

## **Food for the Hungry's Haiti Response (desiring god blog)**

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With you, we at [DG International Outreach](#) are watching the news coming out of Haiti and praying for the victims and those who will be working to bring relief in the coming days. One of those groups bringing aid is [Food for the Hungry](#), which has become a great partner of this ministry. We would like to encourage you to [support their work](#).

Their vision is to answer the call to respond to physical and spiritual hungers worldwide through action and advocacy for those who Jesus spoke about when he quoted the prophet Isaiah in [Luke 4:18](#),

He has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed.

Here is how they are describing the situation:

FH staff on the ground have indicated that food and water are not available for purchase within Port-au-Prince, and that looting is already beginning as desperate people try to obtain what they can. Major medical facilities have collapsed, hindering first aid help for those injured in the quake. Communications are almost impossible, and a fuel shortage is cutting off transportation. FH has only been able to contact five of our 20 Haitian staff members. Meanwhile, survivors and rescue workers are digging through rubble to reach people trapped in collapsed buildings.

Here's the latest on how FH is responding:

FH's Relief Director is en route to Port-au-Prince to join the efforts of Haitian staff and to assess our next phase of response. Staff in the Dominican Republic are also standing by to join relief efforts as soon as it is possible to cross the border.

FH's wholistic development initiatives reach tens of thousands of Haitians with HIV/AIDS and child survival programs in several of the poorest slums near Port au Prince, including Petionville, Jalousie and Bois Moquette. These areas were hit severely—the homes and other buildings in these slums are built on steep, unstable hillsides and not built to code. During this crisis, program staff will utilize existing relationship networks to bring emergency help to these communities.

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## **11 Charities Collecting Donations for Haiti**

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If you're looking for an organization to channel your money through for Haiti—and you probably should be—here are some options.

1. [Compassion International](#)
2. [Feed My Starving Children](#)
3. [Food for the Hungry](#)
4. [World Vision](#)

5. [World Relief](#)
6. [Samaritan's Purse](#)
7. [Love a Child](#)
8. [Northwest Haiti Christian Mission](#)
9. [Compassion Weavers](#)
10. [Mennonite Central Committee](#)
11. [Water Missions International](#)

*Update:* Another ministry to consider giving to is [Real Hope for Haiti Rescue Center](#). They're operating one of the only clinics near the epicenter that's open right now.

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## **A Poem About Jesus in Haiti**

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### **Jesus in Haiti**

*After the Earthquake*

Do you consider safety, or your health,  
A sign from me?  
I am not awed by might, nor struck by wealth,  
Or poverty.

O, I am struck! And crushed. Buried, I wince,  
And dying, pray,  
A sympathetic Priest in Port-au-Prince,  
Even today.

But there, in those United States the boot  
Is on my face.  
"Saul, Saul," I ask, "Why do you persecute  
And not embrace?"

Your King, I lift my arms to you in peace  
And patient grief;  
And summon now to Haiti enemies  
For my relief.