

Your hands, prayers and gifts are needed now.



Offer solar solutions for environmental devastation by the charcoal industry.

Haiti has lost 98 percent of its forest cover—erosion, landslides and catastrophic lowland flooding result. Virtually everyone in Haiti burns wood or charcoal for cooking. Many Haitians without jobs collect wood to make charcoal. Burning remaining wood to produce charcoal makes this practice unsustainable.

Replace smoky charcoal fires with healthy and safe solar cooking.

Smoke from a charcoal cooking fire is the equivalent of smoking two packs of cigarettes per day. Women who cook with charcoal and young children standing near them suffer burns, respiratory and eye diseases.



Increase food and water security for Haitian families.

Money spent for charcoal can now buy more food. Anything can be cooked in a solar oven including meats, rice and vegetables. Solar ovens bake bread—not possible over charcoal fires and grates.

Few Haitian households have access to potable water. With a solar oven, a family can pasteurize water, killing dangerous microbes that cause life-threatening illness, especially in children.

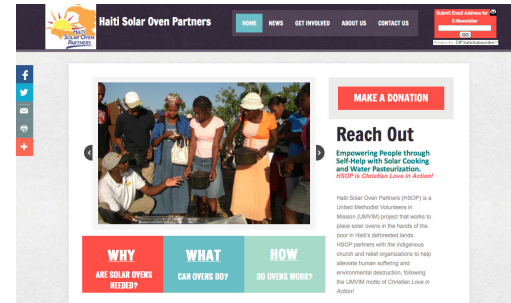


Our Goal: Deliver 2,300 solar ovens including cooking pots & bread pans plus hands-on training to Haitian families every year.

WAYS TO KEEP IN TOUCH



For workshop news, UMVIM team updates and personal stories, follow us on Facebook at HaitiSolarOvenPartners.



Learn more at haitisolarovens.org—

- Why do Haitians want ovens NOW?
- How do solar ovens work?
- The role of volunteers and Haitians?
- How can you help?
- What is our history?
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EMPOWERING
FAMILIES THROUGH
SOLAR COOKING
AND WATER PASTEURIZATION

OUR HANDS—TOGETHER

- **Arrange a date and recruit a team** for hands-on preparation of oven components at our workshops.

Volga, SD Workshop: Prepare solar oven parts for shipment to Haiti.

Contact: Rick Jost, HSOP Director
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Moffit, ND Workshop: Manufacture solar oven reflectors.

Contact: Dave and Renae Silbernagel
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- **Join a VIM team.** Encourage your church to send volunteers. They will see the effects of deforestation and watch the struggle of Haitian families to get potable water and to cook safely. Working with our Haitian staff, they will have a life-changing adventure.

Since year 2000, hundreds of volunteers have distributed thousands of solar ovens—with a goal today of reaching 2,300 Haitian families each year with training and a solar oven. We received UMCOR Advance status in November 2005 and continue the partnership that is changing lives in Haiti and the Dakotas!

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HAITI SOLAR OVEN PARTNERS CHANGE LIVES—INCLUDING YOURS!

"I can use my skills, hands and heart in a practical and effective expression of my faith. I have been a partner with many others in changing, perhaps saving the lives of our brothers and sisters in Haiti. I have a wiser appreciation for the folks who share this world with us."
~Rev. Phil Lint, HSOP Advisory Board,
7-time Volunteer-in-Mission



"Many causes of the grinding poverty in Haiti are evident even to the first-time visitor. Witnessing the complete lack of alternatives to cutting trees for cooking meals, and sweating in the tropical sun just screamed solar energy."
~Rick Jost, HSOP Director

"Working with the Haitians is an experience beyond description. Seeing them receive their ovens and head for home with smiles on their faces is worth any sacrifice we may have made. In helping them we receive blessings that certainly enrich our lives. If only we could do more."
~Bonnie & Rev. Bob Neff. Bob's brother Hal and his wife Lois are volunteers from McCabe UMC, Bismarck, ND.

Pictures and stories from fellow Dakotans bring the Haiti experience to your community. Ask HSOP (605-692-3391) for contact information and invite an HSOP volunteer to a church group or service club.



Haitian Director Montas Joseph started as our interpreter in 2000, becoming our primary teacher in 2002. He makes sure we go where people need us, delivering excellent training and high-quality ovens.



Training Director Raymonde Joseph started in 2003. She teaches students to cook and bake nutritious foods and pasteurize water. Some oven owners have begun small baking businesses.



Fabrication Manager Jeanne Milcar (at right) started in 2006. She supervises assembly of ovens. Training Site Coordinator Pierre Lelievre started in 2009. He works with church and community leaders to host seminars.

OUR GIFTS—TOGETHER

What will your gift buy?

- \$50 Shipping and cooking seminar
- \$100 Materials & component manufacturing
- \$150 Complete solar oven package
- \$600 Four complete packages
- \$1000 or more—Impact a neighborhood!

I will set up a direct deposit to Haiti Solar Oven Partners \$_____ per month. (If not enclosed with this brochure, contact the HSOP office, 605-692-3391, for an Electronic Authorization Form.)

I will make a monthly pledge \$_____ and ask my church treasurer to submit my contribution through UMCOR Advance #418812 / Ovens or to Dakotas Advance #637/Ovens.

Enclosed is my check payable to Haiti Solar Oven Partners. (Contributions can also be made directly via PayPal at haitisolarovens.org.)

Name: _____

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