



## News and upcoming events from Believe in Haiti January 2019

**BELIEVE IN HAITI IS DEVOTED TO KEEPING HAITIAN FAMILIES TOGETHER THROUGH LOVE, EDUCATION, AND SERVICE, WHILE EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS TO RISE ABOVE THEIR CURRENT POVERTY LEVEL.**



### Happy New Year!

2018 brought a lot of progress and great memories from Haiti. We are excited to start 2019 running! 2019 starts with a trip right away in January and another in February. Many projects are

underway, including fencing the farmland, researching irrigation options, finding clean water solutions, many more students being sponsored at school, and getting the English and sewing programs ready. This year will be a great one!



**Christmas in a  
hotel in Haiti**



**What a typical Christmas  
in Haiti looks like**

A family hosts their Christmas tree on the street with a box of colorful, festive decorations. While it may not seem like much to some, Haitians are filled with love for their friends and family, the greatest gift one could really give...or receive.



Traveling to Haiti is a constant reminder of the many things we each have to be grateful for and, perhaps, take for granted. Above is a photo of **where the national palace once stood** before Haiti was hit with the earthquake. Now, through a broken chain-link fence, a beautiful tree is decorated to remember the reason for hope amidst a poverty and natural disaster-stricken zone.



Jeff will be teaching English in the new Hope Center

## Trip News

December brought another month of smiles, visits, and progress down in St. Rock. Whitney and Justin, founders of Believe in Haiti, made a trip down and found themselves with a solution for power to the new community center. They installed an inverter, which will soon be used to power tablets for various classes. They also made progress in nailing down a solution for a fence to go around the plot of farmland. Fence installation will begin shortly. Believe in Haiti has over two acres of farmland, so fencing it off will be quite the project!

English is the first class to debut at the community center. Our dental team uses a local named Jeff, a fabulous translator, when they go to work. Now Jeff has officially been hired by Believe in Haiti to begin English classes next month!



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## Upcoming Events

The next vision trips coming up are January 17-22, and February 25- March 1.

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HAITI SPOTLIGHT

## **Mykindia and Myfandia**

Mykindia (pictured) and her twin sister Myfandia have an infectious smile and zest for life. Wherever the children of St. Roch can be heard playing and laughing, these girls are sure to be part of the group. It wasn't always that way. While infants, their parents struggled to provide food and adequate shelter for the girls. In fact, their father considered placing the girls in an orphanage with hopes they would have a better life, and made such a request to the Henwoods during their first visit to St. Roch.. This was the impetus for starting Believe in Haiti; providing resources to allow families to stay together. Mykindia and Myfandia's future is more secure due to the support provided by Believe in Haiti, ensuring their voice and laughter will be heard for years to come.



## **Thank You!**

A huge thank you to all of Believe in Haiti's donors and volunteers! Everything Believe in Haiti accomplishes is because of the donations and kindness of people like you.

Want to learn more about different ways to help? Whether it's a monetary donation, service project, or attending one of our vision trips, we'd love to see how you BELIEVE IN HAITI too!

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