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GNJAC UMVIM
HAITI WATER FILTER PROJECT

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CLEAN WATER FOR HAITI

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Lead an UMVIM Mission team to Haiti or
Join the GNJAC Conference Water Filtration Team.

OR

Donate to the Conference Clean Water for Haiti
Fund which purchases filters for the team to take to Haiti.



United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) has been active in Haiti for over thirty years, addressing needs in education, health, and housing. The January 12, 2010 earthquake caused widespread and unprecedented loss

of life and property in Haiti. In response to the crisis, UMVIM leadership took a new approach and proposed a three year collaborative effort joining EMH (Eglise Methodiste d'Haiti), UMVIM, and UMCOR. EMH identified priority projects for earthquake recovery and other church and social needs that could be addressed by UMVIM teams, and UMCOR provided significant financial support.

Much work was accomplished, but as per the agreement, this collaboration ended in October, 2014. There still



remains much work to be done, however. EMH VIM (EMH Volunteers in Mission) and UMVIM are continuing the effort without the financial support of UMCOR.

In the GNJAC, teams have been going to Haiti since the earthquake. Access to clean, fresh water is a main concern in Haiti, where waterborne illnesses, such as typhoid, cholera, and chronic diarrhea, are the cause of more than half of the deaths in the country every year. Nearly 70% of Haitians lack direct access to potable water. Since 2015 conference UMVIM teams to Haiti have provided water filters to 200 families.

There are three ways to participate in the GNJAC UMVIM water filter effort in Haiti. First, you may apply to join one of the conference UMVIM HAITI teams. Currently, we have a January 7-14, 2017 water filter team scheduled. Secondly, your church may want to schedule a team of its own. Thirdly, you may want to donate to the Conference Clean Water for Haiti fund which purchases the filters the team will be taking.

