

PARISH TWINNING PROGRAM OF THE AMERICAS

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We are a non-profit organization focused on creating lasting sister parish relationships between parishes in the U.S. or Canada and parishes in the country of Haiti and elsewhere. We have hundreds of such linkages. The parishes develop a mutual and enriching relationship of sharing, solidarity and understanding. Parishes in the U.S. often raise funds and send resources to their twin parish and help with various special projects. Since 1978, our parishes have sent approximately 30 million dollars in aid to impoverished church communities in Haiti. See "What We Do" below.

If your parish might be interested in twinning with a parish in Haiti or elsewhere, please contact our Executive Director:

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Total Sister-Parish Relationships in Haiti: 300

(Note: We recently deleted a number of inactive parish relationships from our list/total.)

Total for Central & South America, Mexico, the Philippines and the Spanish-Speaking Caribbean: 51

The figures above vary from time to time.

What We Do:

- We endeavor to connect twin parishes.
- We facilitate and maintain these relationships.
- We help advise about med mission trips.
- We offer Matthew 25 Hospitality House for travelers.
- M25 provides lodging in Port-au-Prince.
- M25 also facilitates transportation & interpreters.
- We connect folks doing similar projects.
- We help to resolve any issues.

What Catholic Churches in our Program Do:

- Fact -finding visits to sister parish
- Medical and or Dental mission trips to twin parish
- Provide school supplies to sister parish
- Financial support and fund-raising e.g. for catechetical Programs, construction projects
- Support water projects for sister parish
- shipments of donated goods to sister parish

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