

Pray for the **Haiti Orphan Relief Team (HORT)**

HORT is an amazing collaboration of disaster response experts and U.S. based orphan care and advocacy organizations. The goal of HORT is to identify, train and resource Haitian churches to be the direct rescue and care mechanism for Haiti's hundreds of thousands of orphans.

Pre-earthquake facts:

- *Haiti is the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere.*
- *70% of Haitian people live in poverty-annual income of \$400 per year.*
- *15% of all children in Haiti are orphaned or abandoned.*
- *200,000 orphaned Haitian children live in institutions (the rest are fostered, live with relatives, or are street children).*
- *40% of the population is under the age of 15.*
- *Child-headed households are becoming more common as potential guardians succumb to AIDS or other causes of death.*

Post-earthquake facts: In addition to all the above, now...

- *There are an estimated 1 million children who lost at least one parent in the quake or are separated from their families.*
- *Most Haitians are living outside in "tent cities," the lucky ones with a tarp over their heads, others with plain sheets .*
- *Many of the dead are still buried in the rubble of collapsed buildings. As the rainy season begins, water will seep down through the wreckage, sending disease and bacteria washing through the streets where children play and live.*



Please pray:

- that HORT would better enable Haitian churches to reunite or keep children within extended family structures.
- for U.S. churches to come alongside these Haitian churches in church-to-church partnerships to initiate, strengthen and grow their outreach to orphans in their immediate communities.
- that the Haitian government will open their doors to accept aid and out-country adoptions, especially for children that were already registered as orphans pre-quake.
- for protection for the children. Pray that HORT would be able to find them safe homes with churches or orphanages so they won't be living on the streets or sold into child prostitution.
- for the cleaning and rebuilding efforts in the towns.



Pray for **Nightlight Christian Adoption Agency**

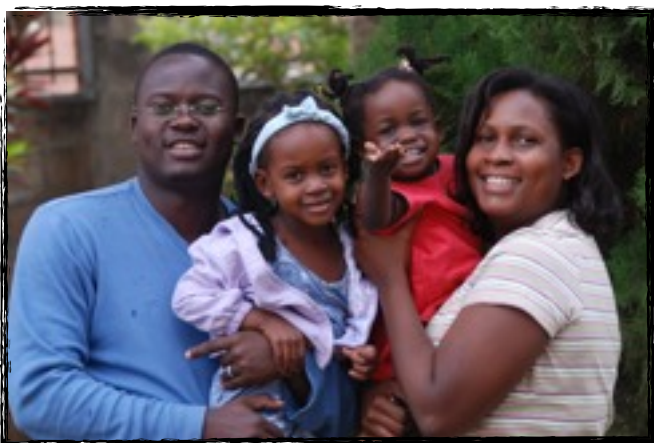
The local branch in Greenville, SC is directed by Laura Godwin (Erika's mom). They facilitate both domestic and



international adoptions. (The branch of Nightlight in California also handles embryo adoptions.)

Please pray:

- for the staff at the agency.
- for the new Birth Mother Support Group meeting once a month.
- for their 5K fundraiser, to be held in May. Pray for volunteers to come forward, and for local businesses to be open to the needs of adoption awareness.
- For more families for the agency. Specifically, families who are open to adopting children of different races, embryos & tour children.
- For the families desperately wanting children. Pray for peace & reassurance that God is in control.



Pray for **Miracle Hill Children's Home**

Miracle Hill Children's Home provides a safe place for children age birth – 18 who can no longer remain in their own homes. This may be a short-term stay during a crisis, or a long-term or foster care placement. The children live in "family" groups in cottages with House Parents.



Please pray that the children will:

- find love and acceptance from their house parents.
- be respectful of the house rules and have a cooperative and giving spirit.
- be faithful in their school work.
- come to know Jesus and find their worth in Him alone.

Pray for **Stephen & Jami Broome**

Stephen is the directory of Three Crosses Ministry in Norway, SC, where Redeemer has gone for several summers to help with their day camp program. Stephen and Jami are in the process of adopting their first child, a baby due in April.



Please pray:

- for Stephen and Jami as they wait and prepare for the baby.
- for a safe labor and delivery for the birthmother and child.
- the scheduled c-section is going to take place March 25th.
- that everything would go smoothly with the adoption process, and that the birthmother would go through with the adoption as planned.
- for Stephen and Jami as they adjust to parenthood.
- for our summer mission trip to Norway to work with Stephen at Three Crosses.

Pray for **Piedmont Women's Center**

PWC offers free pregnancy testing, confidential counseling and information about pregnancy, abortion, and fetal



development, ultrasounds, and abortion recovery assistance.

Please pray:

- that women facing a crisis pregnancy would turn to PWC for help and information.
- for the counselors as they talk with and minister to the women.
- that God would be glorified and babies' lives would be saved.
- for the women who choose to carry their babies to term (whether they choose to give them up for adoption or to raise them themselves). Pray that their families would be supportive of their difficult choices.
- for women who have had abortions and are suffering from guilt and anger.