



Haiti Mission Trip

Save the date for Stories of Grace

You are invited to join the Work Team for a Report Back Luncheon where they will share their experiences in Haiti. All are welcome.

No charge.

**Sunday, March 4, 2018 at 11 a.m. in Simkins
Hall of First UMC Santa Monica.**

1008 11th St. Parking available in underground
garage across 11th Street.

www.santamonicaumc.org/haiti

Thank you for your support!

*Let us pray daily for our team and
for the people of Haiti.*

MOST HOLY CREATOR GOD, LORD OF HEAVEN AND EARTH,
WE BRING BEFORE YOU TODAY YOUR PEOPLE OF HAITI.

IT IS YOU WHO SET IN MOTION THE STARS AND SEAS,
YOU WHO RAISED UP THE MOUNTAINS OF THE MASSIF DE LA
HOTTE AND PIC LA SELLE. IT IS YOU WHO MADE HER PEOPLE IN
YOUR VERY IMAGE: THEIR GREGARIOUS HEARTS AND GENEROUS
SPIRITS, THEIR HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS AND
LIBERTY. YOUR PEOPLE, O LORD, CRY OUT TO YOU.

HAITI, O HAITI: THE WORLD'S FIRST BLACK-LED REPUBLIC,
THE SECOND-OLDEST REPUBLIC IN THE WESTERN WORLD.

GOD, YOU ARE THE ONE WHO ANSWERS THE CRIES OF THE
SUFFERING. YOU ARE A GOD WHO SEES, FREES, AND REDEEMS
YOUR PEOPLE.

"I TOO HAVE HEARD THE MOANING OF MY PEOPLE," YOU SPOKE
TO MOSES.

RAISE UP YOUR PEOPLE AND GIVE THEM STRONG HEARTS AND
HANDS, SHORE UP THEIR MINDS AND SPIRITS.

AS FOR US, LORD, WE WHO ARE FAR BUT WHO HOLD THEM CLOSE
IN OUR HEARTS, IMBUE US WITH THE STRENGTH OF SIMON THE
CYRENE. HELP US TO CARRY THE HAITIAN CROSS. SHOW US HOW
TO LIGHTEN THEIR YOKE WITH OUR PRAYERS, OUR AID, OUR
RESOURCES. TEACH US TO WORK HARDER FOR JUSTICE IN OUR
OWN COUNTRY AND DIGNITY IN HAITI, SO THAT WE MAY STAND
WITH INTEGRITY WHEN WE HOLD OUR HAITIAN FAMILIES IN OUR
ARMS ONCE AGAIN.

WE ASK THIS IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST. *Amen.*