



# Gateway Partner Update

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Martha and Malou directing an icebreaker session



Women of faith strengthen each other



Elders in the faith strengthening younger pastor



Lesley teaches strategic prayer concepts

## Haiti Covered with Prayer

*"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy."* Matt 5: 6,7-NIV

Lesley and Martha finished the first morning of the conference parched. They looked for water they could drink, but found none. The Lord began to show them that they were just like the people they were teaching, very thirsty. After lunch, Martha read Isaiah 12:3, "With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation..." and asked the participants, "Are you thirsty? **Are you thirsty?**"

Earlier that morning, Malou had taught on intimacy with the Lord. There had been a lively question and answer session and dialog that opened the whole group and that showed that the pastors were wanting more.

This month *you* provided for forty-five hungry and thirsty Haitian pastors and leaders from every part of Haiti to gather for a seminar on strategic intercession. They represented an estimated 10,000 Haitian Christians and included church network leaders and a former presidential candidate.

Last October *you* were instrumental in bringing physical relief and encouragement to many who had, in their words, "Nothing but God." The deep hunger expressed this time, however, was to understand how to effectively pray for the Lord to move in their lives and the life of their nation. Lesley brought expertise on strategic intercession—bringing the Kingdom of God down to the earth as it is in heaven.

Pastors and leaders who didn't know each other were brought together in groups of

two and three to share their needs, pray for each other and receive ministry.

They prayed for personal needs, their families, their churches and their city. One pastor shared that no one had ever prayed for his city. Many testified that this event was the most significant portion of our time together. They didn't feel alone anymore and that God was making them a part of something much bigger. Though these leaders came from a wide variety of church traditions, God bonded them with a spirit of unity.



Pastors prayed together; some for the first time

Your partnership also had a wonderful impact on the women at the conference. The women team members noticed how sad the Haitian women seemed to appear. When asked, the men responded that it was very hard to be a woman in Haiti; that they had many cares. We had some Haitian mothers of faith, ranging in age from mid 70's to mid 90's, pray for them and pour refreshment into them. The countenance of the women participants changed before our eyes and they began to smile again.

During the closing, every participant signed the map of Haiti indicating their promise to pray and set up intercessor groups for their area.

There is no way to tell all of what God did. There is certainly no way right now to see all the fruit that God will bring from this conference in the future. What a blessing it is to join God in what He is doing!

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**Prayer and Praise**

- **Praise the Lord for bonding the Haitian pastors and leaders together.**
- **Praise the Lord for the prayer that is being lifted up for Haiti.**
- **Pray for protection of the pastors as they endeavor to build prayer networks in the cities.**
- **Pray for the Lord to raise up resources within Haiti that will sustain the momentum of what was begun during the conference.**



Participants sealed a commitment to serve in humility with a foot washing



Both men and women sign their name over their cities on a map of Haiti

**When the Water Flows the Vessels Also Get Refreshed**



Haitian pastors pray a birthday blessing over Martha

God is always so gracious. When He uses a person to touch another, both are changed.

The Lord put together a tremendous team. Besides Ken and Martha, He brought Lesley Barker and Malou Fabious to use their gifts in a powerful way. Lesley has been very strategic in intercession in St. Louis. Malou is a Haitian born missionary serving in the Dominican Republic. She worked with the Gateway team during her furlough in St. Louis two years ago.

We were all happy to see her again. She translated for the team as well as helped us interface with the hotel. Malou learned as she translated and has already set up an intercessor team back in the DR.

Lesley told us that she had one of the best weeks of her life. As the Lord used her gifts, she believed she was stepping into her destiny, at least in part.

God bonded the team and the participants in a way that we were truly able to walk as fellow sojourners. Often the Lord would use the participants to encourage the team with their prayer, the word of God, and their testimonies of what the Lord was doing.

We praise the Lord that we came back refreshed in spirit even if we were tired in our physical bodies. We had made new friends, seen God's hand on us as we served Him, and were encouraged by the faith of our Haitian friends.



Hungry pastors are eager to interact during down time

*Watch for information about the  
Gateway Women of Prayer Conference*