



# INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

October 2008

*Serving God through International Education*

**DR. JIM BEARSS, PRESIDENT**

## OPERATION EGYPT!

*Later this week I will be flying to Egypt to teach national pastors a book study of Isaiah. I have been preparing this new series of lessons this month. I am excited to teach these precious truths to these faithful men. So much of Isaiah relates to Egypt—past, present, and future!*

*I will be flying to Amsterdam and then on to Cairo, Egypt. God is using this unique ministry in powerful ways to plant new churches and to bring many people to Christ. Your prayers and support are essential to our success. Please uphold us before the throne of grace as we minister overseas.*



## UPCOMING 2008-2009 SCHEDULE

- Nov '08 Graduate School, **EGYPT**
- Jan '09 Montego Bay, **JAMAICA**
- Feb '09 Port-au-Prince, **HAITI**
- Mar '09 Graduate School, **JORDAN**
- May '09 Haiti Bible Institute, **HAITI**
- June '09 Montego Bay, **JAMAICA**
- July '09 WOL Bible Inst., **PHILIPPINES**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Pray for the Egyptian pastors I will be teaching. These men are serving God under incredible persecution. Pray for our safety, and pray that the men will learn the powerful truths that will strengthen their ministries all over Egypt.*
- *The sale of our Wisconsin home: we finally have had two serious “lookers!” Pray that they will soon become buyers.*
- *More personal financial support. We are now at 63%. Praise God! Pray that new churches and individuals will begin support and that existing supporters will be able to increase support.*
- *Sponsors for 14 Haitian Pastors. We would like to have these commitments by yearend. Please use the attached form for your support.*
- *Anna is having surgery in December. Pray all goes well and that God will be glorified through this experience. Pray for Anna’s strength.*



## HAITI BIBLE INSTITUTE UPDATE

The **Target Date** for teaching the first class of the Haiti Bible Institute is **May 4, 2009**. Our **Goal** is to have all 25 pastors sponsored by the end of 2008. So far, 11 pastors have sponsors! Praise God! We need 14 more men sponsored. **Please consider a special gift by yearend to help make the dream of a Bible education a reality for these eager and faithful men.**

**Port-Au-Prince**, the capital of Haiti, is the site of our school. **Pastor Predestin**, the pastor in Haiti who is helping us organize the Haiti Bible Institute, reported that many pastors have filled out applications. We will be traveling to Haiti soon to interview the students and establish the class list for **Cohort 1: the first 25 men** who will study at the Haiti Bible Institute. Pray for all these faithful men who serve God in this difficult place, and pray for us as we strive to help them learn God's Word.



## WEBSITE UPDATE

The new website is up and running. We still have much work to do to expand the site, but already it is a great improvement over the old site. We have new **pictures**, new **audio** downloads, a **Bible Study**, and a **newsletter** archive.

Visit us at [www.OnTargetMinistry.org](http://www.OnTargetMinistry.org) and see all the new items. Many more new additions are coming in the days ahead, so stop by often and check.

Our web host will be sending out our newsletters from now on. There is a place

to **subscribe** to the letter on the website. Tell all your friends to sign up and receive the newsletter each month. Also, we have now added an **online giving** feature. If you want to make a donation using PayPal, or your credit card, you may do so through the website. Pray that God will use this new feature to increase our monthly support for this unique and challenging ministry.

## THANK YOU, LORD

During these troubling times of crisis, when the stability of our nation seems in jeopardy and some situations in our personal lives look uncertain, we can take comfort in the everlasting love of our sovereign God. His promises do not rise and fall with political events, and His grace is not dependent on financial successes. God's promises **never** fail and His grace is **always** sufficient. What a privilege it is to stand in the service of the sovereign God whose purposes cannot fail, whose words do not fall to the ground, and whose people shall be saved! Thank you, Lord, for your goodness and grace!

**Dr. Jim & Anna Betsy Bearss**

# SPONSOR A PASTOR IN HAITI

*Print this page and mail it with your support to:*

**On Target Ministry, 2130 Grand Avenue #3, Des Moines, IA 50312**

*Thank you for your investment in this worthwhile project!*



## *Announcing the Haiti Bible Institute*

*Opening May 4, 2009*

*On Target Ministry is committed to providing a fundamental Bible course of study for the faithful pastors in Haiti. These men minister under conditions of extreme poverty, and yet they serve the Lord with enthusiasm and determination. By teaching them the Word of God we will strengthen them in the faith and boost their confidence in God and His Word, thus making their ministries even more effective for the glory of God.*

*You are invited to participate in this marvelous opportunity that will certainly impact the entire nation of Haiti for the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Who can help?** Individuals, Churches, Sunday School Classes, Bible Study Groups, Organizations, or Missions Groups. *Any person or group can sponsor a pastor!*

**What is the cost?** We provide a 4-year accredited Bible Institute education for Haitian pastors at a total cost of \$3,200 per man.

**What is the commitment?** To ensure that we are able to finish what we start, we are seeking sponsors to commit to giving \$800 a year for four years.

**When are funds needed?** Ideally, the first installment should be given by the end of 2008. This will allow us to make the necessary arrangement in advance of the starting date of the school.

**Why are you doing this?** The pastors in Haiti have no opportunity to attend a traditional Bible College. By teaching them using the proven method of modular education, we can guarantee they will be equipped to carry out their ministry with knowledge and confidence.

**What if I can't support a Pastor all by myself?** **Good news!** We also have a **Haiti Scholarship Fund** you can contribute to. When the fund grows to \$3,200 we use the money to support 1 pastor, then start saving for the next pastor!

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**Your Name or Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES!** I will Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor(s) for **\$3,200 each** over the next four years.

\_\_\_\_\_ My **first check** for \$\_\_\_\_\_ is **enclosed!** [OR] ...will be sent by \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is my **contribution** of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the **Haiti Scholarship Fund**.

*Mail this form and your check to On Target Ministry, 2130 Grand Avenue #3, Des Moines, IA 50312*

# SUPPORT FORM

## On Target Ministry

2130 Grand Avenue #3

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**Yes!** I will commit to supporting **On Target Ministry** in their work of training National Pastors overseas by being a part of the **Support Team**.

**My commitment is ...**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Regular Monthly Support:** (check amount)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 per month

\_\_\_\_\_ \$30 per month

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 per month

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 per month

\_\_\_\_\_ Other amount:

\$\_\_\_\_\_ per month

\_\_\_\_\_ **One Time Gift:** (check amount)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25

\_\_\_\_\_ \$250

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50

\_\_\_\_\_ \$500

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100

\_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000

\_\_\_\_\_ Other amount:

\$\_\_\_\_\_ gift

Please make your check payable to **“Faith Community Foundation.”** FCF is the financial manager for **On Target Ministry**, and ensures the financial integrity of our accounting practices and ministry. We are delighted to confirm that *“All gifts are tax deductible as charitable donations for income tax purposes.”*

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