



**May 2009**

## Making a Difference in Haiti

*The following two letters were received from Haiti:*

Dear Friends

I'm feeling a soft wind at this moment to write you this letter. I'm sending it to thank you for the magnificent gift cordially received from your labor. It is so much appreciated.

I take the opportunity to let you know that I'm a student in the second class (11<sup>th</sup> grade) at the Eben-Ezer college of Terrier-Rauge, Haiti. I am 23 years old. I'm a religious man, respectful, reliable and grateful. For this, my family and I are congratulating you for your help. Accept, dear friends, the assurance of my distinguished consideration. May God bless you all. With my best love. Thank you.

~ Wisland Augustin

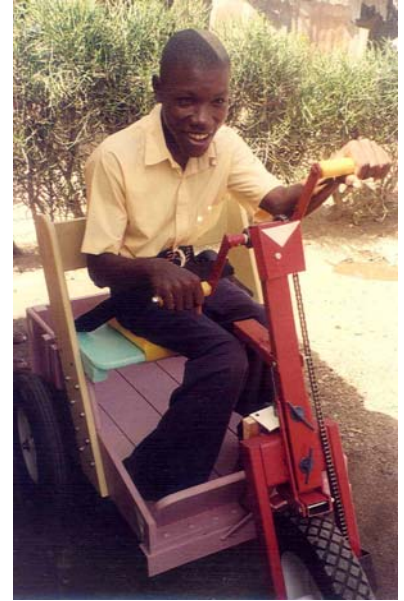


*Friends assemble the PET for Wisland*

Dear Jeff Sukup,

I'm joining [with Wisland's] little thank you card for your wonderful gift of "tricycles" to handicapped people in our region of Haiti. The ones who already received one are very grateful. We still have four to distribute. I hope in the near future every handicap who is able and has the strength to drive this vehicle will get one. Again, thank you for this wonderful contribution to the handicapped. You surely make a great difference in their lives. May God bless your work.

~ Sr. Reine Gadliaut, Terrier-Rauge, Haiti



**Wisland Augustin of Haiti**

## Peru PET Recipient

While attending preschool in his hometown of Caserio "El Condor," Abram had an accident. He fell while playing in the playground. As a result, he has no use of his legs. But he does have use of the rest of his body.

Caserio "El Condo" is a small town along the Mayo River just outside of Moyobamba, Peru. The residents are mainly farmers who live in poor conditions.

Abram's mother stated that he has not been able to attend school because of his disability. But now that he has the PET, he will be able to attend school with his brother.

*At right, Abram Carrillo Huancay learns to drive his new PET with some help from his brother, Isaac.*



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# What's Happening

In March we shipped 112 adult PET wheel chairs to the Campus Crusade for Christ, GAN (Global Aid Network) warehouse in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania. The shipping was donated by K&S Trucking of Elgin, Illinois. Pictured at right is the loaded semi-truck with the loading team. Campus Crusade for Christ ships out 60 containers each year from their warehouse and includes PETs in many of these shipments.



50 adult and 5 junior PETs were loaded into a U-Haul and delivered to Miami where they will then be shipped to missionary Richard Schommer in Honduras for distribution. At left is the loaded truck with its team.



Henry Bellairs donated new lighting fixtures to the workshop to help us all see better.



The Rotary Club of downtown Tampa made a generous contribution to the PET Project by providing bumper stickers for some of the units being shipped.



A new and improved parking brake working off the brake handle is now in production on all adult units.



Florida State Senator Dan Gelber visited and volunteered at the P.E.T. workshop recently.



Vernon Blackadar donated a planer to PET so we could use oversized wood that is often donated.

# News Flash

## New website: [www.pettampa.org](http://www.pettampa.org)

We have a new website! Check out our new look and the information available online. **Please note:** workshop sign ups for individual and groups is now done on our website. Due to overwhelming demand for group volunteer activities such as PET, and the increased costs for production, we request groups to make a contribution (financial or supplies) as part of their participation. Please let us know if you wish to donate supplies such as paint (latex house paint or spray paint), wood, milk jugs (rinsed and dried), cardboard, parts, etc. A complete list is provided on our website.

## Give the Gift of PET

If you would like to sponsor a PET wheelchair in the amount of \$250 as a memorial, an honorarium, or a gift for a special occasion, we will gladly send a letter of recognition to that individual. It's the perfect gift for those that already have everything they need, and it's a gift that will change a life.

## Estate Planning

As you do your estate planning, consider making the PET Project a part of those plans. The need for the GIFT OF MOBILITY is an ongoing need, with millions around the world awaiting it.

## How You Can Help

- Pray for the 21 million people in the world who have lost the use of their legs through polio, landmines, war amputations, crocodiles, etc.
- Give/raise funds: It takes money to buy metal and parts, to weld, to package, to ship, and to distribute.
- Find people with welding, metalworking, or woodworking skills who can offer to help build PET parts. Help them with expenses — buy the metal, etc. Help them ship it to Tampa PET.
- Find businesses that sell or make "off the shelf" items needed for the PETs. Ask them to donate or sell to you at no profit. Send the items to The PET Place.
- Talk about the PET Project to others.
- Ask your company if it provides matching funds for donations, volunteer service, or group projects. Ask them if they would be interested in bringing a group to work at the PET workshop.

# Volunteer information

The Tampa PET workshop is open every Saturday from 9 AM - 3 PM and Thursdays 1:30 - 4:30 PM. Volunteers are needed to assist with packing, sorting, painting, assembly, woodworking and metal work. No prior experience is necessary, training is provided, and volunteers of all ages are welcome. There is a particular need for experienced welders. The oldest volunteer is 92 years old, and teenagers can fulfill their community service hours as well! Please note that anyone under age 15 requires adult supervision.

## For more information, visit our website or contact:

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## Workshop Location:

1109 E Osborne Ave, Tampa, FL 33603  
East of Nebraska on 12th Street at Osborne (just off I-275 in Tampa at the MLK exit). See map below.

## Workshop times:

Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM  
Thursday 1:30 PM - 4:30 PM  
Check the website for holiday hours.

Website: [www.pettampa.org](http://www.pettampa.org)

**Please note our mailing address has changed to:**  
**P.O. Box 2688**  
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**33568-2688.**



# PET Project Donation Slip

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Your donation to the PET ministry will provide someone with a whole new way of life.

Help raise a child or adult from the dirt to dignity with your gift.

**The cost of each PET, including materials, assembly and packing, is \$250.**

Gifts of all amounts are accepted and appreciated! All donations are tax-deductible.

Please detach and return this form with your contribution.

Please accept my gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the PET Workshop.

(Make checks payable to "P.E.T. Florida, Tampa" and mail to:

P.O. Box 2688, Riverview, FL 33568-2688)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

# Prayer & Praise

P.E.T. International exists to build awareness, promote every individual workshop, and to help in coordinating distribution through shipments with third parties around the world. Prayers for this organization include:

- Pray for the direction of growth and development, and that it stay Christ-centered.
- Pray for the nomination of new personnel for the positions of secretary and standardization committee chairman. Pray also for new board of directors from outside the present P.E.T. family that can share their special skills.
- Pray for the contributions to P.E.T. International that they would be timely with the needs of their budget and ensure our ongoing growth.

## In Memory/Honor of

**Rob Evers**

a donation has been made by  
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