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THE DOOR TO JESUS

Would you like to open the door? ...the door to your church, so we can gather those who want to read their bible with us. We come by your permission. We will leave if you feel uncomfortable with our message. We are informal and rather quiet. We will use <u>your</u> Bible so bring it along. To sweeten the pot we have brought along our own book for you that organizes a number of verses we will read and discuss over the next few days. But keep your own Bible handy, because you will want to check us, to verify we are not misquoting God.

This has been our request to the Haitian church for well over a decade. We have enjoyed many "yes, come on in" invitations. Our ministry is not really different now. We like what we do and it appears to bear fruit at least during the class time we have together. It has been the reason we've written "Wish you were here!" so many times.

Frantz is currently leading this effort to keep our Bible studies going in Haiti. We love seeing photos of churches sitting empty throughout the week **followed** by photos of 5 or 10 or 20 folks digging into their bible for days at a time. These doors have opened when we asked, and God graciously made it work out.

Just recently we have moved to test drive our Christian drama called "Doors" here in Kansas. You can read a bit more about it on the backside. It will be familiar to some of our Seedtime friends as we performed this drama a few years ago in Haiti. We have never attempted it for an American audience and we are just getting approval to begin our first meetings.

As previously reported we also hope to see doors open for Frantz to present portions of our Bible teaching on the radio in Haiti. That too has a ways to go according to what we see, but our prayers can do what our physical influence can not.

Luke 16:11 So if you have not been trust-worthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?

He's looking to give you "True Riches".

What "True Riches" you lookin' for?

A closer relationship with Jesus?

Finally, about that 'Door to Jesus' title. Some might complain that Seedtime does not really lead with a clear presentation of the name Jesus. Absolutely we speak the name of Jesus as our goal. But many folks prefer to get there by their own choice with plenty of information. We offer the environment that motivates many to open the door, to be drawn in, to find Jesus themselves without being emotionally manipulated.

Complicating matters, gang violence in Haiti has not been resolved, their government melt-down continues plus there may be a degree of covid lockdown returning to Haiti. So we are grateful when Frantz locates a few more church doors to open and quite excited about plans for expanding outreach in both Haiti and America.

There remains a lot to pray about as always.

Thank you for reading our newsletter. Thank you for walking with us in discipleship.

Bringing our discipleship drama to Kansas? Details on the back!

Brian Winzenried





DoorsA Discipleship Drama



Maybe you remember the Seedtime ministry updates that talked about our short drama called "Doors" a few years ago. We had a small desk in the middle of the stage. On it,

a sign reads "Bring your problems here". Nearby were two doorways, one labeled "Money" and another labeled "Wisdom". Our main character learns quite a bit from those who come by to find solutions for their troubles.

This very unique Christian drama was performed just a few times in Haitian churches. It has one key character, a few supporting characters, and lasted about 40 minutes divided into 5 short acts. The message of the drama paralleled our longer, more in-depth Bible study but was geared for general audiences and was well received. However, we shelved the drama when our lead actor left the country.

Now, with Brian being stateside we thought it would be a great opportunity to produce the drama here in America. But, will the message translate to an American audience? Is there a church ready to help Seedtime produce the drama for an American audience?

After much prayer, Brian talked with the leadership of our local church. We had noticed this particular church had a room full of materials from previous plays and a healthy youth group seemingly ready to participate.

Over the years we have discussed our **Bible study** with a few churches here in the states, but alas, we found little to no interest. What seems immensely popular and helpful in Haiti was peaking no ones interest in the USA.

Will it be the same lack of interest in our **discipleship drama**? Well, the Elders of the church gave us permission to find out.



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