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Dear Sponsor,

Twass the Fall season in Haiti and all through the land
the parents were scurrying, school was starting, how grand!
The uniforms were ironed and given much care
the shoes and socks stood ready the children would wear.

The children were dreaming of the first day of school
knowing that soon, they would have to follow new rules.
The teachers were writing out the days lessons
French, Science, mathematics, don't forget the questions.

When out on the road there arose manifestations
the children would be unable to reach their destination.
The country continued in political disarray
the children were sent home in their dismay.

The sky on the breast of the new fallen rain
gave luster of midday to objects in vain
When out of the storm the UN did appear
making sure the roads soon would be clear.

With motorcycles moving so lively and quick
the children yelled whoa, we have a bone to pick
The teachers made way for a new school day
the children cried we want to stay home and play

Now students, now teachers, now parents and all
through the river over the roads go over the wall
The schools are opened and ready to go
dash away dash away dash away all!

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
when they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky
The children grabbed their school supplies and new books
soon to the roads on moto taxis they took

I heard the laughing, the crying, each little foot
as they dredged down the road through mud and soot
As I drew in my head, and was turning around
down the road the students came in a bound

They were dressed in their uniforms, ribbons, and socks
heading to school, like geese in a flock
A bundle of books they flung on their backs
Showing their friends the new school supplies in their sacks

The gates opened at school the teachers did wait
for that last child to cross through the gate
And I heard the children exclaim as they began their day
Thank you dear sponsors for my school you did pay.