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Volunteer Experiences in Haiti - 2010



A Special Presentation for the Students of  
Sayville Schools



## The Island of Hispaniola



## The Republic of Haiti

Slave Rebellion in 1804  
First African American Country  
Poorest Country in the Americas



**Beautiful Tropical Island**





## **But a very crowded country!!!**

50% of the population is under 20yo.

10 million people

95% are from Africa



**Brightly Colored Haitian Art**





## **Poorest Country in the Western World**

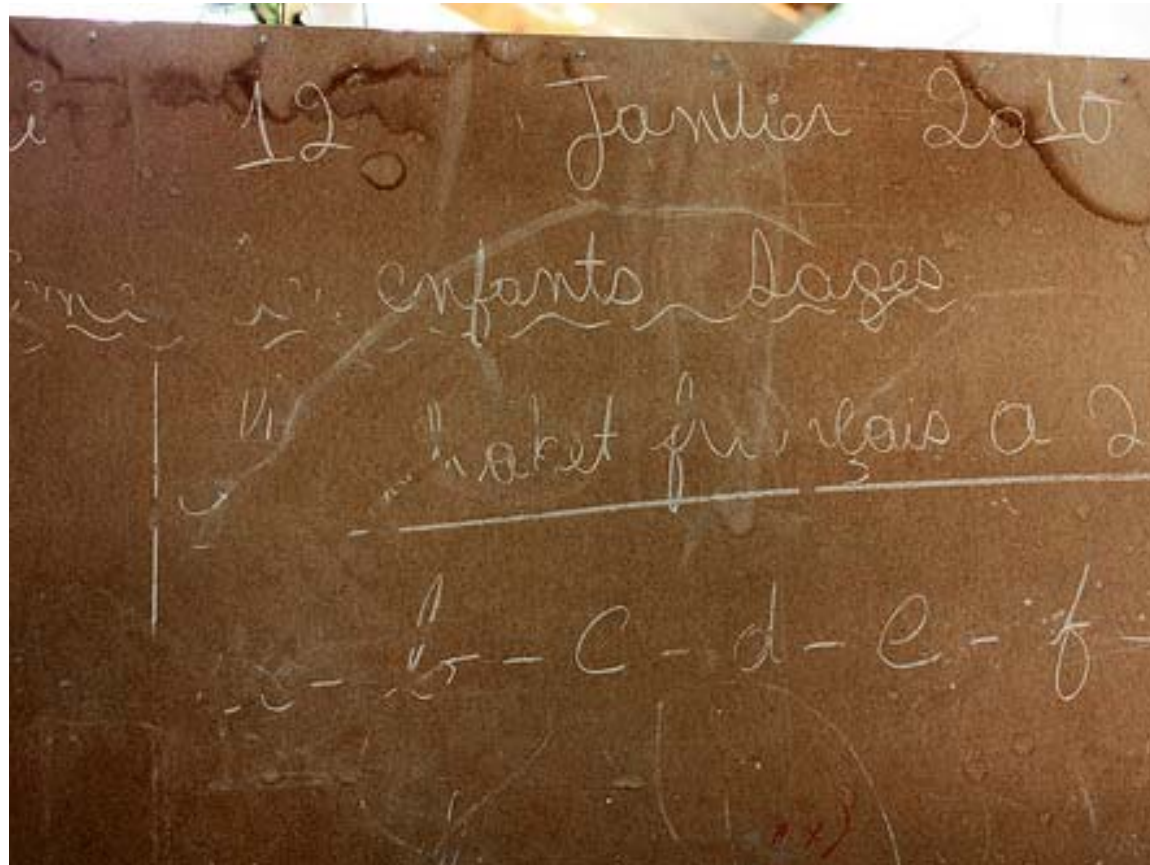
Deforestation

*"Desertification"*



**Poor Sanitation**





**January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

4:53pm Local Time

7.0 Magnitude



**Houses built on the hills slid down...**



**Cars and trucks were crushed...**





**All the electricity went out...**



**The air pollution was very bad...**



**People from the USA leave to help...**





**Bus & Trailer with Supplies**



**Earthquake Damage to Road**



## Headmaster's House

"no injuries!!"





**Supplies**



**Our Happy Pharmacist before we opened...**



**A little messy after 400 patients!!**





**Our Tents on the Soccer Field...**



**Arrival at Port au Prince**



**Surgery in the Classroom**





**Cramped Living for a Family**



**Mommy, Doctor Tina, and “Baby Tina”**



**“Baby Tina” born in a dark classroom...**





**Infant Care**



**Orphanage**



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**Waiting to see the doctor...**



**...more waiting...**



**More waiting...**





**Diagnosis?**



**“my leg hurts...”**



**Training the Haitians  
In Healthcare**



**Carlos – Doctor in training**





**My Friend**  
(and dinner...)



**The President's House**



## **Poor Living Conditions**

No clean water

No electricity





**People living in tents & under tarps...**





**...and then more people...**



**...and more people...**





**And then even more people...**



**...and now there are tents EVERYWHERE!!**





**They now need regular healthcare**



**And healthy babies are still being born...**



**And they will grow-up strong...**



**To help rebuild HAITI....**





**And we will all work together...**

A photograph of a sunset over a body of water. The sun is a bright, horizontal band of orange and yellow light on the horizon. The sky is a mix of blue and grey, with some dark, wispy clouds. The water is dark and calm. On the right side, there is a dark silhouette of a building or structure. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

## A Message of Appreciation:

*The medical supplies used for  
this volunteer trip were  
helped paid for by the  
students of the  
Sayville School District*