

HARAMBE

A Quarterly Foundation Newsletter



Harambe is an African word which means “working together.” It is also the foundation’s slogan and name of one of Mrs. Rita Marley’s most popular tunes. Available through our website quarterly, this newsletter will be a vital vehicle to inform you of our foundation’s endeavors, events and accomplishments; importantly, we eagerly anticipate “working together” with you, through your contributions and feedback. So with One Love we could nurture Harambe into a constructive newsletter.

Hon. Robert Nesta Marley OM Receives Cultural Medal of Honour

The Hon. Robert Nesta Marley OM has received the Cultural Medal of Honour. The presentation was made at Kings House under the patronage of the Governor General. Mrs. Rita Marley OD, accepted the medal on her husband's behalf.



Mrs. Rita Marley OD accepts medal from Sir Patrick Linton Allen, Governor General of Jamaica

The event was organized by the Creative Production and Training Centre Ltd, CPTC. It is the Caribbean's largest television and multimedia production, and training facility. The institution is owned by the Government of Jamaica. CPTC's mandate is to record, promote and archive the various expressions of Jamaica's rich, indigenous culture. Its objectives are to capture and celebrate the traditional time-honoured culture forms, while also recording and acknowledging the more current manifestations of cultural expressions in the performing, visual, media and literary arts, lifestyle, heritage, sport, and entertainment.



Mrs. Rita Marley OD

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One love, one heart
Let's get together and feel all right
— Bob Marley

Announcement: Our Studio in Ghana is now called Studio of Time & Experience.

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As an extension of this mandate, the CPTC established the 'CPTC Cultural Medal of Honour' in 2009, to honour the achievements and contributions of fellow Jamaicans whose work and passions have helped to shape the Nation's psyche and sense of indigenous identity. 🇯🇲

The Rita Marley Foundation Working Together with St. Augustus Prison in Jamaica

St. Augustus Prison is a facility in Kingston Jamaica which houses female inmates. It recently benefited from the generosity of the Rita Marley Foundation.

Mrs. Rita Marley and her team spent an entire day there with the inmates. During a touching speech to the ladies Mrs. Marley encouraged them to remain positive and focus on their freedom. She further stated, despite the reasons for their incarceration they could still contribute positively to Jamaica and the world.

Rita Marley Foundation gave the inmates toiletries and books. The inmates expressed thanks through song. Mrs. Marley was very impressed with the immense talent. She promised to provide studio time at Tuff Gong Studio for them.

Superintendent Reuben Kelly heads the prison. He was overjoyed by the news. Mr. Kelly also expressed great gratitude to Mrs. Marley and staff of the Rita Marley Foundation. 🇯🇲



L-R: Rosemary Duncan, Ms. Minion Phillips, Mrs. Rita Marley, Super. Reuben Kelly, Mr. Colin Leslie. (front row) Fort Augustus employee, Ms. Donisha Prendergast. (Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)

Royalty Meets Royalty~

A So Jah Jah Plan It

On January 1, 2012 H.I.H Aklile Berhan Makonnen Haile Selassie, Prince of Ethiopia, gave the Marley family the New Years gift of a surprise visit to Marley Resort & Spa—the Marley family owned resort on Cable Beach, Nassau, Bahamas. H.I.H, his wife and kids had traveled from Rome.



Royal families: Mrs. Rita Marley and family & H.I.H Aklile Berhan Makonnen and family

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Hear the children crying (One love) / Hear the children crying (One heart)
 Sayin', "Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right." / Sayin', "Let's get together and feel all right."
 Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa
 — **Bob Marley**

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Mrs. Rita Marley signs her book "No Woman No Cry" for H.I.H Aklile Berhan Makonnen (Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)

H.I.H Aklile Berhan Makonnen Haile Selassie, is the grandson of H.I.M Haile Selassie and heir to the throne.

The royal family was blown away by the ambiance and warmth at the Marley Resort & Spa, especially its tranquil environment that is filled with positive energy.

Marley Resort & Spa is a beautiful sixteen (16) room boutique hotel located on Cable Beach in Nassau. The rooms are named after songs by the King of Reggae, Hon. Bob Marley. Guests are embraced in the love of Marley Resort & Spa.

Stephanie Marley transformed the family vacation house to a breathtaking resort. Cedella Marley was instrumental in bringing the dream into reality. She did the decor and landscaping for the property.

Simmer Down & Stir It Up, the resort's restaurant and bar serve the most delicious food and drinks in the Bahamas.

Marley Resort & Spa is a vehicle for wellness and renewal. Guests

could relax at Natural Mystic Spa. It offers a wide selection of spa treatments including aromatherapy, massage, facials, steam room, and sauna.

Depending on the time of year, guests could enjoy the white sandy beach or ocean front. Amazing!

H.I.H Aklile Berhan Makonnen Haile Selassie and Mrs.

Rita Marley will jointly work on projects to assist the children of Africa. 🌍



Mrs. Rita Marley with H.I.H Aklile Berhan Makonnen and family. (Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)

Don't step on my blue suede shoes: Party Prince Harry gets down to Bob Marley in Jamaica wearing brightly-coloured desert boots

-by Rebecca English, www.dailymail.co.uk, 7 March 2012

Prince Harry danced his socks off in blue suede shoes yesterday.

The prince was visiting the Rise Life project in downtown Kingston when he was pulled to his feet by attractive Chantol Dormer.

The 27-year-old royal proved that, unlike most men, he had remarkably good rhythm as he gyrated to a rendition of reggae legend Bob Marley's One Love.

Harry was wearing an eye-wincingly bright pair of £115 Russell and Bromley desert boots.

As the Mail revealed on Tuesday there has already been a rush to snap up the identical light brown pair he has been wearing all week.

Rise Life is an inspirational project for young people in one of the more deprived districts of Kingston,

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Let them all pass all their dirty remarks (One love)
 There is one question I'd really love to ask (One heart)
 — Bob Marley

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providing learning facilities and a safe haven for young people aged from about 10 years old upwards.

Harry met children and staff participating in a counselling session and viewed some of the centre's facilities including an IT workshop, before attending a Rise Life party in the courtyard with scores of young people and staff.

Last night Harry attended a black tie state dinner with Prime Minister Mrs. Simpson.

In a well-received speech the prince had his audience eating out of his hand with a few jokes in the local patois.

He said: 'I count it a great privilege to be standing here tonight, representing The Queen in Jamaica on her Diamond Jubilee. Her Majesty has asked me to extend her great good wishes to you all, and is sorry that she can't be here - so you're

stuck with me... but don't worry, cos every liddle ting gonna be aright!'

Harry added: 'It is many years since The Queen first came to Jamaica - 59, in fact. Ever since then, this island and its people have retained a very special place in her heart.

'Your vibrancy and vigour, your wonderful welcome to visitors and your island's natural beauties - all combine to make Jamaica unique. The Queen recognised this.

'As a representative of the younger generation, I see fully what my Grandmother means.

'This is truly an exciting place to be. Jamaicans are exciting people to be around - especially when they run the 100 metres in 9.58.

'If I may, just for a moment, I would like to take this opportunity to pay a personal tribute to my Grandmother. For me, as for millions of people around the world, her lifetime's service to others is truly an inspiration.



Photo: Meeting royalty: Prince Harry greets the widow of reggae legend Bob Marley during his visit to Kingston

'But she combines all her virtues as a leader and as a Head of State, with those of being a wonderful, caring grandmother - to whom we, her grandchildren, are utterly devoted.

'It just leaves me, therefore, to say on behalf of The Queen how grateful Her Majesty is for the heartfelt way in which Jamaicans have embraced her Diamond Jubilee and are helping her to celebrate it.

'As for me, I haven't been here for long, but - wow - if I had, I'm not sure my Grandmother would get me back.' 🇯🇲

Is there a place for the hopeless sinner,
Who has hurt all mankind just to save his own?
Believe me
— Bob Marley

The King's 67 Earth-strong Celebrated from Kingston to China

The Hon. Bob Marley's 67th earth-strong was celebrated by family, fans and friends from Trenchtown to China.



China celebrates the king



Family, fans and friends at concert in Trenchtown



Concert in China



Abijah One Love

The concert held on February 2 in the King's hometown, Trenchtown, drew thousands from far and wide. It kicked off at 10 p.m. and ended at 3:45 a.m. The Marley brothers Stephen, Damian, Julian and Ky-mani had the massive crowd feeling irie. Other well known Jamaican musicians thrilled the concert goers.

Emancipation Park in downtown Kingston was bursting at its seams on Sunday, February 3. An audience of over 12,000 gathered in peace, love and unity to celebrate reggae's greatest Legend. With guest of honour, Mrs. Rita Marley seated in the front row, acclaimed reggae artists including Freddie Mc Gregor, Cocoa Tea and I-Octane paid homage to Bob Marley in song and had the audience jamming.

From 5 a.m. on February 6, Hon. Bob Marley's birthday, many hundreds of Marley fans convened at the Bob Marley Museum on 56 Hope Road in Kingston.

From babies carried in their mothers arms to the elderly



Mrs. Rita Marley OD & His Excellency Yuri Gala Lopez
(Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)



Statue of Hon. Bob Marley
(Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)



Nyabingi drummers
(Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)

aided by the youth, the spiritual rhythms of the Nyabingi drumming was heard throughout the grounds. Blessings were given by priests from the Ethiopian Orthodox Church as the rich scent of frankincense filled the air. Mrs. Rita Marley and her granddaughter Donisha cut the birthday cakes

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One love, one heart
Let's get together and feel all right
— Bob Marley

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Jamaican Ambassador to China

enjoyed by almost everyone in attendance. The entire event was aired live by Jamaican radio Irie FM. From morning to night Bob Marley's beautiful voice echoed on the sound system on the compound. 🇵🇸

MEDICAL MISSION IN JAMAICA AT NYABINGHI SCOTT PASS IN CLARENDON

In February, a group of U.S. based Rastafarian volunteer health care professionals (nurses, dentists and ophthalmologists) held a medical mission clinic at the Nyabinghi Scott Pass in Clarendon and Pit Four in St. James.

The mission was organized by Registered Nurses, Sister Malaika and Sister Carol Gordon. It was the second such activity for that group. The first occurred in April 2010. One hundred and eighty nine individuals of both communities received free health screening for diabetes, cholesterol, hypertension, glaucoma, dental extractions and cleaning.

Mrs. Rita Marley contributed funds for the purchase of refreshments for the medical and nursing staff, patients and other members of the community. She and staff spent the day at the Nyabinghi Scott Pass to support the activity.



Matron Sister Carol Gordon screening for hypertension



Doctor in consultation with patient



Dental cleaning



Doctors & community members in discussion



As it was in the beginning (One love)
So shall it be in the end (One heart)
— **Bob Marley**

Tenth Grammy Win for Stephen Marley

Blessings to Stephen Marley, ten time Grammy Winner. He won this year for Best Reggae Album for "Revelation part 1."



Steve celebrates with his mother Mrs. Rita Marley
(Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)



Cake cutting (L-R) Queen Mother Delois Blakely, community major of Harlem U.S.A, Mrs. Rita Marley & Stephen Marley
(Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)



Happy Birthday Bob Marley from the Basic Schools in St Ann

Students from several Basic schools in St. Ann including the Cedella Booker Basic School were recently treated to snacks and cupcakes as part of the Bob Marley birthday celebrations.

Each school was presented with copies of the One Love book penned by Cedella Marley and the children sang happy birthday and the Bob Marley classics One Love and Three Little Birds.

Presentations were made by St. Ann resident Janet Smith and Tuff Gong International staff members.



Eight Miles Basic School



Alright, "Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right."
"Let's get together and feel all right."
— **Bob Marley**

SUNRISE TO NOON NYABINGHI

Tuff Gong International located at 220 Marcus Garvey Drive, Kingston 11 was a scene of red, gold and green when flag bearing students, artistes and invited guests participated in a Sunrise to noon Nyabinghi.

In the afternoon Bob Marley’s vinyl records were played which created a lot of discussions as most did not know that the Company was still manufacturing vinyl. Selections from Stephen Marley’s Grammy winning album Revelation: Roots of Life, Part 1 had everyone dancing and singing.

One of the day’s highlights was the arrival of Minister Damian Crawford, Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism and Entertainment who participated in the Bob Marley sing-a-long in the recording studio and chanted with the Nyabinghi drummers. 🇵🇸



Nyabinghi Drummers chanting in front of the Rita Marley Building at Tuff Gong International during the 29th February 2012 event

I-THREES BRING IRIE VIBES TO SOUTH AMERICA



Mrs. Rita Marley



Ms. Pam Hall, Mrs. Rita Marley, Sister Marcia Griffiths



Fans

The Iconic I-Three, Hon. Bob Marley's backup singers, brought real Irie vibes to their legion of fans in the South American countries, Suriname and French Guiana on April 28 and 29. The trio delivered emphatic and memorable performances at both concerts. They had fans eating from the palms of their hands. The energetic crowds sang and danced to every tune belted out by the group. 🇵🇸

One more thing
 Let's get together to fight this Holy Armageddon (One love)
 So when the Man comes there will be no, no doom (One song)
 — **Bob Marley**

2011 Rototom European Reggae Festival

Conference at 2011 Rototom European Reggae Festival

Welcome on this warm morning," the Mayor of Benicassim stated. Her voice was like a school bell signaling time for silence among the numerous journalists who had swamped the large white tent for the mid-afternoon conference at the site of the Rototom Sunsplash Reggae Festival in Spain.

"Mrs. Marley is a reggae icon with charisma. One who is able to transfer music to everyone. Welcome to the tribute to your husband and friend Bob Marley. Very good having you here. Our wish is that you will not forget your days here at Benicassim. Of course, Benicassim is an open city. It's full of colours. Benicassim is changing a lot." "It is giving and welcoming to all people," the Mayor added.

"Greetings brothers, sisters, ladies and gentlemen, saints and angels; because you all look very beautiful," Mrs. Marley warmly expressed. "I have been here before and see familiar faces. Today I am here with my entourage. We are taking water all over Africa. We are working hard. I thank Gina (Rototom Festival) and staff for bringing me here. It is not easy bringing Mrs. Marley here. I am

getting more mature; not older. Still a

lot of corn to grow. You can ask me any question."

With that assurance, the enthusiastic journalists questioned Mrs. Rita Marley OD (RM):

Question 1: What is the work of the Rita Marley Foundation and its current project?

Answer (RM): It is a charitable organization that aims to give back. The most needy place is Africa. We identify Africa as the motherland that we can return to someday as rastas. We are working for tomorrow's people. As Ziggy Marley says, "If you don't know your future, you will not know your past."

The Rita Marley Foundation is building schools and helping with talents. Reggae music comes from Africa. We (through 1 Love.org) are working with Charity Water to bring clean water to places where it is not available. In certain parts of Africa, people drink water you would not even give your dogs. Let's all help Africa.

As Bob Marley says, "One love, one heart, let's get together and feel alright." So we are not only singing it; but we are living it.

Question 2: Bob Marley says peace, love and unity. What do you believe is the negative message of many dance hall musicians right now?

Answer (RM): Bob Marley set the standard. There is depreciation but it still does not stop the message. "Let the words of thy mouth and the meditation of our heart be acceptable in thy sight oh Jah."

There is still some positive music. I do not listen to the negative. Only the positive. If I hear the negative, I go back to listen to Bob Marley and to Peter Tosh. The negative will be short lived. The positive will live on. Long live reggae music.

Question 3: When Bob Marley speaks of peace and love, what would he think of the current world situation?

Answer (RM): What Bob Marley prophesied is what we are seeing today. Bob Marley is a prophet and a saint. His prediction is right. "So much trouble in the world. All we need to do is give a little." It makes sense to give a little while we can.

Question 4: As a rasta who repatriated to the motherland, do you see difficulties in Africa for Jamaicans to adapt to in order to live there?

Answer (RM): I see a life and a future for all people. Africa is the motherland for all people. "The earth is the



The graceful Mrs. Rita Marley
(Photo by Ms. Serita Stewart)

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Have pity on those whose chances grow thinner
There ain't no hiding place from the Father of Creation
— Bob Marley

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Lord's and the fullness thereof." As Michael Jackson says "We are the world... let's start giving."

Look at all the wars. It is ridiculous. Let us live in one Inity or unity. As His Imperial Majesty says, "Until the colour of a man's skin is of no more significance than the colour of his eyes-me say war." H.I.M gave the land in Shashemane for us to live there; so there is hope.

Question 5: Tell me about early days with the Soulettes.

Answer (RM): That's way down memory lane. Good memories that still sustain us. We all have children and grandchildren. There was good music and good vibration. Good times and bad times. There were days we got no pay. Most Jamaican artistes come from Studio 1. That's the reason my Studio in Ghana is named Studio 1. We did not have money but we had faith.

Question 6: Who will play Bob Marley in the movie?

Answer (RM): The producer is writing a new script and we are looking for actors who could be Bob Marley. It is not really a Bob Marley movie. It's a Rita Marley movie. The producer wants to make it a love story. There is one airing in February on the last days of Bob Marley. That is by Shangri La.

Question 7: What do you think of the Festival? Does Bob Marley love it?

Answer (RM): Yes, he loves one love, one heart. He loves that. Bob Marley gave his life for that. You saw Stephen and Ziggy will also be here. I am here.

Everything will go but music shall never die. The bible says the players of instruments will be there. So we're on our way to glory. Music is a gift from God. 🌍

The Rita Marley Foundation Donates to Children's Village Project in Ethiopia



Children's Village Project

to the Children's Village encouraging them to stay in school as well as distributing clothing and other goods. She remains an inspiration to Dr. Desta and many Ethiopian youth. 🌍

The donation from Rita Marley Foundation benefited 5 of the 40 children sponsored from D.Y.M.D.C. Children's Village Project founded in 2005 by Dr. Desta Meghoo to help homeless, orphaned and vulnerable children. The donation went towards school fees, uniforms, and school supplies. The children are thriving, attending school and very active. Although the center has closed, Dr. Desta continues to care for the children from her home while her and Art Director Merid Tafesse and Music Director Ras Seyoume, seek a new sight to provide daily care, activities and support for the children in 2012. Nana Rita Marley has paid numerous visits

Sayin', "One love, one heart
Let's get together and feel all right."
— **Bob Marley**

Mr. Wesley Anderson, brother of Mrs. Rita Marley, celebrates his earth-strong



Mrs. Norma and Mr. Wesley Anderson with Mrs. Rita Marley

Mr. Wesley Anderson, brother of Mrs. Rita Marley celebrates his earth-strong with family and friends at a Gala Dinner at the Thompson's Hotel in Toronto, Canada.

On October 29, 2011 Mrs. Rita Marley and family held the grandest birthday celebration for her big brother, Mr. Wesley Anderson. The event was held at the Thompson Hotel in Toronto, Canada.



Sharon Marley & daughter Donisha Prendergast, Scott Anderson (son of Mr. Wesley Anderson)



(L-R) Aunt Beda (mother of Mrs. Rita Marley), Mrs. Rita Marley and Sharon Marley

Family members enjoyed a private screening of the film "Rasta" starring Ms. Donisha Prendergast, grand-daughter of the Hon. Bob Marley and Mrs. Rita Marley OD. Donisha travels to various countries – Israel, Ethiopia, South Africa and India – in her quest to gain greater insight about the Rastafari faith. The documentary also enlightens viewers on the struggles and success of Rastafari religion. Donisha completes that journey with vast wisdom about the Rastafari faith and of her personal mission.

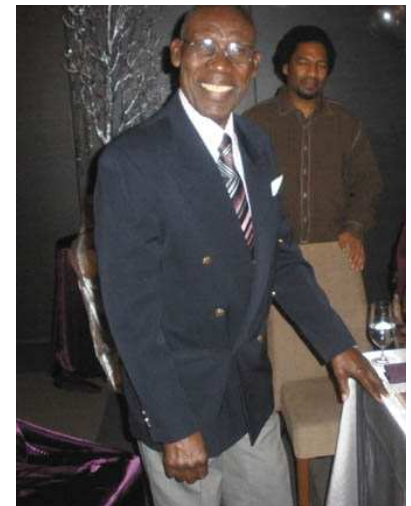


Scott Anderson (son of Mr. Wesley Anderson), Aunt Beda (mother of Mrs. Rita Marley & Mr. Wesley Anderson), Mr. Wesley Anderson

Following the movie, everyone convened at the ballroom for the birthday dinner. Mrs. Marley delivered a heartfelt speech in which she thanked Mr. Anderson for being a fantastic father to her and the best brother!

Another very special person attended the event. Everyone was blessed with the presence of Aunt Beda. She is the mother of Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Marley. Aunt Beda had a blast with her children, grand children, great grand children and friends.

Mr. Anderson was all smiles as he stated this was his best birthday ever!



Mr. Wesley Anderson



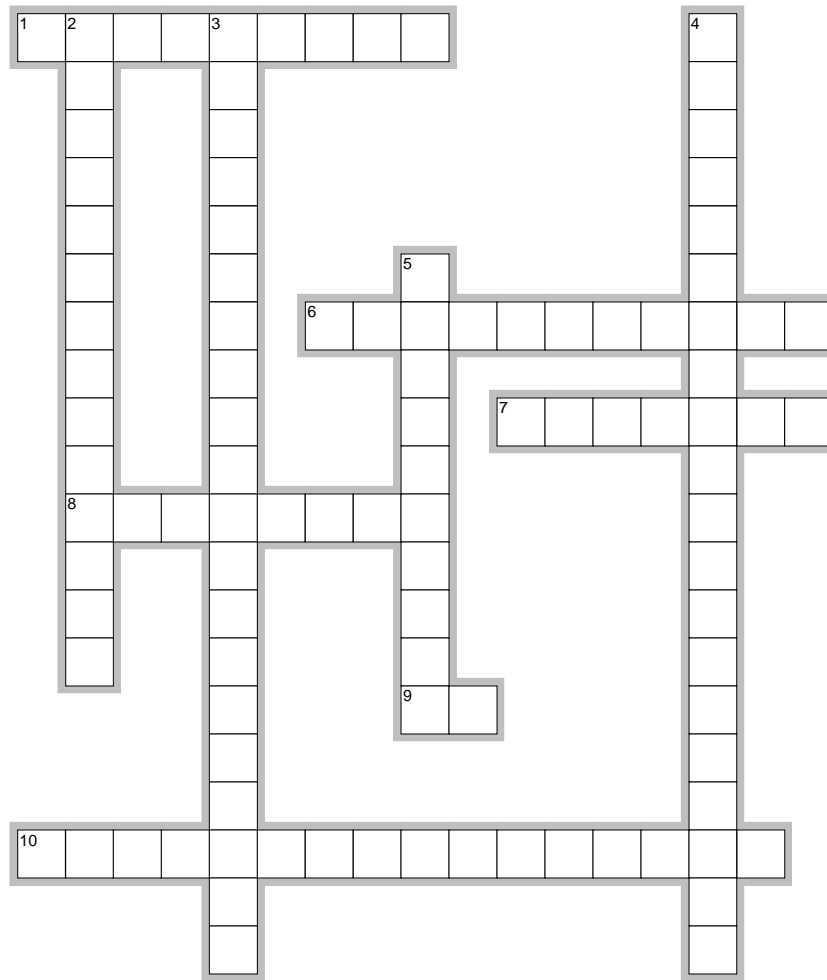
Birthday cake

BLESSED EARTH STRONG!



I'm pleading to mankind (One love)
Oh, Lord (One heart) / Whoa
— **Bob Marley**

CROSSWORD FUN!

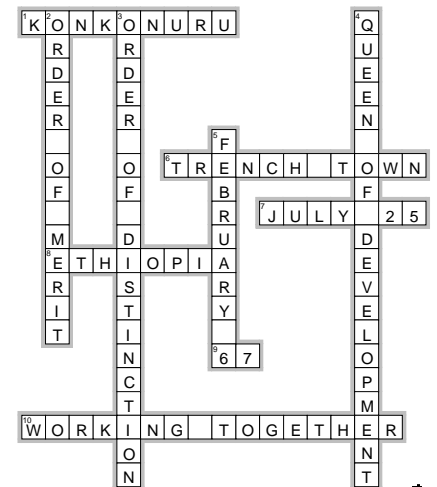


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1. The name of Mrs. Marley's village in Ghana
6. Where Bob & Rita Marley met
7. Mrs. Rita Marley's birthday
8. Where Africa Unite was first celebrated
9. Hon. Bob Marley's age on Feb. 6, 2012
10. The meaning of "Harambe"

Down

2. The award Hon. Bob Marley received from the government of Jamaica
3. The award Mrs. Rita Marley received from the government of Jamaica
4. The meaning of Nana Afua Ado-bea 1
5. Hon. Bob Marley's birthday



"Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right."
 Let's get together and feel all right.
 — **Bob Marley**