

Life Lines



Senior High Mission Trip

Dress Project for Haiti



"Girls Dresses for Haiti"

One of the highlights of my yearly trips to Haiti is the time I spend with the children at the local orphanage. Sometimes the children visit our clinic and other times we visit them at the orphanage. All the children get a check-up by the doctor and they receive toys and candy.

As I watch them play and sing songs, it always amazes me how happy they are. They always have a smile on their face, even though their possessions are few to none. Quite often their clothes consist of what they are wearing and although the clothes are clean, they are worn and tattered. I look at these children with a new challenge in mind.

I would like to help clothe the young girls in Haiti with dresses. I received a pattern from Lou Hourihan that is very easy to follow. (This dress pattern was used to make dresses for little girls in Africa.) A minimum of $\frac{1}{2}$ yard of fabric is needed. $\frac{1}{4}$ inch elastic is needed for the front and back, and bias tape makes the straps. Anyone who would like to help with this project is welcome. If you do not sew you may donate cotton fabric, $\frac{1}{4}$ elastic or bias tape for someone else to make the dress. I will set up a display of the dresses and instructions at church.

I will take these dresses to Haiti when I return in February and will give them to the little girls who live at the orphanage. Please see the display at the church, and if you have any questions please call me,

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