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Insights from Josue Cesar's Quarterly Report

"The whole world is turned upside down. Everyone wonders what should be done to circumvent major global challenges such as: famine, war, disease, poverty, political crises, and social upheavals. Some think that they cannot meddle in the current problems of the world. However, it is written in the Bible when the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do? (Ps 11:3). With this biblical statement, IFOSuD firmly believes that it must put its hands on the plow in order to circumvent the problems that poverty causes. It is in this context that IFOSuD continues to train adults and children in the fields of Agriculture, Small Business, and Livestock. As much as possible, all of our activities are Christ-centered.

We had the privilege to continue to benefit from God's mercy towards IFOSuD operations in Haiti. It was a period of high turbulence in the country; even the major projected plan couldn't stand, but we have overcome, by the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and have been able to move forward with field operations.

As part of the Christian education training program of IFOSuD, the community's relationship with Jesus remains the priority of the field monitor/evangelism agents. In order to reach out to the community for God, we used several strategies like story-telling in small groups, Christian movie projection, group devotions, group discussions, and household discipleship visits. This has allowed us to develop trust and confidence between the community members and IFOSuD. From January 2022 to March 2022, we have achieved the following:

- 2 movie projections throughout 2 communities
- 3 people accepting Jesus Christ as their Savior
- 2 weddings occurred because of the evangelism program
- 120 devotion sessions have occurred in our office and through our project communities
- 158 discipleship visits were realized at the beneficiaries' households either by Field Agent or IFOSuD Staff.
- 248 Storybook Bible (coloring books) have been given to students enrolled in the FFH Program
- 1 spiritual crusade sponsored in Leogane where more than **1000 people heard the gospel preached within 7 days.**



During this trimester, **all the beneficiaries that have accepted Jesus or restored their relationship are being strengthened in their faith and are getting ready to share their faith.** Additionally, amongst the non-Christian beneficiaries we have noticed changes in their attitudes towards the gospel."

46 Beneficiaries Graduated in March!



This year, on March 21, 2022, two communities in the county of Jeremie (Duverger and Paroty) have successfully completed the IFOSuD development program!!

46 beneficiaries were able to graduate and have received, with the highest pride ever, their diploma after completing 2 years of training in the field of Christian education, Agriculture, Livestock, and or Small Business. It was the 6th graduation of IFOSuD since its founding and the second graduation organized in Jeremie. This celebration also marked the 10th anniversary of IFOSuD. It was a huge, spiritual festival.

More than 400 people from different structures of the Haitian society showed up to praise the living God with IFOSuD, including legal authorities like the mayor, CASEC, judges, Police Chaplains, and Police Chief department Representative from the area. We also had the opportunity to hear encouraging testimonies through several sketches performed by the graduates. The festival amazed the audience!



Farmer Field School Highlights

Currently, FFH has 350 students enrolled regularly in the program. Each student manages a garden at home. Last month the IFOSuD farm had an order from a customer asking for cucumbers. IFOSuD didn't have enough cucumbers remaining at the farm. An FFH student stepped up and provided the amount of cucumbers to fill the order!

Right: FFH student in her garden with some of her ripe eggplants!



We introduced this project in February's newsletter. We are excited to share that currently, Eden Reforestation Project is producing 100,000 plants including citrus, cherries, papaya, and cocoa in the Léogâne nursery!