



Crisis in Haiti: March 2024 Update

“[Haiti] plunges into deep social turmoil”
- Wall Street Journal, March 6, 2024

“Haiti moves closer to total collapse.”
- The Miami Herald, March 5, 2024

Media reports across the United States are confirming a crisis in Haiti that Haiti Hope Alliance has been anticipating for some time. The current chaos is caused by criminal gangs that are gaining power throughout the country.

The current emergency in Haiti is unlike prior conditions that have arisen from natural disasters (earthquakes, hurricanes, flooding). This crisis is one of rampant crime and destruction with no end in sight. Gangs have been controlling the roads in and out of the capital for some time and have now expanded their control both within and beyond Port au Prince. They have now reached Mirebalais in the Central Plateau, where HHA focuses its ministry by seeding pastors and evangelizing the youth. With gangs well-armed and creating chaos, fear is now the main enemy. Prisons are being attacked and prisoners released into the country. People are leaving their homes and possessions, heading to more remote areas to escape the violence. They are in dire need of food, water, and temporary shelter just to survive.

These displaced families are desperate and turning to our partner churches for help. We cannot turn them away.

What is HHA doing?

We are approaching the current crisis in several key ways:

Pastors are now on the frontlines, working tirelessly to meet the needs of their communities.

Youth club staff is being redirected to assist pastors in sourcing food from local businesses and repackaging it into family-sized weekly bundles.

Funds that were used to feed the youth in the schools are being redirected to purchase emergency food and other supplies.





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What do we need?

The chaos and the food shortage mean that prices have skyrocketed. Fuel is in short supply and can only be obtained sporadically at very high prices. The people are desperate and need to know that God will provide for them.

We urgently ask you to:

- Pray for peace in Haiti
- Pray for God's provision in their time of need
- GIVE - ADDITIONAL SHORT-TERM FUNDING IS CRITICALLY NEEDED: \$400,000
 - \$40 can feed one family for a week.
 - HHA directly supports 2,500 children and their families in the Central Plateau, which impacts up to 10,000 people.
 - We anticipate this need for at least the next month.

We cannot help the entire country, but we can certainly assist where God has placed us.

The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in him.
Nahum 1:7

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We thank you for your ongoing generosity and partnership. To learn more specific details about HHA is mobilizing and about the situation in Mirebalais and beyond, please contact Chris Cooke, HHA's President, at chris@hha.care

