

**LIVE BEYOND**

*SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS FOR POVERTY*

**2018 ANNUAL REPORT**

## NOTES FROM THE FIELD:

LiveBeyond Friends & Family,

### 2018 was a year of changing the equation.

A very common approach to development is to simply build infrastructure or similar programs. Build another school. Or another house. Another church or clinic. But that isn't the way to actually *develop* change.

### Change requires an input of something different. Something more.

We couldn't build just another Haitian school, teach the same old way, and expect the children in our school to be better because of it. We had to hire highly-qualified teachers, offer them professional development on assessments and differentiation, choose engaging curriculum that would give our students pride in their country, and provide the facilities, tools, and innovative technology the students would need to exceed their dreams. For example, through video conferencing, we have opened up the possibility for American teachers to offer professional development seminars for Haitian teachers, and students at the St. Mark's School of Texas can tutor children at the school. Each small step forward helps the children march away from the bondage of poverty.

We couldn't just build houses for people and expect for them to care for those houses with responsibility. That's why we started the financial classes to teach about savings and loans so that the Haitians who build houses through this program understand the value of what they are building and take pride in their own homes.

We could not baptize people into Christ without raising up Haitian leaders through pastoral and deaconship training who could help them "mache dwat" ("walk in righteousness" in Haitian Creole). We couldn't expect these new believers to know what to do without providing discipleship classes to give them the opportunity to learn about what it means to live in Christ.

### We had to increase the input of energy into the equation to see an increase in output.

Jesus came to give life and give it abundantly (John 10:10). That means that it is our job as Christians to strive towards that same goal. And abundant life can't be reached without systematic increases in energy input and output.

Every program of our Community Development project in Haiti underwent some increase in kinetic energy in 2018. And each program experienced an increase in output too! The Lord kindly uses our efforts to expand the Kingdom of God.

We look forward to 2019 as a time to build on the changes we made in 2018. We hope you'll join us by choosing to LiveBeyond yourself so that others can live abundantly. Join us as we transform Haiti for the Kingdom of God by coming on a mission trip, becoming a monthly sponsor, volunteering your time and skills, and by sharing the LiveBeyond vision with those around you. Join us in 2019 as the Lord works through us to make the dreams of 2018 a reality.

Get out there and LiveBeyond,



David Vanderpool, MD, FACS, FACPh  
CEO & Founder, Director of Medicine  
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# ABOUT



## OUR MISSION

We are a Christian organization that chooses to LiveBeyond ourselves, our culture, our border, and our lives so that the poor may live the abundant life of Jesus Christ.

## OUR VISION

Our vision is to be an ever-expanding community of people who by the grace and power of God choose to LiveBeyond ourselves in order that we may:

- Spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to the poor by providing...
  - » medical care
  - » clean water
  - » nutritional support
  - » education
  - » care for the most vulnerable
- Awaken the Church to her true Destiny



# LIVEBEYOND'S HISTORY

Mobile Medical Disaster Relief began as a response to Hurricane Katrina.	MMDR helped start & supply a clinic in Biloxi, MS to serve Katrina victims.	MMDR responded to the Zambezi River flood in Mozambique.	MMDR worked with Iris Ministries in Pemba, Mozambique.	MMDR began construction on a clinic in Cedeño, Honduras.	MMDR responded to 7.0 earthquake in Haiti & begins surgical visits to Ghana.	MMDR held mobile clinics in Haiti & responded to the tornadoes in Tuscaloosa, AL.	MMDR now LiveBeyond established a base in Thomazeau, Haiti & began the At Risk program, the Maternal Health program, and the Clean Water Initiative.	Dr. & Mrs. Vanderpool sell their house & medical practice to move to Haiti.	LiveBeyond dedicated the Hamilton Guesthouse to God & opened the Demonstration Farm.	LiveBeyond began the Kè Pou Timoun program & the Johnny's Kids program.	LiveBeyond responded to Hurricanes Harvey & Irma & began the School Food Distribution program.	LiveBeyond began the School and expanded food distribution efforts.	
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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2018



### JANUARY

We celebrated the 4th anniversary of the **Johnny's Kids** program with the baptism of Nadia and the addition of Matino.

### FEBRUARY

LiveBeyond attended the Mobilizing Medical Mission (M3) Conference in Houston, Texas.

### MARCH

LiveBeyond harvested 200 pounds of black & pinto beans.

### APRIL

LiveBeyond celebrated 3 weddings and 5 baptisms on the April team.

### MAY

LiveBeyond finished construction of the Primary School.

### JUNE

A dental team provides some much needed relief to many local Haitians at clinic.

Badi began learning to communicate with his new iPad.

### JULY

The Kè Pou Timoun program moved from the porches of the clinic into the brand new school!

### AUGUST

Due to unrest preventing teams entering Haiti, the LiveBeyond staff provided a shortened Kè Pou Timoun summer camp, and the team from the Hills celebrated a Haitian dinner.

### SEPTEMBER

LiveBeyond hired Haitian school teachers and a principal and began in-service training.

### OCTOBER

LiveBeyond celebrated the construction of Pastor Sargesse's house and mourned the loss of the beloved John Kelly Garçon.

### NOVEMBER

After Haitian parents had the opportunity to meet-the-teacher, the LiveBeyond school officially opened on October 15, 2018.

### DECEMBER

LiveBeyond increased food distribution in schools so that over 3,000 children receive nutritional support each school day.

The University of Alabama RISE program Reach employees gave Christmas stockings to the children in the Kè Pou Timoun program.

# LIVEBEYOND SCHOOL

## EDUCATION IN HAITI

Education standards in Haiti are abysmal.

Close to 60% of children drop out before they finish primary school. Schools are understaffed, under-equipped, and often unqualified to provide education services to children.

So, building just another Haitian school was never an option.

At LiveBeyond we realize that another average Haitian school is insufficient to act as an agent of change within the education system in Haiti. If there is not significant input of energy into the education equation, then we can't expect an increase in output.

To sum up the LiveBeyond difference in education, everyone involved in the school system (including parents, teachers, students, etc.) has undergone a mindset change regarding the purpose of a school and has gained a revolutionary philosophy of education. The foundations and fundamental practices of the school are radically different from those of a typical Haitian school, and, as a result, this school will transform the lives of our students and teachers, the community around LiveBeyond, and, in time, the entire country of Haiti.

Here are just some of the changes we have implemented in the LiveBeyond school, serving 2nd-7th grade:

- We have hired highly-qualified *normalien* teachers to instruct in large, comfortable classrooms with student-to-teacher ratios that do not exceed 16:1. Each *normalien* is supported by an English-speaking teacher's aide.
- Teachers and classroom aides participate in weekly professional development seminars and a mentorship program that provides instructional support, constructive feedback, and information about classroom observations, testing, teaching strategies, and student behavior.
- LiveBeyond has adopted the Creole, Christian-based curriculum *Mwen Kapab* (which means "I can" in Haitian Creole) that was written by Haitians, for Haitians to develop student and teacher pride in the Haitian language and culture.
- Students are provided with uniforms, two nutritious meals each day, supplemental food for the weekend, and quality textbooks, workbooks, and school supplies free of charge. Classrooms include whiteboards, education posters, books, wifi, and other materials that help students and teachers become successful in the classroom. Some classrooms are equipped with Apple TVs, projectors, and laptops so that students in high schools and universities and teachers in the United States can interact with the Haitian students via teleconferencing.
- Instead of being graded according to the results of five large tests (Haitian school standard) teachers assess students weekly to more closely monitor the progress of individual students. This gives them the opportunity to differentiate instruction based on a student's needs.
- The LiveBeyond school implements logical consequences for misbehavior to ensure that students will stay in school.

**We believe that the children who attend our school will be the future leaders of not just Thomazeau, but all of Haiti.** LiveBeyond is dedicated to bringing about changes in education for teachers and children in Thomazeau, and eventually for all of Haiti. Your donations make this possible. Please consider supporting a child in our education program by becoming a monthly sponsor. **Together we can energize the Haitian school system and provide a future for the children of Haiti.**



# FOOD DISTRIBUTION

According to the World Health Organization, malnutrition contributes to 45% of deaths in children under 5 years of age. It is one of the most serious threats to global public health. We at LiveBeyond could not stand by and do nothing as our friends starved to death. Hungry bellies often drown out the important instruction of school teachers, and malnutrition negatively affects cognitive function. Children should never have to go hungry. Thanks to a partnership with Convoy of Hope, LiveBeyond began the School Food Distribution program in June of 2017.

LiveBeyond distributes food through local schools, clinics, the Maternal Health program, Beans & Rice Evangelism, and the Kè Pou Timoun program. LiveBeyond collects nutrition and growth data on the 3,000+ children being served in each of the schools to ensure the efficacy of the program. By the end of 2017, we were sending out over 30,000 meals per month. As of December of 2018, LiveBeyond distributes 100,000 meals to hungry kids and moms each month!



# JOHNNY'S KIDS



Since 2014, the Johnny's Kids program has been working to transform the lives of the mentally and physically handicapped. In Haiti, children with disabilities are seen as worthless, but we know the truth. All are valued in the eyes of Jesus! This year LiveBeyond expanded this program by moving the program into a room in the school, adding two teachers, and utilizing the program's education aspect to work with physical therapy students from Port-au-Prince on therapy exercises.

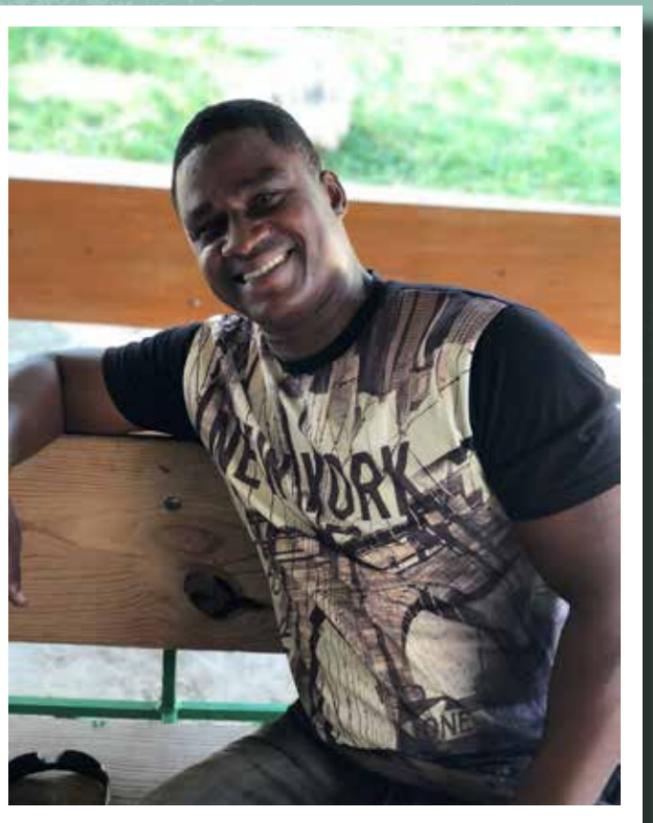
Other accomplishments include: the addition of Matino, Magina, Rosebeline, Yschneider, and Fabienne to the program; Nadia's choice to be baptized; Badi stood by himself; Pierre Richard and Chenielo attended a Night to Shine in Nepley, Haiti; Magina, Chenielo, and Pierre Richard began mainstream instruction at the LiveBeyond school. We look forward to all of the wonderful things we can achieve in 2019!

# MISSION TRIPS

We couldn't do what we do without our volunteers! We were so blessed by all of the teams that came in 2018! Here's a look back at some of the great teams that came this year:



Join us on a 2019 or 2020 mission trip. Dates are already posted on our website!



We would be remiss if we did not mention the passing of our beloved Haitian brother John Kelly Garçon on September 26, 2018. He was an honorable, hard-working man, dedicated to helping those in need. He will be missed by all, especially his young sons Lens Kelly and Johnson and his wife, Andrise.

# IN THE NEWS

## Coach Gene Stallings remembers Johnny on World Down Syndrome Day

*Alabama Living*, March 21, 2018

For former Alabama football coach Gene Stallings, World Down Syndrome Day is an important date on the calendar. The day, observed on March 21, draws attention to those with Down Syndrome.

[Read more](#)

## How to Do Short-Term Missions the Right Way

*Outreach Magazine*, April 2, 2018

Short-term missions have received a lot of flak in recent years. And we at LiveBeyond understand where the criticism is coming from, but we have some solutions.

[Read more](#)

## VIDEO: Live Beyond by Serving the Poor

*Revive Live*, May 23, 2018

[Watch here](#)

## Protests have died down, but the crisis in Haiti isn't over

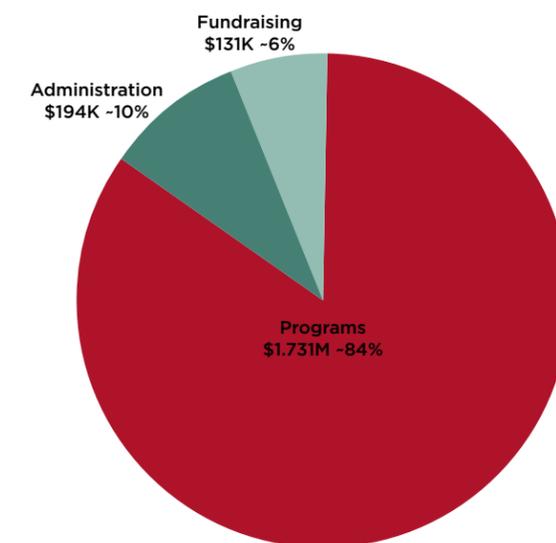
*Dallas Morning News*, July 7, 2018

On Friday, I was all set to go to Haiti, leading a team of American volunteers to work in the many programs at the LiveBeyond base in Thomazeau. I was especially looking forward to going since my husband and I lived there for two years, and I've been going down since the earthquake in 2010.

[Read more](#)

# FINANCES

## 2018 Operational Budget





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