

St. Luke Foundation for Haiti: Celebrating 20 Years



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Together we can make a difference.

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## LETTER FROM OUR FOUNDER

Dear Friends,

Because of my role in the daily St. Luke activities, which is in large part trying to deal with many and continual emergencies on every level, I often wondered during 2019 which of the seven trumpets announcing the end of the world was sounding.

For sure, I suspected it was one of the last three: the trumpets of woe.

The so called "*peyi lok*" (closed country) travesty is just one small example of our 2019 woes. It was a kind of self imposed embargo on the entire country, lasting many months.

One of many difficult memories of the "*peyi lok*" are the very tragic medical and surgical emergencies that resulted in desperate deaths, because of blocked roads and therefor blocked access to care.

Another is I remember how we barged medicines and supplies to hospitals in the provinces to help them floating since there was no land access to Port au Prince.

When you read the report below, you will see a very different perspective than mine.

You will see what a determined team can achieve, driven by faith, driven by a desire to lift humanity out of the ashes, no matter what the obstacles and challenges.

Sometimes in the world of benevolence, work based on charitable giving, there can be the temptation to think "just add money" and it works.

Money is essential, but it cannot replace but only capacitate the vision, heart, and grit needed to achieve even small gains in our challenging world.

Thank you for being a part of our team, in the way you can. May the small achievements we have achieved together quicken our steps to meet a new year of both trials and grace.

Fr. Rick Frechette CP DO



## OUR FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT Fr. Leo Richard FRECHETTE

**“You have a limited number of heartbeats in your life; it is a finite number. And you have a limited number of steps you're going to take in your life; it's a finite number and it can be calculated. The question is, what is your heart beating for and where are your steps taking you?”**

— Fr. Rick FRECHETTE



Born in 1953, Fr. Richard Frechette graduated from Assumption College in Massachusetts with degrees in math and philosophy. He then attended St. John's University in New York and studied theology as a seminarian, and was ordained a priest in 1979.

After a few years as a parish priest in Baltimore, he met Fr. William B. Wasson, founder of *Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos/Nos Petits Frères et Soeurs* (Our Little Brothers and Sisters), a mission that serves children in need in Mexico, Central and South American, and the Caribbean. He first worked with Fr. Wasson in Mexico, and eventually found himself working with the children of Haiti.

The St. Luke Foundation for Haiti grew out of the programs of *Nos Petits Frères et Soeurs*. As the young people of NPFS programs grew into adulthood, they sought to create a completely organic and native organization with the goal of propelling change and progress in Haiti.

Fr. Rick belongs to the community of priests and brothers called Passionists. The Passionists have a special charism (gift) from God, to remind believers of the suffering and death that God endured, in the Person of Jesus, to offer fullness of life to all people. Fr. Rick was educated by Passionist Sisters in elementary school, and joined the Passionist community as a novice when he was 21 years old. His full training in both Theology and Medicine was sponsored by the Passionists, who have generously enabled his 35 years of work as a missionary in Mexico, Honduras and Haiti, attending to those whose suffering and poverty make them God's first and urgent priority for care.

In 2019, Fr. Rick celebrated his 40th year as a priest. That year, the *Nouvelliste* newspaper of Haiti recognized him as one of Haiti's 12 most influential people because of his leadership of and impact on humanitarian causes.

## LEADERS & PROGRAM DIRECTORS

Each one of the programs run by the St. Luke Foundation for Haiti is led by a Haitian professional. Many of these inspiring leaders grew up in the care of *Nos Petits Freres et Soeurs* (Our Little Brothers and Sisters), a nonprofit organization that provides group homes for children in high-risk situations.

As these young people grew into adulthood, they envisioned a new organization whose goal would be to propel change and progress in Haiti. This initiative became St. Luke.

### Jean Nebez AUGUSTIN National Director



A versatile manager, Jean Nebez has served as the National Director since 2000. His on-the-ground experience and people skills make him an effective ambassador for St. Luke. Jean Nebez sets the priorities, policies, strategies, and action plans necessary for St. Luke to be successful in our mission. His vision is to continue to optimize program performance in the short-term while also remaining alert to the ever-changing landscape of needs to

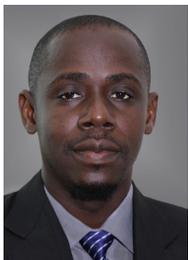
which St. Luke must respond.

### Augusnel OSME Assistant National Director



Augusnel rose to the position of assistant national director after time spent working within each of St. Luke's program areas. He works to implement the organization's strategic plan and measures of impact. Augusnel is inspired by St. Luke's achievements in the fight against inequality and poverty. He seeks to further enhance St. Luke's sustainability to ensure that vulnerable communities can continue to turn to St. Luke for support.

### Gregory DESIR Administrator



Désir left a career in finance to join St. Luke in 2011. He deploys skills in management, economics, and finance to fine-tune the efficiency of our programs. Désir regularly carries out site visits and inspections to ensure financial management and accounting practices meet the highest international standards.

### Johane GEORGES Human Resources Director



Johane joined St. Luke 2005 as an administrative secretary and became Human Resources Director in 2008. She ensures St. Luke programs and employees remain aligned and compliant with Haitian Labor Laws as well as our organizational values. Her work includes facilitating positive communication and relationship building across the organization.

### Jaebets JEAN GILLES President of the Educational Council



Jaebets joined the St. Luke Foundation in June 2011. From the position of International Relations, Executive Director of our Professional Centre, he was duly elected President of the Educational Council of the educational sector of the St. Luke Foundation. His experiences and knowledge strengthen his skills and love for humanitarian activities and as well as his skills in planning, management and project execution. His knowledge of the institution,

his achievements and his availability have enabled him to carry out our mission of enforcing the statutes, ensuring compliance with the various strategies proposed by the members and guiding the actions of the Council. He takes the responsibility for providing the best education possible for each and every one of the 16,000 students of our 36 schools.

### Dr. Marc Edson AUGUSTIN Medical Director



Dr. Augustin began his career at St. Luke as an internist at St. Luke Hospital, quickly rising to become the hospital director shortly thereafter. Two years later, he was appointed Medical Director of the Foundation. Frequently invited to present at medical conferences and other scientific forums, Dr. Augustin works to increase the visibility of St. Luke's work in support of the sustainability and integrity of our health care programs.



**Ophésien PIERRE**  
**Francisville Operations Director**



With excellent interpersonal skills and a strong spirit, Pierre joined the Operational Management Team of Francisville, our social enterprise production center, in August 2018. He is a highly motivated visionary who develops and implements business strategies to increase product flow and profitability throughout our economic development programs.

**Raphael LOUIGENE**  
**Director of the Outreach, Re-integration and Social Awareness Program**



A U.S.-trained Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Raphael has served across St. Luke's programs, including time focused on nutrition, pharmaceuticals, radiography, construction, and social work. Known for his thirst for learning, willingness to help, and compassion, he also worked on the front lines in the fight against cholera. Despite decades of living close to poverty in City Soleil, one of Haiti's most challenging communities, Raphael continues to see the potential present in every human.

## WHERE WE WORK

St. Luke currently works in 16 municipalities within 7 departments across Haiti. We have experienced considerable growth over the past nine years and seek to continue to grow our capacity to serve across the country. The teams leading each sector of our work have created plans to further strengthen the quality, capacity, and sustainability of individual programs. St. Luke has also developed a vision for further integrating our work and extending our reach to new communities.





## MISSION, VALUES & GOALS

The St. Luke Foundation for Haiti is a non-profit humanitarian development and philanthropic organization.

**At the St. Luke Foundation for Haiti, we believe in the possibility of a more prosperous and independent Haiti. Every day, our programs — run by highly skilled Haitian leaders — save lives and create opportunity. By following a shared vision for the future, we will walk hand-in-hand towards making that vision a reality.**

Our programs combine Haitian leadership with international partnership, creating lasting solutions to the most pressing challenges facing Haiti. We work to provide **health care, education, and dignified humanitarian** outreach to stand in support of those whose lives are plagued by poverty and its deadly effects. As part of these initiatives, we also provide assistance and immediate relief due to disasters including humanitarian crises, and spearhead long-term development projects.

We remain steadfast and committed to the Haitian people, especially the poorest and most vulnerable people in the country. We know that **with access to greater opportunity and education**, each citizen can best determine their future and rise to meet it.

At St. Luke we celebrate and value the ideals of human dignity, mutual aid, social justice, impartiality, integrity, discretion, and commitment. Our rallying cry, **"Together we make the difference,"** reminds us of our call to **stand shoulder-to-shoulder** with those we serve.

# HEALTH CARE & MEDICINE

**"A solution is always possible regardless of the size of the problem; just start somewhere!"**

— Dr. AUGUSTIN



## Our Know-how in the Medical Sector

19 years ago (2000), the St. Luke Foundation, seeking to reach out to the most vulnerable, turned to the poorest neighborhoods of Port-au-Prince, Wharf Jérémie and Cité Soleil, motivated by this Passionist impulse to relieve daily suffering, and convinced that with a few resources and compassion, relief was possible. What started as daily mobile clinics set up by the young leaders of the Foundation, supported by the President, Fr. Richard Leo "Rick" Frechette, and supported by international volunteers and invaluable collaborators of the Foundation.



From this hope and these humble beginnings, here we are 19 years later, through the Providential Grace, with a solid health care system including a national network of seven satellite medical centres and a reference hospital of 100 beds. We are proud to be a reliable resource for the Haitian medical landscape, providing more than **60,000 outpatient consultations**, approximately **12,000 urgent hospitalizations** per year, and strongly contributing to scientific research and the training of young health professionals through our academic activities.



Standing by our mission to make a difference and inspire hope for a better life, care delivered with compassion and meeting the highest academic and quality standards are our leitmotifs. Our day-to-day work is strengthened through the support of our international benefactors, who aid us with academic and training support, as well as financial resources. Working together, we can continue to make an even greater impact over the next 20 years.

Although 2019 was a difficult year in all facets of Haitian life, some innovations have nevertheless been significant in the our health care and medicine work.

## 2019 Highlights

As part of our **screening program for cervical pre-cancerous lesions at our Manitane clinic**, we were able to offer thermo ablation and cryotherapy treatment of suspicious lesions. This work is supported by our academic and clinical partner Basic Health International. Now, for a lower cost and with fewer side effects, thermo-ablation is coupled with the HPV test in the fight against cervical cancer in Haiti.



In April 2019, thanks to NPH Germany, we launched **Klinik St. Yves in Limonade**, the North Department of Haiti. The clinic provides medical consultations, pharmacy and laboratory work for the community. Despite the difficulties of "Peyi Lock," the nationwide shutdown due

to instability and protests, we were able to complete 235 adult consultations and 181 pediatric consultations.

## Training Events

On April 26-27, 2019, the Training Center of St. Luke Family Hospital hosted the third **Haitian Acute and Emergency Care Conference Advanced** in collaboration the Mayo Clinic, Global Surgical Destination (GSD) Healthcare Inc., and the University of Maryland. This course is part of the continuing education program that the association regularly offers to Haitian doctors, surgeons, and emergency physicians, alongside the courses of ACLS (Advanced Cardio Vascular Life Support) and FAST (Focused Assessment of Sonography for Trauma.) In addition to our own staff, ninety Haitian medical professionals hailing from 27 medical institutions located in eight of Haiti's ten geographic departments earned 12.5 International Medical credits offered through South Bend Memorial Hospital.



In addition, September 13-14, the Haitian Association of Surgeons and St. Luke Family Hospital hosted the **third annual Advanced Trauma Care** for physicians. Twenty physicians from Hopital de l'Universite d'Etat d'Haiti (HUEH), Hopital Universitaire de Mirebalais (HUM), and St. Luke Family Hospital participated. This course aims to increase the capacity of health care professionals in the management of trauma patients in Haiti. This training is validated by the Trauma Committee of the American College of Surgeons (ASC-COT).

**Our Health-care Centers**



**St. Luke Family Hospital and Outpatient Clinic**

The St Luke Family Hospital is the centerpiece of the medical sector of the St. Luke Foundation. The hospital officially began offering services in June 2010 following the devastating earthquake that January. At that time, many adults had been seeking medical care at St. Damien's Children's Hospital (HDS), our sister pediatric hospital. St. Luke Hospital was created to provide adult care. It has since become a reference hospital in the Haiti medical landscape.

Operating 24/7, the hospital has a current capacity of 100 beds for medical emergencies including trauma (14 beds capacity) and hospitalization. Built according to the international engineering standards, our emphasis is on quality care with compassion, empathy, and dignity for the most vulnerable. The hospital includes a training center, added thanks to an ASHA grant from USAID. The continuous medical education of the staff is essential to ensure the highest level of care for our patients. Training is done through constant academic activities. The hospital has well-stocked pharmacy, a well-equipped laboratory, and a radiology department with digitized brain scanner, portable ultrasound, and an electrocardiogram machine.

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**The Outpatient Clinic**, which is open from Monday to Friday from 8 am–3 pm, receives on average 100 patients each day. Due to the Peyi-Lok lockdown, we did not reach full capacity in 2019 (60/day), as it was unsafe for people to leave their homes to seek medical care. In 2019, we were able to perform 14,584 consultations; 9,488 patients were admitted to the emergency ward with 552 receiving intensive care in our ICU and 1,359 for

traumatic care. In addition, 1,950 patients were hospitalized and treated for non-urgent care, such as strokes, diabetes, palliative care for terminal cancer patients, etc. To continue the rehabilitation of stroke and bedsore patients after discharge, we referred to Kay Ste. Germaine Physical Therapy program offered through our sister organization, *Nos Petits Freres et Soeurs*. Total therapy patients for 2019: 1,245



**The Operating Room**

Despite socio-political challenges, our local staff performed 765 surgeries for selective non-emergency intervention such as orthopedic surgeries, biopsies, and hernia, including 270 trauma surgeries. This year St. Luke Hospital could

not provide the HOLEP (Holmium Laser Enucleation of the Prostate) surgery because the crisis in the country prevented the surgical team from visiting.

**The Rehydration Center**, used primarily to treat cholera patients, comprises 40 beds, and has been available since October 2010. We averaged about 200 patients per month outside periods of endemic peaks during the rainy and hurricane seasons. However, over the past four years, national efforts to eradicate cholera, combined with international support for WASH programs, has resulted in reduced cases of the disease. The average number of monthly admitted cholera patients is now 33 patients per month.

**St Luke Chapel**, built in 2016, attends to the spiritual life of employees, patients, and their family members. A café is also available at the hospital. Not all services at St. Luke Hospital are free, but our humanitarian approach and philanthropic philosophy ensures support for the most vulnerable through the work our dedicated Social Services team lead by Wilflo Fontus.



**Klink Wharf Jérémie**

began in 2004, and served as the starting point of the Foundation's medical activities. In February 2017, the clinic was relocated to a new renovated building and renamed **Clinic Martina** in honor of the Italian donor who invested in the

construction. The clinic operates from Monday to Friday from 8 am–2 pm. Each year, the clinic completes an average of 800 medical consultations per month—65% adults and 35% children. In this troubled year, 5,406 consults were performed for 2,067 children and 3,249 adults. Given the insecurity of the area, employees relied on safe transportation by ambulance provided by the Foundation's Central Transportation Service.



**St. Mary's Medical Center in Cité Soleil** opened in 2010 in the aftermath of the cholera epidemic, and operates as a clinic and medical emergency center from Monday to Friday, 8 am-6 pm. In the evenings and on the weekends an emergency team staffed by nurses

supervises the patients at the rehydration center and responds to occasional emergencies. They also coordinate transport to St. Luke Family Hospital and other medical institutions depending on the specific medical emergency. The complex social dynamics of the area require a community-integrated approach, which is not without its challenges. Our commitment to authentic outreach has resulted in the prioritization of the medical center's activities by community leaders.

Historically, 800 medical consultations are performed on average each month, of which 2/3 are for adults. Approximately, 80 patients (more than 70% of whom are children) are treated each month at the rehydration center at St. Mary. Some medical cases are kept under observation for stabilization and appropriate treatment, followed by transfer to other hospitals when appropriate. Given the insecurity of that area, employees are also transported by ambulance in coordination with the Foundation's Central Transportation Service, which provides an effective and safe access for the employees. To respond to community needs, a pediatric malnutrition program and prenatal care and education program were launched in 2017. Due to the civil unrest in 2019, St. Mary completed a total of 5,621 consultations of which 60% were children. Due to the ongoing progress of the cholera eradication program led by the joint WASH program, only 35 patients were admitted in this rehydration center this year. In addition, St. Mary's Clinic has cared for 658 malnourished children.



**The Manitané Clinic**, our women's health center, opened its doors in 2008 to offer pre-natal care for the most vulnerable women in Haiti. It conducts approximately 1,000 pre-natal consultations monthly. Emphasis is placed on: 1) education against dangers, 2) signs of alarms during pregnancy and 3) health and wellness behavior. Pregnant women are welcomed into

the program during their 23rd week of pregnancy; the women receive at least four pre-natal visits before delivery, two obstetrical ultrasounds, as well as Tetanus vaccinations carried out in collaboration with the team of the St. Damien Maternity Hospital. All expectant mothers are referred for delivery to St. Damien Maternity Hospital, with whom the center's partner hospital.

Since 2015, post-natal care for St. Damien Maternity Hospital has been done at Manitané.



In parallel with pre-natal and post-natal care, beginning in 2013 and in collaboration with Basic Health International (BHI), a free program for the screening and treatment of cervical pre-cancerous lesions was established. Working with five midwives and two field-

workers (two days per week, Tuesday and Friday from am-1 pm), this program carries out a monthly screening of 150 women. A total of over 6,000 women have been screened and treated against the scourge of cervical cancer in the past 4 years. In 2019, despite the unfavorable security situation, Manitané conducted 15,092 women's consultations, 73.5% of which were pre-natal consultations. We referred 1,424 full-term pregnant women for delivery in hospital. The majority of women in Haiti give birth in the home, many without the assistance of a midwife. In addition the cervical cancer program screened 765 women, and provided cryotherapy treatment to 141 women.



**St. Paul Clinic**, established with the support of the Foundation of Post Conflict Development (FPCD), began its activities in February 2017 to focus on mother-child health and social support to the community. Currently, more than 2,000 patients, over 50% of whom

are children, have been treated. The 2019 figures show 2,030 consults divided into 862 adults consults and 1,168 children consults.



**Klinik Timoun Nou Yo (KTNY - Port Salut)** opened in 2012 and was originally managed by another organization working in the region. In January 2018, St. Luke was offered the opportunity to take over the clinic to ensure its sustainability. The compound includes a

9,000-square-meter pediatric clinic, a guesthouse located near the beach, and a private house. In 2019, our second year managing the clinic, we welcomed 12,932 children for consults and, thanks to a mobile clinic, 300 adults from the community received free consults. Two trips—a medical team and an international surgical team—planned for Port Salut were cancelled due to the general insecurity in the country. Nevertheless, 768 malnourished children have received treatment and care through the center.



**St. Yves Clinic**, in Limonade in the north of the country, opened in April 2019. The clinic operates as part of the St. Luke compound, which also includes a school and a bakery. Despite a difficult start in 2019, St. Yves welcomed 235 adults and 181 children.



**The Nutritional Recovery Center Kay O Bwa** started in 2008 and fights against chronic malnutrition of children who are under age 5 and live mainly in Tabarre, Delmas and surrounding areas. Operating from 8 am–3 pm from Monday to Friday, the center provides free treatment for approximately 200 malnourished children each month, offering them medika mamba (enriched peanut butter) as standard treatment, but also food support including a daily hot meal, parent education about the basics of healthy eating,



who provisions such as eggs, pasta, and milk. Since its founding, the center has received more than 37,200 children for malnutrition consults and treated more than 26,400 children for chronic malnutrition. In 2019, amidst the unrest, Kay o Bwa treated 2,043 malnourished children.

**HSL Teaching and Training Center  
Haitian Conference on Acute and Emergency Care  
(HAECC / haecc.org)**



In 2019, St. Luke hosted the Haitian Conference on Acute and Emergency Care. The conference offered workshops, case presentations, and training. A local and international multidisciplinary team from several Haitian hospitals working in emergency care, as well as local partners, and inter-

national peers from Mayo Clinic, University of Maryland Medical Center, South Bend Memorial Hospital and Global Surgical and Destination Healthcare provided standard training in acute and emergency medical care in Haiti. Presentations by local experts provide a contextual approach to the current assessment and management of common acute medical conditions.



**Target Audience**

The conference is designed for a broad selection of health care professions dealing with daily medical emergencies in Haiti.



One of the highlights of the Haitian Conference on Acute and Emergency Care is its multidisciplinary participation: Internal Medicine, Family Medicine, General Practitioner, Hospital Medicine, Critical Care, Surgery, Anesthesiology, Nurses, Residents, Medical students. So far, in three editions of the annual HAECC

(2017-18-19), more than 293 health professionals from 45 health organizations across all 10 departments of the country have received continuing medical training.



**Accreditation Statement**

The Memorial Hospital of South Bend is accredited by the Indiana State Medical Association to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Memorial Hospital of South Bend designates this live series for a maximum of 14.8

AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™.

**Haitian Acute and Emergency Care Conference  
3rd Edition**

The 3rd edition Conference on Emergency and Acute Care was held this year April 26-27, 2019, with a particular focus on Trauma. Ninety participants from 17 health institutions in the country attended.

Sixteen national speakers and 9 international speakers took part in this edition.

**Course Description**

The 2019 Haitian Acute and Emergency Care Conference offers lectures, case presentations, and hands-on training in sonography, radiograph interpretation and simulation-based airway management, chest tube placement, orthopedic care and team training. The education design, instructional methods, and learning format are chosen to best serve the educational needs and objectives specific for this activity in the Haitian context. A local and international multidisciplinary faculty from various Haitian hospitals working in the Emergency Care field, Mayo Clinic, University of Maryland, U.S. State Department and Global Surgical and Destination Healthcare provides state-of-the-art training in acute and emergency medical care in Haiti.



The presentations are facilitated by local experts providing a contextual approach to the current evaluation and management of common acute medical conditions.

### Target Audience

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### Programs and Specialized Services

Screening for Precancerous Lesions of the Cervix in Manitané: From October 2013 to December 2019, 8,410 women aged 25 to 49 years were screened for cervical cancer and 1,774 were



treated for pre-cancerous lesions by cryotherapy and thermoablation, free of charge. In 2019 alone, 575 women were seen for free for screening for pre-cancerous cervical lesions with 141 treatments by cryotherapy or thermoablation. Note that Haiti has the highest rate of cervical cancer in the region, 94 per 100,000.



### Breast Cancer Screening at St. Luke Hospital:

From March 2017 to December 2019, 3,284 women aged 21 to 65 have been screened by breast ultrasound for breast cancer. In these patients, 184 suspect tumor masses were identified with 167 confirmed tumor masses. Among them, 150 of these women were able to benefit from chemotherapy and mastectomy thanks to the collaboration of St. Luke Hospital with other institutions offering cancer care. In 2019 alone, 999 women were seen for free at our breast clinic, of which 66 with suspected tumor masses were referred elsewhere for chemotherapy and mastectomy care.



## HEALTH CARE & MEDICINE

### Trauma Department

Launched in June 2018, and replacing a *Médecins Sans Frontières* (Doctors without Borders) Trauma Center that previously accepted the majority of cases of serious trauma in Haiti, the 14 beds of the trauma department continues to serve a population in great need. In 2019, trauma cases accounted for 14.3% of the cases seen in the Emergency Department at St. Luke Hospital, with 1,359 cases of trauma and 270 trauma surgeries.



### Related Activities

#### Academic Component

In two years, St Luke Hospital, as part of its educational mission, receives nursing students from St. Luke's Notre Dame de Guadalupe School on their academic and practical

internships. We also host residents in Internal Medicine from the University Hospital La Paix in the Endoscopy Service, residents in Emergency Medicine from the University Hospital La Paix, and residents in Family Medicine from the Hospital St. Nicolas in St. Marc.

### Waste Water Management



Thanks to the support of our partners USAID/UNICEF, a complete wastewater treatment system was built on the hospital compound. This allowed us to drain our initial tank—a 120,000-gallon tank of wastewater from all the buildings of the compound—

and move to an integrated 40,000-gallon capacity treatment system. This autonomous system can treat up to 20,000 gallons of wastewater per day, which far exceeds the hospital's daily production of 5,000 gallons. Total decontamination of water can now happen on site. When complete, this project will eliminate the cost of transport for our septic tanker (estimated at \$40,000/year) to the DINEPA disposal site in Morne Cabri.

## Health Care: Vision & Perspective



Throughout the medical sector's work, and thanks to our network of 7 satellite clinics and a 100-bed reference hospital, St. Luke Foundation intends to provide quality care, with respect, dignity and compassion to the

most vulnerable. Our vision is to have more care available through our centers, both in marginalized areas and in the provinces. Our mid- to long-term objectives include laboratories, imaging, and the completion of a peripheral clinics network. We hope to establish new centers in the most vulnerable departments of Haiti and provide access to health for thousands of our compatriots.

We also plan to build further synergies between our education and health care programs. Through technical training and strengthening of local and international part-

nerships, our immediate focus will be to expand training in emergency, family, and internal medicine. In turn, we will also welcome training visits from highly qualified medical teams that specialize in trauma, surgery, and urology.



Always looking for academic excellence, St. Luke Hospital will continue to promote research through collaboration with trusted international institutional partners, who also expand access to specialized

care through regular visits of medical teams to offer specialized, high-quality care for trauma, general and specialized surgery (ENT), and urology.

# EDUCATION

**"Education is more than a job, it is a mission, which is to help each person to recognize what is irreplaceable and unique, so that they grow and flourish."**

— Pope John Paul II



## Our Knowledge and Experience in the Field of Education

For 20 years, the education program has provided free academic and professional training, school supplies, uniforms, backpacks and meals to more than 16,000 students

Today, the St Luke Foundation education program includes 36 schools:

- 17 schools offering preschool, elementary and secondary education in each of the 10 Haitian Departments.
- 8 primary and secondary schools located in remote areas of the country.
- 2 schools for adult literacy and education completion.
- 1 special needs school (for deaf, intellectually disabled and blind students) in Tabarre.
- 5 primary and secondary schools sponsored by the Foundation (three in rural areas and one in Port-au-Prince) ;
- 1 secondary school in Tabarre, educating more than 3,500 students
- 2 vocational schools

The Educational Sector manages two polytechnic schools that train professionals in paramedical science, telecommunications, electrical systems in buildings, domestic arts, auto mechanics,

plumbing, masonry, information technology, agricultural technology, electrical engineering, and solar energy. Accreditations include the National Institute of professional training for technical studies and Ministry of Public Health for nursing studies

St Luke's educational programs have the mission to uplift the most marginalized children, young people and adults in Haitian society. Extreme poverty, geographical location, family situation, or physical or intellectual disability block opportunity for many Haitian people to reach their full potential. To ensure a better future for them and their families, we provide them a dignified education delivered in the highest of standards possible

St Luke's education programs have improved the living conditions of approximately 16,000 children each year, while also creating opportunity and providing preschool, primary school, secondary education, and professional training that meets the needs of Haiti's labor market. Our objectives :

1. Include and uplift children who have been isolated or ignored by society because of their poverty, location, family situation, or physical or intellectual disability
2. Provide basic and accessible education to children in under-resourced communities in accordance with national and international academic standards as well as economic opportunities in Haiti.
3. Nourish the children of our schools, especially those who live in the toughest slums, with a daily meal, drinkable water, food kits, clothing, and hygiene items.
4. Incorporate sports, cultural, artistic, extracurricular and professional activities in the academic programs of our schools (such as genius competitions, talent competitions,



and summer camps) to raise funds and to ensure that all our students experience success.

5. Incorporate technology and experimentation into our training, with practical sessions in laboratories or field trips.
6. Facilitate post-secondary studies (career counseling & guidance, professional work experience, scholarships and grants for university studies in Haiti or abroad).
7. Prioritize intercultural and intellectual exchanges with trips in foreign countries.
8. Encourage entrepreneurship and identifying internships for our students in paid positions and employment.
9. Provide healthcare to the children and the communities in the vicinity of our schools.
10. Support the parents of our children and the communities (mostly in rural areas) through agricultural and farming activities, housing, donations of solar lamps and street-lighting in the communities.

Another aspect of the education program is a choir of 60 talented children aged from 9 to 18 years of age who together form "Voices of Haiti." These children have had the opportunity to perform, both locally and internationally, as the face of a better Haiti, of better days full of hope. They have performed with Emeline Michel and other famous Haitian artist sat Sainte Trinité ("Holy Trinity" a famous national music school), with Andrea Bocelli at Madison Square Gardens in New York, at the United Nations General Headquarters in New York on International Children's Day, in Italy, and for the Canadian Embassy on the National Day of Canada celebration.



### School and Community Health Project

This project provides preventive care, health education, and medical care to our students, school staff and their communities. The aim of the project is to strengthen their resilience and capacity in times of crisis. This

large-scale project is funded by the Andrea Bocelli Foundation, Artists for Peace and Justice, PHINEO, NPH-Germany, and . **The SKALA project** comprises healthcare and clean drinking water for more than 8,000 students in 20 Foundation schools, as well as for their families and communities. This project reinforces the health-care insurance programs of our schools and improves the health and wellness of children and families in the communities. Our goal is to improve the resilience of students in the vulnerable communities through medical prevention, health-care education, and access to pure drinking water, they can better respond to the opportunities and challenges of each day.

## St. Luke School Roster & Enrollment for 2019

	School name	Location	Enrollment
1	Ste. Philomène	Ouest / Kenscoff	415
2	St. Gabriel	Ouest / Pétion-Ville	219
3	Miracle	Ouest / Pétion-Ville	229
4	St. Michel	Ouest / Pluits Blain	285
5	St. Joseph	Ouest / Petite Place Cazeau	423
6	Ste. Marie	Ouest / Delmas 19	281
7	Ste. Elizabeth	Ouest / Delmas 31	269
8	Petite Compagnie de St. Luc	Cité Soleil / Simon	350
9	St. Jude	Ouest / Delmas 33	60
10	Ste. Joan Margareth	Ouest / Tabarre 41	194
11	St. Ambroise	Cité Soleil / Boston	302
12	St. Patrick	Cité Soleil / Soleil 9	234
13	Ste. Anne	Cité Soleil / Wharf Jérémie	333
14	St. Martin de Porrès	Cité Soleil / Wharf Jérémie	298
15	St. François D'Assise	Croix-des-Bouquets / Marin	300
16	St. Nicolas	Cité Soleil / Troutier	311
17	Ste. Emma	Cité Soleil / Terre Noire	269
18	Andragogie de St. Luc	Wharf Jérémie	117
19	St. Marc	Croix-des-Bqts / Bon Repos	287
20	Notre Dame du Rosaire	Croix-des-Bqts / Nouailles	431
21	Institution Educative Manitane de Luc / APJ	Ouest / Tabarre	3576
22	Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre	Ouest / Tabarre	287
23	Ecole Mixte St. Yves	Nord / Limonade	327
24	St. Raphaël	Sud-Est / Devarenne	355
25	St. André	Sud / Fond des Blancs	287
26	St. Paul	Sud / St Louis du Sud	353
27	St. John de Camp-Perrin	Sud / Camp-Perrin	282
28	St. Augustin	Grande'Anse/ LaSeringue	1005
29	St. Paul de la Croix	Grande'Anse / La Seringue	194
30	Manitane de Dame Marie	Grande'Anse / Dame-Marie	332
31	Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie	Grande'Anse/ Dame-Marie	180
<b>Schools Subsidized by St. Luke</b>			
32	Centre d'Enseignement Toussaint Louverture	Sud / Lomon / Fond des Blanc.	136
33	Notre Dame du Perpétuel Secours	Nord-Ouest / Dupiti	645
34	La Noblesse	X-des-Bqts / Bon repos	198
35	St. François d'Assise de Pestel	Grande'Anse / Pestel	209
36	Jardin Fleuri de Nicole	Ouest / Delmas	30

## Manitane de St. Luc / Academy for Peace & Justice



After seeing success with children and young adults move from life on the street to education and employment, St Luke expanded our education programs. Our next objective became supporting the students who had completed their second level of school

in Haiti's academic structure. We realized that some of those living in the poorest neighborhoods had been forced back to the streets, and engaged in dangerous activities simply to survive. In response, shortly after the 2010 earthquake, the St. Luke Foundation established a Secondary School Center designed for students coming from the West Departments of Haiti. These students came from impoverished areas that did not have secondary or professional schools and thus had no opportunity to complete their studies.

### Objectives

- Uplift the ideals of honesty, responsibility and productivity in service to each young person reaching their greatest potential.
- Provide young people with the opportunity to learn at least one professional skill to ensure their future economic stability
- Include all children in the social, economic and cultural life of the country
- Improve the living conditions of students' families.
- Reduce the juvenile delinquency rates in the country
- Encourage students' fluency in English, French and Spanish ( during summer camp programs).
- Train youth efficiently in their chosen fields (summer camp program and Extracurricular activities)
- Equip young adults to persevere through financial challenges with the tools of basic financial management

- Inspire competitive and creative team spirit
- Model time management and "soft" professional skills.
- Show them how to develop their leadership skills
- Encourage participation as citizens in a true democracy

### The School

The Institution Educative Manitane de Luc is located in the municipality of Tabarre. Funded by our partners at Artists for Peace and Justice, an organization founded by members of the international film and entertainment community, the school is also known as the Academy for Peace and Justice (APJ).

Since opening in 2010 the student body has grown from 300 to more than 3,700 students, some of whom have reduced mobility. The school offers grades 7-13, and is distributed across four buildings and grounds that house an arts department, sports playgrounds, physical training center, library, computer lab, and 10 classrooms for each grade level. 120 teachers and 50 staff members including administrative staff and support staff hail from different areas of Port-au-Prince.

### Status and Operation of the APJ School



The Academy for Peace and Justice welcomes young people from some of Haiti's most challenged neighborhoods. Together, young people, teachers and staff create visions of a more positive future and develop plans to make those dreams a reality.

### Artistic Department of the Institution



Its main objective is to promote artistic creativity and develop the students' talent in these subjects, particularly in culture and sports.

The department is divided into several branches led by professionals and experienced teachers:

- Dramatic art putting the emphasis on theater and all the other sub-divisions of this art
- Plastic arts including drawing, painting and silkscreen printing
- Music (flute, violin, guitar, piano)
- Literature (poetry writing)

Academy of Peace and Justice Student Enrollment									
Year	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Boys	123	329	494	997	1,157	1,260	1,694	1,810	1,883
Girls	177	376	529	1,114	1,392	1,613	1,897	1,895	1,693
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>1,023</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>2,549</b>	<b>2,873</b>	<b>3,591</b>	<b>3,705</b>	<b>3,576</b>

The art department uses the classes workshops to showcase the talent and the creativity of each child. The department also seeks to awaken the children's souls to their very own artistic sensibility.

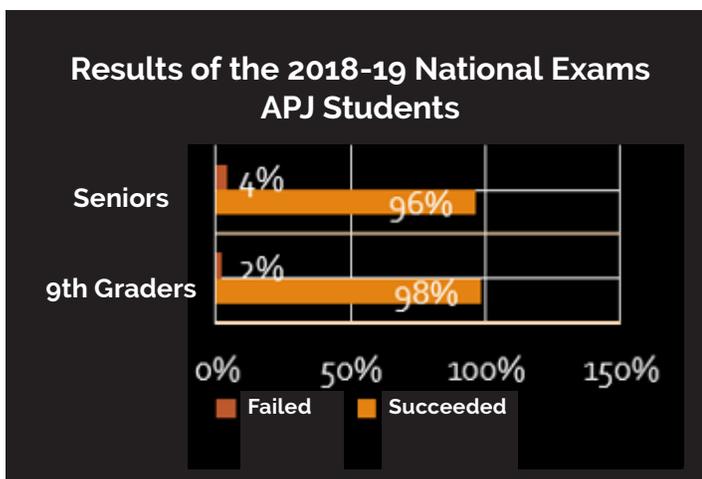
**Extracurricular Activities**

**Interschool Competition**

In April 2019, APJ students were named the champions of an interschool competition organized by the EDUPOL Community Police. Haiti's premier schools, including Saint Louis de Gonzague, Saint Louis de Bourdon, and Catherine Flon, etc. all took part in this national competition.

**Academic Performance & Impact of APJ**

From 2016 to 2019, four groups of students completed their senior year. Some of these students were beneficiaries of whole or partial scholarships for technical or university studies, at the national or international level.



**Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre (Also Known as Notre Dame de Guadeloupe)**



The Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre opened its doors on April 10th, 2012 and was inaugurated on April 12th, 2012 in presence of the Mexican President Felipe Carederon under the name Saint Francis of Assisi. The buildings were constructed with donations from the

Mexican Alliance.

The polytechnic institute includes two schools: a school of Nursing and Medical Technology, and a school of Science and Technology. The St Luke administrative team supervises the development of the training provided and ensures smooth operation in the teaching and learning process of the different fields.

Training equips students to:

- provide complete nursing care for patients
- enter the labor market as a skilled professional
- contribute to the social and economic development of our society

The program's benefits to Haiti:

- reduces unemployment
- provides the medical care market with skilled and efficient young professionals
- increases the income of households
- contributes to reduced juvenile delinquency

**Our Approach**

The Tabarre area is crowded with young people, and, unfortunately, training centers are scarce. Geographically, we are at the heart of this community's economic center and have a strong reputation with young people ready to build a career in Haiti.



Our ambition is to welcome all interested young people and train them according to international standards. In addition, we seek to instill a shared sense of responsibility for the greater good of our communities.

We place youth at the heart of our educational activities. Before young people are ready to learn, we must recognize how isolation and the trauma of their previous experiences have impacted their education and perspectives. Only then can they embrace the totality of our training program.

We have also established a close and strong bond with local employers and are responsive to their needs. Our training focuses on good customer service and the efficiency of our technicians, while coaching them on ethics and professionalism.



The Notre Dame de Guadalupe Training Center is a top-rated center that supports and develops the skills of young people, while also strengthening the pedagogical and technical skills of the teaching staff.



Our long track record allows us to contemplate a promising future and to develop even stronger partnership for the good of our alumni.

**Training Priorities**

Haiti's natural underground reservoirs are getting drier and gradually deteriorating. Our Hydraulic Plumbing and Sanitation Department has developed a «water treatment» program in response to this challenge. Other areas of focus:



- Auto-tronics and auto repair
- Solar energy
- Digital media and communications

**Educational Courses and Outings**

Technical training schools must work in concert with the business and manufacturing community to identify employer needs and secure high-cost equipment needed to train students appropriately. Students also benefit from not just technical training, but the real-world application and business context in which they will operate. Field trips to production companies are of crucial importance in the training of our young technicians.

Our students most frequently come from impoverished communities with limited access to opportunity. A founding ideal of the vocational school was to include work-study training. This is an innovative practice for both the business and training sectors in Haiti and students and trainers were very enthusiastic to invest in such an adventure.

As a result, students now participate in company visits or even internships at local companies. Technicians, under the guidance of their trainers and with coordinated travel support, also participate in educational trainings outside the city of Port-au-Prince.

**Specific Activities Symposium "The New Professions of the 21st Century"**

**Context**

Certain professions that once were known no longer have the right to exist. According to Lavoisier's law "Everything is born, everything lives, everything perishes" so it is also for the professions. Professions serve the needs of generations and a profession is not forever. The training market in Haiti is very conservative; the same professions are taught. While the world is moving ahead, we remain frozen in time. We must move forward.

To remain competitive in Haiti, we cannot remain inactive. The world is not waiting for us; the one and only way to stay in the competition is to innovate. If generations of young Haitian professionals are unfit for the world market, we must not compromise current and future generations because of our resistance to change. The market economy pushes us— and our civic duty as people working in the area of intellectual and technical formation prevents us—from remaining indifferent to this new vital paradigm.

**Goals**

On April 12, 2019, with the objective of:

- Promoting the impact of the Saint Luke Foundation in the training of young Haitian professionals for the more sustainable development of Haiti;



- Advertising the school's programs and benefits to young baccalaureate holders;
- Anticipating changes in the future of vocational training in Haiti;
- Exposing a wider audience to our current training programs and our progress towards emerging technologies;

Thus the school took the initiative to present its first conference on Technical and Professional Training.

### Conferences and Speakers

Renowned speakers including historian Michel Soukar, economist William Savary, computer scientist Jean Pierre Marcadieu joined the symposium. We also welcomed a panel of IT technicians and a manager of a local car dealership.

### Topics Discussed

1. The Industrial Revolution / Its impacts on the scientific organization of work / The professions that arise from it.
2. The current socio-economic and technological context.
3. The emergence of the digital world.
4. The new trades of the 21st century / Profile of the current technician
5. Contribution of the polytechnic institution in the learning of new trades / The technological offer adapted to the job.

### Target Audience

We had the enthusiastic participation of delegations from different colleges, high schools, and universities. All assembled were impressed by the quality of the expert, lively, and fruitful discussions. At the end of the day, the participants were very satisfied. What a good opportunity!

### Innovation

The St. Luke Polytechnic Institute encourages the decision-makers in the country's education policy leaders as well as the leaders of other sustainable development in Haiti to seize this opportunity to redefine the development priorities of the country's technical and professional sector in the light of the new professions of the 21st century.

This conference seeks to be a space for sharing innovative ideas. Our challenge is to support Haiti in this 21st century in developing the sustainable human capital that will bring greater well-being to the Haitian people. The best is yet to come.

### Continuity

The careers of the future will continue to become more dependent on digital fluency and technology. Our next steps will be to continue our track record of innovation and develop and deliver more digital training across the levels of our programs.

Our goal is to each year graduate a class of inspired, experienced young people with the skills to take Haiti forward into the 21st century. They are the power of change.

## Internships & Graduation



*Students from Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre at internship sessions.*



*Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre students, internship sessions.*



*Graduation ceremony, Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre.*



*Students from Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre, internship sessions.*

## Graduation



*Students at the Polytechnique St. Luc de Tabarre graduation ceremony.*



## Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame-Marie



After the devastation of Hurricane Matthew in 2016, a life-changing event for the residents of Dame Marie, Jeremie, the St. Luke team understood that we needed to be at the frontlines. We saw a need for both emergency relief and more resilient, sustainable, and dignified community development.

As part of this work, led by National Director Jean Nebez, we studied the needs and the feasibility of a vocational and technical training project for the residents of Dame Marie and surrounding areas.

Our first step consisted in meeting with the community to understand what they would most value. The public was enthusiastic and discussed the possible benefits for their families and their local economy. Our reputation for delivering on our promises helped us secure their engagement and trust.

Dame Marie economy has traditionally been based in agricultural; and so technical courses in agricultural development were preferred.

### Realistic Ideas Materialized

After this hopeful meeting, the Foundation team visited and put forward a concept for the construction of the Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie. Shortly thereafter, we began to recruit the staff needed to manage academic courses, establish criteria for further staff recruitment, determine criteria for student enrollment, develop vital community links, and work through other local logistics. All students had to pass an enrollment exam to ensure that they could be successful in their academic studies as well as to comply with accreditation standards from the Ministry of Education and Training.

In November 2017, the St. Luke Education Sector Management team in collaboration with the Management team of Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie were proud to officially inaugurate the Polytechnical Institute. The community members were overjoyed; a dream has been realized.

The establishment of this training infrastructure in Dame Marie created more than 30 jobs for the community. There is also a brighter future for the young people who are enriching their resume and training for their future professions.

### Management of the Institute

This new school is managed by a Director of Training and Development, a management secretary, and four advisors from existing sectors. It is St. Luke's second professional and technical training school that operates as part of the system overseen by Rev. Father Randel Fitho in Tabarre.

### Different Training Courses

To establish an effective sequence of coursework and training, it is important to know the different steps of the training courses and to find out about the training offers available: admission conditions, location, duration, accreditation by the Ministry for Education and Training, title awarded, job opportunities, etc. Thanks to our extraordinary staff, who are always open to developing new educational and entrepreneurial opportunities, we are always looking to the future, yet, staying true to our mission.

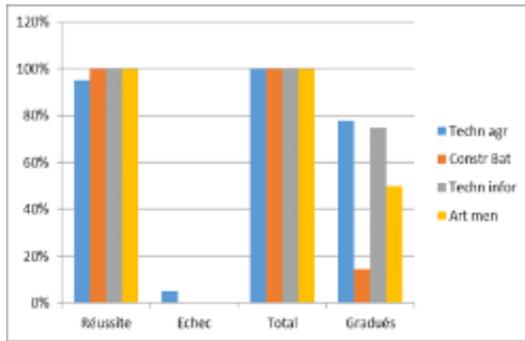
The below table illustrates the possible training paths after foundational coursework. The main training courses offered are presented for both levels.

### The Joyful Harvest

In December 2019, the St. Luke Dame Marie Polytechnical Institute graduated its first cohort of young technicians ready to assist employers and their communities by supporting existing technologies and offering new perspectives. Each graduate also serves as an exciting new way to lift families and communities out of poverty. Through their professions, these young people can build greater hope for the future.

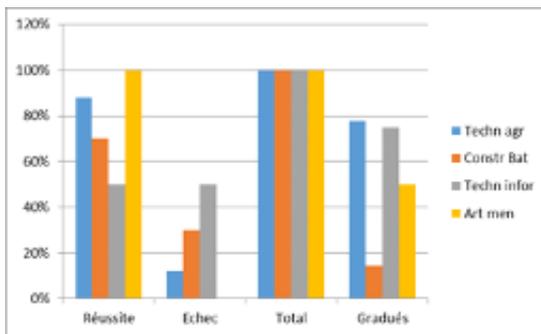
Student Enrollment Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie Academic Year 2019 – 2020			
Courses	I Level	II Level	Total
Agriculture	28	36	64
Construction	12	14	26
Computer technology	2	4	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>96</b>

**Performance of Students at Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie: Academic Year 2018-2019**



The success rate of the students is 100% for IT, Household Management and Building Construction, and 96% for the Agricultural Technology courses.

**Performance of Students at Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie: Academic Year 2018-2019**



Of all the courses, the success rate of students in the Household Management course is the highest (100%). Future I.T technicians get the lowest rate (46%). Agricultural technicians are the most successful after housework students (86% success rate). Students in agricultural technology and computer technology were the most likely to graduate.

The St. Luke educational team appreciates how the development of technical knowledge can permeate all areas of life in Haiti. Emerging technology and ways to connect can transform humanity. In light of this, people around the world are rethinking and reorienting their professions, and Haiti is at risk of being left behind. We, as a group of technicians and professionals, must take the lead. Our polytechnic programs seek to be a stimulus for and to accelerate progress for the benefit of the Haitian youth. All of this can happen with the dual benefit of supplying employers with professionals who are ready to embrace change and bring added value to enterprises of all kinds.



Left: Students of Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie.



Right: Agriculture Technology students at Polytechnique St. Luc de Dame Marie.

**"You cannot hope to build a better world without improving people."**

— Marie Curie

**STE. JOAN MARGARETH SCHOOL**



The Ste. Joan Margaret facility is a special school; one of the few schools for children with disabilities in the western department. In collaboration with Manitane de Luc Secondary School/ the Academy for Peace and Justice, it provides a welcome refuge for children who are

deaf, mute, blind, and/or intellectually disabled.

The school was founded on the April 14, 2010 by the leaders of St Luke Foundation, on the initiative of Mr. Ferel Bruno. It is located at August Pierre Paul Street, Tabarre 41.

The Ste. Joan Margareth School supports this special population and facilitates the integration and inclusion of students and families in their communities.

The school has grown from 63 students in its first year to 300 for the 2019-2020 academic year. Experienced teachers, an attractive location and a building that meets seismic standards to withstand earthquakes all contribute to the quality of education students receive.

Being an educator in a school that meets the needs of students who are disabled requires skill and patience. Our staff works constantly to increase their knowledge. Under the direction of the Educational Council of the Foundation, we organize bi-annual training seminars for teachers from pre-school to 6th grade. Our students achieve accordingly: The success rate of students in the official examinations of the Fundamental Cycle of the school varies from 99% to 100%.



*A deaf student from Ste. Joan Margareth questioning her teacher to solve an arithmetic problem in the classroom.*



*A student from Ste. Joan Margareth, whose arms are dysfunctional, uses toes to copy an exercise. A blind student reads.*

Saint Joan Margareth School addresses the following courses according to students' needs and capacities.

- Adaption/rehabilitation: the use of white cane, Braille, adapted computing
- Music: musical bell, piano, guitar

- Arts & crafts: cooking, baking, macramé, floral art and sewing
- Sports: football, physical culture
- Auditory and speech therapy: audiogram examination, hearing loss and lip exercise

## A Tour of Some St. Luke Schools

**St. Joseph Mixed School**  
 (Delmas, Petite Place Cazeau)  
 Founded in January 2005  
 Supported by *Fondazione Francesca Rava* and *Rotary International*

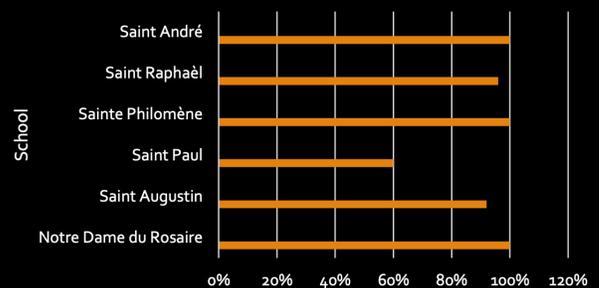


**Ste. Marie Mixed School** (West, Delmas 19)  
 Founded in October 2005 Supported by *Fondazione Francesca Rava*



**St. André Mixed School** (South, Fond des Blancs)  
 Founded in October 2010 Supported by *BILD HILFT* and *HORN BACH*.

Passing Rate for St. Luke Schools for High School Entrance Exams 2018-2019





**Mixed School Ste. Emma** (Cite Soleil, Truitier)  
 Founded in October 2014  
 Supported by PEN PAPER PEACE / NPH Germany



**St. Paul Mixed School** (St Louis du Sud)  
 Founded in October 2010  
 Supported by Fondazione Francesca Rava



**St. Nicolas School** (Cite Sun, Black Earth) Founded in October 2005  
 Supported by PEN PAPER PEACE / NPH Germany

**St. Augustine Foundation School**  
(Grande'Anse, La Syringe)

Founded in 2005, *Supported by the Andrea Bocelli Foundation*



**Manitane School of Dame Marie** (Jérémie, Baliverne)

Founded in September 2014  
*Supported the Andrea Bocelli Foundation*



**Our Lady of the Rosary School** (West. Croix-des-Bouquets)  
Founded in September 2008, *Supported by the Andrea Bocelli Foundation*



**St. Yves Mixed School** (North Lemonade)  
Founded in March 2011  
Supported by NPH Germany / MBZ



**St. Raphaël Educational Institution** (South-East, Devarenne)  
Founded in January 2014  
Supported by the Andrea Bocelli Foundation



**St. Marc Mixed School** (West, Good Rest)  
Founded in October 2007; The institution is currently in the second phase of construction of its final building.



## Education: Future Objectives

1. Development of the artistic and cultural departments of Manitan de Luc / APJ.
2. Implementation of the largest science laboratory in Haiti at Manitan de Luc / APJ.
3. Construction of a new school in St. Louis du Nord.
4. Project to build a school in Jean Rabel in Northwest Haiti.
5. Renovation of two school buildings in the West Department;
6. Project to provide a "Scholarships for Excellence" program for graduates of Manitan de Luc / APJ.
7. Reforestation and environmental education project for all our students.
8. Installation of a drinking water system at Bas des Moustiques (Northwest Haiti).
9. Establishment of a botanical garden at the APJ.
10. Reinforcement of the vocational training workshops of the Ste. Joan Margareth School Special Needs School.
11. Modernization of the digital and material document library of the Manitan de Luc / APJ.
12. Achieve greater efficiency across our programs through the use of management system software.
13. Implementation of the St. Luke Foundation online university project in partnership with international universities.
14. Enhancement of our schools' effectiveness through integration of school health clinics, and increasing access to potable water and green energy for the benefit of our students and their communities.
15. Renovation and expansion of classrooms in many of our schools due to the demand for additional students and courses.

Without the support of donors, friends and collaborators at all levels, our achievements would not be possible. Through your assistance, we have been able to change the lives of many, with dignity and respect for human values, through our most important tool: education.

After twenty years, we are armed with experience to better create hope and life in the hearts of thousands of young people. We know that our donors are facing enormous difficulties in a world in perpetual change. Our young people count on the support of our friends to lift themselves out of poverty and build a brighter future.

May we continue to work together so that St. Luke can spread abundance and prosperity.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & SOCIAL ENTERPRISE



## Francisville

The Francesca Reva Foundation joined forces with St. Luke to create Francisville to offer career opportunities for young people as well as to create access to greater entrepreneurial options. In addition, as St. Luke lives depends on income generated by our work, Francisville helps to ensure the sustainability of the organization as a whole.

Due to fuel shortages, devaluation of the national currency, generalized rise of the prices of basic commodities, and cities locked down due to violent civil unrest, 2019 was a very hard year. Existing as part of a national economy already weakened because of constant political instability, Francisville has not been immune to the challenges.

This economic paralysis impeded our work for at least six of the twelve months of the year. Yet we persisted to operate and meet our commitments to the community, producing and distributing medical oxygen for hospitals and health centers through Port-au-Prince and remote cities to save the lives of thousands, and to produce basic necessities for sustenance such as bread, pasta, eggs, fish, and chicken.

People travelled for miles on foot to come to Francisville, so that they could continue to feed their families and earn a daily income in dignity. Our products are always available at a fair and minimal price. These proud and entrepreneurial women (Ti Machan) who sell St. Luke's products can be seen throughout the city with their produce for sale on a small stand or in a large basket carried proudly on their heads.

Maintaining balance between our duty to the community and safeguarding our fiscal solvency is the greatest challenge we face. The team strives to rise to this challenge every day, especially in difficult times like this year was. 2020 is not announced to be easier. Yet, we renew our commitment to the cause.

## Villa Francesca and the St. Luke Guest Houses



The Villa Francesca guest house was built to receive donors, volunteers, and friends of both St. Luke and our sister organization, NPH. These volunteers arrive throughout the year from all over Europe and America to offer humanitarian assistance in health, education, and various social programs.

As a result of flight bans to Haiti due to the political situation in the country, the rooms of Villa Francesca were vacant for a long period of the year, especially during the last four months of civil unrest across the country.

St. Luke made a strategic pivot in Villa Francesca's management in 2019. Foundation leaders faced the obligation to keep health services running during the most difficult times.

Keeping medical staff in a safe place, close to our hospitals, helps to achieve this goal.

Thus, Villa Francesca was temporarily converted to accommodation for medical teams for St. Luke Hospital and St. Damien Hospital until vehicle traffic and public transport were re-opened.

We have similar guest houses in several other cities where the Foundation organizes medical and educational programs. These houses welcome our employees and international partners during their visits for work.

## Our Pasta



Since 2012, Francisville has produced several varieties of pasta using the recipe and production method of the Francesca Rava Foundation's Italian partners. We supply this essential product to the different sectors and programs of the Foundation.

In 2019, we were able to increase our production, and decided to expand pasta distribution to the local market. We focused on some public markets in Port-au-Prince and to the rural areas—especially during the period of the year when local harvests are delayed or insufficient to feed the local population.

We plan to release a new packaging format in 2020 to cover another market segment.



**Our Bakery**

The bakery is the most vibrant and active unit in Francisville. This year was particularly busy for bread production. Our famous rolls were in great demand when many other bakeries in the capital were forced to close due to lack of raw materials and labor caused by the political crisis. In times of crisis, we reached maximum production: 20,000 bread rolls per day. Our average production is 12,000 breads per day.



**Oxygen Production**

The production of medical oxygen, which we launched in 2012, is the most vital and a life-saving production in Francisville. We distribute oxygen to our hospitals (St Luke Hospital and St Damien Hospital), our clinics, and to various other medical institutions in the capital in times of crisis or market shortages.



Our system has the capacity to produce 16 cylinders of 2000 psi (pressure measure) each eight-hour working day. Francisville then made arrangements to double the quantity available by training a team of night staff. Our current goal is to produce around 20 cylinders per day in order to satisfy the demand.

During civil unrest, barricades blocked the supply roads for all kinds of materials, including essential ones such as oxygen. We deployed St. Luke's ambulance fleet to reach the hospitals in the capital with the great need, including the State University of Haiti Hospital (HUEH, the largest public hospital in Haiti).

Even with limited resources (no emergency concentrator, reduced repair kit), we are resolutely preparing to face the challenges of the year 2020.

**Our Green Energy Company (START)**



START COMPANY was created by our partners from NPH Germany to promote renewable energy in Haiti, to enhance our ability to generate our own critical resources such as electricity, as well as to expand the offerings of our education and training programs. German engineers visit regularly to provide up-to-date information and training.



In 2019, START moved forward with the execution of a significant project to provide at least 10 Foundation schools with a reliable solar-powered energy as well as a system for the production and distribution of clean drinking water.



**The Mechanical Workshop**

Our mechanical workshop managed not just the manufacture and repair of equipment for our own bakery and sugar mill, but also for factories across the capital. It adapts its work to meet the needs of local industry.



**Our Sewing Workshop**

Francisville still makes school uniforms for attendees of all of our schools, as well as for the employees of other St. Luke programs.



**Our Construction and Cement Blocks**

This year, we celebrated our ninth year of producing construction blocks of all sizes and various uses for the community. Resource limitations, including an unavailable mixer and deterioration of equipment, periodically limited our production, which we target at an average production of 1,000 blocks per day.





## Our Restaurant



Throughout the week, Francisville welcomes Foundation employees, Villa Francesca visitors, and the employees of local businesses to our restaurant for lunch. Occasionally we also serve as a caterer for various activities carried out by the other St. Luke programs. In addition to enhancing the quality of our menu, we have worked to make the space more attractive. The absence of guesthouse visitors almost forced the closure of the restaurant in 2019

## Our Automotive Mechanical Workshop



The mechanical workshop was designed to repair the fleet of vehicles for both St. Luke and our sister organization, NPH. For more than eight years, the shop has kept the vehicles in excellent condition and ready for service. Our fleet of ambulances is always available for all

emergencies 24/7 and 365 days of the year. St. Luke vehicles also transport life-saving blood from the Haiti Red Cross to our hospitals.

## Economic Development: Vision & Perspective

We continue to focus on ways that Francisville can be a successful and sustainable social enterprise effort capable of supporting the full suite of social programs St. Luke offers.

2019 was marked by endless political disturbances. We know that in 2020 will be a great challenge because of economic downturns. We are preparing to accomplish the most possible with the resources we have available to us.

# OUTREACH

Activities that can start an economic recovery & socio-economic integration through awareness.



### Our Approach

Our innovative operational approach, developed by Fr. Rick, has resulted in an Awareness and Outreach Service that is a well-respected part of St. Luke's mission. Raphael and his colleagues are true leaders and heroes. The team implements community mobilization strategies to involve local populations. This method consists of always being in direct contact with local residents, who frequently face challenges to their health and wellness, to better understand their needs. We prioritize the fight against all forms of poverty, and work to ensure the coordination of all players on the field. This method has allowed us to take into account all facets of a problem so that we can propose integrated and efficient solutions that will have a positive and lasting impact.

During 2019, we renewed our commitment to the poorest and most marginalized areas, offering them direct humanitarian aid.



### Education

According to 2019 data from UNICEF Haiti, **only 68 percent of children from the poorest households attend primary school, compared to 92 percent among the wealthiest households** and the level of learning remains very low.

Most schools are private, with more than 80 percent of schools in the non-public sector. To promote school attendance by more children, we offer access to our school for free. We also extend

access to education in isolated areas and places recovering from disaster by building and subsidizing schools.



### Emergency Response

The most marginalized and remote areas of Haiti are prevented from accessing health care—especially in times of crisis. Two Foundation employees have been trained in the United States as Emergency Medical Technicians. They provide urgent and emergency medical services in places that lack any public health options.

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### Mental Health

A small team periodically visits the Public Psychiatric Hospital to offer psychological support, fraternity, and humanitarian support to the marginalized residents of the institution. Through our Awareness and Social Assistance Service we provide regular social assistance and vital care. Service staff bring food to patients, organize activities, and provide them personal care such as haircuts, cutting nails, washing of clothes, supplementary medicines, and hygiene products.



### Funeral Celebration

With the authorization of the government, we offer a final and compassionate tribute to the dead abandoned at the morgue of the largest public hospital. In respect of human dignity, we also support families who cannot afford a funeral

or who are unable to recover their family members at the Port-au-Prince morgue.



### Water Distribution

According to the 2019 World Health Organization report, one out of three people in the world does not have access to clean water. The Foundation's water distribution projects aim to change this. Through a ground-water harvesting system, we supply clean, drinkable water

to the inhabitants of disadvantaged areas. More than 19,500 gallons of clean water have been delivered and distributed daily,

mainly in the community of Cité Soleil. We also install drinking water systems at our schools, as well as construct and fix water distribution infrastructure in remote areas. Six days each week, our tankers transport and distribute potable and clean water that also brings great hope to these areas.



### Construction & Rehabilitation

By building safe and secure new structures, and improving existing buildings, we ensure our services are provided in conditions that respect human dignity, and that keep people safe from bad weather and disasters. This work also improves access to isolated areas and ensures safe passage by enhancing roads and building footbridges over the canals of rubbish. These projects prove their vast benefits during the rainy hurricane season.



### Food Insecurity / Sustainable Economic Recovery

With unemployment skyrocketing, inflation increased threefold, a rise of prices of basic necessities, and climate-disrupted weather patterns, Haiti is even more vulnerable to food security challenges. Our work aims to help communities become more self-reliant in meeting their food needs. The Economic Development sector of the foundation outreach service continues create jobs and support food security through agricultural project development that produces eggs, coffee, cocoa, peanut butter, bananas, mangoes, and moringa; as well as honey beehives and tilapia fish farms,



and other livestock such as chickens, cows, Creole pigs.

We are proud to be able to guarantee more than 30 jobs for people with reduced mobility who come from various vulnerable and marginalized backgrounds. They devote themselves to the transformation of coffee beans into coffee powder, cocoa into chocolate, moringa leaves into powder and moringa oil, sugar cane into cane syrup and alcohol, and peanuts into peanut butter. Honey is prepared for consumption by pressing the honeycombs or extracting by centrifugal force.

The revenue after the sale of these products pays for this labor.

According to FAO analysis released in 2019, **an estimated 2.6 million people are severely food insecure; 25% of Haitians live below the poverty line; and 39,000 children under the age of five are at risk of acute malnutrition.** Haiti is still evolving in a context marked by extreme economic fragility. Several factors, as well as instabilities of all types, have weakened the resilience of populations and have increased poverty. Despite these challenges, St. Luke will remain faithful to its mission.



# HEADQUARTERS & GOVERNANCE

In early 2019, we enthusiastically engaged in exploratory work about how we could better serve communities in the northwest of the country that were particularly impacted by a 2018 earthquake and its aftermath. After research and survey work by our Planning and Project Management office (PGP), we prioritized work in three communities.

• **Jean Rabel** faces overcrowded primary school classrooms and insufficient options for secondary study. The community has no access to clean drinking water, despite repeated typhoid outbreaks. Basic health care is limited, and farmers are hostage to climate change and irregular weather patterns. St. Luke's work will include a primary and secondary school, health center, and public fountains to create access to clean water.

• Many of **St. Louis de Nord's** children in the **Des Granges/Barlatier** area must cross a river to reach their school. During bad weather and flooding, the community is cut off from one another. Without a bridge, academic and economic activities frequently come to a halt. St. Luke's plans include a primary and secondary school, health center, and public fountains to create access to clean water.

• In the **Bas Baie de Moustiques area of Port-de-Paix**, generations have subsisted without access to education, which has led residents to dismiss its value. Yet the subsistence fishing and agriculture they traditionally rely on are increasingly at risk because of climate change, disasters, and drought. Without access to clean drinking water or reliable government support, this community has been left to fend for itself. St. Luke will work on an outreach and awareness campaign to promote education, as well as a fountain to provide clean drinking water.

The Foundation consistently has been able to develop, deliver, and monitor projects in the midst of instability. Unfortunately, the challenges across Haiti in the year 2019 prevented us from starting our exciting and ambitious plans. We remain committed to the vulnerable people and communities in the northwest of the country. We will proceed with these projects as soon as possible.

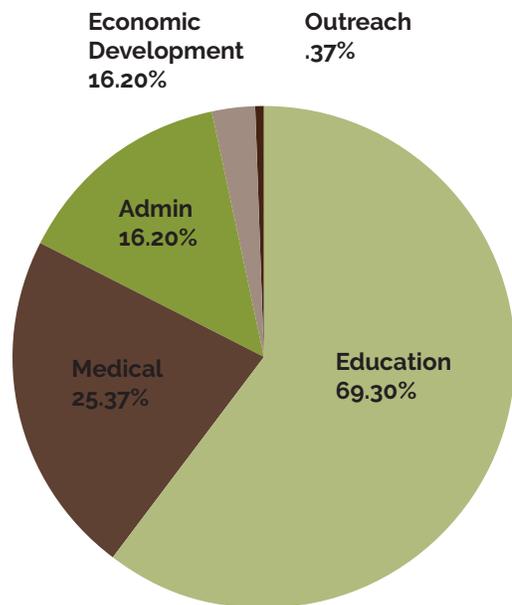
## Communications, Data Collection, and Partnerships Department

The launch of the improved [stlukehaiti.org](http://stlukehaiti.org) website has been successful, with more than 1,364 visitors—an increase of 107.6% views per month. On social networks community includes more than 2,818 followers on Facebook and more than 1,811 subscribers on Twitter. Fundraising events for the year included photo exhibitions, parties, fairs and conferences, as well as charity evenings designed to increase awareness of our work. Twenty-one international partners continue to support our work while we actively pursue expanding our international and private partnerships for the benefit of the communities we serve.

## Human Resources Department

St. Luke employed a peak of 1,400 staff members in 2019.

### Employees by Sector





## IN GRATITUDE

Our Annual Report highlights our accomplishments throughout the year of 2019, and shares our vision for the best next steps to realize a more independent and prosperous Haiti. We know that to advance this transformative work, we must focus on plans that not only respond to community needs, but also ensure our financial sustainability.

Our achievements are possible thanks to an unconditional commitment of our program leaders and program partners. They rely on deep community relationships to involve and mobilize community members as part of our work.

Financial support from international partner organizations and by donors to our charitable foundations in the United States and Canada provide the fuel that powers these people and programs.

Thank you to all who make this work possible, and more powerful. In 2020, we will celebrate the 20th anniversary of St. Luke. With your support, we can continue to work toward greater impact and sustainability.

**Together, we make the difference.**

### OUR INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

Health-care and educational institutions from around the globe provide expertise to strengthen our programs. Below our partners are listed in alphabetical order..

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**ANDREA BOCELLI FOUNDATION**

**ARTISTS for PEACE and JUSTICE**

**Basic Health International**

**BIOHAUS-Stiftung**

**CATERPILLAR®**

**Direct Relief INTERNATIONAL®**

**ESPOIR POUR HAÏTI**

**FONDAZIONE Francesca Rava**

**FORGOTTEN CHILDREN OF HAITI**

**GSD HEALTH CARE, INC.**

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**MAYO CLINIC**

**METI PROJECT.**

**NPH SPAIN**

**Nphdeutschland**

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