

# Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter

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Thursday, October 16, 2008 A.D.

*The Most Excellent Way*

Today's secondary Chapel focused on service.



Miquette Denie, QCS's nurse, spoke about the work she has done in Gonaives -- and she delivered food and clothes, much of it donated by the QCS community -- to desperate people. This was followed by students sharing about interpreting for medical teams, playing with orphans, and shoveling mud out of buildings in Cabaret. I'm proud of the contributions QCS students make to the surrounding community.

God has started a good work in us, "for we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10). We were created to do good works -- and it is a thrill to see that working out in the lives of QCS students, staff, and parents. Keep on doing good!



## Student's Response to Helping in Cabaret

On my way to Cabaret, there was only one thing on my mind, hours. All I wanted was that big chunk of hours so I could be done with it. But towards the end I didn't care how many hours I was getting. It



felt so good and rewarding knowing that I just made someone's life a little easier than what it was before. I got to hang out with people I have never met before and found out that they are just like us. They know what they want and they do get tired. That's is why I felt good about myself because I knew I was giving someone a break from the carnage and got to make the area a cleaner place. I felt better because I knew that I contributed into making the area the place it once was. The feeling of helping someone is unbelievable and it makes the trip back home even better.

Xavier Pilorge

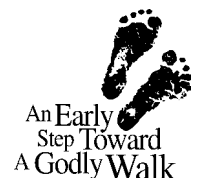
## Footprints

Some people come into our lives and quickly go . . .  
Some stay for awhile  
And leave footprints on our hearts  
And we are never the same.

The footprints left could be the footprint of:

- Kindness - never picks favourites; loves all, gives all
- Patience - always having time for others
- Joy - being happy in the journey of learning
- Self-control - living at peace with all
- Love – sharing in our laughter and in our pain

Bloom where you are planted. I encourage you to take your footprints and run with them! On the way, always tell the people you care about that you love them - you may not always have the chance. Be kind to all, even the people who you may not like. You might find they are dealing with the same stuff as you. Pursue your passions and make your choices count for Christ. A few words from the heart - the most excellent way.



## Introducing . . . Corrigan Clay

I am married to an amazing and compassionate woman, Shelley Clay, and I have three adorable and funny kids: Keziah (5), Woodelson (3), and Zebedee (2).



My family lives at His Home for Children where we care for 24 boys who are awaiting adoption. My family moved to Haiti this past summer from Vancouver, British Columbia, where I received a Masters Degree in Theology and the Arts from Regent College. Prior to earning my Masters degree I served for four years as a missionary to third-culture kids in Germany through Young Life. I have a B.A. in Visual Arts (with a minor in Youth Ministry) from Seattle Pacific University. My artistic interests and training are broad, ranging from traditional drawing, painting, and printmaking to new media such as graphic design, photography, and film. You can see some of my photography and art at [www.throwing-clay.com](http://www.throwing-clay.com)

My love for art, my love for teaching, and my love for Jesus interweave and strengthen each other like a braided cord. My adoration for Jesus springs out of my amazement at his power and love and when I paint, I especially remember his creative work, his ability to form something beautiful from nothing, and his care and attention in forming my life. I remember that I am his unfinished piece of art, and that he gives more time, attention, and interest to me than I pour into any of my own paintings. I teach because I want my life with others to echo Christ's life in me; the way he walks along side, guiding in grace and truth, pointing to each next beautiful horizon. I love to watch the joy of discovery bloom across a student's face.

### A Reminder

A week from tomorrow we will have our second set of parent teacher conferences October 24<sup>th</sup>. Why so quick? We want to stay in touch with you so that you are aware of your child's academic performance. This is also the time you receive your child's report card – special delivery via a teacher☺ What a great opportunity to come together to discuss the academic growth taken place so far this school year.



## School Calendar

Wednesdays - Hip Hop after school in the chapel  
Mon/Wed - soccer practice for boys 14+  
Tues - soccer practice for boys 11 – 13

Thursday, Oct 16<sup>th</sup> - last day of the first quarter  
Friday, Oct 17<sup>th</sup> - Dessalines day – **no school**  
Monday, Oct 20<sup>th</sup> - second quarter begins  
Friday, Oct 24<sup>th</sup> - report card day ☺  
- parent teacher conference day☺  
- **no school** for students  
- Money for Close Up is due  
Saturday, Oct 25<sup>th</sup> - QCS Beautification day from 9 AM – 1 PM  
- please bring shovels and other gardening tools.

Spirit Week is **next** week AND there will be activities every day after school:

Monday - HS soccer  
Tuesday - MS games  
Wednesday - ES games  
Thursday - HS games after pep rally

Student Council is having a dinner party on October 31 called a *Masquerade* from 6 – 9. This is for the MS and HS students. Cost is 10USD. Students must wear a costume to enter so start planning outfits now!

The senior class will be selling Cheesecake Factory Cheesecake for the next few months. These cheesecakes are plain cheesecake and are 9 in and 4 lb each. They will be flown in from the US on Thursdays and need to be picked up by 4 pm on these days unless further arrangements are made. Cost is \$30 USD and an ordered must be placed through a senior on the Monday of the week you want one.

### Power shaping me

Media has power. In our world today we see children and adults being 'wired' to their own beat of music. We see changes in technology. Ask someone *What is an LP record or a 45 rpm record?* The kids of today know the happenings in media. Do we as parents get to know our kids by knowing today's media?

I used to watch all the TV programs my children watched so they would make the proper choices. How are we influencing the choices our children make regarding today's media – the internet, their ipods, their phones, the content of their emails, or their postings on their *FaceBook*?

As families we need to be able to say together, *But for me and my household, we will serve the living God!*