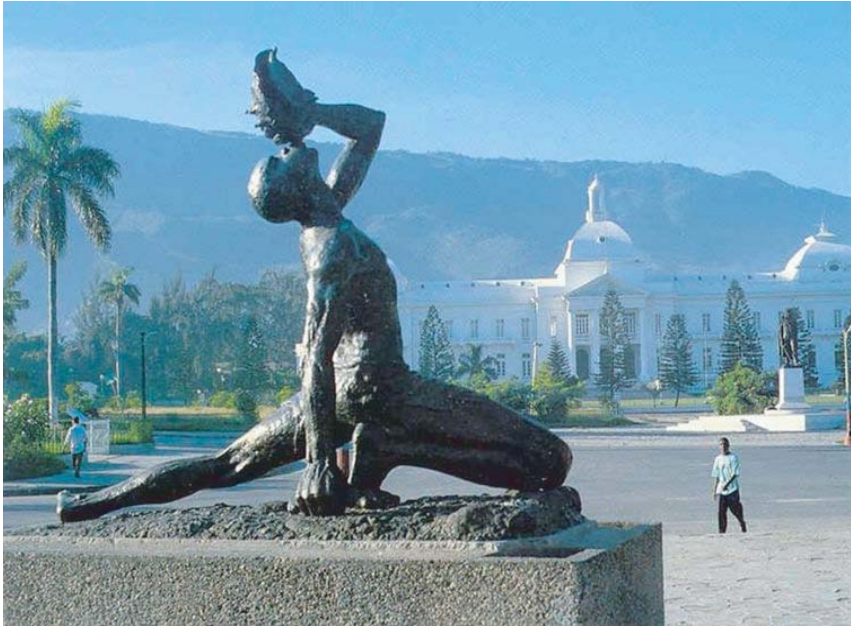


# Community Event & Fundraiser for Haiti



The eyes of the world have been focused on Haiti since the devastating 7.0 earthquake that resulted in the deaths of more than 200,000 African people. And while it is often repeated in television broadcasts and news articles that Haiti is the poorest country in the western hemisphere, nothing is said about why this is so.

The history of Haiti is the story of the defeat of colonial slavery and the emergence of the first truly free country in the western hemisphere! Haiti has long been a beacon of hope, resistance and pride for Africans and freedom-loving people all over the world!

Join the United Tampa Bay Haiti Initiative (UTBHI), a coalition of concerned Churches and community activists, for a free community event that will highlight the proud history and culture of Haiti while providing insight into the historical and current-day political dynamics that contribute to the poverty and misery of her people.

Speakers include: Pastor Gaston Compas (Pinellas Christian Center, St. Petersburg), Marlen Bastien (Haitian Women of Miami & Candidate for US Congress), Chairman Omali Yeshitela (Uhuru Movement), Pastor Gerly Germain (Bethanie SDA Church, Tampa), Rev. Leonel Charles (Pinellas Christian Center, St. Petersburg), Dr. Aisha Fields (AAPDEP), and Chimurenga Waller (InPDUM).

We will be accepting donations of cash, hygiene items, medical supplies and non-perishable food items that will be distributed in Haiti by a contingent traveling from the Tampa Bay Area. We hope that you come ready to contribute!

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