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# TRUTH CONNECT

ENCOURAGING AND EQUIPPING CHRISTIAN LEADERS WHERE THEY LIVE

## Fall Leadership Training Conferences Need Your Prayers!

**Truth Connect** will be traveling and teaching five Leadership Training Conferences (LTCs) in four countries between now and December. Truth Connect will be in Africa for much of October teaching pastors in Kenya and Uganda. **Therefore, September's and October's update are combined into this one letter.** You'll get a full update on the Africa trip in November. Truth Connect will then travel to Haiti and the Bahamas to train church leaders in November, returning home just before Thanksgiving. Please pray for the success of these trips, the travel details and logistics, and most importantly that all those who attend the conferences would be encouraged of heart, equipped in mind and challenged to lead well for Christ's sake. *Your prayers and financial support are so important to this ministry's success!* Please remember the leaders and their nations below in prayer. Each country has its own unique blessings and challenges; a Google search of each will help you become better informed so you can more accurately pray for the churches and people there.



**Kenya & Uganda.** Truth Connect will conduct two separate LTCs with Pastors Martin and Anne Shikuku at Glory Baptist Church in Eldoret, Kenya. Furthermore, the church has a primary school and orphanage for abandoned children. Pastor Martin also serves as the director of a Bible training school for church leaders. This will be the third annual Truth Connect LTC with Pastor Martin. Truth Connect will then travel to Kampala, Uganda to teach a LTC hosted by Pastor William Bukenya and Raising Up Hope for Uganda (RUHU). Last year's LTC drew leaders from Uganda, Burundi, Tanzania and Southern Sudan. *Thank you for faithfully praying!*

**Haiti.** CrossRoads Mission invited Truth Connect to come in November to teach a Leadership Training Conference at their church in Ponce. The church is located approximately an hour's drive north of Port au Prince. Pastor Gilles Piere Elie is the LTC host; two of his church leaders are pictured above. CrossRoads Mission is a faith-based ministry that plants churches, offers education through schools or scholarships, supports Bible school programs and provides free medical/dental clinics. To learn more about them visit their web site at [www.CrossRoads.org](http://www.CrossRoads.org). Please pray for CrossRoads and all who attend this LTC. *Thanks!*

**Bahamas** Pastor Cherelus Exanté and Ann, his wife, will host the 7th annual LTC in November. Pastor Exanté and Dr. Don have worked together in ministry since 1995. Pastor Exanté is the founder and president of the New Haitian Mission Baptist Association (NHMBA) of churches and schools. He is the Bishop of over 60 churches in the Bahamas, Haiti and the USA. Each year Truth Connect partners with Pastor Exanté and NHMBA to train its hundreds of leaders in both the Bahamas and Haiti. Haitian churches have a strong presence in the Bahamas serving more than 30,000 Haitian refugees. *Thank you for praying for this LTC.*



# TRUTH CONNECT ~ Training Leaders Globally

## Connecting with the Truth...

*Where is the Lord? I need Him!*

When was the last time you felt that way or said those words? Life has a way of dealing us difficulties from time to time. When we read Job 1:13-19 it's obvious Job had a really bad day. He totally lost his business, capital investments and workers. As if that wasn't enough, all of his children were killed in a "freak accident." What I find truly amazing about Job is **his response to all of this trouble** that came upon him in a single day. Scripture states, "Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and fell to the ground and worshiped. He said, 'Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I shall return there. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away. Blessed be the name of the LORD'" (20-21). Even though Job had no clue of what was going on in the heavens between God and Satan (1:6-12), **he trusted** that God was for him. When facing difficulties always remember that in Christ, as a child of God, **the LORD is for you**. Psalm 118:6 declares, "The LORD is for me; I will not fear; what can man do to me?" The Apostle Paul doubles down on this truth saying, "What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things" (Rom. 8:31-32). **Trust God!**

## 2018 LTCs

Cap Haitien, Haiti

Port de Paix, Haiti

Silver Springs, MD

Nassau, Bahamas

Eldoret, Kenya

Nairobi, Kenya

Kampala, Uganda

## PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Kenya & Uganda LTCs in October. Pray for good and safe travel. Pray for the many logistics that must be worked out to organize, house, feed and train hundreds of leaders from multiple African nations. *We are asking the Lord to provide about \$12,000 for this trip.*
2. Begin to pray over November's LTCs in Haiti and the Bahamas. Pray that the leaders would commit to attend and desire to learn how to better lead and serve their church & community.
3. Pray for wisdom, knowledge and discernment as Don mentors a number of church leaders both at home and abroad.
4. Please pray for God's guidance and provision for Truth Connect's ministry. Truth Connect serves the Lord Jesus Christ by serving churches. As the Lord leads and provides, TC goes and serves.



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

*This month I am humbly asking you to consider helping TC in a bigger way financially. You have been so generous already and I sincerely thank you. As you read on the front of this letter, TC will be traveling much and far to train many church leaders. Therefore, the need is much greater as we enter the final quarter of this year. The Africa trip alone will cost about \$12,000 to meet the needs of travel, training and helping to feed, house and transport leaders at the LTCs. That said, *it is truly a great investment in these foreign national church leaders and the spreading of the gospel of Jesus Christ.* However you help, please know I am so grateful for your financial support and continued prayers. **Truly, you deserve the credit for helping Truth Connect effectively serve the foreign national churches.***

*Thanks so much for your support!*

*Grace & peace,*

*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.

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