



***St. Francis-Haiti
Outreach Ministry
Bob's Clinic
Challenge***
Help us raise \$10,000!!
***Saturday, August 25—
feast of St. Louis to
Friday, October 4—feast
of St. Francis***
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This month's pictures show the doctor and staff at Bob's Clinic, following Covid protocol.

The Bob's Clinic Challenge began on August 25th, the Feast of St. Louis King of France and continues through October 4th, Feast day of our patron saint, Saint Francis of Assisi. **Bob's Clinic Challenge Funds** will assist the medical staff in delivering more effective healthcare to their patients by supplementing their limited resources. Use the donation form on the reverse side of this newsletter to explore several ways that you might help to continue this great health ministry! The Haitian people continue to extend their thanks to all who do so much for their community.

Your Support has made the Clinic able to continue safe care during the Covid 19 pandemic!

In many ways, this year has been unlike any year anyone can remember. However, despite the challenges and uncertainties, we take comfort in the fact that God is with us. We continue to seek the Lord's wisdom and guidance day by day.



Dr. Nathalie in her Personal Protective Equipment

The leadership of Fr. Augustin, Dr. Nathalie, and all of the excellent team that they are building has been amazing. They demonstrated great compassion and competence in their quick response to the tragic COVID-19 pandemic. The clinic continues to grow stronger! All to the glory of God!

The clinic has been fortunate to not have had any COVID-19 cases. This is mostly due to the great education efforts by the Bob's Clinic team in the community. They have distributed masks and encourage the people to wash their hands often! The people of the community do live mostly outside in the open air so social distancing in the community has been successful.



Patients being transferred by the boat

Thank you, Lord that the clinic could help this young man to recover from the motorcycle accident and arrive safely on the mainland for more extensive care.



Bob's Clinic Challenge 2020: The clinic has limited resources. It is difficult to meet the extreme needs of patients with infectious diseases, severe injuries, and high risk expectant mothers. Diagnostic testing can be a challenge. Inconsistent electricity is supplemented by solar power and batteries. The availability of adequate medicine is a continuous problem. And Fr. Augustin writes in a recent email: *The situation becomes more difficult in Haiti. The government in Haiti has devalued the US dollar. Therefore, we do not get enough goudes (Haitian money) in the exchange to meet the expenses in goudes. We really need to pray for Haiti. All this affects the increase in food prices.* Through your support, Bob's Clinic has been able to meet many of these challenges, but on-going support is necessary. Please prayerfully consider how you might help.

Help us raise \$10,000!!

I enclose:

- \$25 to provide electricity for a week
- \$50 to provide Emergency Transportation for a patient
- \$100 to fund Diagnostic Equipment
- \$250 to fund Diabetes medicine and supplies
- \$500 to keep the Pharmacy stocked
- Any amount to help provide healthcare

DONOR Name: _____

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Men anpil chay pa lou. Many hands make the load lighter. Bondye beni ou. God bless you.

The St. Francis Haiti Outreach Committee is extremely grateful to an anonymous parishioner who has issued this challenge for many years. Without this support, healthcare delivery in the community of Pointe-a-Raquette would not be possible!

For more information about our programs, please contact Marie Thomas, 540-255-3166, Angie McFarling, 540-569-6041 or stfrancishaitioutreachministry@gmail.com.

Bob's Clinic Challenge for Haiti



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The lab technician Gertrude in the lab.