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A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings to you in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Rejoice with us!!!

In 2024, we were able to ship out 110 container loads. This breaks our all-time record of material shipped in one year. We set this goal at the beginning of 2024, and through many difficulties, a lot of prayer, and a lot of hard work, we did it. Thank you to all who have helped us, to our volunteers, prayer partners, supporters, collection points, and of course my very hard working staff in both of our warehouses. **This is no small accomplishment, 110 container loads equal - 2,200 tons of materials.** Each of these containers contain at least 200,000 pieces of literature. The people who do the statistics tell us that each piece of literature we put on the field in a 3rd world country will be read by at least 20 different people. So here is the math 200,000 times 110, is 22 million pieces of literature. Each of these 22 million will be read by 20 people before it's all done. That is 440 million reads. Only God knows what will happen because of all this material. Thanks to all of you who have collected materials, prayed, volunteered, and given financially to make this happen. Our new goal for 2025 is 111 containers, 2220 tons.

Both of our warehouses could use volunteer help, so please consider spending some time with us in the coming year. We continue to post more and more pictures and reports on our Facebook page, so please follow us on Facebook in order to keep up with what God is doing with your material. You will see a lot of testimonies from all over the world on there. God truly is doing great things with the literature that you send. Keep up the good work folks! If you would like to receive this newsletter via email let us know. We have a new computer system that will allow us to send emails to all of you at no cost.

Yours for souls,

Steven Schmidt

Alabama Building:

Here is an update on the Alabama building. We are settled into the new (location) building in Decatur Alabama. It is going to work for us temporarily, but we would really like to get some ground and build. If you are in the Decatur Alabama area and have 2 or 3 acres you could donate, let us know. We desire to have a building that would have some space for dorms so that people could come to volunteer and stay overnight. We have been raising money and so far we have \$38,000 set aside for that purpose.

Bible Drive:

Last November a couple offered to give us \$50,000 to purchase Bibles, if we could match that amount by the end of the year. One hundred and thirty three thousand dollars came in for the match, and we have already purchased 375,000 New Testaments and 45,000 full Bibles. We have already begun sending them out to the nations. Thank you to all who helped us with this Bible Drive.

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.

Uganda: I want to thank you very much for your ministry support to Uganda through Agape Outreach Ministries this year with donations of Bibles and other forms of Christian literature which have been a big support in Evangelism, Christian discipleship, Children's ministry, etc. For your information, we have been able to distribute almost 100 tons of literature this year, and have set up more than a dozen Christian Resource centers countrywide. The Christian resource centers work as Christian Community Libraries, distribution centers and ministry training centers for evangelism. Your continued support towards this noble task is highly appreciated. You are impacting thousands of lives.

Nigeria: I actually got to another level in my walk with God, through reading the book written by Bill Bright titled (How You Can Walk In The Spirit). This book helped me a lot in knowing how I may communicate effectively with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God bless all of you who are dedicated to these missionary duties, sometimes at the risk of your own lives, to bring the gospel to a poor man like me. Amen.

Zimbabwe: Many boxes were collected from us by a Pastor from Botswana. He could not believe that the Bibles and Christian literature we were giving from Love Packages was free. He said he had heard about us in Botswana through a pastor we had helped before. He travelled for 1600 kilometers to Harare to collect Bibles and literature for the church. He had 70 disciples that he was training to go out and preach the gospel. So he said that the greatest blessing ever, was receiving these materials to equip these disciples.

Testimonies From Around The World

We blessed him with a leather Bible. He said, "I cannot get up and go, I need to read the Word then I'll go." The generosity of Love packages has allowed us to help more and more people experience the Life-changing impact of the Word of God.

India: The act of distributing Love Packages free Christian books has not only been a blessing to the recipients but has also enriched the lives of those involved in this endeavor. Volunteers at the bookstore are passionate about sharing their faith, and they find immense joy in handing out books that have the potential to transform lives.

We now have a wide and diverse selection of Christian books covering various aspects of spirituality, theology, self-help, and personal growth. Some of their most popular titles include "Mere Christianity" by C.S. Lewis, and "The Power of a Praying Woman" by Stormie Omartian. These books have found their way into the hands of thousands of people, and the impact has been profound.

One of the most heartwarming aspects of this initiative is the stories of transformation that have emerged. People from all walks of life have been touched and changed by the wisdom contained in these books. They have found comfort in moments of despair, strength in times of weakness, and solace in the face of adversity. These books have not only provided spiritual guidance but have also served as a source of hope and inspiration for countless individuals. Thank you Love Packages for making this all possible.

Ghana: Two groups of Bible-student pastors who had not owned a study Bible before, were given a study Bible at their graduation from Mount Horeb Bible College to use in their various churches and at their various mission fields. What a joy that was.

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Volunteers

Alabama - 29
Butler - 133

Mat 24:14 And this gospel
of the kingdom shall be
preached in all the world for
a witness unto all nations;
and then shall the end
come.

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