



Support the Children of Haiti

The Preschool Place community would like to do its share to help the children in Haiti. HCD Research of Flemington, NJ has generously offered to match our donations up to \$1000. Let's meet the challenge and do what we can.

The **Mercy & Sharing Foundation** (www.haitichildren.com) was established in 1994 and its mission is to "rescue abused and abandoned children and through education, nutrition and health care, provide them with the opportunity at an independent future".

100% of donations go directly to the care of Haiti's children.

Donating is easy! Just write a check to:

Mercy & Sharing Foundation

This is the time to support the hundreds of thousands of children who are suffering in one of the greatest tragedies of history. Do your part for the children.

Please send your donation in the attached envelope to your child's teacher or to the Preschool Place and Kindergarten office.

As you may remember we raised money for Mercy & Sharing in 2008 after Jeanne Robinson's son, Geoff, spent time volunteering in Haiti. Attached is a letter written by Geoff expressing his concern.

Your generosity will be greatly appreciated!

Dear Preschool Families,

I'm Jeanne Robinson's son, Geoff. In the spring of 2008, I joined Dr. Patch Adams and a group of volunteers on a "clowning" trip to Port au Prince in Haiti. Our mission was to spread love and laughter in orphanages, hospitals, and schools directed by the Mercy and Sharing Foundation. As some of you may remember, after I returned, The Preschool Place and Kindergarten held a fundraiser to benefit the children of Haiti. Those who donated contributed to over \$2000 raised and sent directly to the Mercy and Sharing Foundation.

As you have all heard, Haiti was recently devastated by a 7.0 scale earthquake. I have been in contact with Mercy and Sharing since this tragedy and have been notified that their orphanage in Port au Prince is still standing and the children there have survived. Their Abandoned Babies Unit was not so lucky as it was located in the University Hospital which collapsed. Fortunately, all of the babies were rescued. However, Mercy and Sharing is still busy locating where the children were placed.

On a positive note, over the past couple of years, Mercy and Sharing has used donations, such as those collected by The Preschool Place and Kindergarten, to complete the "Williamson Project," consisting of orphanages, a school, a church and a feeding center. It is located 40 miles outside of Port au Prince and is still intact. They have now offered it to the U.S State Department as a staging area to help earthquake victims. Please do what you can.

Thank you in advance,

Geoff Robinson-Schacht

