## Mission News October-December, 2014

We are receiving the Alabaster Offering through October 12. This offering goes directly in its entirety to build churches, schools, pastors' homes, and Child Development Centers.

Please pray for Wendel and David Nixon as they are in Haiti this week working on obtaining wells of fresh water. Also a team from First Church will be traveling to St. Marc in February to help complete a church there. Please begin to pray now for this team who will be in Haiti from Feb. 21-28.

November is the time we think about how thankful we are for all God has blessed us as a church and personally. The Church of the Nazarene receives the Thanksgiving Offering in November. This offering goes toward our World Evangelism Fund, which takes care of our missionaries and helps us begin new work in areas where there is no Nazarene presence. It is a very important offering, and I'm asking you to pray and give as God directs.

Keep learning about Missions by reading the Missionary Books which tell personal stories of our missionaries and their work wherever they are serving.

Many thanks to the Neely Friendship class and the Circle of Friends class for providing money for the Crisis Care Kits. We appreciate Becky Reese for shopping for the items needed and for putting the kits together. The Detty's small group also put together some school packs that are given to needy children. Thanks so much!

December is the month we emphasize Compassionate Ministries. Let God lead your compassion for a lost and dying world and give generously in the Compassionate Ministries Offering.

Whenever you give to Missions, please mark your check or envelope to direct your giving to the proper place.

We invite you to pray especially for Missions on the second Sunday of each month at 8:45 in the Jenkins Prayer Chapel. Be in prayer each day, also. You will find many requests on Facebook as well as the Prayer Mobilization Line.

If you have any questions regarding missions, feel free to call the church office and give a way to contact you. I will contact you to answer your questions.

May God richly bless each one. Thank you for your interest in Missions as it is God's work. He is so good and merciful. We give Him Praise!

In His Service, Joy Bitler, Columbia First Missionary President