



# INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

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*The On Target Ministry E-Newsletter*  
*Serving God through International Education*

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Dear Friends,

The most amazing stories are coming out of the Middle East. No, I am not referring to the news of the day, unsettling as it may be; and am referring to the church planting pastors that we are teaching at the school in Alexandria, Egypt. What an amazing group of faithful men!

## International Education Works!

- You may remember the story of the church in the cemetery. (If not, click Reply and ask for the Cemetery Story!) Let me share with you how God is using three students.
- Three students each targeted ten small Egyptian Villages where the gospel has not been heard. Their goal was to plant a church in each village. In less than two years, all thirty villages has an established church! This means many people have come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ! (Can you say "Amen!")
- Here's the rest of the story... in one of those villages, no one knows of even one adult who does not profess Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior! (Now say "Amen!")

By training national pastors who are not limited by traditional missionary hurdles, we can see the work of the Lord move forward efficiently and effectively. National Pastors already know the language, culture, and customs of the people. They are effective because they are trusted. When we train them in the Word, we are unleashing a very powerful missionary in his home land. This is why supporting On Target Ministry is a good investment of your missionary giving.

## Support Update!

- **Regular Monthly Support:** We have not added new supporters since the last eNewsletter. Maybe God has laid this ministry on your heart. Would you consider sending a gift to help us today? Would you pray about becoming a regular supporter of this unique ministry.
- **Our support level is at 14.9%**

## Prayer Requests and Praise Items!

- Pray for **the churches** we have ministered in that God will lead them to support us.
- Pray as churches plan their **2007 budgets** that On Target Ministry will be included.
- Pray God will restore **safe travel** to the Middle East so we can go teach in Egypt this January.
- Pray our **house** will sell. It has been on the market since Memorial Day.
- Pray additional supporters will pledge **monthly support**.
- Praise for the two **new supporters** this month, and the **increase** from two others.
- Praise for **safety** in travel and effectiveness in ministry in our up-coming **Florida trip**.

## Scheduling!

- **Our 2007 Ministry Schedule** is **full!**
- The reason we are working so hard now to raise all our support is because our ministry schedule for 2007 is full! I have confirmed 6 weeks in **Egypt**, 2 weeks in **Romania**, 2 weeks in the **Ukraine**, 3 weeks in **Jamaica**, and 2 weeks in **Haiti**. Also, we have in the planning stages 2 weeks to **Siberia**, 2 weeks to **China**, and 2 weeks to **Azerbaijan**. That's 21 weeks of overseas ministry. Because the preparation to teach all the planned courses is so extensive, there will be little time left for fund raising. So join with us in prayer that God will help us raise our support now so we can focus on the work in **International Education** in **2007**.

That's all for this week! Thank you for your love and support.

Striving to please an Audience of One!

*Dr. Jim & Anna Betsy Bearss*

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