



Thank You

MERCY KIDZ CONTINUES WITH BIG SHOES (AND HEARTS) TO FILL

Bud and Cindy, from all of us at Mercy.

As you step into the next chapter of your life, we at Mercy want to say thank you! You have graciously shown the Lord's light and love to all the many donors, pastors, staff, and children throughout your many years of service. Your investment in the lives of others has truly made a difference. You have given hope to the hopeless and built a legacy of empowerment for generations to come. Your impact stretches wide. Your experiences in Haiti and the lasting bonds you've formed show your dedication to serving the Lord. You've used your talents wisely, serving in Haiti, managing programs, and consistently returning on trips. Your sharing about Mercy Kidz at events, church, and with friends and family further highlight your commitment to the growth of the Kingdom of God.



“First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.”

Same Mission, New Team

Meet the new team for Mercy Kidz and learn about each of their roles as we continue the mission to break the cycle of poverty through education and sharing the hope of Jesus through child sponsorship.



TRAVIS HAMILTON MERCY KIDZ COORDINATOR

I am Travis Hamilton. I have been familiar with Mercy Kidz – Haiti, almost since its inception, as the CFO of One Mission Society and then as Mercy took over the program. My wife and I have made multiple visits to Haiti, even before being involved with Mercy Kidz, and we have an adopted daughter from Haiti.



SHANNON DUMONT MERCY KIDZ DEVELOPMENT AND DONOR REPRESENTATIVE

Hi, my name is Shannon Dumont and I am responsible for Development and Donor Stewardship. I love the work we do at Mercy. It's a truly humbling experience to give voice to the voiceless and share the love of Jesus to the world.





Mercy Kidz impact and future

Mercy Kidz Haiti continues forward, working to impact the lives of children through education and the Gospel. In spite of ongoing challenges, the Mercy Kidz schools (all located in Northern Haiti) have remained open as much as possible. Due to political unrest and violence, there have been times when schools have been closed by the government, but fortunately in the North schools have been allowed to reopen. In a country where daily uncertainty and struggles are the norm, the opportunity to attend school, maintain a routine, and have daily encouragement of God's love and faithfulness, is vital for the children.

Looking ahead, one of Mercy Kidz biggest goals is to continue to improve communication and access to information for donors. This is no small undertaking! Creating a new database, transferring records accurately, having the ability to create necessary reports, and having everything in an easily understandable format creates a lot of moving parts. We continue to trust God to provide what is needed to accomplish the task. He is faithful and desires to see the children benefit.

In addition to this newsletter, donors will receive a report card later this year notifying them whether their student has passed their grade (or not). The report card will also provide other information about Mercy Kidz Haiti and update donors on the schools and Mercy Kidz in general.



We cannot thank you enough for your faithfulness and support of the children in Haiti. Without each of you, this program would not be possible. The children today are the future of Haiti tomorrow. Our desire is to see an entire generation of Christian leaders emerge to spread the message of hope through a life committed to Jesus.

-Cindy Lenker

The next chapter

Cindy and I are excited to venture into this season of full-time retirement. We don't have any immediate plans, but we do look forward to having more flexibility in our time to do whatever the Lord calls us to do. We hope to continue to serve as volunteers with Mercy at events and other functions as needed, will spend time with friends and family, travel to be with grandkids who live at a distance, and enjoy serving those who the Lord places in our path. There is no "retirement" for believers commanded to spread the message of Jesus. In a hurting, broken world, there is unlimited opportunity to carry this out. My time at Mercy has blessed me. I am a people person and Mercy has given me the opportunity to meet new people, visit different places, and interact with a multitude of donors in various ways. I sincerely thank each of you who have given to the work of Mercy. Lives have been impacted and changed for eternity because of your willingness and generosity. I am grateful to have played a small part in the work of Mercy.

-Bud Lenker



Save the Date!

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR
MERCY KIDZ
@Willamette Heritage Center
TO HONOR BUD & CINDY

NOV
3, 2024
6:30PM

GET INVOLVED

01.

P R A Y

There is tremendous power in prayer. We update our prayer calendar monthly for various initiatives.

02.

J O I N U S

Mercy is hosting in-home share nights! Come hear about the work we do in an intimate setting with your friends and family.

03.

D O N A T E

We would not be able to do this work if it weren't for the generosity of monthly givers. You can make a tangible difference by partnering with us financially.



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