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INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

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New Hope for Haiti

Module 5 in the *Haiti Bible Institute* is now history, and what exciting history was made! The Pastors were excited about the new location for the school, and they engaged in their studies with determination and enthusiasm. They studied late into the night reading, memorizing, and rehearsing the great truths we committed to them. After eight hour-long classes each day, their energy to study amazed me. **The result:** 7 men earned an "A" in all 4 courses. The others did very well, too; and everyone qualified to return for Module 6 in October 2011.



New Books for Pastors

Each pastor received his own copy of **two news books** that will enable him to study the Bible with greater understanding and application. Thanks to all of you who donated to this library. We will be giving new books to the pastors *in every module*. After a chat with the publisher in French Quebec, he was so impressed with our ministry that he gave us a great discount. Therefore, we will be able to buy **8 books!** with the money given instead of the six we originally promised. *Praise God for providing!*



New Home for the HBI

THE SITUATION — Module Five was held in our 3rd guest house since the formation of the *Haiti Bible Institute* in May 2009. The earthquake in January 2010 took our first house. Then the owner of the second house decided to sell it instead of lease it. And now the people leasing our 3rd house (and letting us use it for the school) decided to not renew their lease. This means that once again the HBI is homeless. I must say, I did not anticipate this particular challenge when we started the school. *But there is hope!* Read on . . .

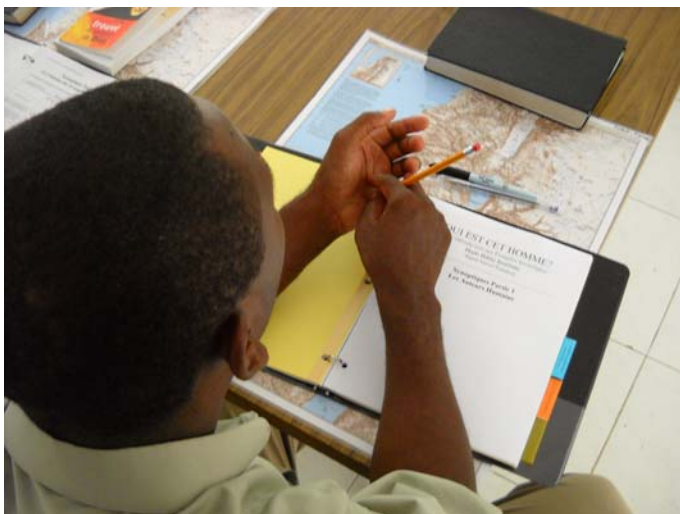
THE OPPORTUNITY — Taking this “development” as God’s way of saying “opportunity is knocking,” I arranged a meeting with the owner of the 3rd house and presented the mission of *On Target Ministry* and the *Haiti Bible Institute*. As I explained our work to the owner, I told her how our school is equipping pastors to be better, more effective pastors and training them to be vibrant communicators of God’s Word. She listened intently with great interest. At the end of the presentation, she said, “**This is good for Haiti!**”

THE CHALLENGE — I expressed our desire to lease her house directly from her at the lowest price she could offer. She understood our need to have an established location for the school; and she promised to think about it, and then to let me know what she could do for us. Three days later, she called back with an offer.

THE VISION — Having this house as the permanent home of the *Haiti Bible Institute* would move our ministry in Haiti to the next level! We could begin teaching modules for new Cohorts of pastors *as early as next year!* **What an opportunity this is to impact the nation of Haiti!** With your prayers and support, this school could become the launching pad for a genuine spiritual revival in this nation.

THE OFFER — The owner said she could lease the property to us for \$10,000 a year. A bargain! This is well below the amount at which the property is currently leasing, and it is significantly lower than other properties in this condition (and neighborhood) are bringing. She gave us until May 6th to respond to her offer.

THE NEED — In addition to the annual lease, we will also need \$10,000 in development funds by October to make necessary improvements on the property. This need is summarized on the attached page. Please review it and pray about how you might help us bring the *Haiti Bible Institute* into a new era of operation.



New Support Is Necessary

The needs of the First Cohort of pastors are cared for already by the generous donors who personally supported one or more of the pastors in the school. The education of these men in Cohort One will be completed on schedule as promised.

But now I am looking ahead! At present, we have over 100 applicants for the *Haiti Bible Institute!* That’s 5 cohorts of students!! With a permanent location to hold classes, and a steady stream of income to sustain the needs of the school in that location, we can do more **now** and for a lot **less** money! Without a permanent location, we cannot begin Cohort Two until we amass an additional \$54,000 under our current operational plan.

Why This Is Important

The *Haiti Bible Institute* is **UNIQUE**. That is not an exaggeration! We are the **ONLY** evangelical, curriculum-based Bible College in Haiti offering an Associates Degree in Biblical Studies. *This academic program is second to none!* We have excellent, well-qualified teachers, and the students are receiving a first-class education. **The results speak for themselves:** our pastors say they are preaching the Word like never before; they are proclaiming the Gospel, baptizing converts, and incorporating them into local churches; new churches are being planted, and our pastors are training other pastors. **This is 2 Timothy 2:2 in operation par excellence!!!** My prayer is that you will see **the value** of this amazing opportunity and be led of God to help us. After reviewing the attached project form, please let us know what God has laid upon your heart to do.

1. Pray that God will provide the funds necessary to secure this location for the HBI.
2. **Praise God** for the opportunity we have to finally secure a permanent location for the HBI.
3. Pray for our pastors in Egypt and Jordan to be strong during these days of intense persecution.
4. **Praise God** for an additional \$50 per month personal support committed this month!
5. Pray for the additional \$370 per month personal support for Doc and Anna Bearss in 2011.
6. Pray for God to bring the perfect buyer for our Wisconsin home.

By Grace Alone, Doc & Anna Bearss