



Reading is Dignity

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Adult literacy classes provide the opportunity for people who did not have access to education as kids to learn basic literacy and math skills now--for free.

Classes are taught in ten St. Francis schools plus two overflow sites. 255 students meet 2-3 time weekly to receive instruction, practice new skills together, and share a meal. Classes are taught by some St. Francis primary school teachers as well as other community members.

Strengthened literacy empowers adult learners to better manage financial, healthcare, and legal situations for their family.



Student using free literacy workbooks



Instructor



Part of the class at St. Francis!

Access to this program is incredibly important and life-changing!



Students playing the keys during music class

The music program at St. Francis is going strong! Students are engaged. They're learning to read sheet music, playing new instruments—like the keys—and are having a great time doing so. All but the senior students receive music instruction; several groups of students work towards a recital.



A family on the way out of church at St. Francis



A family taking motorcycle home from church at St. Francis

With St. Valentine's Day this past week, we are wishing all families in Haiti and in the US love and hope.

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