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A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR

Greetings to you in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Our goal for 2025 is 111 containers, 2220 tons. We are currently at 1602 tons for the year. We have a long way to go to make our goal. We need to ship 31 containers in the next 3 months. That will be hard. Please pray for us. Don't get me wrong - goals are just goals, and we are happy and blessed to ship whatever the Lord brings our way. We know, that whatever we do for the Kingdom is not in vain. Our God promised that His Word would not return unto Him void, but would accomplish everything He desires. We have seen that time and time again! Really, all we are trying to do is to see all of our excess materials, placed on the mission fields of the world. Millions of people all over the world are reading the good news because of what we have been able to do. Your prayers and gifts make all this possible. Thank you to everybody that has been sending us materials, volunteering, and praying for us. Only God knows what will happen because of all this material.

We have our 2026 calendars ready for booking groups next year. If you or your group would like to volunteer call us and make your reservation. Please continue to pray for the need of a building in Decatur Alabama. We always need volunteer help, so please consider spending some time with us. 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.

Please pray with us, we are considering putting a warehouse on the west coast. Nothing has been done about this. We are only in the praying stage! That would be a major undertaking and needs much prayer before anything is done.

The following are some testimonies - hope you enjoy them.

Yours for souls,

Steven Schmidt

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.

Nigeria:

We went to a town called Shwu in Kano state in Northern part of Nigeria. Where 90% of the population are Muslims. We traveled from Nnewi my base to that town, a journey which took from 7am to 7pm on the road. The roads are very, very bad (no tarmac) but the Lord gave us a safe journey.

On day one, we went to see the king and preached to him about Jesus Christ. We also gave him a gift of a nice Bible. He was converted from Muslim to Christian and that caused a very big stir and Revival in the town.

On day two, the King called all the Royal council together, then I ministered to them. There were 30 of them, at the end I gave an invitation and 19 of them give their life to Christ. We gave all of them Bibles.

On day three, we held a crusade at a church called St. John's Anglican church. We made arrangements to give Bibles and all the children's materials to over 75 churches that are operating in the surrounding area. We had a lot of Muslims show up too. We had about 475 people that made a commitment to Christ and most of them were Muslims.

On day four, I was taken to the police station for questioning because there is a law against converting a Muslim to Christianity. I was detained in the cell for three days, but I was bailed out on the 4th day.

Steve, from 15th of this November we will be having our annual week of mission where we will be sending out 35 Missionaries to different villages for seven days and all of them are going with enough literature to give away. All of this has come from Love Packages. The work of the Lord must go on.

United States:

This offering is from our VBS. The kids almost out-did themselves in bringing in offerings each of the five nights of VBS. We had a goal of \$3,500.00 but they far exceeded that. Our goal was to raise funds to buy Bibles and each night we told them how many Bibles their offering bought. We also told them how many people all those Bibles would impact. Those numbers so excited them and they kept bringing more and more. Our attendance was 80-90 each night including teachers etc. So please use the funds to buy Bibles! God bless you and your work, Faith Mennonite Church.

Testimonies From Around The World

India:

This book event is something we look forward to as a family, as we find a number of interesting books, some of them which are out of print. I have enjoyed introducing my children to some well-loved Christian classics of Corrie Ten Boom, Nicky Cruz, etc. Congrats on this great initiative which has helped us to grow in faith and understand the character of God. I am sure you have helped many in their Christian walk. Lilian (Principal, Women's Christian college, Chennai)

Honduras:

We reached 10 more schools, because the Lord has called more volunteers to help preach the gospel. The John and Romans book are having such an impact. We also are opening an evangelism school in our church, with the purpose of helping and training brothers and sisters from other churches. They are taking your literature all over the country.

We did a missionary trip to El Salvador, and it was a blessing to be together with 15 pastors in 4 different states, we had more than 1000 people received Jesus Lord and savior.

Thanks brother and thanks to all the Love Packages people for such impact God is doing thru you. We are a team for Jesus. For us like a missionary it is our pleasure serving together. Keep going because in our country we need the word of the Lord impacting lives. We love you in Jesus. Thanks for saving souls in Central America.

South Africa:

So good to read about the missionaries who are such an example to all of us. We are continuing to distribute your literature. This morning, we went to the busy Child Welfare here. On Sunday we are going to the ICU waiting room with literature for the relatives of the very ill. We will then go to the busy children's ward with the children's books and literature for the parents. In conclusion, praise be to God who has equipped Love Packages to support us in South Africa. He has set each supporter strategically in its position, as well as each prayer warrior who prayed for the "seed to fall into the good ground" and "not to return void." Praise God to whom all glory belongs. "Now unto Him that is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

Zambia:

What I have found to be true. Theological resources are very expensive and the average middle class Bible College student cannot afford to buy Bible Concordances, Dictionaries and Commentaries. The lay person is motivated to read their Bibles due to the way in which they are enriched by the Group study packs. Many pastors are motivated to start a Christian Library at their churches. Youth leaders are encouraged to be more constructive and Biblically centered in their discussions. The giant print materials as well as the audio & visuals is a great blessing for the senior adults. The Lord works everything in His time according to His purpose. Thank you Love Packages for all the materials.

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Totals

Alabama: 260 tons - Volunteers: 780
Butler: 1342 tons - Volunteers: 2052

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