



Dear Friends and Supporters of Haitian Connection,

To talk about Haiti today is to talk about a country with problems dragging it down, in circumstances that make life almost unbearable. The soul of Haiti is racked with pain. And yet, the light of hope has not been extinguished. Hope is the only thing that remains here. Even when it is not there, you have to create it, because it is so essential for Haitian people to know that there will be a better life.



Just to illustrate how amazing Haitians are, especially Haitian women, and how they create moments of respite even from the embers of hope, a good friend of mine from Jeremie sent me the following photo. She put on a “fashion” show for her neighbors to put a smile on their faces and help reduce their stress, even if just for just a few minutes. She sees a need and she acts by putting some balm on that need. So inspiring!

We are including our Annual Report 2024 for this mailing. This is the first Annual report that Haitian Connection is putting out. It is to show you how your contributions to the work of Haitian Connection have a far reach, touching those who need it most. This year I am asking that you will help us to reach even further. Instead of two summer camps, we would like to do four. We would like to accommodate more children in our afterschool program and provide more scholarships. And we would like to enlarge our mental health program. With your help, I am convinced that we can and will change things.

In the spirit of Peace and Hope,

Renate Schneider