



# GAP

GLOBAL ALLIES IN PRAYER

“I LOOKED FOR A MAN AMONG THEM WHO WOULD BUILD UP THE WALL AND STAND BEFORE ME IN THE GAP ON BEHALF OF THE LAND.” EZEKIEL 22:30

DECEMBER 2018

## VERSE OF THE MONTH

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”  
— 1 Peter 1:3 (NIV)

## TELLING NUMBER

150

projects have been funded by the microfinance program at Dr. Erol Rene’s ministry in Haiti. The program provides low-interest loans to entrepreneurs to start businesses that can help their family’s financial well-being.

## BIRTHDAYS

- Dec. 14 Dr. Stew Odell
- Dec. 15 Dr. Susie Cayaon
- Dec. 24 Dr. John Oduro-Boateng
- Dec. 31 Dan Breen  
Assoumane Mahamadou  
Dr. Axel Suquen

## PRAYER REQUESTS?

The back of this publication is usually reserved for a variety of ministry prayer requests. Last month, you were sent an extensive list of prayers and praises to be used for the Day of Prayer and Fasting on Nov. 20. We encourage you to continue praying through that document this month. A fresh list of prayer requests will come out in the January GAP newsletter.



Cleft lip and palate patients practice airflow during rehab by playing the recorder. (Photo by Dr. Greg Kuiper)

## Cleft palate reconstructions bring hope

By Nathan Stob

**MOYOBAMBA, PERU**—The Luke Society ministry in Moyobamba, Peru has been spreading hope to children for more than 30 years. The ministry works directly with children born with cleft lips and palates.

San Lucas Moyobamba oversees the surgical process to repair the cleft lip and palate. Then they provide ongoing care and rehabilitation.

One of the main avenues for rehabilitation is a music program which teaches children how to use their newly constructed lips to play a recorder. These programs also build self-confidence and bring hope to the children and their families. There are amazing things happening through the talented team in Moyobamba.

However, it is worth pointing out a deeper mission which comes out through conversation. This ministry is using its work to spread a deep and lasting hope. Yes, they are making transformations in children’s lives right now, but more than this, they are pointing children to Jesus, the reason for unfading hope.

The physical healing they bring opens doors to talk about Jesus’ redemptive work on the cross.

Pray for the multi-faceted ministry in Moyobamba, which works with the whole child – body and soul. May the children who have reconstructed lips and palates find their true identity, that they were created in the likeness of God.

Pray that the children may not only have self-confidence, but that they will grow to have confidence in the risen Savior who will one day make all things new.