Construction Trip Report January 27 - February 1, 2019

This report covers the January visit to the various construction sites. I was accompanied by Rick Giles and Marcelin during this visit. We met with Jacky, Profaite and Nadege over the course of the week. The country was calm during our stay, with the protests starting the end of the next week. I was shocked that the exchange rate escalated to 80-82 gds/\$ when in November it was 70-72 gds/\$, a +/- 15% inflation in two months.

Our goals were to review the progress of the school kitchen project and the new Youth Building at Repatriote; the revised school kitchen, classroom truss project and clinic projects at Cite Soleil; review progress on projects at Terre Noire, the sun shade project at Barye Fe and the new Fifth campus survey.

Cite Soleil Campus

Medical/Dental Clinic

- The treatment room expansion project has been funded and work should begin this month.
- The medical waste burn pit was funded and work began on cleaning up the old burn pit and building a new pit.
- The addition of exterior benches for clinic patients is complete.
- A new project was added and partially funded to provide a shade/rain cover for the new exterior benches. Work should begin after proformas are obtained.
- Preliminary designs were initiated to add sinks and vacuum lines to the two hygienist rooms in the dental clinic. A budget will follow shortly.





Children's Church, Phase III

- The wood trusses being fabricated for the roof of the children's church were examined and corrections made at the fabricator's yard. The trusses should be completed this next month.
- A plan for installing the trusses using available labor and equipment was formulated. Additional truss installation drawings are being developed.
- At this time, the schedule of truss delivery is unknown, due to the unrest and roads being closed between the truss plant and CS.
- Funding will be required in the amount of approximately \$25,000 to complete the interior finishes including windows, doors, painting and lighting after the roof is complete.

Cafeteria & Library Electrical Upgrades

 The team scheduled to complete this project had to cancel due to the recent troubles in Haiti.

School Kitchen

- A new project of remodeling/upgrading the school kitchen was prompted after a team that originally agreed to repaint the existing kitchen recognized that a complete overhaul was the best option. This team agreed to fund the upgrade.
- With Rick on site, we drew plans for a new kitchen and work began. The cooks were consulted and were very excited that a new kitchen was a reality.
- An existing charcoal storeroom will become the new kitchen, with preparation counters, clean water sink and new propane stoves. Two additional small little used storerooms will become the new dry food and kitchen utensils storerooms.

School Maintenance Items











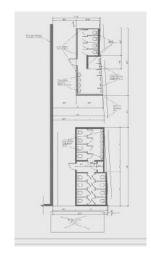
- The team that has undertaken the school kitchen, completely repainted the school student bathrooms.
- The bathroom for teachers behind Jacky's office was completed and cleaned.
- The team scheduled to complete the Library electrical was interested in upgrading electrical service to additional classrooms but had to cancel their trip.

Church Bathrooms

- A church team has provided initial funding to begin construction of new bathrooms behind the sanctuary replacing the repulsive 28 year old latrines.
- Trees have been removed, a design finished and foundations begun. More funding will be needed to finish the entire project.



 Pastor Profaite requested the CS entry gate be recessed and raised for safety and to prevent flood waters from entering the site. A preliminary design is in progress along with an estimate of cost.





Repatriote Campus

Phase IV Classrooms

- The janitor closet w/mop sink is complete. This completes all punch list items on the classrooms.
- A team is funding jalousie windows in the 2nd floor classroom closest to the church to prevent blowing rain from flooding the room.
- The school has requested curtains for all the 2nd floor classrooms and a church women's group has agreed to make these curtains.

Phase IV Cafeteria/Children's Church

• This project is now complete and is in use full time.

Phase IV Kitchen

- The kitchen is complete and ready to be moved into and used.
- The school desired a larger propane tank for the new stove and it is awaiting delivery.



 A team advanced funds to provide a new roof for the building and the exterior has been painted the new school color scheme.



Youth Building/Church Kitchen-Phase I

- The block walls both interior and exterior are complete.
- A team has committed to funding the stucco work this month.
- Another team has committed to fund the exterior and interior painting of the Youth & children's church offices this summer.
- The stairs to the future second floor (Phase II)
 were laid out, however it was recommended
 that due to space constraints, the church
 consider a circular stair to the 2nd floor.
- The church has decided to create a kitchen area in 40% of the first floor. Interior and exterior block work has been completed.
 Construction is awaiting funding before going further.



• Drawings are being developed for the second floor construction.

Barye Fe' Campus

Phase II Building

- The building is complete and classes have begun.
- After much searching the sun shades for the roof that were delivered in December were located while we were on site at the House of Hope.
- The shades were taken to the roof and have been laid out. Additional fasteners will have to be



fabricated and attached to the support columns before the shades can be hung. Hopefully this will be complete this next month.

Phase I Building

- The septic tank serving both buildings has reached it's capacity several times due to student use.
- It was decided to add a drain field to the septic tank and over the Christmas break a drain field was added.
- A donation was received to add airconditioning to the library/AV center on the 2nd floor in order to keep computers cool. The computers are now locked each night in an air conditioned computer storage room adjacent to the library.



Phase II Science Laboratory

- The science laboratory is complete and classes are in session.
- Rick and I brought down another 200# of equipment including analytical balances and a distillation process kit. This equipment should complete the initial furnishing of the science lab.



Site Work

 The EDH power installation is fully complete and the school is now capable of running on EDH power as well as generator power.

Terre Noire

Guest House Cafeteria Upgrade

- The project as originally designed is complete.
- The slick and unstable floor tiles were removed and an epoxy floor paint was applied to the floor.

Guest House Bathroom Upgrade

Nothing new to report this period.

Sanctuary Electrical & Architectural Upgrades

- The sanctuary ceiling has been painted white and has improved the lightness and brightness of the space considerably.
- Funds are being made available from a team to complete the lighting upgrades in the sanctuary this spring.



Sanctuary & Church Offices Expansion

 Nothing new to report this period. This project is awaiting funding from stateside sources.

School Cafeteria Upgrades

 The vent block windows were replaced with open security windows over the Christmas break. This spring, a team will paint the interior and exterior of the new windows.



Fifth Campus Site

- We walked the site in an attempt to rectify an error in the initial survey of the site.
- In discussions with Leon we understand that an additional 2+ acres is being purchased, resulting in a site total of 5+ acres.
- We requested Leon engage another surveyor to provide a legal description and site survey of the entire site once the additional acreage has been purchased.





<u>General</u>

- Marcelin coordinated with a US Church that desired to add solar panels to the House of Hope. He purchased the panels, batteries, panel security cages and received an inverter sent from the US.
- The team installed the solar array the first week of February, just before the protests began and I understand it is working very well.

Maintenance Updates

- The maintenance team suffered a blow when Tho, the water technician was dismissed.
- Currently, Wisly is handling Tho's duties in addition to his general maintenance technician work and Marcelin is overseeing Wisly on working with construction teams.

Vehicle Update

- The F-350 has been sold by Leon and the vehicle has been removed from the site.
- The F-650 is still for sale.

Respectfully submitted; Bob