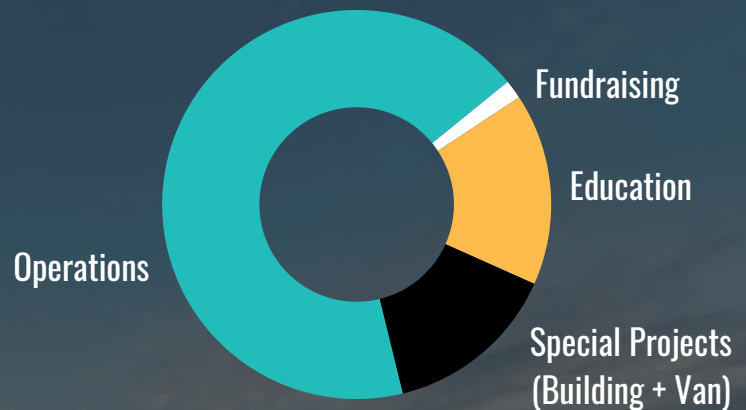
# ▶ FINANCIALS

## 2023 REVENUE



**TOTAL REVENUE**  
\$497,763

## 2023 EXPENSES



**TOTAL EXPENSES**  
\$457,411

**TOTAL PARTNERS: 310**  
**BUSINESSES 9**   **CHURCHES 15**   **INDIVIDUALS 286**

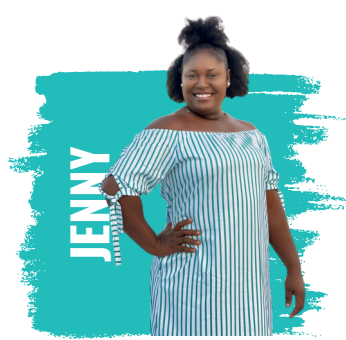
Practicing fiscal accountability is a priority for us at Emmaus House. We are proud to have earned Platinum status on Candid in effort to provide full transparency. The Emmaus House EIN number is 46-2945431.



# GRADUATE SPOTLIGHT



Luckson graduated from university with a degree in Agronomy. After helping Emmaus House with various agricultural and landscaping projects, Luckson officially joined the EH staff last fall. Luckson is also an active member of our Graduate Committee.



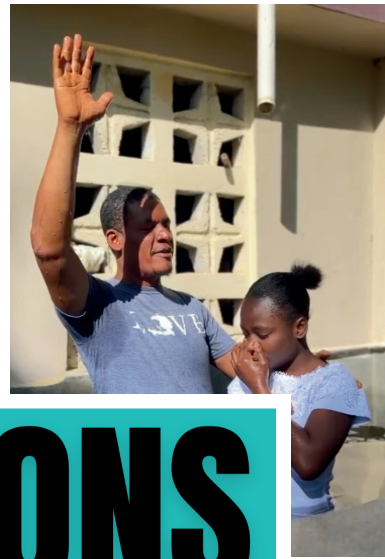
After 5 years of nursing school and internships, Jenny finally received her national nursing certificate and accepted a job at Every Eye Will See Him Ministries. In addition to her work, Jenny also spends time volunteering as a member of our Graduate Committee.



Kervens has always enjoyed learning how to fix and repair things. Last year Kervens completed his professional training as an electrician. Soon after his graduation he received a contract to work on-site at a large development project in central Haiti.



Davidson came to Emmaus House after playing basketball with our youth in the community. With the dream to start his own business one day, Davidson worked to complete our business program and started a small solar powered charging business.



# 2023 CELEBRATIONS





## 2024 Vision

Shortly after moving to our campus two years ago we decided to start a garden. Carefully, and with much consideration, we chose the best location and then took time to nourish the ground, plant the seeds, water, and prune. And now, after years of labor and love, our garden produces sweet potatoes, beans, corn, plantains, okra, and more! All of which feed the youth and staff at Emmaus House.

Growing our garden under the brutal Haitian sun has been a daily reminder of what it takes to plant and nourish seeds of hope in the hearts of youth living in Haiti. Youth who may have never experienced real hope before. But with patient cultivating and God's blessings we have seen hope grow, flourish, and spread.

This is why we have chosen **CULTIVATE HOPE** (*Kiltive Lespwa* in Haitian Creole) as our vision to guide us in 2024. This year, we want Emmaus House to be a place that cultivates hope in our youth and staff, in the community where we live and serve, and even in YOU who faithfully give to make this ministry possible.

Everyone at Emmaus House is ready and excited to **CULTIVATE HOPE** in Haiti this year, and to take steps that will allow us to share this vision of hope even more. Join us!



### Scripture of the Year

**You will be rewarded for this; your hope will not be disappointed.**

Proverbs 23:18

# Donor Driven Steps

# 2024

With the vision of **CULTIVATING HOPE** on our campus and in our community, we want to make multiple steps in growth this year. We call these “Donor Driven Steps” because it is your support that will drive each of these forward.

In order to provide the highest quality of care to our youth and make these steps in growth possible, below is our 2024 funding goal:

## \$550,000

Youth Sponsorship | \$135,900  
Building Projects | \$35,000  
General Operations | \$379,100

## THANK YOU

for being a part of our generous community in 2023.

Your prayers, financial partnership, and commitment to help us empower and equip orphaned youth in Haiti made for a fruitful year worth celebrating! Now we are ready to see what God has in store for Emmaus House, with your support, in 2024. May His hope be cultivated all around us.

### STEPS IN PROGRAM GROWTH

- ▶ Continue to develop our Sports Ministry Program by hiring coaches, offering soccer and basketball camps, and hosting tournaments throughout the year.
- ▶ Expand our Spiritual Development Program by providing on-campus Bible classes for community youth and continue to assist in growing the local church.

### STEPS TOWARDS INDEPENDENCE

- ▶ Assist 5 youth to start small businesses through our Business Program and help them make financial steps towards becoming independent.
- ▶ Successfully launch 5 youth into independent living, provide continued follow-up support, and grow our Graduate Committee to help lead and support EH.

### STEPS TO DEVELOP OUR CAMPUS

- ▶ Build 2 new residential youth homes along with sidewalks connecting houses and buildings throughout the campus.
- ▶ Build administration building to provide designated work space for our staff and confidential meeting space for our Mental Health Program.

**IMPORTANT UPDATE:** Many of you have given generously to these building projects, both of which we had hoped to start in 2023. Due to a border closing with the Dominican Republic, however, prices for materials have risen exponentially. In order to be the best stewards of your gifts, we are prayerfully waiting for this issue to resolve so that we can remain as close to our original budget as possible. Please pray with us and we will share more updates soon.

### STEPS TO EXPAND OUR REACH

- ▶ Once the new houses are complete, increase our capacity from 20 residential youth on campus to 30.
- ▶ Provide more educational opportunities on campus for both Emmaus House youth and those within our community.

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