

# Caribbean Ministries

## Waymire Newsletter



INTERNATIONAL  
SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

*Mark 16:15,16 - Go ye into all the world...*

## Year Report 2017

### *Greetings in the name of our Lord,*

God's blessings continue. We are thankful for each of you. Your prayers are important to our service in the Kingdom of God. Your support makes what we do possible. Your encouragement through text messages, emails and phone calls help motivate us to do more. We are blessed to have you as a partner in our work.

God continues to open doors of opportunity to serve in his kingdom, share his message and speak of his love. Our prayer is that God will continue to use each of us to take his message around the world. We are blessed to be a part of such a great work – Sharing the message of Christ.

*Larry and Carol Waymire*

## Happy New Year!

I pray as you close out 2017 you can say, *"This was a good year."* If you had problems, I pray that you will be able to leave them behind. We need to remember that God is still in charge and he knows where we are in life. He sees our problems and our victories, and he will use both to help us grow, if we will give them to him.

As you move into 2018, may God's blessings be outpoured, your struggles be few and your victories many. May this be one of the greatest years in your life.

### I challenge you in 2018 to:

- Talk to God more – *pray.*
- Listen to God more – *study his word.*
- Trust God more – *give him your life.*
- Share God more – *tell others.*

## Derisse Alain



On December 28<sup>th</sup> our dear brother and friend, Derisse Alain, departed this world, due to a tragic accident near his home. He was a dedicated husband, father, teacher and gospel preacher.

Brother Alain graduated in the first class at the Center of Biblical Training in Cap-Haitien, Haiti. He also attended one year at the International School of Theology in Port-au-Prince. In 2016, he was added to the faculty at IST. Brother Alain loved teaching the courses on the Life of Christ, from the gospels. He planted the church in Christ-Roi and served as the local evangelist for many years. He served the church without pay and supported his family as a carpenter.

Brother Alain will truly be missed, even though we know he is in a far better place and his battle is over. Please remember his family and the congregation in your prayers.

*And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. Rev. 21:4*

## *Spanish Town & Linstead, Jamaica*

Dave Osbourne is the local evangelist for the congregation in Linstead. He and his wife did mission work in Grand Cayman for three years. P. J. Hardy taught the Bible class and I had the pleasure of preaching at the morning service. They are doing a great work in Linstead and the church is growing in all areas.

In Spanish Town we knocked doors during the day and had a gospel meeting in the evening. Brother Goode is the local evangelist and he also teaches at the Jamaica School of Preaching. We were able to make several contacts and had several home Bible studies. We were also working with the North Henderson Church of Christ in Henderson, TN.

Plans are being made now for a campaign in Portmore, Jamaica for July of 2018. Brother Frances York is the local evangelist and also a teacher at the Jamaica School of Preaching. This is a small congregation but willing to work. They are not asking us to come and do the work for them but to come and help them reach the lost. If you are interested in going with us, please contact us, we

*Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 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.*

*II Timothy 2:1,2*

## *Elders & Preachers Conference*

While we were in Haiti earlier this year, to build a wall around part of the property, we were also there to strengthen the church. We invited area preachers to come to IST and share their work. Many of our preachers in Haiti are isolated by distance and communication. We came together to share the victories and the struggles that many face. The fellowship was great and encouraging.



There were about 75 men, and some brought their wives and children with them. We heard a great lesson from Brandon Pruett of Cookeville, TN, Saint-Hubert Felix, one of our directors and Dorestal Daniel, an IST student. The wives of our directors and teachers prepared a great meal! It is always uplifting when we are able to meet and visit with the brethren and share our lives.







Before we did anything.



The house and foundation were already built but needed repairs.

June, 2015 when we first found the property for the International School of Theology – Haiti.



The security wall went up in less than one week.



Over 50 people worked to pour the roof, approximately 4,500 sq. ft. in one day.

We secured the property and began the process of building.



The building comes together.



95% Completed

December 2017  
To God be the glory!!

By the end of 2017 the building is 95% completed with three classrooms, two offices, a room for visiting teachers and nice restrooms.

## IST Campus

### Construction Continues

Because of generous congregations and individuals, we are now moved into the new facility of the International School of Theology – Haiti. IST is an extension school of the Bear Valley Bible Institute in Denver, CO.

On January 14, 2018 we will have our official dedication of the facility. Several Haitian congregations will be present to share in this event. We hope to stream our service live from Haiti on the fourteenth. This will be on my Facebook page. This facility is just a building, but it is our prayer that many sound gospel preachers and teachers will pass through these halls. We give God the glory for everything that has, is and will be taking place. This facility was built with one purpose in mind – Glorify God.

While the construction will continue, and modifications will take place over the years, the IST campus is now a reality. IST was a dream that was born during the relief efforts of the 2010 earthquake that claimed almost 300,000 lives. The relief effort made such an impact that over 3,000 souls came to Christ and several erring Christians came home. Numerous good men have been preaching for years and desired more knowledge of God's word. Yet, they were limited by the availability of materials. It is the desire of IST to provide a helping hand.

Please continue to pray for IST. The Haitian people, for the most part, are loving, kind, hardworking and have a desire to know God. May God continue to use each of us to reach the lost, strengthen the weak and encourage the strong.

*But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."*

*Matthew 9:36-38s*

## END OF YEAR REPORT

The students and faculty of IST were very busy during 2017. Below are the numbers for 2017. I am especially thankful for brothers Felix and Beaubrun and their leadership as the local directors of IST. They don't just talk about what needs to be done but they set the example.

31 – Students

5 – Local Teachers

296 – Baptisms

40 – Campaigns

5 – New Congregations

**This brings us to a total of about 700 baptisms, more than 20 new congregations, and thousands have heard the gospel preached since IST was established, but most of all, God has been glorified!**

The numbers above represent two things: First, Christians are working in God's great kingdom and second, people are coming to Christ. The students and faculty of IST are serious about spreading God's word. All of our graduates from 2016 are still teaching or preaching the word of God.



One of the big needs for IST was a research library required by the Haitian government to have the school accredited. The word was put out and Christians responded with a trailer load of books. These will be shipped via Healing Hands International in early 2018. Thanks to everyone who donated books – 2000 plus volumes.





**Campaign  
Haiti  
Retire the Debt  
In 2018**

The establishing of the International School of Theology in 2014 has opened many doors and wonderful opportunities. We are extremely thankful for the help so many have given. Now, it is time to become debt free. Due to the great need and the urgency, individuals and congregations have helped us to borrow the funds to make IST a reality and now it is time to retire this debt. The total debt is about \$180,000.

The funds were used to purchase the property (*approximately three acres*), construct a wall around one-third of the property, install two drive-through gates, make repairs to an existing house and build the IST facility. A large portion of the work was paid for as it was being completed.

I am now asking you, the friend of IST, to help us retire this debt. This will allow IST to move forward with other works of evangelism, church planting and the training of preachers and teachers of God's word. I will be glad to visit with you individually or with the congregation where you are located. Your help is needed and 100% of the funds raised for the **Campaign Haiti** will go toward the retirement of the debt.

IST is also in need of monthly support. We have five teachers on staff and we have monthly bills that have to be paid and students who need assistance. If you are able to help, even a small amount, it will be greatly appreciated and again, 100% will go towards the development of the school, helping train preachers and teachers to share the message of Christ. The Broad Street congregation in Lexington, TN supplies my salary and most of my travel funds and so there is no need to raise personal support.

Thank you for any consideration you give to the work in Haiti. Please continue to pray for IST and the people of Haiti. Souls will be saved because of people like you. Larry Waymire

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