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**HAPI**  
Haitian Artisans *for*  
Peace International



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## PRAY



HAPI medical volunteers, Jill Gerber and Anne Ringger, are in Cite Soleil Haiti volunteering with [Samaritan's Purse](#) in the fight against cholera, Nov 23 - Dec 1. THANK YOU for your willingness to say "HERE AM I, send me!" (Isa 6:8)

## PLAY



Will your child or grandchild hear

**Dear Judi,**

STORIES OF HOPE...in the faces of the 'extra'ordinary poor. Can you see beyond the statistics? In times as Haiti has experienced this year, one wonders *how to help*. As Angelica Laudermith recently shared in her blog, ['Angelica's Heart for Haiti'](#) "*Just keep loving--it is all we can really do!*"

*"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God." 1 John 4:7, NIV*

We are bound together. And as I reflect upon the ways in which my life has been richly blessed by the people of Haiti...I am thankful.

Read more of my reflections at [www.haitianartisans.com](http://www.haitianartisans.com).

And how to help? In this newsletter: 'Purchase for Purpose' provides income and dignity for moms, celebrate Christmas with Peace Pals, pray for our volunteers, send a note of encouragement for our longterm volunteers and local staff as they serve others, participate in the HAPI cholera prevention plan, and advocate for legislation aimed to stop International Violence Against Women.

May you be have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Shalom,  
Valerie

the Christmas story this year? Will they receive a gift extended from family with love? Share the joy of the season with PEACE PALS. [DONATE to 'PEACE PALS CHRISTMAS.'](#)

## PARTNER



Individual Volunteer in Mission, Angelica Laudermith has a Heart for Haiti and HAPI. Angelica writes, "Are you rich?...If you have a solid roof over your head then you are rich....I pray for simplicity of life." Visit her [blog](#).

## HAPIKredi NEW HAPI MICROLOANS

Field Report by [Eddy Joassaint](#)  
Director of Finance & Administration



"We preferred to start small by selecting 24 (21 women and 3 men) among over 60 applicants to see how it's working. HAPIKredi charging 3% interest and pay each month by a period of 3 months."  
(Local average is of 5%.)

## HAPI Cholera Response



Yolande Zephir, Director of Community Health, and Fabi, registered nurse (pictured) led

# THANKSGIVING...



Francoise never had the opportunity to complete her formal education. Throughout 30 years of marriage, she supplemented the agricultural income of her husband with

small embroidery jobs. In 2007, she joined the HAPI family. Francoise is the proud owner of the textile microbusiness named 'Artizana Fanm' (Women Artisans), which supplies HAPI embroideries. Francoise's tiny home, built as a wedding gift, was damaged in the earthquake. Francoise rebuilt, complete with real glass windows and indoor plumbing! Her son said, **"This house was built because the business my mom grew with HAPI!"**

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training on prevention and treatment of cholera at the National School of Mizak with assistance from several health care workers.

HAPI is establishing a 'Clinic Benevolence Fund.' The current priority is to [purchase bleach and soap](#) to distribute at educational seminars.

Cholera has not yet reached Mizak but people are fearful and they are asking for education and supplies. We're grateful to be 'ahead of the wave' and working on prevention with the wonderful, dedicated service of these two HAPI women!

Notes may be shared to Yolande & Fabi via [Paul Prevost](#), Director of HR & Community Development.

### Help End Violence Against Women: Tell Congress to Pass I-VAWA

Violence against women is a major cause of poverty and a huge barrier to economic opportunity. It keeps women from getting an education, working, and earning the income they need to lift their families out of poverty.

Visit ['Women Thrive Worldwide'](#) and sign the petition!



### HAPI Moms (artisans) Make a Difference!

Children eat and girls go to school. There is 'thanksgiving!' Our sincere thanks to all of our HAPI friends & family who choose to live a little more simply...so "others can simply live." (Gandhi)

Shalom,

Valerie Mossman-Celestin  
HAPI Haitian Artisans for Peace Intl

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