



BEARING PRECIOUS SEED

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



What a year! God is so good, and He is good all the time. 2016 had its trials, challenges, and difficulties, but God has been seen greater through all these things. We at Bearing Precious Seed have experienced the hand of God at work this year. He has supplied most of the funds needed to purchase some equipment that has become available. This equipment will enhance our ability to produce more and be more efficient in what we produce—His Word! A big

thank you goes to all those who have faithfully contributed to the work of God, enabling the Word of God to be sent to those who are in such desperate need of the good news of salvation. As we head into 2017, let us each evaluate what we have allowed God to do through us, so we can submit and commit more fully to Him.

I believe God has given us great leadership and co-laborers in His work at Bearing Precious Seed. Words cannot convey my gratitude for their love for the Lord and His Word. Please join me in praying for each of the men who work in the print shop and for our leadership.

Please let us know if we can supply you in your local church with Scripture. We also desire to meet the needs of foreign field missionaries with the Word of God. Thank you for partnering with us for Him.

In His work together,

Pastor Duttry
First Baptist Church



2016

A LOOK BACK AT GOD'S BLESSINGS IN 2016



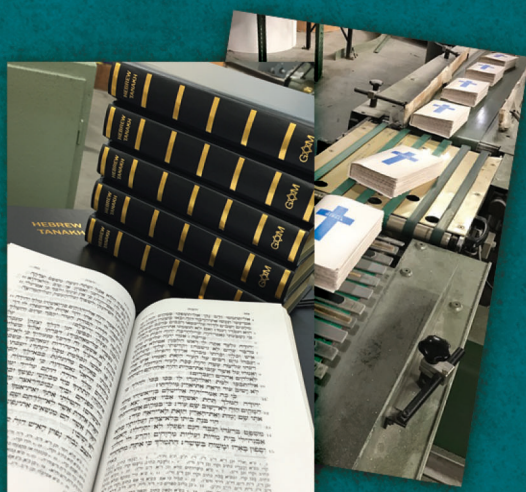
Scriptures printed year-to-date: **11,002,350***

Scriptures printed since 1973: **160,240,242**

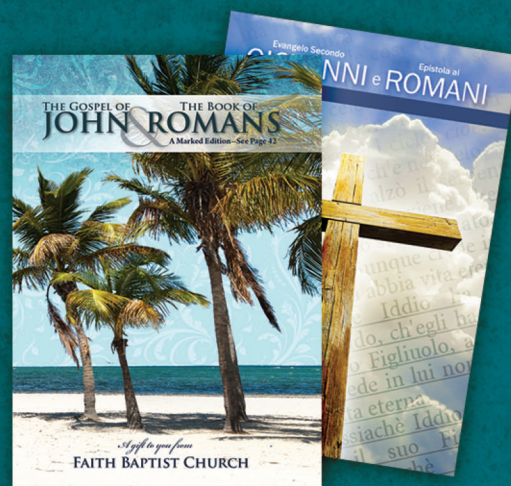
*as of 12/15/2016

Paper used in 2016*

40 Truckloads = 1,324,000 lbs (662 tons)



Scriptures were printed in **13** Languages.
BPS printed Scriptures in **Faroese, Hebrew**
and **Kannada** for the first time.



1,871,867 Scriptures were personalized for
222 churches in **46** states and **11** foreign
countries.

PRODUCTION

SHIPMENTS

By the end of 2016, BPS employees and volunteers had loaded nine shipping containers full of Scripture destined for countries all around the world. Other shipments were sent via crates, pallets or truckloads. Another 2,214,000 John & Romans were shipped to Seedline International in Greencastle, Indiana, for outreaches in Africa, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Columbia, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Tortuga.



THAILAND

303,525 Thai J/Rs



ITALY

408,000 Italian J/Rs



GUYANA

200,100 English J/Rs, 8,055 English WBs



HAITI

270,000 French Creole J/Rs, 4,002 French Creole NTs
2,003 French WBs



ROMANIA

441,000 Romanian J/Rs



BRAZIL

223,800 Portuguese J/Rs, 144 English WBs



TOGO

395,250 French J/Rs



SIERRA LEONE

286,800 English J/Rs
10,800 English WBs



POLAND

28,803 Polish NTs



NIGERIA

14,700 English J/Rs, 300 English WBs



PHILIPPINES

1,100 English WBs



BOTSWANA

45,000 English J/Rs
4,068 English WBs



NEW ZEALAND

50,000 English J/Rs



MEXICO

416,330 Spanish J/Rs
16,200 Spanish NTs

OUTREACH

Each year, Bearing Precious Seed has multiple opportunities to team with churches and ministries of like faith all around the world to reach lost souls for Christ. In this newsletter, we are highlighting six unique outreaches from 2016 for which BPS had the opportunity to supply Scripture. In some of these outreaches, BPS personnel also had the opportunity to participate in the Scripture distribution.

SUPER BOWL 50 (February)

10,000 John & Romans were distributed outside the stadium in San Francisco, CA.



CAPE VERDE (June)

Lakeside Baptist Church in Clearwater, SC worked with Cape Verde Missionary Luiz Nunes. 30,000 Portuguese John & Romans were printed for this campaign.



RIVERSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH (July)

Over 200 members of First Baptist Church in Milford, OH participated in a church plant in Chesterfield, MO. 30,000 John & Romans were printed for this new church.



RNC (July)

Twelve Independent Baptist churches from the Cleveland, OH area joined together to distribute 20,000 John & Romans at the Republican National Convention.



RIO OLYMPICS (August)

164,300 John & Romans in 24 languages were distributed in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, during the Summer Olympics.



SIERRA LEONE (October)

10,800 English whole Bibles were distributed to the members of the Sierra Leone national police force.



PRAISES



- We are currently installing a case maker to go with the hardback production line. This equipment saves between 75¢ and \$1.00 per Bible to produce hardback Bibles for missionaries.
- We are in the process of obtaining a fourth tower to our web press. This will enable us to print two John & Romans in the same amount of time we currently print one.
- National Bible Publishing Month was a success and helped raise the funds for projects in the Faroe Islands, Haiti, India and Sierra Leone.
- BPS had the opportunity to provide Scripture for church plants in Alaska, California, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Massachusetts, Missouri, North Dakota, and Texas.



- 270 people from 24 churches (13 for the first time) participated in the summer mission trips.
- At least 430 professions of faith were made on the trips to Juarez, Mexico and the Navajo reservation.
- Despite being unable to renew bus permits for Mexico entry, God provided enough vans for every mission trip.
- 12 people from First Baptist Church in Milford participated in a medical mission trip to Juarez in November. Over 300 people were treated, and 68 precious Mexican souls were saved as a result of the trip.



BPS/SEEDLINE

- BPS Milford Seedline men did 66 Seedline projects in 18 states, assembling 1,849,250 John & Romans.
- Our Seedline representatives traveled 74,298 miles and had no major mechanical problems.
- Cornerstone Baptist Church in Swartz Creek, MI, became a planted-level church (a planted-level church purchases its own equipment and works on assembling Scriptures on a regular basis.)



- The Kannada Bible is funded and ready to print. A container of Kannada New Testaments and John & Romans is ready to ship to India.
- The Pastors and Christian Leaders training in Armenia continues to grow.
- The *Bibleless People Book* is complete (this book will help churches develop a strategy to target Bible translation projects).
- A doctrinal book called *Beliefs That Matter* was translated into Mongolian and Armenian. This will be the start of several books to assist in National Training.





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To bring together Bible publishing ministries for a time of fellowship, refreshment, preaching and sharing resources to improve our overall efficiencies, effectiveness and eternal impact.

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by Don & Shirley Melton of Milford, OH

by Patricia Parsley of Loveland, OH

by Steve & Roxanne Warner of Johnstown, PA

Rodger Clay by Hope Baptist Church, Savannah, GA

Betty Daniel by Michael & Lori Ann Bishop of West Chester, OH

by Berean Sunday School, Landmark Baptist Church

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