

# Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter



Friday, December 16, 2011 A.D.

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**Be Strong! Be Strong!  
Make each other strong!**

Dear QCS Stakeholders,

Wednesday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> the QCS Board of Trustees met together for our regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting was opened with a devotion from Eph.



5:15-17 and the trustees were challenged to consider wisdom when making decisions. **"Is it wise?"** should always be the first question we ask ourselves, and then we should have the humility to seek wise counsel, consider past experiences as well as present circumstances before making a decision. We were reminded of Proverbs 9:10, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom".

Monthly reports from the new Plant manager, both elementary and high school principals and the director were reviewed. The board was pleased to see the many noted improvements at the school and will continue to be mindful of areas of concern. The trustees recognize that there is always room for improvement; however **we commend these staff and administration** members for their hard work and dedication in serving the QCS community, striving to make our school the best it can be.

Committee reports were shared; among those were the building committee who are working on the **teacher housing project**. Firm plans for this project have not yet been approved, but it is expected that a third plan will be presented in January for a vote. We are excited to get this project moving, but want to be sure we are using wisdom as we proceed.

Policy review, as usual, was completed via email in an effort to be time conscious of our

meetings. Some discussion was made, but there were no changes made to policies reviewed for this month. Many of the trustee members have read the book Good to Great by Jim Collins and we are encouraged to read the sequel, Great by Choice. These books hold value to every area of our lives. A linkage meeting for the **QCS alumni** will be held this month. If you are alumni or know of someone who is, please contact Mr. Hersey about this meeting. QCS trustee members will meet again in an all day meeting January 11<sup>th</sup> for strategic planning.

Lastly, one area that everyone, including the board, knows is a sore spot for QCS is our soccer field. With tents on the field after the earthquake, along with the heavy use the field receives, it has been impossible to maintain the grass. This topic always brings forth much discussion on and off our campus. In past months, Mr. McMahon has done the homework to produce what was needed for a long term solution. A unanimous vote of **"Yes!"** was given by the QCS Board for shovels to hit the ground as soon as possible so that QCS can be on its way to having a brand **new artificial turf covered soccer field!** This will require patience from our community as the process will take three to four months once it is started. We are hopeful that progress will be evident as we return to school from the Christmas break.

In closing, we ask that you please mark on your calendar **Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.** This will be the date for the annual QCS Board-Parent meeting. Please plan to attend. Thank you for your partnership as we strive for the future of our children.

Respectfully,

Beth Charles for the QCS Board of Trustees.

## School Calendar

Dec 16, Fri - start of HS exams  
 Dec 19, Mon - HS exams – half school day for all  
 - spelling bee – grades 5 – 6 @ 8:30  
 - **school starts at 8:00 A.M**  
 - **dismissal is at noon ☺**

Dec 20, Tues - HS exams – half school day for all  
 - ES chapel – carols, the W9rd, video  
 - **last day** for first semester  
 - **non-uniform day**  
 - **dismissal is at noon ☺**

**Jan 10, Tues - first school day in 2012 D.V.**  
 - second semester begins/third quarter

## Introducing . . .

Hello, my name is Josiah Mantz. I am a recent graduate of Baptist Bible College where I studied Health and Physical Education. I grew up in Webster, NY and have three sisters and no brothers. Growing up, I always had to be holding some type of ball. I have a great love for sports, but I love soccer the most. I started playing at a very young age and was privileged enough to be able to play soccer at the collegiate level as well.



I love to stay active and I am very much looking forward to putting everything I have learned in college into practice as a teacher.

I also have a love for worship. I enjoy just sitting down with my guitar and praising God through song. I have a strong love for children and seeing them succeed.

This is my fourth time in Haiti. I was here for the first time in Spring of 2009 where I served at Maison de Lumiere. Since then, I have returned three times, the most recent visit being this past Spring. For eight weeks starting in March, I student taught at Quisqueya. I was involved in teaching various high school as well as middle school PE classes as well as a high school health class. Since graduating, I am thrilled to be back in Haiti and I am looking forward to being a part of what God is doing in QCS.

## Exam Schedule

Date	Time	Subject
Monday, Dec 19, 2011	8:30 AM	Bible 9 Biology 10 Bible 12 (Bible 11 B: Ashley Laraque-Ho)
	10:30 AM	Geometry Algebra I Algebra II Pre-Calculus Calculus (Sign Language: Hannah Banks)
Tuesday, Dec 20, 2011	8:30 AM	Anatomy Physics French I French II Spanish I English Enrichment Health
	10:30 AM	Physical Science 9 Chemistry French III French IV Sign Language



**The staff of  
 Quisqueya Christian School**

**take this opportunity to**

**wish you and yours a**

**blessed Christmas season**

**and a joy-filled New Year.**

**May our risen Saviour fill  
 your hearts and your homes**

**with joy each day as you**

**serve Him throughout the New Year.**