

Christmas

It's not your birthday

Did you know...

according to CNN the average U.S. citizen spends almost \$1000 on Christmas every year? In Haiti, that \$1000 would buy one family's emancipation out of extreme poverty by sponsoring an 18-month program that educates, empowers, and guides Haiti's poorest citizens.



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Chemen Lavi Miyò

Chemen Lavi Miyò, Haitian Creole for "Pathway to a Better Life" is an 18-month program developed by Fonkoze, Haiti's leading microfinance institution. It was designed with the help of the world's most respected leaders in eradicating extreme poverty; leaders who have successfully freed families in the most troubled, impoverished nations of the world.

For just \$1000 U.S., Fonkoze will:

- provide the training and weekly one-on-one mentorship needed to lift one family out of extreme poverty
- grant the family the assets (goats, chickens or merchandise to sell) they need to start a small business
- offer this same family a weekly stipend for the first eight months until their business begins producing an income so they will no longer need to beg
- assist participants to repair their homes so they do not leak when it rains and will withstand the winds
- ensure access to healthcare and safe drinking water through one of Fonkoze's partners
- enroll all of the children in school and make sure they have clothes and shoes to attend
- graduate the women from Chemen Lavi Miyò at the end of 18 months prepared to enter a traditional microfinance program and build their businesses without further subsidization

To learn more about Fonkoze and our *Christmas – It's Not Your Birthday* campaign, please visit us at www.fonkoze.org or call 1-877-469-3039. To celebrate the miracle of Christ's birth with an alternative gift to an impoverished family in Haiti, please provide the following information and mail to: Fonkoze USA . 50 F Street NW Suite 810 . Washington, DC 20001



Fonkoze is the inspiration of Fr. Joseph Philippe, a Haitian priest whose commitment is to bring economic opportunity to Haiti's poorest citizens and lay the economic foundation for true democracy in Haiti.

Photo of Fr. Joseph Philippe by Tequila Minsky



YES! I want to make a gift to help Haitian women and their families achieve self-sufficiency:

☐ Check/Money Order enclosed and made payable to Fonkoze USA.

☐ Please charge my credit card \$ _____ ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ DISCOVER



NAME ON CARD (PRINT)

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Note: online giving is also available at www.fonkoze.org

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