

Before the Story:

Say: Jenny Jenkins wants to help Haitians take care of their health. But that is hard to do when she lives far away from them and can only visit every few weeks. Jenny and the Haitian people are working together to bring a medical clinic to Magandou and surrounding areas. (Show photo.) Do you remember what we said before the story last week? When I say “krik!” you say “krak!” Now let’s hear about what Jenny has learned from her friends in Haiti.

Share the Story:

Learning from the Community

Jesus tells us in the Bible that we should take care of one another and love one another as we love him. Even Jesus needed friends to help him. Jesus had twelve special friends—his disciples. These twelve special friends traveled with Jesus and helped him show compassion to other people.

Do you know what compassion means? It means wanting to help someone else, caring about someone else’s feelings, and showing them that they are important just like you. Compassion is taking care of others. When we help someone who is sick or hungry, we are showing compassion. Jesus showed compassion by teaching, telling people about his good news, and healing sickness and diseases.

Jenny Jenkins needs her friends in Haiti to help her show compassion to people. The people in the community of Magandou want to show compassion to people by building a clinic in their community. They want people who live near them to have a place to get help when they are sick. They are working hard to make sure the clinic gets built.

But they needed help paying for the materials. They prayed and asked God to provide friends for them who would help. When people in the United States heard their story, they showed compassion. They donated money to help buy the supplies to build the clinic. Some people have even traveled to Haiti to work beside the Haitian people to help them build.

God tells us to pray and ask God to send people who can help others and show compassion to others. When the Haitian people prayed, God provided for them. God wants us to pray about how we can show compassion to other people. God wants us to pray for people who are out in the world already showing compassion.

After the Story:

1. **Say:** Jenny Jenkins and the community are building a clinic that will serve people who have limited or no health care.
2. **Ask:** How can God help us serve our family and friends this week?
3. **Pray:** Thank you, God, for Jenny Jenkins’ work as she continues to both learn from the Haitian people and teach them more about their health and about your love.



Learning Activity:

Make Prayer Rocks

Items needed: smooth stones large enough to paint on; paint; paintbrushes

1. **Say:** In Magandou, Haiti, Jenny Jenkins is working with the local villagers to build a freestanding medical clinic. In order to build this clinic, they are carrying thousands and thousands of rocks to use to build the clinic.
2. Pass out a prayer rock to each child. Put out paint and brushes so each child can paint his or her rock. Give suggestions such as painting part of a Bible verse, writing the word “Haiti,” writing “Jenny,” or adding some kind of medical symbol to remind them to pray for their friends in Haiti whenever they see the prayer rock.
3. Pray, blessing the stones the children have painted and blessing the rocks that have already been and will be collected in Haiti to build the new clinic.

Meet the Field Personnel:



CBF field personnel Jenny Jenkins is a nurse serving in Grand Goâve, Haiti. She develops relationships in the community through medical, educational, housing and outreach ministries.