

November 12, 2020 – The Invitation Topic: Haiti

Join YWAMers around the globe in praying and hearing from God. He is inviting you!



Land of Many Beautiful Mountains and People
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Once known as the "Pearl of the Antilles" because of its resources and natural beauty, Haiti is now noted as the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. In its earliest colonial days Haiti was a leader in the production of sugar, coffee, indigo, cacao, and cotton. Haiti has also been called the land of many beautiful mountains and people. Today, Haiti is marked by political instability and corruption, civil unrest, crime, and extreme poverty. Of the 11.4 million people who live in Haiti, it is estimated that in 2019 the average Haitian lived on \$2.18 per day (www.worldbank.org).

YWAM has had a presence for 34 years in Haiti. Today we have locations in Port au Prince, Saint Marc, Les Cayes, The Cap-Haitian, and Port de Paix (new next year).

Please join us for YWAM's prayer day called The Invitation as we pray for Haiti. If you only have a few moments to pray, ask God to redeem the people of Haiti through a moving of the Holy Spirit and through personal relationships with Christ. Pray for the removal of systemic evils holding back this nation.



Haiti

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Prepare to Pray:

Note what comes to mind when you think about Haiti. Jot down words that you think of.

Now think about God and the Haitian people. Refer to the quote below. Make notes about how God sees the people and how He might describe them.

Optional: Do a search for images of Haiti and scroll through the pictures before you pray. You could also find pictures of Haitian people and print them/cut them out. Make a collage to use during this time of prayer.

Enter into your time of prayer thinking about the Haitian people as you believe God would.

The landscape of Haiti is nature showing off her beauty and the people of Haiti is God showing off her beautiful image to the world.

Professor James Small of the World African Diaspora Union



Prayer Time at YWAM Saint Marc

Photo credit: YWAM Saint Marc

Pray for Haiti:

- Ask God to redeem the people of Haiti through a moving of the Holy Spirit and through personal relationships with Christ. Pray for a revival.
- Pray for those who call themselves "Christian" to turn away from ungodly practices such as voodoo.
- Pray for the removal of systemic evils holding back this nation.
- Pray for families as they are suffering the most. Unrest keeps people from earning what little they can.
- Pray for schools as they try to open and educate through the violence.
- Pray for a light to shine in corrupt areas in the country. Haiti has been reeling from civil unrest for two years now and it has greatly impacted the average Haitian family. The unrest is primarily due to corrupt government and businesses in operation. Pray for godly leaders in government and businesses.
- Pray for wisdom for YWAMers and Haitian leaders as Haiti navigates this season of Covid. Many Haitians
 are unable to quarantine because of the need to work, and many don't have a living situation that allows
 them to distance themselves effectively.
- Pray for political stability as Haiti has been in some sort of political unrest since 2018. There is opposition
 to the current president and the opposition is well funded. At its worst, the unrest caused people to be
 stuck in their homes, unable to travel, because paid thugs would seize control of the main highway. This
 has led to inability of goods to be distributed out of the capital, causing extreme price increases.
- Pray for acceptance within the church of young people. One of the focuses within YWAM is the younger generation and their desire for self-expression (clothes, hair, etc.) but the inability to be active in the church. Pray for the churches to allow the youth to be accepted as they are.

- Pray for our YWAM family as there is a great struggle financially to work through these times. No
 outreach teams can be received due to travel warnings. Pray for finances to meet minimum monthly
 operating expenses for all YWAM operations. Pray for creativity and wisdom as the YWAMers work to
 raise funds and for God to bring people who are willing to be active partners with the YWAM workers in
 the country.
- The YWAM locations have had to be flexible as a result of Covid. Pray for wisdom and creativity as the leaders strategize. Pray for unity and lasting friendships between the people at the various locations. Pray for effective ramp-ups as new ministries and strategies are implemented. Pray for patience.
- Pray for strong foundations for the YWAM locations and ministries so that they will last for many, many
 years into the future. Pray for strong relationships among the staff that will lead to strong culture at each
 YWAM location.



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Take Action

- Contact a YWAM location in Haiti and ask them how you/your location can support them.
- Seek God to give you an amount that He wants you to provide to a YWAM location/worker in Haiti. Pray for God to provide that amount. Pray for that amount until it is provided. Ask others to do the same.
- Check out YWAM Kona's new recording "The Commission." Share it with others so that the sound of
 "GO" is sung around the world: https://YWAM.lnk.to/TheCommission We won't stop til the whole world knows!
- Share on facebook.com/youthwithamission, post a picture and add a comment about how you prayed.
- Go to twitter.com; search for #praywithywam and tweet about your prayer time/post a picture. You can also post a photo on Instagram and use the same hashtag, #praywithywam.
- Send an email to prayer@ywam.org letting us know how you prayed and what God revealed to you.



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How We Prayed - October 2020 - YWAM's 60th

YWAM Worcester, South Africa told us they prayed for YWAM's 60th anniversary.

Future Topics:

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Don't Miss The Invitation:

- Sign up for prayer updates. Go to ywam.org, find the "Stay Connected" box on the home page, put in your email address and click "Sign Up."
- Download prayer updates in a specific language. Go to www.org/theinvitation. (Currently available in Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Indonesian, French, Thai, Hindi or request other languages.)
- Join the conversation about how God is leading in these prayer times. Comment on the Facebook page on the second Thursday at facebook.com/youthwithamission or on Twitter @ywam, hashtag #praywithywam. You can also post a photo on Instagram and use the same hashtag, #praywithywam.
- You can now listen to The Invitation as a podcast. To sign up or listen to past episodes, go to: ywampodcast.net/prayer.
- If you sense God giving you a word or a direction for YWAM's prayer, please contact us: prayer@ywam.org.

