

# HIM Update

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## **Haiti, our newest mission project**

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Since January of this year, because of the devastating earthquake in Haiti, Humanitarian Interfaith Ministries (HIM) has been offering full sponsorships to 20 children from the Maison Fortune Orphanage in the city of Hinche, Haiti. Clergy and Religious from our Diocese have been working in this city of Hinche for about 30 years. The all say that this well run religious orphanage is an excellent project to support. Orphaned and abandoned children of the streets is nothing new to HIM in the more than 10 years of mission work, but we knew we had to do something to help some of the poor children, which is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.

Maison Fortune Orphanage has about 225 residents at their orphanage (they took on another 75 children after the earthquake) and they also assist in educating and feeding another 150 poor children from the local area that could be at risk of being street children themselves.

We assure you that approximately 96% of every dollar we take in for this project goes directly to help these children. This means the children at the orphanage will be the direct beneficiaries of your kindness.