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"The Lord will guide
you always in a sun-
scorched land and will
strengthen your frame.
You will be like a well
watered garden, like a
spring whose waters
never fail."

Isaiah 58:11

4 HIGHLIGHTS

1
**IRS Approval
of Non-Profit
Status**

2
**Ady receives
his Masters De-
gree/
Environmental
Studies and is
leading the
project on the
ground in Haiti**

3
**Same Focus,
New Energy w/
New Organiza-
tion**

4
**Donations for
Haiti**

Harvesting 4 Haiti Newsletter

"Nourishing sustainability one drop at a time."

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New Beginnings During the Christmas Season

Harvesting 4 Haiti Foundation (H4H), formerly Heart for a Better World Fund, wishes all of you a Merry Christmas. H4H is a new name that has been created since last year. In August 2011, a board was formed to help fund self-sustaining agriculture programs in Haiti under Heart for a Better World Fund. At that time, the fund gained donations through the Toledo Community Foundation (TCF). In September 2012, money was sent down to Haiti through TCF to begin the project. Later that month, the board members applied for a 501(c)(3) non-profit

status under the name of Harvesting 4 Haiti Foundation. Shortly after beginning this application process for the non-profit status, H4H was advised by our accountant to stop all activity until IRS approval. This meant, no funding, promotion, or receiving of donations in the US or in Haiti. During this waiting period, work unfortunately had to be stopped on the farm and the seedlings were lost. However, after 14 months, the H4H board is ready to begin again as we have now received the long awaited 501(c)(3) status! We are currently helping the Haitian organization, Planting for

Hope and Future (PHF). The two acres of farmland selected last year to begin the project will still be used. This farmland was carefully chosen by Haitian agronomists because of its nearby water source, its fertile soil and enthusiastic community members. The **drip irrigation system**, purchased by Epworth United Methodist Church, is currently in Haiti and waiting to be installed with new seedlings. The system will be the new technology needed for this project to be successful, getting water to the plants easily and efficiently.



Pictured above is the farmland PHF is currently using for the model farm.

Ready..Set...Go!

READY... Frantz Dorcel Ady (known to family and friends as Ady) is the founder of the self-sustaining agriculture project in Haiti. In November 2013, he earned his Masters Degree in Environmental Studies from The University of Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada.

SET... Even though he was offered many lucrative jobs in Canada and the US, his calling was to

return to Haiti and take leadership of this project with the organization, Planting for Hope and Future (PHF).

GO! Now back in Haiti Ady and his team have met with the community farmers, started to plan for the nursery, and have begun to prepare the soil for transplanting.



Ady observing the Working Farm at Greenfield Village in Detroit after graduation.



Preparation planning for new seedlings to be planted.



Pictured, Left to Right, Ray Pohlman, Gary Hinkson, Jo Hartman, Kathy Radcliffe, Frantz Dorcel Ady, Lynn Kamper



Pictured left to right: PHF Board, Jean Frantz Girodier, Rochelin Forzene, Jude Denis, Frantz Dorcel Ady, Augustave Nave
Thanks to Big Daddy Graphics for in-kind

4 Exciting Things to Expect from this Project

1. Sustainability of rural farms
2. Wasted Farmland to agro-business
3. Education of local farmers in organic farming, replenishing soil
4. Farmland dry & hard to water transformed by an efficient watering system.

As we look to the future, H4H will be priming the pump and lending a financial helping hand to begin agro-business in a land that is the poorest country in the Northern Hemisphere. H4H will be helping until the farms are self-sustaining. It is the goal of this project for the Hai-

tian organization, PHF, to create opportunities for the rural farmers to sell produce to a bigger market. Two hundred years ago, Haiti was the largest exporter of sugar and coffee in the world. Since that time much has happened. Farmland that was once rich has become desolate and deforested. Educating local farmers in organic farming, will be a primary focus. Trees cut down in the past to sell for charcoal in order to feed families, will be replanted, as farmers have steady incomes from harvests. Instead of having to hand water each plant on two acres of farmland, the drip irrigation system will allow for all plants to be watered efficiently.

The project will be started as a model farm. Once the first farm is sustainable, more model farms will spread in other locations with the same goals, thus spreading sustainability "one drop at a time." As the motto for PHF states, "it's for you, it's for me, it's for all."

4 Constants Remain

1. The H4H board members remain the same as before, Kathy Radcliffe, Chair of Board, Gary Hinkson, Sec. Treasurer, Lynn Kamper, Bd. Member, Ray Pohlman, Bd. Member with an addition of Jo Hartman, Representative of Epworth United Methodist Church.
2. At this time, H4H will be helping to fund the new Haitian organization, Planting for Hope and Future (PHF). The focus of H4H always has remained the same: investing in sustainability, which will allow Haiti to pull away from the dependency that has been created by many well-meaning foreign Non-Governmental Agencies, (NGO's).
3. The Founder, Frantz Dorcel Ady, is now Executive Director of the Haitian organization., PHF.
4. The two Haitian agronomists who worked tirelessly on the ground in 2012, Jude Denis and Frantz Girodier, remain with this project and are PHF board members. Added to PHF, are two more Haitian agronomists and a Haitian accountant.

To Donate: The success of this mission depends on your help. Please prayerfully consider donating to this worthy cause.

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This foundation is an approved public charity with IRS 501(c)(3) status. Include your company matching funds form if available.

Web Site: Coming Soon

Harvesting 4 Haiti Mission Statement:

The Harvesting 4 Haiti Foundation (H4H) was established to identify and support sustainable endeavors that seek to improve the lives and futures of people in Haiti and around the world. H4H will commit to projects that allow aspiring communities to create a stable, positive path forward, as realized through advancements in agriculture and improvements to social, educational and other services that meet their needs today and tomorrow.