

SUSTAINABLE FARMING AND FORESTRY IN HAITI



Life is difficult in rural Haiti. The farming families of the Peasant Movement are among the poorest in the hemisphere.



Marcel Garcon is the Director of the Peasant Movement of Gros Morne, an organization comprised of 30,000 small farmers in the rural mountains that surround that city in northern Haiti.

"Farmers here grow the food that feeds the country, but we do not have enough to eat or the money to buy more."

For people on the edge, nutritious produce that isn't a financial drain can make a big difference. Marcel and his team provide participants with the basics: training, suggestions for improving the soil, seeds, and in some cases containers with improved soil. These courtyard gardens are organically grown, without the use of imported fertilizers or pesticides. This method helps families move towards sustainability, independent of outside help.

GUEST SPEAKER: Marcel Garcon

WHEN: Sunday, December 15, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Howard County Library East Columbia Branch (6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia, MD 21045)

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