

◆ LOVE PACKAGES ◆

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TESTIMONIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Every week our distributors take our literature and use it to bring the good news to a lost world. Please take a few minutes to read and pray over these recent testimonies.

Philippines:

Hi Steve, I want to attach pictures of an 80 year old man who has been bedridden for many years. But now he is very thankful that he can go wherever he wants because of the wheelchair you sent to us. He really enjoys the ride, hallelujah! If you can send us bikes, please send us again. We plan to give it to those leaders of the church that can't afford to buy a motorcycle to use for outreaches. Thank God for your ministry.

Kenya:

Hope this mail finds you well. One of my church members by the name Susan, is a primary school teacher, whose teaching colleague has had marital problems for sometime. She even contemplated divorce. She shared her frustrations with Susan. Not knowing what more to do, she decided

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to give her one of the books we receive from the consignment you sent us called, 'The Power of a Praying Wife'. That book tremendously changed her life to the extent that there is no more talk of divorce. Your generosity is touching lives. Keep up the good work

Mexico:

For each container sent into Guatemala, part of the material is distributed and used in southern Mexico. This material is first sent to western Guatemala where it is prepared by Guatemalan workers for delivery into Mexico. Delivery into southern Mexico is very dangerous due to the persecution. Next is a short note from one of the Guatemala

workers. "We continue to support the Chiapas, Mexico communities with Bible resources even though there is persecution of Pastors, and the Christian communities. Please continue praying for Chiapas. We send the Bible literature into Mexico using back roads and vehicles with Mexican license plates. The Pastors come to pick up the materials and after that I make trips to meet the leaders and encourage them in using and distributing the resources. The Christian community is really growing. We are also working with other ministries and a Bible Institute to distribute the literature. We pray for plans to send more."

Nigeria:

Some good news, we have 27 Moslems from a town called Kubwa, 56 from a town called Jaba, 83 from a town called Mabushi, 14 from a town called Wuse all these towns are in Moslem strong holds. These all have denied Allah of Quran and embraced salvation. They have all accepted that Allah is Satan and accepted that Jesus as Lord Almighty. Steve there are also a lot of healings. God is opening many more doors for us.

Kenya:

Early last year, Lawrence was introduced to me by a friend. Lawrence is a widower who has two teenage daughters. The wife died when the last born was barely one year. He hasn't married ever since. All throughout his life has been a mess. He has been a heavy drinker of alcohol. He has also been rescued three times from attempting suicide. Once he has been beaten by mob for suspicion that he stole. So when he was brought to me, I gave him menial jobs whenever we cleared the container, by offloading, maintaining the cleanliness of the store and sometimes taking loads to the bus station. He would also take a few magazines to read. On my part, I would invite him to church which he never came the whole of last year. I never gave up, I just kept giving him

A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings to you in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Our operations seem to be doing fairly well. The back page says we have shipped out 1105 tons, but by the time you receive this letter we will have shipped another container from Alabama, and two from Butler. Thank you for all of your prayers, and support.

We need to hire another worker at the Alabama operations - Sherri, who had worked for us and Edwin L Hodges, retired to help her husband pastor. Please pray that we will make the right decisions and get her replaced fairly quickly.

I would also ask you to please pray for Edwin Hodges, he has been diagnosed with prostate cancer and needs your prayers.

Please consider helping us. We provide many opportunities for you to volunteer and/or to be a part of what God is doing through Love Packages. You can collect literature, pray, give, and/or volunteer at one of the warehouses. We love our volunteers, we really do! We love sharing stories and imparting vision for the lost world and for the cause of Christ. Would you consider being a volunteer at one of our locations? Call us and schedule a date.

I would invite you to like and follow our Love Packages page on Facebook. There you will see some of the many things happening at both our warehouses.

Lastly, thanks for praying. Your labor, our labor, is not in vain. It won't be long and Christ shall return and the work will be finished. It is then, that we can rejoice together in what the Lord has done. Today all over the world our literature is being read and studied. It is changing the eternal destiny of many, many people. Don't be weary in well doing.

Yours for souls.

Steven J Schmidt

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books, and glory to God, this year in the month of February he came to church and gave his life to Jesus. From then, he has been attending our services faithfully and we are seeing transformation on his part. His daughters are also attending church with him.

Zimbabwe:

How are you keeping on? We brought boxes of literature and Bibles to three cities south of Harare, there are 36 churches in the area. Several of the churches or I should say most of them have never ever held a Bible in their entire life, but they still would still go to church year by year without a Bible. Oh, I wish you could see the joy, the singing, the dancing, the screaming all because Love packages was able to hear the cry of the people of Zimbabwe. One lady was on her knees for over one hour just clasping her Bible. We were excited for them to have the literature and Bibles.

Thank you from our brothers in the Lord.

June 18th, Vern Everett who is the warehouse manger at Love Packages in Butler, had a double knee replacement. He was off work for 6 weeks. He wants to thank each and every one of you who sent cards during that time! They were greatly appreciated, and an inspiration to him! He is well now and back to work.

Edwin L Hodges celebrated his 85th Birthday in June. Edwin would like to say thanks to everyone who sent a card or word of appreciation.

In Memory of:

Helen Berry by: Deborah Anderson, Betty Anderson,
Beverly Williamson, Dana Merritt
Dr. Rev. Lee J. Hudson by: Ruth M. Hudson
Grace Rippy by: Terry and Judy Moorhouse
Pauline Graves by: Pekin United Methodist
Margaret Nelson Tyner by: Byrant Nelson

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Totals for 2018

<u>Country</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>#Pkgs</u>
BUTLER		
Dominican RP	49,000	1,244
Ghana	240,000	9,195
Guatemala	40,000	1,121
Haiti	60	2
Honduras	8,934	336
India	360,000	13,639
Kenya	160,000	6,111
Liberia	40,000	1,061
Nigeria	80,000	3,528
Philippines	80,000	3,234
South Africa	240,000	9,514
Saint Lucia	40,000	1,609
Saint Vincent	40,000	1,360
Tanzania	80,000	3,023
Thailand	120,000	4,128
Uganda	40,000	1,501
Zimbabwe	40,000	1,363

ALABAMA

<u>Country</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>#Pkgs</u>
Bahamas	125	4
Belize	36	3
El Salvador	110	4
Ghana	160,000	6,239
Guatemala	110	4
Honduras	195	9
India	200,000	7,033
Kenya	40,000	1,279
Philippines	40,000	1,38
Poland	9,345	489
Russia	8	1
South Africa	40,000	1,383
Tajikistan	70	3
Uganda	30	3
Ukarine	105	4
Zimbabwe	40,000	1,677
TOTALS:	2,179,128	81,422

1,089 TONS

Volunteers
Alabama—527
Butler—1,588

YES, STEVE! WE WILL STAND WITH YOU!

Here is my gift to be used for:

Love Packages _____

Other _____ for _____

Total Enclosed _____

Thank you in advance for your help!



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A higher purpose.