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Dear Friends of OTM,

LET'S GO CRUISING!

It's time to sign up for the first **On Target Ministry Cruise!** Everyone is invited to join us for an exciting voyage as we examine *"The Battle for Truth in 21st Century Missions."* There will be exciting guest speakers, and you will meet faculty from the Haiti Bible Institute. So, in addition to a relaxing vacation, you will enjoy quality time in the Scriptures. Details on how to sign up are in the closed brochure. Be sure to take advantage of the "Early Bird" sign up by



March 31. This is a very good price for a 3-day cruise departing from Port Canaveral, Florida. So set aside **November 1-4, 2019** and enjoy a lovely vacation on board the beautiful *Mariner of the Seas*. This is a golden opportunity to fellowship with believers and to learn the Word of God.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN HAITI?

Sadly we had to cancel the February Module of the Haiti Bible Institute. Political unrest, rioting, and violence reigned in Haiti for about three weeks. Our leaders in Haiti correctly saw that the situation would become increasingly dangerous, so we were advised to delay the module so the students could remain safely in their homes and protect their families.

Rioting and protesting is not unusual in Haiti, but this time it was unusually intense and the danger level very high. The US Embassy raised the Threat Level to the maximum: Level 4 "Do Not Travel!" They closed the Embassy and evacuated the personnel. Anna and I were "in the air" on our way to Haiti when the violence erupted. When we landed we were rushed to the hotel where we hold classes and informed of the seriousness of the situation.

The decision to delay the module was made that evening and by the grace of God we were able to schedule a flight home the next day. Over the next few days the protesting increased. All the roads were blocked with burning rubble. The airport was inaccessible. Many had to be evacuated by helicopter. We are grateful for God's protection and provision for our safe return to the USA.

At this moment, our plans are to have an extended module in October where all the missed courses and all the regularly scheduled courses will be taught. This will keep the program on track and the students will be able to graduate in 2020 as planned. I am thankful for our great faculty who are flexible and willing to come teach these faithful pastors.

The good news is that Haiti is already quieting down. I received emails yesterday from our people there who said life is “back to normal.” So, God willing, we will be able to safely travel to Haiti in October.

Below are some pictures of our Haitian Students. Pray for them. One reported that his

church building was vandalized, and others reported some property damage to their homes. Pastor Predestin who runs Our Father’s House Orphanage reported that they went several days without food or fresh water. But God graciously spared everyone from personal harm. Thank you, Lord!

Thank you again all for your prayers and your faithful giving to OTM. We could not do it without you! We are continuing to raise funds for the operation of the Haiti Bible Institute. Since the next module will be longer than usual, we will need to pay more. Thank you for your giving that answers our prayers for this unique ministry.

Grace and peace,

Doc & Anna Bearss

PHOTOS: Front: RCCL Mariner of the Seas, Below: Students and Faculty at Haiti Bible Institute.

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