June & July 2017

Truth Connect

ENCOURAGING AND EQUIPPING CHRISTIAN LEADERS WHERE THEY LIVE

Truth Connect has combined its **June** and **July** update letter as we will be teaching in Romania in July. We would appreciate your prayers for this trip (details below). In the fall Truth Connect will be presenting Leadership Training Conferences in the Caribbean and Africa. Your prayers and financial support are humbly requested as we prepare for these conferences. Would you please help us? You are greatly appreciated. *Thank you so much for your support!*

Romania Conferences

Truth Connect has been invited to Romania in July to provide leadership training and encouragement for the national staff of *My Brother's Keeper*. Truth Connect will teach three separate Leadership Training Conferences (LTCs) in three cities in seven days. This is a new venue for Truth Connect.

Scott Manganella, President of *Precious Life,* Altoona, PA (plinc.org) and CEO of *My Brother's Keeper,* USA (mbk.ro) asked Truth Connect to come to Romania to teach biblical leadership principles to its staff.

"*My Brother's Keeper* is a Christian, non-profit organization based in Pennsylvania that is making a difference in Romania by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ, assisting the helpless in Christ's Name and discipling the youth generation. My Brother's Keeper is sharing the eternal view in Romania. The hope of sharing eternity and heaven with fellow Romanian believers and the sustaining presence of the Holy Spirit make the challenges of ministry manageable, even embraceable. We do all this through a Crisis Pregnancy Center in Oradea, Summer Camps, Vacation Bible Schools, abstinence education programs in schools and High Schools and mentoring programs for teenagers who want to pursue higher education" (*quoted from My Brother's Keeper web site at mbk.ro*). Please pray for this training!

Kenya & Uganda Conferences

Truth Connect is preparing to present two Leadership Training Conferences (LTCs) in Kenya and one in Uganda in October. The LTCs in Eldoret, Kenya will draw hundreds of pastors and church leaders from surrounding counties and countries. Your help is requested for these training conferences. Would you pray for God's guidance, blessing and provision? Would you please give a generous gift to help pastors be able to attend this training? *Thank you so very much!*

Truth Connect will then travel across the border from Kenya to Uganda for its second annual LTC in Kampala. Pastor William and friends from Raising Up Hope for Uganda (RUHU) are the conference host and organizers. Last year Pastor William hoped for 80 leaders to attend the LTC and over 120 showed up! This year the LTC will be held in a larger venue that will be able to accommodate at least 300 leaders. Most of these African pastors minister and live with so very little in the way of material goods. For them to attend a conference like this is a great joy and privilege but also a real challenge financially. Truth Connect helps to provide meals, lodging, study materials and even transportation expenses when needed. *Please help us help these pastors.* Your prayers are so important! Your financial support will help a local church pastor be encouraged and equipped with God's Word and leadership principles. A tax-deductible gift of $75 per person will enable a pastor to attend the LTC. If your church or Sunday School group would like to sponsor a group of 10 ministers, Truth Connect will send you a picture of those you helped. Thank you in advance for your prayers and gifts!

Kampala, Uganda

TRUTH CONNECT ~ Training Leaders Globally

Connecting with the Truth…

Right or wrong road? I was in Montego Bay, Jamaica a few years ago on a mission project and had a free day. I had never been to Negril's beautiful beaches before so I rented a motorcycle and set off on the 80 kilometer trip with no map ~ *really, how hard could it be?* ~ just follow the coast road west and …. About 40 minutes into the trip, I was in a jungle and came to a fork in the road; following Yogi Berra's advice, I took it. I began to go up a steep mountain on switch back roads. When I came to a small community I pulled over and felt strongly that I took the wrong side of the fork. I then noticed a couple of Rastas (Jamaicans with long dreadlocks) leaning against a shack smoking a joint. When they saw me the one guy said, ***"Yo, white man, you on the wrong road!"*** He didn't have to tell me that twice! I quickly went back down the mountain and eventually found my way to Negril. I thought I was on the right road but was actually lost. The Bible says, *"There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death"* (Prov. 14:12). There are so many "ways" to choose today. People are easily confused by so many options like the numerous "isms", religions, and siren calls to health and wealth. "Jesus said, '*I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man comes to the Father but by Me*'" (Jn.14:6). *Jesus is the Way!*

2017 LTCs

- Jan / Feb - India
- Feb / Mar - Haiti / D.R.
- April / May - USA
- July - Romania
- August - Haiti
- Sept - Bahamas
- October - Kenya / Uganda
- Nov - Haiti

Prayer Walkers Needed

Truth Connect needs prayer-walkers for the Kenya and Uganda LTCs. Above, Jerry from PA, is in Kenya praying over the LTC. If you would like to join us in Africa in October, contact Don for more information. *Please pray about it.* It's a great opportunity to serve the Lord and His Church in Africa as well as see His amazing creation on safari!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Twelve years ago I was in central Europe doing a residency for my doctoral studies. Here I stand in Mostar, Bosnia, at the foot of the bridge that separates Muslim and Christian sides of the city. Since that trip, I have always wanted to take Karen to see where I studied. She will join me in July when I teach in Romania. After I finish working, we plan to visit Budapest, Hungary ~ where my residency studies began over a decade ago. *Amazing how time flies!*

We have big training trips coming this fall. I really need your help to make them successful. Your prayers and financial support ensures that Truth Connect can train and encourage national church leaders where they live and work. ***Thank you*** for your support and kind words of encouragement! ***You are so important to Christ's work!***

God's richest blessings to you in Christ Jesus.

Don

MISSION

Truth Connect exists to glorify God by encouraging and equipping Christian leaders to be disciple-makers where they live.

Truth Connect recruits skilled trainers and committed prayer-walkers to go to churches, needy communities and countries to serve in Christ's name for His glory.

SEND TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS TO:

Truth Connect, P.O. Box 5608
Johnstown, PA 15904

GIVE ONLINE www.truthconnect.org

Truth Connect is a non-profit, 501(c)3 Christian organization registered in PA. All gifts are tax-deductible and will be receipted at year's end unless otherwise requested.

TRUTH CONNECT
JUNE & JULY 2017

Donald J. Schreier, D.Min.
Founder & President
email: don@truthconnect.org
www.truth-connect.blogspot.com
www.truthconnect.org
814-421-8639