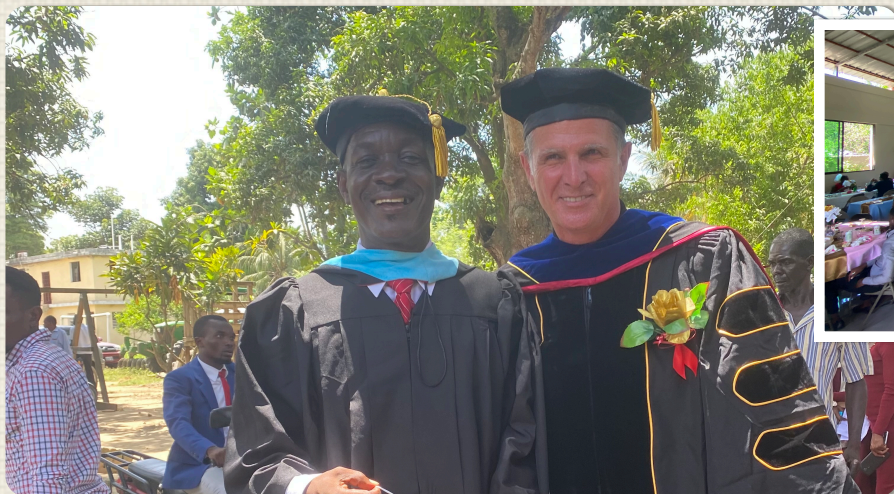


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**MAKING DISCIPLES  
AS JESUS DID**



**THE GRADUATION CELEBRATION  
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THE NEW MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING  
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## Open Door Haiti Seminary's First Graduates

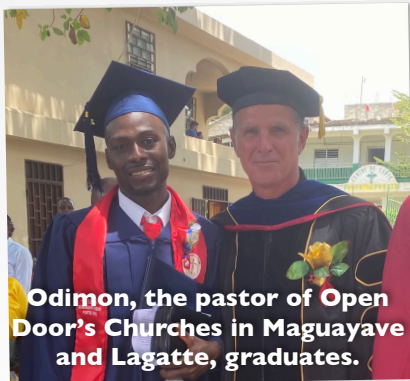
What began as a one year disciple-making training center back in 2008 has grown over the past five years into a full-blown Bible School & Seminary. The School Of Youth Ministry, or SOYM, had twelve students complete the one year training back in 2008-09, and over the last thirteen years we've seen almost 200 young leaders equipped to make disciples as Jesus did through this training. Pastor Wiljean has seen SOYM as the "leadership engine" of the ministry, with its graduates helping to plant over 30

churches, teach in our Christian schools and direct our orphanage.

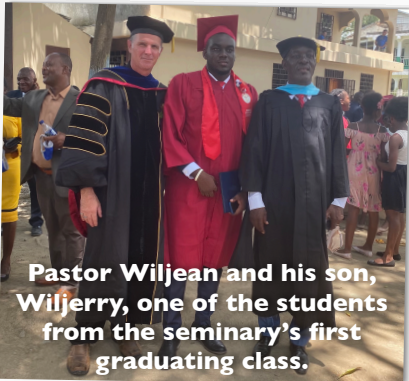
It had long been Pastor Wiljean's dream to have a seminary, and in 2017 that dream became a reality. Our good friend Brian Stout of Thousand Hills Ministry partnered with Open Door to expand the campus, helping to facilitate the growth from a one year program into an accredited four year Bible College & Seminary.

On Friday, June 18th, 22 students became the first graduates of the

seminary. Included in this group were Pastor Wiljean's son, Wiljerry;; JoJo, the chaplain at our orphanage, and several of Open Door's pastors, including Odimon. He originally went through SOYM in 2011 and then became the pastor of our church in Maguayave, a mountain village of 1000 people that had no church. 400 of the people in Maguayave have been reached for Christ, and Odimon has planted two more churches in neighboring villages. God is doing great things through these young leaders.



**Odimon, the pastor of Open Door's Churches in Maguayave and Lagatte, graduates.**



**Pastor Wiljean and his son, Wiljerry, one of the students from the seminary's first graduating class.**



**One of the four main classrooms in our expanded Bible school building.**



# PREACHING CHRIST



Coming off my Sabbatical, my first time speaking to students was at Camp Sparta in Sebring, FL. Many students trusted Christ for the first time, responding to the simple message of the gospel. Covid has taken a toll on students, with many feeling isolated and depressed. Jesus met them at their point of need, bringing hope and healing to the hurting. Many others surrendered fully to following Jesus and sharing Him with their friends, hungry for purpose and wanting their life to count for Christ. What a privilege it is to be an ambassador of the gospel to this generation!

“Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David.  
This is my gospel!” 2 Timothy 2:8

## THE CRISIS IN HAITI

The recent assassination of Haiti's President, Jovenel Moise, has created chaos in the country with fear and violence spreading across the tiny Caribbean nation. Thank you for your prayers and support for Pastor Wiljean and the ministry of Open Door Haiti during this time. We've already faced hardships resulting from covid. We had no mission teams at Open Door for over a year. Feeding Children Everywhere, the organization that provides food for us to ship to our schools and orphanage, did not have food for us to send last summer, and again this summer they are not able to provide assistance. The needs in Haiti are great, but we realize that no challenge is too big for God. We have seen Him come through over the past 20 years with miracle after miracle. Great needs simply mean there is a greater opportunity for God to show up and show off. Great needs mean greater ministry.

I recently heard a friend, Zane Black, say that a crisis is an opportunity for us to see Christ in us. Whether in Haiti or here at home, that is a great reminder. May the world see Christ in us in this crisis.

“To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of the mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.” Colossians 1:27

Christ in us, the hope of glory! This is the hope that Open Door brings in Haiti. Everywhere we plant a church in Haiti, the community is transformed. First and foremost, as we preach Christ, lives are transformed by the power of the gospel. But we do more than preach. We love. We educate children who previously had no opportunity to go to school. Following Jesus' example, we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and bring freedom to those in spiritual bondage. Following James' instruction, we look after orphans and widows in their distress. And at the heart of all of this...

...we are raising up young leaders through SOYM and the Open Door Seminary to ignite a movement that will transform a nation... one life at a time! I'm humbled, privileged, and filled with joy to see all the miracles God has done since I first met Pastor Wiljean at the Billy Graham Conference in Amsterdam in 2000.



*Serving Christ together,  
Doug & Jennifer*

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