

# PROFILE FROM THE FIELD



## Acsalitha Maceus

Miragwan, Haiti 2009

Acsalitha Maceus is a 55 year old woman whose husband died over 7 years ago, leaving her 5 children to care for on her own.

Acsalitha is a participant of Fonkoze's Literacy program which started in January 2009 and will end in October 2009 in Miragwan. "I wanted so badly to be a part of the Alpha program which Fonkoze made available to us here in Miragwan. I wanted to learn how to read and write.

My mother and father did not send me to school. Today, I want to say thank you to Fonkoze, because of this program, I can now write my name, and my children's names."

Acsalitha especially likes the methods used to teach by acting out a situation after reading it. "It's so much fun and we learn faster."

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Since entering the program, she says that her thinking skills have gotten so much better "I have been a member for over 2 years, I consider Fonkoze to be my husband because it's helping me to feed my children and they are all in school today, but please don't ever discontinue the education pro-



gram. I want to master my reading and writing skills and continue with the business literacy module."

Acsalitha wants to feel secure in her skills as a micro-entrepreneur, "I want to know the coming and going of every aspect of my little commerce, no one will be able to take advantage of my inability to read and write again."