

→ During the month of September, Vilmar's Mission and Outreach Team will be collecting monetary donations for GoServ Global – Haiti.

GoServ Global is an Iowa-based, nonprofit, Christian organization many of our members have taken mission trips with to Les Cayes, Haiti. Unfortunately, Les Cayes was hit with a 7.2 magnitude earthquake on Saturday, Aug. 14. The result has been absolutely devastating, with many fatalities, loss of buildings, homes, churches, and many displaced people.

The GoServ Global orphanages (roughly 10 miles from the center of the quake), sustained some damage. The children and missionaries are safe, but some have broken bones and minor injuries from the impact. Many of the children are dealing with fear of what will happen next, and some are re-living the earthquake of 2010. All of the Sukup Safe T Homes withstood the quake and remain undamaged.

The organization has been working to get much-needed medical supplies to the island to assist with the aftermath of the earthquake, and the recent tropical storms.

We ask that you keep all those impacted by the earthquake in your prayers, and prayerfully consider donating to this mission close to the hearts of many of our members.

As Vilmar seeks to live out one of the Core Values of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC) of being a Mission-Driven church, the Mission and Outreach Committee, in consultation with the Church Council, will be selecting a mission that we will feature and lift up to the congregation for your prayerful support each month. Funds that are donated for missions that month will go to that specific mission.

If you are aware of a mission project for us to prayerfully consider, contact Barb Meyer, Chair of the Mission & Outreach Committee.

Stay tuned to the Herald, Vilmar's Facebook Page, website, and the bulletins for future Mission & Outreach projects during the year.



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