

As always, we are very grateful for the Ladies Ministries Bible school student support offerings for the two Bible schools in Nigeria. They really do meet a very specific need, namely the training of ministers.

Consider that four of the five Nigerian national executive board members are UPCI Bible school graduates and ten of the fifteen national board members are Bible school graduates. Bible school not only prepares pastors, but over time it provides leadership for the entire fellowship. Our Bible school graduates also have a great love for truth and they help us to maintain doctrinal purity in the fellowship.

Following is a testimony regarding the Bible school that took place recently:

Christian Tabansi enrolled in Ministerial Training Center in September of 2012. Christian is the pastor of a denominational church that includes in its articles of faith a belief in a triune God and baptism using the titles, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. After being in class for a few weeks, Christian realized that he had to be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ. He was buried in the Name of the Lord Jesus on December 5th.

I was invited to come to his church for a two day program. Christian wanted me to teach on the Oneness of God and the New Birth according to Acts 2:38. I warned him that to do so would put him in jeopardy of losing his church. The leaders of the denomination would likely expel him for endorsing these two Bible doctrines. He said that it didn't matter. The program held on December 15-16. At the end of the day 17 received the Holy Ghost and 18 were baptized in Jesus' Name. There are about 20 more of his members that are ready to get baptized.

Christian's love for truth is greater than his love for a denomination. God will surely honor his faithfulness. Bible school does make a difference.

Thank you for all you do on behalf of international Bible schools.

Yours for souls in Nigeria,

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