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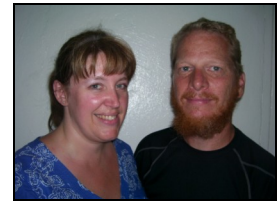
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through deeds that will  
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An Inter-denominational Mission Serving the People of LaGonave, Haiti since 1968

## Annual Membership Meeting April 30

Grand Haven Community Center at 6:30PM  
421 Columbus Avenue (lower level)

Don't miss this opportunity to get the latest update from our directors and team members. *Invite your friends*, bring a dish to pass and your table service for the potluck social.

## Library Construction Advances with Work Team Skills

Work teams have been arriving back-to-back from Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Oregon to assist our directors with construction and mechanical maintenance tasks.

With the help of some skilled welders, the inside and outside staircases have been completed as well as trusses for the roof.



Cement contractor and WISH board member, Fred Hoonhorst from Michigan, directs the pour of the second story floor.



Going UP! Stairs were constructed just in time for the next team to pour the floor for the second story of the new library and community resource center.

Concrete experts directed the pour for the second story floor and started to pour some of the columns for the second floor walls. God's timing for sending workers was perfect to complete the stairs before the floor was poured.

WISH co-director, Rod Geizler, re-



**Trusses were cleaned and painted by the Pennsylvania team.**

people want to work so they can buy food.

A team of fourteen from Butch and Tricia's home church, Sandy Lake Wesleyan Church, in PA continued work on the library, painting trusses and stairs. Women on the team sorted, cleaned and catalogued library books that had been in storage and painted the inside walls of the library. They also brought children from the orphanage over to the mission grounds a couple afternoons so they could run and

lated that "it was amazing to see how many men showed up, hopeful to have work for a day when we began to pour the floor at the library. They came ready to work, without us ever asking for extra help. They were paid less than \$8 US and I was greeted with applause and hugs as I gave out the money to the men." Rod also noted that it was a sad reminder of how few jobs there are and how many



**The ladies from Sandy Lake Wesleyan church sorted, cleaned and catalogued books in anticipation of the many villagers who will use this new facility.**

play games. The current location of the orphanage is on the side of a mountain where there is no safe play area for the children. The kids on the saline were also excited to receive shoes and hygiene kits from the team. Sadly, there are just never enough gifts for everyone.



**Orphanage children enjoyed a visit to the WISH mission complex where they could play in the yard and make crafts on the porch.**

*At this writing, word has come from our container shipper that they expect the container to be released from customs very soon. In Haiti, you can't believe it til you see it. Please pray that this will indeed happen so the St. Louis teams can make their travel plans to install the new ice machines which are among the many supplies that were shipped.*