## Economic Stimulation

In a rural farming community, environmental crises--such as deforestation and severe, dry conditions--only exacerbate the already existing economic crisis in Haiti. In the Plateau area, jobs are extremely scarce and micro-businesses often collapse under the weight of a system that relies heavily on debt. Many people turn to cutting down trees for charcoal. Others leave the community in search of work, sometimes becoming illegal immigrants in the DR.

## NO INCOME FOR FAMILIES = DESPERATION, DEFORESTATION, DISINTEGRATION

Free food distribution is not a solution. Neither will micro-business initiatives on an individual scale work in an area where merchandise is extremely limited and the customers lack money even to buy basic necessities. Lemuel seeks to develop small enterprises that employ community members and generate a cash flow that circulates in the community and provides a basis for other small businesses to start. Examples thus far include a cement block manufacturing business and a chicken house for eggs and meat.



ENTERPRISE creates JOBS
provide INCOME restores CASH
FLOW develops ECONOMY
empowers SMALL BUSINESS
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(impacts PEOPLE restores DIGNITY builds CONFIDENCE develops COMMUNITY gives HOPE empowers FAMILIES)

## Consider giving a boost to the economy.

Economic stimulation often involves varying, special project needs. Contact us at info@lemuelministries.org for more information and to find out what projects are in the works or still in our dreams.

Lemuel provides stable employment to over 60 people in the community. Consider a monthly gift to help cover payroll needs for Lemuel's salaried staff in the school and development departments. Visit www.lemuelministries.org/donate, and be sure to designate your gift Lemuel Staff Salaries.