



# VWAZEN NOU

*our neighbor Haiti*

## 2020 In Review

### A message from LADS leadership

I Cor 15: 57. But thanks be to God which gives us the Victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

LADS continue to pray for our brothers, sisters and friends. For our family in Christ, Vwazen Nou. We ask God to keep protecting them to keep watching over them and to cover them with His wings, for it written in His words “you shall not be afraid for the terror by night nor for the arrow that flies by day nor the destruction that wastes at midnight.” May the peace of God be upon and among you all.

Despite of the situation in our country LADS continue. Since the beginning of July, (after restrictions lifted) we started our visits as we used to do them and the patients always pray for the missionaries and thank them for this program which has supported them for eleven years.

Dear and Friends and Supporters,

It has been some time since we have reached out. The challenges of running a non-profit have been overwhelming at times. In an effort to continue to be good stewards of the money entrusted to us, and to honor our commitment to the community health workers (LADS) and their patients, we have focused all our time, energy, and financial resources on the LADS' ministry in 2020.

Throughout this trying year, the LADS have continued to visit their 135 patients weekly. They meet in front of their houses and continuing to invite distant patients to come to the church for weekly visits. The concern we hear most often is that the patients can't eat. Quality of life has continued to decline in Haiti as the Haitian gourde has fallen precipitously in the world market. In the local markets, food prices have climbed out of reach of the majority of Haitians. Basic necessities like rice, beans, and clean water have tripled in price in some cases.

And yet, the steadfast hands and feet of Christ at Siloe persevere. This year the LADS held there own clinic with Haitian doctors and medicines purchased in Haiti with your donation money. They limited clinic to 10 patients at once and spaced them out through the sanctuary to maintain social distancing. They continue to distribute support through their emergency fund. And they continue pray with their patients weekly.



*Above: Staples in the market continue to increase in price*

*Below: LADS worker Castride explains medicines to a patient*



We have lost 5 patients to COVID 19 and 3 more have recovered. It is hard to know to what extent Covid has taken hold in Haiti. It seems the Haitians might have caught a break somehow as the numbers remain low. However, this could well be because of



testing and reporting structures. Social distancing is a privilege of the wealthy. For those of you who have traveled to Haiti with us or other groups, think of the what 6ft of distance would look like in a tap tap!

The people are scared, and hungry, and angry. They take to the streets daily to protest the lack of response from the government. We continue to pray for our brothers and sisters and stand ready to assist in whatever ways we can. Your prayers and financial donations help us continue to do that. Please consider joining us in our continued commitment to supporting the work of the dedicated health workers of Siloe. Please see the donor information card for how you can help.

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*Above: Social distancing is difficult in the crowded city of Port au Prince*

*Below: Pre Covid protests draw large crowds at Carrfour Ayewopo near the team house*



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**Donations can be made at**

[www.vwazennou.org](http://www.vwazennou.org)

**Vwazen Nou**

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Charlottesville, VA 22905



## **Your support can go a long way**

\$25 = ½ month salary for LADS

\$50 = 1 month salary for LADS

\$75 = 1 month salary for LADS leader

\$100 = 1 day stipend for Haitian doctor for clinic

\$500 = 3 months of medication for LADS patients

\$1000 = 3 months LADS emergency funds

**Would you consider making a monthly  
or one time donation?**

Would you like to speak with a member of VN about  
additional support options or for more information?

Please send us a message.