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But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it... All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Tim. 3:14, 16-17

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Africa Update

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I am excited to bring you this update of two significant events I was privileged to participate in last month in Nairobi, Kenya.

First was the 5th triannual meeting of the Association for Pentecostal Theological Education in Africa (APTEA). This organization was birthed out of a vision of Africa's Hope over 15 years ago, when I was directing that ministry. As the scripture on the left highlights, it is critical that the church has a solid foundation in the Word. Fifteen years ago, we were very concerned about the quality of training across Africa. APTEA was formed to lift the level of training continentally. We have leadership from four Pentecostal denominations represented, all working to create a strong foundation of training under the rapid church growth Africa is experiencing.

During the APTEA meeting, the writers of the new *Pentecostal Pastor's Manual* were called forward to thank them for their part in authoring this important book, which is being distributed across Africa. Here is a photo of that group holding the manual:



Every one of these authors of this new resource for Africa is a graduate of PATHS! This is a picture of the mission of PATHS in action.

The second meeting was a gathering of the leadership of all the Africa AG graduate-level training programs. This was our first ever such meeting and was designed to share resources and encourage quality training in these institutions of higher education. Of the 47 invited guests, I noted that 26 were either PATHS faculty, graduates, or students. It is personally gratifying to see the footprint of PATHS that fosters the kind of thorough equipping that Paul encouraged Timothy to do.

I am so very grateful to each and every one of you who consistently helps us to make this possible through your financial support and prayers. God bless you!!

Sincerely,
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