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Dear Praying Friends of GSBM,

The “**GSBM Online School for Ministry Leaders**,” as the team has named it, has finally begun to take shape after months of grinding out details. All of the classes are not yet complete and the Website is not yet up and running, but both the classes and the Website have shape and we have a clear view of where we are going. As the leader of GSBM, I have a vision of men all over the world taking these tremendous courses that are both practical and taught on a collegiate level. These courses that have been offered at our Onsite Pastors Training Schools since 2002 have been, according to many attendees’ testimonies, both ministry changing and life changing.

### GSBM Online School for Ministry Leaders



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The first phase of *GSBM Online School for Ministry Leaders* will be for pastors. A deadline for finishing the initial classes has been set at October 14<sup>th</sup>. The first phase of class preparation involves a package of five items: 1) an audio recording of the assigned class 2) class notes 3) study guide 4) answer key for the study guide 5) Personal Evaluation and Identification of Problems. Our Webmaster, Bea Kennedy will be on vacation next week and afterwards, in her off hours from work, she will complete the Website program installations and upload all of the information. This process is going to take a considerable amount of time. While this is going on, we plan to begin the process of converting the audio recordings to video in a form similar to Powerpoint. Once the entire package is up and running, we will run a pilot class through the school and attempt to remove all the glitches. The pilot class will probably run through the classes in a much faster time than it will take the students to do the same. As of now, we expect the time to complete the school at about six months—though it will be self paced. The Online School will include more classes than are offered at the On Site schools because at the On Site schools we only have three days to cram in seventeen or eighteen classes plus the reinforcement periods. Reinforcement periods for the Online school will be in the form of Blogs and Forums plus opportunities for personal contact with the instructors. Study Guides are just what the name implies. Each class has a study guide that includes the potential for additional instruction not included in the audio/video or the class notes and there are multiple choice questions to be answered that help to reinforce what has just been taught.

The Online schools will be done with the same spirit of excellence as the Onsite schools and the learning experiences are intended to be both life changing and ministry changing.

**We are in need of volunteers** to convert the audio recordings to Powerpoint type videos. Please call me if you are capable and interested in investing in this tremendous ministry.

**The next Onsite Pastors Training School** is scheduled for Riverview Baptist Church in Southside, Alabama where Matt Morrison is pastor. We have already begun receiving applications for this school and urge you to go to [www.gsbministries.org](http://www.gsbministries.org) and complete an application there. Dates for the PTS are February 17<sup>th</sup> thru the 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

### Prayer Requests:

Evangelist Gary Fox, who handles our Emergency vehicle calls, requests your prayers for his daughter-in-law, Terri Fox. A mother with four small children, Terri is engaged in a very challenging battle with cancer.

Pastor Roger Hain, who handles our Emergency housing calls has just completed his retirement process from the church he has pastored in Shinglehouse, PA for over thirty years. He now resides in Olean, NY and continues to work with GSBM. Please pray for this ongoing transition.

Please pray for me and for all the team as we work toward getting the *GSBM Online School for Ministry Leaders* up and running.

Sincerely,

Brother Easter