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Dear Friends and Supporters of OTM,

THE IMPACT OF THE HAITI BIBLE INSTITUTE

On Target Ministry follows a solid Missions Model: **2 Timothy 2:2** “*And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.*” Here is yet another story from one of our faithful students who is using his training to make a difference for Christ in Haiti. The beauty of the model God gave us: **It works!**

SPENCER’S STORY

My name is Spencer Bazile. I was born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. My family includes my Mother, my Father, my two Brothers and me, “Spencer.” Sadly, I lost my father in 2004 in a terrible car accident. He died on the way to hospital. It was the greatest trial of my life that lasts even to this day. Now I am living with my Mother and my two Brothers.

My elementary schooling was at *Saint Vincent de Paul*, and my high school was at *Jean Joseph Perdriel School*. After the death of my father I left this school to go to *International Salem Christian Academy*, an American school meeting in my church, Baptist International Fellowship. This is



where I learned to speak English. **I became a follower of Jesus Christ at an early age**, but it was through my church that I learned basic Bible knowledge and grew in grace. Senior pastor Pierre Richard Cadet faithfully trained young leaders, and I was selected for this training. When the training was completed, the pastor presented us as officers of the church, and I was the youngest of the group. Our responsibilities included leading the worship services, praying, and preaching.

Later the pastor returned to live in Chicago, but my responsibility to lead the church continued. I remember my first sermon,

“The Power of the Positivity.” It was on that day that I came to the understanding that God called me for the ministry. My heart was filled with joy but, I was also sad, because I had no means to do advanced theological studies. The church embraced the idea of more education and nourished my dream to help me study Theology, but I did not know where to go next. So, I continued studying the Bible on my own and serving in the church.

A year later I learned about the **Haiti Bible Institute**. HBI needed an interpreter, and Dr. James Bearss, the director, encouraged me to also register as a student. He offered me a free education if I would be faithful in my studies and help the school with interpretation. Wow! What a blessing! It was a golden opportunity and a gift from God. I remembered my call from God for the ministry, and I testified, “When the Lord sends, He certainly provides!”

I have now spent six years studying Theology at HBI where I have learned sound Bible doctrine that gives me the insight and knowledge I need to work effectively in the church. HBI is the best school in Haiti! I graduated with my Associates Degree in 2016, and **I will graduate with my Bachelors Degree this October 2018**. I have enrolled in the Masters program at HBI, and plan to earn my Masters Degree in Biblical Studies in 2022. I am now the Senior Pastor at my church, and my training at HBI has proven invaluable time and time again. Under my leadership the church has prospered and grown. I lead Bible Studies, teach Training Sessions for young leaders, and of course, preach the Word of God.

This has been the best year of my life: First, I will graduate in October with my Bachelor Degree at the Haiti Bible Institute. **Second**, I am now engaged to be married in November to a beautiful young lady named Melissa. She is a fervent servant of the Lord and shares my passion for ministry. **Third**, I will be ordained sometime soon after the Wedding.

In addition to my pastoral ministry at Baptist International Fellowship, I work for *Foundation Infant Jesus*. My post is “Chaplain and Career Guidance Counselor.” My job is to provide the children of the School adequate spiritual training. I strive to be a good example for them in all things. I give them biblical advice and spiritual guidance, and I help them face the realities of life in Haiti. **My goal is to help them overcome the challenges of a hard life and live every day as a committed follower of Jesus Christ for the glory of God.**

HELP US CONTINUE OUR MISSION

The **October Module** at HBI will see another **milestone**: Graduation of our first Masters Class. After 4 years of study, 12 men will graduate with their Masters Degree in Biblical Studies. *We currently need \$17,000 to pay for this module and the graduation.* Please help us meet this need!

Thank you all for your prayers and faithful giving to OTM. Grace and peace, *Doc & Anna Bearss*

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