

# AME-SADA



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The African Methodist Episcopal Church Service and Development Agency, Inc., (AME-SADA) is committed to its mission of ***"Helping People Help Themselves."***

## AME-SADA

AME-SADA is the international humanitarian relief and development agency of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and currently works in Africa and the Caribbean.

Founded in 1977, AME-SADA grew out of the collective efforts of several primary individuals including, Bishop John Hurst Adams, Bishop Frederick C. James, Reverend Lonnie Johnson, Mrs. Wilburn Boddie, Dr. Joseph C. McKinney, with critical support from Bishop Donald G. K. Ming, as they sought to strengthen the mission of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in the lives of people in Africa and the Caribbean. Hence, AME-SADA was created to coordinate and administer international development and relief projects outside of the United States. AME-SADA works in collaboration with grassroots communities to institute programs in education, health care and economic development to encourage people in Africa and the Caribbean to actively participate in the economic life and development of their communities and nations.

## AME-SADA's WORK

Responding to local conditions and needs, AME-SADA seeks to enhance the activities of the local population and provide appropriate additional assistance and resources in the areas of health, education and micro-credit. AME-SADA uses both formal and informal methods to encourage people to review the manner in which they lead their lives and make the best possible decisions for their own futures.

## PROGRAMMING IN HAITI

Since starting with a life saving vaccination program in the Archaie and Cabaret regions of Haiti in 1987, AME-SADA has developed a comprehensive program of activities in Haiti that moves beyond relief efforts to address the fundamental impediments to self-improvement.

### **Child and Maternal Health Program**

AME-SADA provides comprehensive pre/postnatal health care to women aged 15-49, newborn care, vaccination of children under 5 years against infectious diseases, comprehensive treatment of diarrheal diseases, nutritional recuperation for malnourished children, family planning and counseling, TB treatment, HIV/AIDS and STD education, counseling and treatment, home/community visits by health workers and traditional birth attendants through its 8 fixed site outpatient clinics. Currently, AME-SADA has over 60 staff members, 125 Health Agents and more than 400 Traditional Birth Attendants providing health and other services to a population of over 400,000 individuals in the Western Department of Haiti.



**Maternal and Child Health Care Services**

### **Bercy Transitional and Treatment Facility for At-Risk Pregnant Women**

With support from Private donors AME-SADA has begun to focus on the needs of at-risk pregnant women residing in Archaie and Cabaret, isolated mountainous regions of Haiti. Design work has started on a new treatment facility for these patients with special needs. In the meantime they are being treated in the Pont Matheux facility.

### **AME-SADA Orphans and Vulnerable Children Support Project**

Occasionally, Haiti clinic staff identify cases which require financial support. Haiti and Washington staff have opened a modest fund to address these cases and are now seeking outside resources to help maintain it. Some of these cases require specialized medical attention and other assistance.

### **School Health Program**

AME-SADA provides targeted health care services to 30,000 elementary school children from some of the poorest neighborhoods in the Port-au-Prince metropolitan area.

### **SADA KREDI**

SADA-KREDI is a micro-credit program providing guidance and promotion of rural and urban income generating activities and micro-loans of up to \$500 to as many as 2000 participants.



**SADA KREDI Micro Credit Group Meeting**

### **Emergency Care**

The effects of the **Earthquake** of January 12, 2010 continue to impact several hundred thousand people still in temporary shelters. Employment, food shelter, transportation and health care are still a challenge for many of these victims. The aftermath of the earthquake included the several waves of an ongoing cholera epidemic which have touched nearly every part of the country. AME-SADA continues to provide critical health care and humanitarian assistance to the victims of these disasters.

### **PROGRAMMING IN SOUTH AFRICA**

#### **Wilberforce Community College**

Wilberforce Institute, founded by the AME Church, is one of the oldest institutions of higher education for Blacks in South Africa. The AMEC chose to close the Institute during the time of enforcement of the apartheid policies of Bantu Education rather than be forced to cooperate with the laws of the regime at that time. With the dismantling of the apartheid laws, the AMEC decided to reopen Wilberforce and AME-SADA was called upon to assist in this endeavor. Wilberforce reopened under the name, Wilberforce Community College (WCC), keeping the original campus, renovating its buildings and undertaking a modernization program to serve the people of South Africa.

The United States Agency for International Development/American Schools and Hospitals Abroad awarded a total of five grants to AME-SADA for new construction at WCC. These grants included funding for the Multipurpose Educational Facility with classrooms, library and administration areas which was dedicated in 2000. The Distance Learning Center construction project included an electronic classroom, video conferencing and a resource center. Faculty Housing was also funded by this grant and all were dedicated in 2003. Dormitory Facilities for male and female students were constructed with the third grant and dedicated in 2007. Most recently, grants for the Dining Hall and Students' Community Center were awarded. Construction has been completed and the facilities are in use. The formal dedications of both these new facilities are expected in the near future. In addition to the grants provided by USAID/ASHA, counterpart funding for these several

buildings was provided primarily by the AME-Church and its supporters.



**Students'/Community Center at Wilberforce Community College**

### **Founders' Awards Gala**

AME-SADA is grateful to the many supporters of its Founders' Awards Gala regularly held in the fall of the year. The Gala, which is a major fund raising event, continues to be a success due to the unstinting generosity and untiring work of our Chairman, Bishop McKinley Young and our many friends. The most recent Gala held in November 2012, featured the Founders' Reception, and Awards Banquet, a fashion show highlighting new designers as well as an Art and Crafts Sale.

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