Family, friends & colleagues,

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A little update.   June 5, 2011

Well a week has passed and the funding is about 40% of the $2,000 needed... thanks! Every bit helps, so if you're thinking about it please act.

Also I was asked about the inspiration for this push and truthfully I don't recall But, attached are two links that really sum it up. The first is from MIT's open lecture series and it is about 50 minutes, take a peek ... http://mitworld.mit.edu/video/519.

The second is a piece of art finished about two months ago. This is less than 10 minutes, but to me it is earth shattering and very spiritual, check it out ... http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6WhWDCw3Mng.

Couple these with the Christian thought of the City of God and my head spins.

What are we looking to accomplish in Haiti ... nothing more than improving the opportunity ... step by step.

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Family, friends & colleagues,   May 29, 2011

As many of you know, Janice and I have been working with Haiti since about 2007 and in particular on a computer lab for a primary school of about 400 students.

The Lab in its original location was available for two classes only on Saturdays for about 28 students.

This work is changing ... and over the past 6 months we have been considering an expansion, which brings us to:

Time Talent Treasure
T3 with Haiti

The hope is that this faith based project will develop relationships between Haitians and the rest of us through information technology and the internet. Together, we may be able to explore, modify, and implement small projects in Haiti that will bring "world competitive" educational possibilities to Haitian children, adults, and professionals.

Haiti does not have reliable electrical power, and as you can imagine, neither do they have high-speed internet. So the projects will have to address these issues as well. Thankfully so far, this is being addressed.

Recently, the existing computer lab moved, and this picture taken a week ago, is in the lab's new location at the primary school.

Now, the lab has its own classroom where all 400 students can have an opportunity for computer training.

They will not be able to do much with the rest of this school year, but will restart in earnest with the old lab in September.

We could get into an extensive write-up, but to be brief, a trip back to Haiti is the next step. We will be taking with us the basics of what we have been recently working on. For you Geeks, Ubuntu and open source ... of course. We will be working on improving communications. We will also need to learn more about Haiti and the school, and lastly, meetings and face-to-face demonstrations and workshops with our Haitian friends and educators will likely be the most important aspect of this trip.

At this point, we have three template computers, and we have explored and tested software options and are ready to make recommendations.

Now, we could use some help with funding, and are asking for a little jingle from your pockets. A Tax Deduction cannot be offered at this time, but with a good response ... this too will change. So if you are inclined, please make your check payable to "William Scrivens" and foot note it "T3 with Haiti", and rest assured every penny will be used wisely. About $2,000 will be needed to make this next step successful.

Incorporation, a web site, and all the fancy stuff will follow. Right now we are working on the preliminary concepts for a replacement lab and what that lab should and can be. We are also feeling out the viability and challenges of this T3 idea.

The next step ... a new lab of 20 computers in 6 months to a year.

Feel free to network this letter/email as you deem reasonable.

Please, remember to take time to pray every day.

Many thanks and God's Blessings,

Bill & Janice

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If you think you may be interested in a deeper involvement with this project, drop Bill a line or two and he will be glad to fill you in.