



CRISIS RESPONSE- HAITI EARTHQUAKE

Update: January 27, 2010

A magnitude – 7.0 earthquake devastated the capital city of Haiti, Port-au-Prince on Tuesday, January 12, 2010. The death toll is currently confirmed at 150,000 and many thousands are still missing. There is an estimated 250,000 people injured and 1.5 million left homeless. The areas affected by the quake continue to experience severe aftershocks with over 50 recorded to date.

Canadian Government to Provide 1:1 Match On Donations

To date ERDO has received over **\$200,000** from our PAOC churches and many individual donors. Every dollar donated to ERDO by February 12, 2010 for Haiti Earthquake victims will qualify for the matching dollars announced by the Canadian government. Ongoing generous support is needed to help meet the staggering needs for humanitarian aid and for recovery and reconstruction activities.

ERDO's Ongoing Response

- The medical response team of 20 doctors and nurses has now left Port au Prince.
- Nurses from local churches are providing care through a clinic near our PAOC Ministry Centre.
- Weekly delivery of supplies is being arranged through Agape an aviation ministry out of the US.
- ERDO, through our partnership with CCA (Canadian Churches in Action) is providing water, sanitation and shelter for 30,000 people who have fled to outlying areas and are living in tent cities.
- ERDO will be involved in a major Food Aid and "Agricultural Program" through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to alleviate current hunger needs and address future food needs.
- PAOC Missionaries Michel and Louise Charbonneau are meeting with local community committees about plans to repair and rebuild
- ERDO staff members David Adcock and Mark Crocker are travelling to Haiti in a few days to connect with partners and assess further ways ERDO can assist those in need.
- See www.erdo.ca for updated information

How you can help

PRAY... For our ChildCARE Plus sponsored children in Haiti. Many are missing. For wisdom and favour as we work together with missionaries and partners to help the suffering. For the many families whose loved ones are still missing or have died.

DONATE... to ERDO to help meet urgent needs. Gifts to ERDO before February 12, 2010 qualify for the 1:1 match from the Canadian government! Ways to donate:

1. Website www.erdo.ca Select donation button and choose "Haiti Earthquake Response"
2. Phone - Credit card donations can be made by calling 905-542-7400 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. EST or toll free 1-800-779-7262 at any time. Please note that after 4:30 p.m. your call will be forwarded to an automated attendant where you can securely leave your donation information.
3. Cheque - payable to "ERDO – Haiti Earthquake Response".
 - Mail to ERDO, 2450 Milltower Court, Mississauga, ON, L5N 5Z6.

Thank you sincerely,

David Adcock
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"Do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the orphan. Plead for the widow." Isaiah 1:17