



# BEARING PRECIOUS SEED

## NEWSLETTER

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BPS is a ministry of First Baptist Church in Milford, OH

Due to the way God has burdened more churches and individuals to partner with us to send God's Word around the world, *Bearing Precious Seed* has grown throughout the years. From 2000 to 2004, the average annual production was 5,103,152 Scriptures per year. From 2005 to 2014, it was 8,960,648 Scriptures per year. From 2015 to 2024, BPS averaged producing 10,960,648 Scriptures per year. Praise the Lord!

There are four ministries within BPS which were created to help get the Word of God to lost souls around the world. Churches and individuals involved in these ministries have helped BPS reach out to more people than ever before.

*Seedline* is a way for the local church to have hands-on involvement with Bible publishing for the world.

*BPS El Paso* provides mission trip opportunities involving Scripture assembly and distribution in Mexico and the Apache Reservation in New Mexico.

*Taino Ministries* is a church-planting ministry whose mission is to take the Gospel to the least-reached people in Central and South America.

*firstBible International* strives to get the Bible translated and published in languages which do not currently have a reliable Bible, thereby allowing lost souls the opportunity to receive their first Bible.

While BPS has grown in production over the years, many times you do not see what God is doing through these ministries. Each newsletter we send out typically updates the yearly Scripture production, printing equipment operation, repairs and needs, shipping highlights, news from the print shop, and occasional testimonies and reports. On BPS' social media pages, we try to inform when shipments make it to their destinations. Beginning with our next newsletter, we will highlight one ministry in each newsletter and show how God is working in and through that branch of BPS.

Thank you for your continued involvement in the ministry and the ongoing prayer and financial support you provide to help get the Gospel to the world.

Serving together,

*Al Braley*

Director, *Bearing Precious Seed*







*We just finished our fifth evangelistic campaign in Malawi, Africa. Over the course of the last two years, by the grace of God, we've been able to distribute over one million John & Romans in this country and hold fifteen evangelistic services. Many people have responded to receive Jesus Christ as their Saviour, and have signed up for a 12-week discipleship program. We want to thank all the Seedline churches and Bearing Precious Seed for making this possible. We greatly appreciate the one million Scriptures that were sent to Malawi. Thank you!*

Dave Darling  
Director, Campaigns for Christ

Around 16 years ago, we were in need of a 4-color press that could economically print large quantities of John & Romans covers without sacrificing quality. At that time, we started looking for a Didde press, and we spoke with a salesman who did a lot of work with Didde presses in Ohio. We described what we were looking for, and he mentioned a Didde press another place had just ordered from him that was in the \$40K range in price. They said, "Don't sell them the press you are holding for us!" The salesman called us within a few days and said that an insurance company in Cleveland was looking to sell the Didde press they owned, and they had only used it to print insurance forms. When it was all said and done, God had supplied that press for \$5K! We have discovered that God always supplies the need in His perfect timing.

This Didde press is still running, but it is starting to have issues. Since it is around 50 years old, replacement parts are getting harder to find. We have begun the search for a replacement machine. We hope to find something in the mid \$30K range. Please pray that God will give us wisdom throughout this search, and that He will supply the equipment in His time.





# 2025 1st Quarter SHIPPING HIGHLIGHTS

Shipments sent via  
containers, crates,  
or freight



**TOGO** - Shipped 1/9  
1,260 Bibles



**MALAWI** - Shipped 1/10  
1,260 Bibles



**UGANDA** - Shipped 1/16  
2,700 Bibles



**KENYA** - Shipped 1/27  
19,600 John & Romans,  
16,605 Bibles, 12,960 New Testaments



**St. VINCENT** - Shipped 1/27  
1,620 New Testaments, 630 Bibles



**MOZAMBIQUE** - Shipped 1/31  
25,000 John & Romans

Shipped 2/19 - **PHILIPPINES**  
1,800 John & Romans  
1,260 Bibles



Shipped 3/6 - **GHANA**  
1,260 Bibles



Shipped 3/10 - **PAPUA NEW GUINEA**  
246,050 John & Romans



Shipped 3/17 - **ENGLAND**  
10,053 New Testaments



Shipped 3/19 - **TRINIDAD**  
16,500 John & Romans,  
1,440 Bibles



Shipped 3/19 - **AUSTRALIA**  
33,000 John & Romans



*Gifts have been given  
in memory of:*

**Richard Adrian** by Calvary Baptist Church; **Lanae Allport** by Calvary Baptist Church; **David Bixler** by Juliet Conrad; **Sylvia Braley** by the Williamsburg Garden Club; **Brennan Capellas** by Calvary Baptist Church; **Barry Scott Collier** by Victory Baptist Church; **Melba Jean Day** by Ronnie & Karen Shiflett; **Carlos & Martha Demarest** by Virginia Campbell; **Robert Harpe** by John Trammell; **Kenneth Hopper** by Robert Letsinger; **Anna Kaylor** by David Kaylor, Jr.; **Virginia Komo** by Bob & Jenny Barrett, Karen Trimbur; **Richard Lewis** by Rykar Lewis; **Bill Lodge** by Crossroad Baptist Church; **Glen McWhorter** by Victory Baptist Church; **Frank Pennell** by Thomas & Evelyn Bump; **Earl & Esther Sims** by Mike Cegiel; **Everett Tabor** by David & Jane Allen, Frank & Suzi Davis, Becky Harben, Jimmy & Caryl Lindsey, Randy & Melody Murry, Barry & Brenda Sink, Betty Tabor, Matthew & Trudee Wynn; **Varon Tompkins** by Crossroad Baptist Church; **Catherine Warren** by Mike & Debbie McCrum; **Paula White** by Timothy & Linda Flener, Roy & Joyce McCarty, Connie Tarter

## BIBLE PUBLISHING SUMMIT

**July 10-11, 2025**

**Hosted by First Baptist Church of Milford, OH**

Bringing together Bible publishing ministries for a time of fellowship, refreshment, preaching, and sharing resources to improve our overall efficiencies, effectiveness and eternal impact. Please call 513-575-1706 for more information.

Since 2022, *Bearing Precious Seed* has had the opportunity to print New Testaments or whole Bibles for the first time in the following languages:

Language	Project	Where Spoken	Number of Speakers
Amharic	NT	Ethiopia	57.5 million
Chichewa	NT	Malawi	12 million
Farsi	NT	Iran, Afghanistan	110 million
Japanese	NT	Japan	123 million
Kom	NT	India	15 thousand
Mandarin	NT	China	1.2 billion
Shona	WB	Zimbabwe	13.4 million
Turkish	NT	Turkey	90 million
Ukrainian	NT	Ukraine	45 million

In April, BPS will receive the files to print the Zou New Testament and the Vaiphei New Testament for the first time. Zou has 82,000 speakers and Vaiphei has 43,000 speakers. Both languages are spoken primarily in northern India.

