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# SCOPE SUCCESS STORY

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### NAME AND ROLE

Benjamin Brilant, Integral Mission  
Trainer at Christville Church

### LOCATION

Fonfrede, Les Cayes, Haiti

### SUMMARY

SCOPE is helping faith leaders in Les Cayes so that they can understand the role that they can play in decreasing maternal and child mortality in their communities.

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## FAITH COMMUNITIES PROVIDE LEADERSHIP IN HEALTH AND HYGIENE INITIATIVES

Faith leaders are critical partners in addressing health challenges in their communities. This is why SCOPE is working with faith leaders and faith communities to decrease maternal and child mortality and morbidity in Haiti.

Making Communities Better is a community vision casting tool where faith communities can help to build sustainable structures in for health and social services in their communities. Faith communities come together to learn, share and envision transformation in their communities.

### **BENJAMIN ENVISIONS A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY THROUGH *MAKING COMMUNITIES BETTER***

Benjamin Brilant is a trainer and member of Christ City Church in Les Cayes, Haiti. He lives in the neighborhood, making him an active member of his church community. He recently received training from the SCOPE Project Making Communities Better training: “[The training] was very beneficial to me and my Christian life,” Brother Brilant explains. “It was a really voluminous and rich training. We had the trainers really spot on. But there was one lesson out of all the ones we took to leave really well for us: ‘a clean house is a safe house.’ This lesson stuck with us and made a big change in our house. Before we were living poorly without protecting ourselves, now we are applying a lot of what was told to us in this lesson. Before we neglected to cover the dishes our latrines, to wash our hands, now we can say that we apply this training more than 70% at home. Now, as coaches, we will replicate

these trainings with the beneficiaries, and the changes we make at home will also be beneficial.”

### FAITH LEADERS SUPPORTING FAMILY HEALTH IN THEIR CONGREGATIONS

SCOPE is working at the community level to help faith leaders and faith communities engage

with critical issues and improve reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health and family planning behaviors. By 2024, SCOPE Haiti will train 294 faith leaders to engage on these critical issues affecting their communities.

*This story is written by Perpetue Piard, World Relief Field Officer, Fonfrede.*