

Evangelists Successfully Share Christ Door-to-Door in Haiti

The phrase “door-to-door” could make a lot of people think of an annoying salesman. But in Haiti, more and more hear that phrase as “freedom.”

The unemployment rate in Haiti has been horrific for ages, but since the deadly earthquake that hit the country January 2010, even fewer Haitians have been able to hold a job. Some estimates list the rate of unemployment at nearly 70 percent.

Add on top of this devastating economy a terrifying cholera scare, and many are in desperate need of hope.

Enter Baptist Haiti Mission. In the past couple of months BHM workers have, with the support of their churches, begun a door-to-door evangelistic program.

“They organized an outreach program sharing the gospel, going around door-to-door to different houses in the area and the community, telling people about the love of Christ, sharing the gospel and telling them about who Jesus is and what He’s done for us,” explains ministry Vice President Ron Sparks.

Although a door-to-door ministry may be difficult in some cultures, in Haiti the unemployment rate actually helps make this kind of evangelism work because people are home.

“So many people do not work. They have a little garden by their home, or they just are around their neighborhood or at home a lot,” says Sparks. “So there’s a lot of response.”

There are plenty of ministries in Haiti, but still many Haitians have never heard more than the name of Jesus. BHM workers are truly changing that as they build their new door-to-door evangelism program though.

“What these believers down there are able to share is the very real truth of how Christ in their lives has affected them, telling people about eternal salvation,” says Sparks.

Now that BHM has fewer and fewer cases of cholera to address in their treatment center, even more focus can go toward these types of outreaches and toward helping to build churches for the new believing families that are born. Many are receptive to the gospel, and the number of believers in the country has been shooting up since January 2010.