



BEARING PRECIOUS SEED

NEWSLETTER

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2023 was another amazing year witnessing what God has done for Himself and His Word. I thought of the 11,378,062 Scriptures printed throughout the year. It's all about the souls of those who received a copy of God's Word; for some, it was the first time they had ever held God's Word in their hands and read the precious words that can bring eternal life. As they opened their John & Romans, they would have begun to read, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

In November, John 1:1-3 was translated into a language which has never had the Word of God. Those sitting in the room were extremely excited when they heard the verses read in their heart language for the first time. The translation of those three verses was the first small step in a multi-year process to get the Bible to the more than 500,000 speakers of this Bibleless language.

Words cannot express our gratitude to the many people who have prayed, sacrificed, distributed, helped, and given to get the Word of God to those who are without it. The ministry of bearing precious seed in Psalm 126:6 is the distribution of the Word of God. We have the privilege, as stewards of God's Word, to help make it available for distribution. Thank you for partnering with this portion of the work. In Psalm 68:11, the Bible tells us, "The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it." Together, you and I help make up "the company."

2024 is a new year full of new opportunities, blessings, and challenges. We endeavor to stay true to our God and to His Word. It takes all of us together to see His Word published and distributed. If we work together, we will see more accomplished for God. Despite the rising cost of everything in our world, we endeavor to continue to provide the Word of God free to those overseas—your missionaries and ours. This can only be accomplished through the faithful support of people like you. Let us pray together, give together, and commit together to serve Him, His work, and His Word!

Please let us know if we can assist you and your missionaries with the Word of God.

Continuing in His Word,
William Duttry
Executive Director of Ministries



God's Provision

As I walked through the shop this week, I was reminded of the early years of the ministry. In order to raise enough money to purchase a ton of paper, they would hold a "ton campaign." We praise the Lord for those

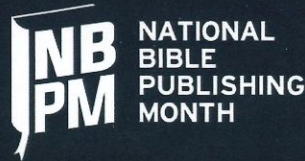
who sacrificially gave during those campaigns! God continues to use people to supply the necessary funds to get His Word to those in need. We would like to thank those who have filled a quarter folder with \$5 worth of quarters, those who have supplied a minute on the press at \$37.50, those who have given \$850 for a roll of paper, and those who have purchased multiple rolls of paper, a semi-load of paper or even more. God has used those gifts, great or small, to further His Word and to reach lost souls for Him. What a day that will be when we see how partnering together made an eternal impact for many all around the world. Romans 10:17 states, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." If you can help with an offering for *National Bible Publishing Month*, remember all offerings go solely to purchase paper.



2023 Blessings

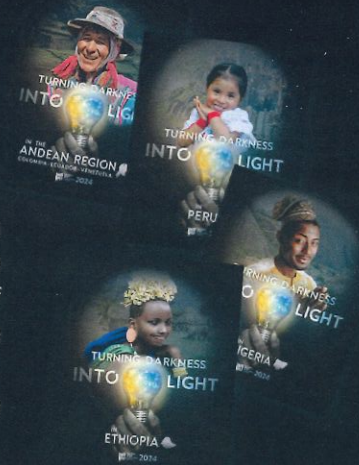
- A newer bindery was installed in January. Not only is it newer than our former bindery, but it is also much more efficient which has increased the throughput of Bibles and New Testaments.
- A new Heidelberg plate maker was installed in October. God provided the funds for the machine before we knew we were going to need it!
- In 2023, we used 1,709,513 pounds, or 855 tons of paper. 42% of the paper went to produce Bibles and New Testaments, and 58% went to produce John & Romans.

TURNING DARKNESS
INTO LIGHT



NATIONAL
BIBLE
PUBLISHING
MONTH

Would you please prayerfully consider partnering with us through *National Bible Publishing Month*? Our prayer and desire is to be able to get the precious, life-changing, eternity-altering Word of God to the open doors we face in Ethiopia, Nigeria, Peru and the Andean Region of Colombia, Ecuador, and Venezuela in 2024. Free promotional materials are available upon request. For more information, please contact us at 513-575-1706.



Memorials have been received in memory of:

Doreen Cook by Judy Moessner; **Charles Henderson** by Victory Baptist Church; **James Johnston** by Calvary Baptist Church; **Karen Kellenberger** by Galen Kellenberger; **John Neu** by Barbro Garland, Sarah Neu; **Jerry Snyder** by Landmark Baptist Church, Kathy Weegens; **Dave Votaw** by Crossroad Baptist Church; **Elmer Wells** by Crossroad Baptist Church; **Cody Wolf** by Terri Wolf-King

& in honor of:

William "PapPaw" Cook by Landmark Baptist Church; **Grace Howard** by Landmark Baptist Church; **Jesus Israel** by Billy Bail; **Oak Hill Baptist Church** by First Baptist Church; **Tom Prusak** by Elaine Prusak; **Pastor James Wiley** by Richard Beaulieu, Jr. & Family

2023 SCRIPTURE PROJECTS:

Listed below are the foreign Scripture projects completed and shipped in 2023. Some of these projects were shipped from Bearing Precious Seed, but many were shipped by ministries partnering with BPS.

BARBADOS

11,200 John & Romans

BRAZIL

243,140 John & Romans
6,120 New Testaments
2,058 Bibles

BULGARIA

313,020 John & Romans

BURKINA FASO

165,800 John & Romans
28,100 New Testaments

COLOMBIA

92,400 John & Romans
12,960 New Testaments
3,240 Bibles

COASTA RICA

600 John & Romans
108 New Testaments

CROATIA

407,400 John & Romans

CUBA

540 John & Romans
108 New Testaments

EL SALVADOR

97,200 John & Romans
6,120 New Testaments
2,853 Bibles

ENGLAND

20,163 New Testaments

FRANCE

100 New Testaments

GUATEMALA

300 John & Romans
189 Bibles

GUYANA

1,392 Bibles
102 New Testaments

HONDURAS

24,138 Bibles
3,378 New Testaments

IRELAND

10,085 Bibles

ITALY

245,600 John & Romans

49,980 John & Romans
9,360 New Testaments

JAPAN

147,370 John & Romans
3,294 New Testaments
1,440 Bibles

KENYA

9,264 Bibles

KIRIBATI

1,440 Bibles

LIBERIA

495,600 John & Romans
15,036 New Testaments
2,700 Bibles

MALAWI

145,800 John & Romans
12,933 Bibles
663 New Testaments

MEXICO

1,260 Bibles

MOZAMBIQUE

54 Bibles

PERU

180,000 John & Romans
16,056 Bibles
3,780 New Testaments

PHILIPPINES

237,120 John & Romans
15,500 New Testaments

POLAND

74,260 John & Romans
30,600 New Testaments
15,144 Bibles

SIERRA LEONE

114 New Testaments

TAJIKISTAN

51,300 John & Romans

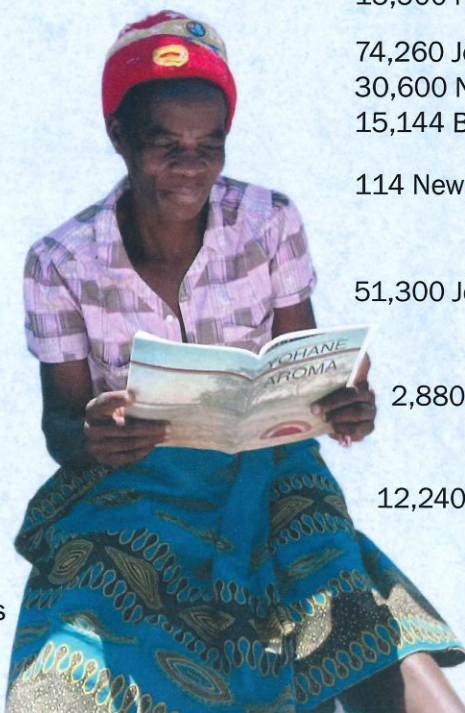
TANZANIA

2,880 Bibles

TOGO

12,240 New Testaments

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PERSONALIZED SCRIPTURES AVAILABLE

We can personalize John & Romans and New Testament covers for your individual church needs. Church or ministry information can be placed in a predesigned cover, or we can custom design a cover to fit your outreach needs.



To view a number of sample covers, please visit www.bpsmilford.org.

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SPECIAL SERVICES



SEASONAL OUTREACH

2024 MISSION TRIPS

Help evangelize the lost in Juarez, Mexico



WEEK 1	4/6 - 4/12*	WEEK 10	8/10 - 8/16**
2	4/20 - 4/26	11	8/24 - 8/30
3	6/8 - 6/14	12	10/5 - 10/11
4	6/15 - 6/21	13	10/12 - 10/18**
5	6/22 - 6/28	14	10/19 - 10/25
6	7/6 - 7/12	15	11/2 - 11/8
7	7/13 - 7/19**	16	11/23 - 11/29
8	7/20 - 7/26	17	12/6 - 12/13
9	8/3 - 8/9		

*Juarez Project **Mescalero Apache Reservation

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