

Seedtime and Harvest Ministry



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REPLACE “ODDS” WITH AWESOME

Getting our 15-hour Bible study *scheduled* with Haitian churches has been relatively easy.

But the odds of the class *actually beginning* is low.

Now, the awesome part is: Once you get them into class, they are **D-E-L-I-G-H-T-E-D!**

They didn't come for the lunch. We don't serve lunch. We don't serve snacks or drinks. We do ask everyone to pay for the class and they accept. The subject matter is personal, frustrating and long overdue. Yet, they are simply amazed that the Bible speaks about financial matters including debt.

One lady spoke out to Frantz, “Oh wow, this class is just for me!”

Many of the students had a story of debt, debt that is draining them.

One fellow left class, telling Frantz he just could not believe that God *even* spoke on “co-signing”. The next day the man returned and saying he read his bible and enough context to know that God did in fact have firm counsel on co-signing. He apologized to Frantz and said he is committed to doing life as God intended.

Tell us that is not awesome! We don't think you can.

Any time someone wakes up to God's Word, comes back for more and brings friends, you know something heavenly is happening.

August 21, 22, and 23 2023, at Nazareth Baptist church in Port-de-Paix, Haiti 15 students began day 1. Word of mouth must have been good. 16 MORE showed up on day 2. And 2 more came for day 3. That is 33 students by day 3.



Frantz regularly has 2 or 3 or 4 churches scheduled for Seed-time's 3 day study. Still, Frantz arrives to find the church completely unprepared for class, postponing or canceling as much as 3 out of 4 times.

But, oh the situation changes if they actually get to start.

August 28, 29 and 30th brings Frantz, with another armload of Bible study books, to yet another church in Port-de-Paix, Haiti. Odds say it will fall apart by the time he arrives for day 1.

May we ask you to replace these “odds” with prayer?

Lord, help us know when and where to set dates. And help clear the confusion surrounding the time we set to present your Word to the church. May we witness awesome as only you can do.

Brian Winzenried

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“WHILE THE EARTH REMAINS, SEEDTIME AND HARVEST, COLD AND HEAT, WINTER AND SUMMER, AND DAY AND NIGHT SHALL NOT CEASE.” GENESIS 8:22



We don't mention his full name much, preferring to just say Frantz.

It's Frantz Pierre-Louis.

We wanted to highlight him and his family just a bit given the scheduled arrival of the 2nd child in the back half of this September. It is fun to mark the growth of the family.

We hope you will find time to pray for Frantz, Elisiane, daughter Gaelle, and the shy one waiting to come out.

They live with Elisiane's parents in Port-de-Paix, Haiti. Frantz is currently buying a small piece of land to build his own home in the next year or two, Lord willing.

If you have not seen our seedtime ministry updates, maybe you are not aware that Frantz has received multiple requests to be on 7 different radio stations, teaching and preaching, beginning over a year ago. He also busies himself with teaching Seedtime's discipleship Bible study and some of those stories along the way are fun, inspiring and even crossing the line into daring.

This summer Frantz received a call from some criminal types who claimed to have kidnapped his wife, Elisiane. They demanded money immediately. Upon finding out that it was not true, his wife was safe and sound, he had a follow-up call with the criminals telling them they were wrong to behave that way and asked how he could pray for them. Then there was the loan shark who tied to sell Frantz on an easy loan to get whatever he thought he needed. The guy didn't know anything about Frantz at the time. Now, he does. Frantz took 45 minutes right then to go through his Bible showing him a better way to think about money.

God has clearly given Frantz a gift of teaching, preaching and boldness. And he uses it to serve God through Seedtime. We do hope you will keep him and his family in your prayers and consider him in your missions giving and Christmas giving this year.

Thanks for
walking
with us!



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