

# ◆ LOVE PACKAGES ◆

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## TESTIMONIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

## A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

**E**very 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.

### Tanzania:

In my life of serving God through Literature Evangelism, in 36 years I have never seen anyone refuse to receive a free Bible, book, booklet or tract. Moslems, Pagans, and/or any other religion, everyone is eager to receive the Word of God. Sometimes while distributing Bibles and booklets people have surrounded me

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and even almost knocked me down, then I climbed a tree and dropped the literature and they took them to read and see the message in it. Bibles, books, booklets and tracts can penetrate and enter even places that are forbidden and people in large numbers can receive the message of God. This is how powerful the Ministry of Literature Evangelism is.

### India:

We recently had a book expo where we had your materials available for people to take for free. The following are three testimonies from that day.

Veer is a pastor from Andhra Pradesh. He visited the Expo and gathered different types of used Bibles for the benefit of the pastors who do not have one, and are unable to get one. He never got tired in the hunt for the Bibles of his choice and never grew weary to stand all day long for the Bibles.

Amirtha teaches songs at her Sunday School. But this day she was looking for pictures to share stories with her Sunday School children. She was happy to carry packets of different pictures, flash cards and Bible Story books for the children at her Sunday School. Later, she came along with her dad who is a pastor and took more materials for their church.

Natasha is 7 years and she came with her dad to the Expo. She was in tears when she looked all day and did not find a small pink Bible. As she was about to leave the Expo she finally was able to grab a small pink Bible and her tears turned to smile.

### Malawi:

I am a head teacher of Rockland's Private School in Malawi. I would like to thank God for the Bible distribution and preaching that took place at our School. We got a donation of 120 Bibles for students, and after the distribution students began to come for student union prayers every lunch hour and many of the stubborn students have changed completely. Discipline has been restored at school which I believe will also change the performance of the students. One noted testimony is of the salvation of five students who were causing very many problems at the school. Their parents were informed but confessed that there is nothing they can do. They were also tired of them. On a day the Bibles were distributed the Pastor talked on things that will kill your Destiny and these boys confessed Jesus after realizing that they are killing their destinies. What a difference in their lives. We are hopeful that we will be able to get more Bibles in the future as we still have more students who do not have Bibles.

### South Africa:

We would like to place on record our sincere appreciation to Pastor Naidoo and the partner's in USA - Love packages, for the 400 Message Bibles that were given to the pastors from the surrounding rural areas of eastern cape. This is one of the most powerful ministry tools that we've ever received. Most of these pastors did not have a Bible or had to share one. Thank you also, for all the good Bible study material too. God is good.

### Uganda:

How are you? I am Pastor Madamombe. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart. The books, commentaries, CDs and Bibles that were donated by Love Packages are making a big difference in many people's lives in our church. Many youngsters, youth, and young couples had no Bibles or anything to read to edify themselves spiritually. But now they are busy most of the time searching these books for the knowledge about God. I pray that the spirit will continue and help them to mature in Christ.

### South Africa:

By God's grace the latest Love Packages container shipment arrived at our mission house in Cape Town. Upon offloading your treasure trove of Christian literature, many pastors, chaplains, teachers and evangelists have already come to us to load up with spiritual ammunition to fulfil the Great Commission. Thank you so very

**G**reetings to you in the Name of Jesus Christ.

The good news is that the shipping crisis seems to be abating. Because of the crisis we missed last year's goal, however we still managed to ship out 1,930 tons of literature. Our goal for 2023 is to send 111 containers, 2,220 tons of literature. We are off to a good start this year. We have already shipped 300 tons.

The price of everything is going up. I am sure you see it everyday too. Our costs for shipping containers is up, but we will continue to ship because the harvest is before us, and we must not slacken the pace.

A couple came to our offices and gave us \$30,000 as a matching gift, to be used to purchase Bibles. They are asking others to match this gift. If you want to participate in this matching challenge, please note it on your check or let us know. I have the ability to buy New Testaments right now for 32 cents each, Spanish full Bible paperbacks for 50 cents each, and full English KJV Bibles for 90 cents each.

The testimonies that we receive tell us that the Church is growing and is alive, and that our literature is really helping them fulfill the purposes of God in their country. God is doing great things with the literature that we send.

Thank you all for collecting literature and supporting us. If you live close enough to one of our warehouses, we would love to see you. Come and join us someday and personally put your hands to the work. It's good for your soul!

Like us on Facebook and see all the reports and shipments.

Yours for souls,

*Steven Schmidt*

## Testimonies From Around The World

much for being a quartermaster store and armory for this spiritual warfare in Africa.

Thank you very much for your generous support. Your prayers and support enable us to continue to provide vital leadership training, literature and relief for pastors, teachers, chaplains, medics, missionaries and evangelists throughout Africa, as we serve persecuted Christians and pray for spiritual revival amongst some of the most neglected and needy people in the world. May God abundantly bless and reward you for your thoughtfulness and generosity. We praise God for the safe return of our Africa Overland Mission team from a four-month mission across Zambia, Malawi and Mozambique. Despite tremendous obstacles, logistical challenges and illness, including malaria and bilharzia, our mission team succeeded in delivering and distributing over 2 1/2 tons Bibles and books and conducting over hundred meetings including leadership training courses, seminars, conferences, services, school assemblies and outreaches. Your literature is indispensable.

**Zimbabwe:**

We gave literature to one lady, and she had never ever seen a Woman's Bible. When she was given this Bible my, my, my, she clung on to it like it was going to be snatched away from her. She was happy, happy, happy. The immediate effect was she isolated herself and started to read and meditate on the Woman's Study Bible. This empowered her and educated her to know more about the Word of God. She is now being used in ministry to women and children.

- In Memory of**
- Marion Dickey by: Ronald Dickey  
 Peggy Johns by: Aaron & Vicki Fontes  
 Donna Marlowe by: Daughter Kim Shelby  
 Lee Dickson by: Fred & Linda Berry; Rhonda Fullilove; Kim White  
 Jason Bailey by: Fred & Linda Berry  
 Sherry Briley by: Fred and Linda Berry  
 Ralph North by: Margaret North  
 Noel Dean Smith by: Wife Shirley Smith  
 Delores Queen, Rose Jackson & Mary Ainscough by: Eternity Baptist Church  
 Robert Burlingame & Anna Schaperjohn by: Jeffrey Schaperjohn  
 Lenora Hammond by: Floyd & Diane Peede  
 Jeff Scott by: Dan & Sue Rowton  
 Bill & Tom Miller by: Carole Martin  
 Bruce Brace by: Idylwild Farms, LLC  
 Glen & Freda Wilkins by: Glenda Wilkins  
 Ron Jenkins by: Margo Jenkins  
 Pastor Steve Razny by: Camille Paul  
 Reverend James Perdey by: Sallie & Russ Cooper  
 Larry Phillips by: Phyllis H. Phillips  
 Elton Best by: Dawn Kieffer  
 Ernie Essary by: Michael & Nancy Colbert  
 Lee Stein & Loretta Price by: Gene & Bev Daniels  
 Larry Phillips by: Mrs Larry Phillips & David & Jane Zimmermann
- In Honor of**
- Becky Duren by: Martha Germany  
 Merrill Sanders by: Ambassador SSC, FBC Corinth MS  
 Chadd & Rachel Hawn; Aimee & Stephen Gower; Ruth Hughes by: Larry & Yeula Hawn  
 Al Simonson by: Amy Stuglik  
 Keith Taylor's Mom for her 100th Birthday  
 Lois Brace by: Idylwild Farms, LLC  
 Reverend Paul Smith by: Sarah Dorris  
 Christine Ryan by: Erin Simmons  
 Darci McVay by: Kimberly Krizek  
 Chris & Lora Marsh by: Michael & Nancy Colbert  
 Caroline Barnett by: Judy Chapman

Country	Pounds	#Pkgs	Country	Pounds	#Pkgs
Ghana	40,000	1,497	Saint Vincent	40,000	1,666
India	40,000	2,966	South Africa	80,000	3,128
Kenya	160,000	7,030	Tanzania	40,000	1,500
Malawi	40,000	1,305	Uganda	120,000	3,357
Panama	40,000	1,267	<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>600,000</b>	<b>23,716</b>

<b>Totals for 2023</b>	
<b>Volunteers</b>	
<b>Alabama—64</b>	<b>Butler—164</b>
<b>Tons</b>	
<b>Alabama—60</b>	<b>Butler—240</b>

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