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INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

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Ministry in Egypt!

What a blessed time we enjoyed studying the Word of God together with my Egyptian students! Every time I teach this dedicated group of men and women, the Lord thrills my heart with their stories of ministry and living for Jesus in a hostile environment. We know nothing of this level of persecution. Yet, my students love the Lord and willingly and joyfully proclaim the truth of God's Word. It is my privilege to teach them, and I am honored to know them.

Please continue in prayer for each of my students and their families. One student related a story that broke my heart. His teenage daughter was kidnapped by a Muslim man, brutally raped; then she was forced to marry him. Under Islamic law there was no recourse for the man or his daughter. What a tragedy! This is typical of the world in which these courageous Christians serve the Lord. They need our prayers.



Ministry in Haiti

REVIEW: On January 12, 2010, tragedy struck in Haiti when a 7.0 magnitude earthquake wrought havoc and extensive much damage to Port-au-Prince and surrounding villages. I have been in constant contact with Pastor Predestin Pierre Herard, our contact person in Haiti. He is diligently searching for options for our school. Classes are scheduled for early May, so I will be traveling to Haiti next month to help prepare for the education of our students. I will also be delivering the gifts that have been sent to On Target Ministry designated for the "Haiti Relief"

Fund. These donations will be used to help the pastors enrolled in our school. All donations received will be delivered in person and used where needed most. Thanks to all who have already contributed!

Pray for God to give us wisdom to develop a long term plan for the **Haiti Bible Institute**. Here is what I have been dreaming of: God can provide us with a donation of \$200,000, so we can buy property and build a suitable facility that would provide housing for a full time administrator, 3 support staff members, and the students. Then we would be able to hold classes in Haiti every month of the year and teach **4 Cohorts simultaneously—that's 100 pastors!** God has given me enough

men eager to help me teach in Haiti, and there are literally hundreds of Haitian pastors who are begging to be enrolled in the school. Admittedly, this is **BIG THINKING**; but what an opportunity we have to make a real difference in this impoverished nation. We have a Big God who can do great things. The long term need in Haiti is **TRUTH** that results in living biblically. **What can YOU do to meet this need and make this dream a reality?**

Ministry Notes

Please join us in praise and prayer for all this:

1. The **“Haitian Pastoral Library”** (six theology books in French) has two donors so far. We need 18 more donations of \$200 each to give each pastor in HBI a great set of study books.
2. I am scheduling churches for the purpose of making ministry presentations. Speak to your pastor about inviting us to come and present this exciting and unique ministry to your church.



3. Spring is coming! Our house in Wisconsin is still “for sale!” Keep praying with us that God will sell it in His perfect timing.
4. Pray that God will continue to meet our needs as we travel overseas and teach faithful men to teach others also. **If you love what we are doing, it is easy to become a regular supporter.** Just send your contribution to “On Target Ministry” and remember to pray for us!
5. Pray that God will bring us the funds we need to make a significant difference in the spiritual needs and the physical needs of the people in Haiti! We want God to be glorified in the believers there.



Dr. Jim & Anna Bearss *“Through the Lord’s mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.” (Lam. 3:22-23)*

