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PEOPLE

2 TIMOTHY 2:2

## INTERNATIONAL UPDATE

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### Philippines Update

Our work in the Philippines has born much fruit. In addition to training over sixty students every time we go, we are also overjoyed to see these young men and women enter into full time ministry. Some are pastoring churches in the Philippines, while others are doing the great work of church planting. Several are serving as missionaries in other Asian nations. What a blessing it is to arm these students with truth to make them strong in their work for the Lord.

Let me introduce you to two memorable students: Abner and Barbie. Abner often sat with Anna and me at meals. In between mouthfuls of rice, we would discuss the Bible and the lesson of the day from Ephesians. He was so encouraging. He told me how much the people in the churches needed to hear these truths and asked permission to reproduce my notes to use in Bible study in his church. Once again, this is 2 Timothy 2:2 in action! Praise God!



Barbie asked me one day if I remembered her. Turns out she was a young girl when I came to her church five years ago to preach. She said she will never forget the sermon: "Uphold the Truth" based on Jude 3 where we are commanded to "contend earnestly for the faith." It was then that she decided to attend Word of Life Bible Institute so she could learn the truth and spend her life upholding it. Exciting!

We will be returning to the Philippines next month by special request to teach a very important series of lessons on NT textual issues: *Introduction to the New Testament*. This is an outstanding opportunity to educate future leaders on the identity of the NT text and to help them preserve the truth of God's Word into the next generation. (If you would like to participate in this work, a special contribution to help us with the additional airfare would be greatly appreciated.)

## Middle East Update

This week I will be attending a meeting to discuss the future ministry in the Middle East through the National Theological College and Graduate School that I have been working with since 2004. We will hear reports on Jordan, Lebanon, and Egypt and make decisions on the direction our ministry will take in these important fields. Pray for wisdom and guidance.

## Kenya Update

We are continuing our discussion with national leaders in Kenya as we explore how to begin a pastor training school there. This situation is similar to Haiti, so we are asking God to direct us through finances. If God provides, we will be able to train many active pastors with our Bible Education Program. Pray about this great opportunity.

## Jamaica Update

We are still waiting for word from our partners in Jamaica about the possibility of opening a Seminary in this country. With many pastors desiring to improve their knowledge of God's Word, this would be a great help to the cause of Christ there. Pray with us as we continue to plan.



## Haiti Update

**Cohort 1** – Graduation day is November 14, 2012. Module 8 will be taught November 6-13. Praise God for this great milestone. We need special contributions to pay for caps and gowns, diplomas, and transportation. *Will you help us?*

**Cohort 2** – We will begin their training with Module 1 in Spring of 2013. We will need support for five pastors. Please make this an urgent matter of prayer. Thank you!

## Giving Update

Thank you to all of you who have been responding to the various needs of On Target Ministry. It is such a blessing to see how God uses His people to fund and empower His work around the world. The giving helps us see where God wants us to focus our ministry. So, continue to give! and continue to pray! that God will guide us and enable us to carry His Word overseas.

## Ministry Presentations

We would love to come to your church to present On Target Ministry. I know your church will be encouraged and uplifted by a vision for what God is doing in this world.

## Prayer Requests

1. **Pressing Need:** At least 5 supporters for the Haitian pastors in Cohort Two.
2. **Special Need:** Graduation Expenses for the students graduating in November from the Haiti Bible Institute.
3. **Praise God:** 15 Cohort Two pastors are fully supported!
4. **New Need:** On Target Ministry needs an additional \$2,000 per month for operational expenses. Will you be an OTM Supporter?
5. **Airfare:** For the special (unbudgeted) trip to the Philippines for a special course in New Testament Introduction.

*By Grace Alone, Doc & Anna Bearss*