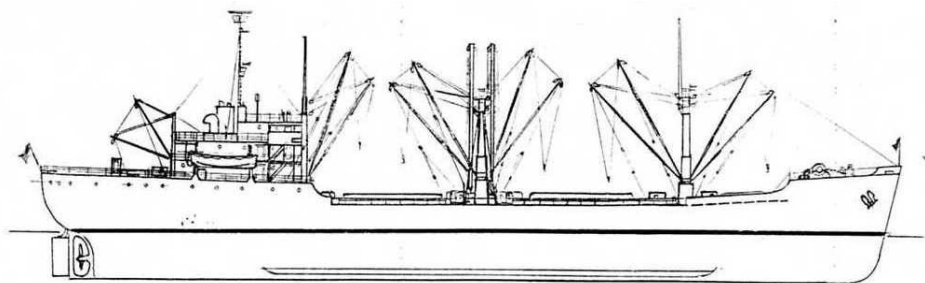


# Friend Ships December 2005 Activities Report

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Dear Friends:

It has been one awesome year! Starting with an incredible mission to Haiti in January and ending with response to a hurricane season unlike any our nation has ever seen. Thank you for helping us to reach out and touch people with the love of God. The dedication of our team of full-time staff, the help of those who come short term, the sacrifice of our prayer warriors, financial supporters and those who provide us thousands of tons of equipment and goods each year – all this along with the blessing of Jesus, combines to make a powerful force that



leads to thousands of people being loved, fed, clothed, treated medically, ministered to spiritually and provided with the help they need. We never cease to be awestruck at your generosity and willingness to help us help people in terrible circumstances. There is a calendar on the flip side of this report with a photo of our larger ships, *Spirit* and *Spirit of Grace*

tied up at Port Mercy that we hope will remind you to pray for us throughout the year.

This month, we are continuing to clean up our home base and make plans for the upcoming year. We continue to support the efforts of the “Saints Go Marching In” team in New Orleans by sending goods to help them in the outreach there. Our team in Roatán, Honduras has been busy distributing roofing tarp to

hundreds of homes damaged by the hurricane season, completing another session of teaching women to provide for their families by producing souvenirs to market to the island’s many tourists and serving as a seminar facility for the island’s churches.

The team in Los Angeles is preparing to ship boxcars and truckloads of goods to Port Mercy in a final transfer of items stored there, to our permanent home base here in Louisiana. We are praying to find a way to finance Port Mercy as the agreement we currently have is to make monthly payments through March of 2008 and then we have a balloon payment due of about \$450,000.00. Please help us pray that we will be able to arrange for a long term mortgage with a bank, be able to pay the property off completely or perhaps find a Christian who would like to finance it for us.

We are hoping to make the trip to Cuba we told you about last month and are waiting for final permission. It looks very promising. Next year we hope to visit Israel, Haiti and Honduras and be ready to respond during next year’s hurricane season.

**Thank you friends for your support all year long! You are such a very vital part of what we do. We appreciate you so much.**

*2 Cor 9:7-11 Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.*

If you would like to be involved with supporting Friend Ships programs, we have ongoing needs for:

**Crew** - long and short term individuals and teams.

**Finances** - to support general operations and help purchase Port Mercy

**Cargo** - see website or request a brochure on how you can pack boxes of supplies to be shipped.

**Prayer** - Join “Special Forces”, our team of prayer warriors.



*He who is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and He will reward him for what He has done. Prov. 19:17*

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