



# BEARING PRECIOUS SEED

NEWSLETTER  
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Acts 6:7 *"And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith."*

Acts 12:24 *"But the word of God grew and multiplied."*

Acts 19:20 *"So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed."*



These three verses tell us much about what happened as the Apostle Paul and other Christians proclaimed and spread the Gospel. I love to study the Bible and see what God did in the early days of the church. God's Word allows us to gain a glimpse of it receiving, growing, maturing and bringing forth fruit.

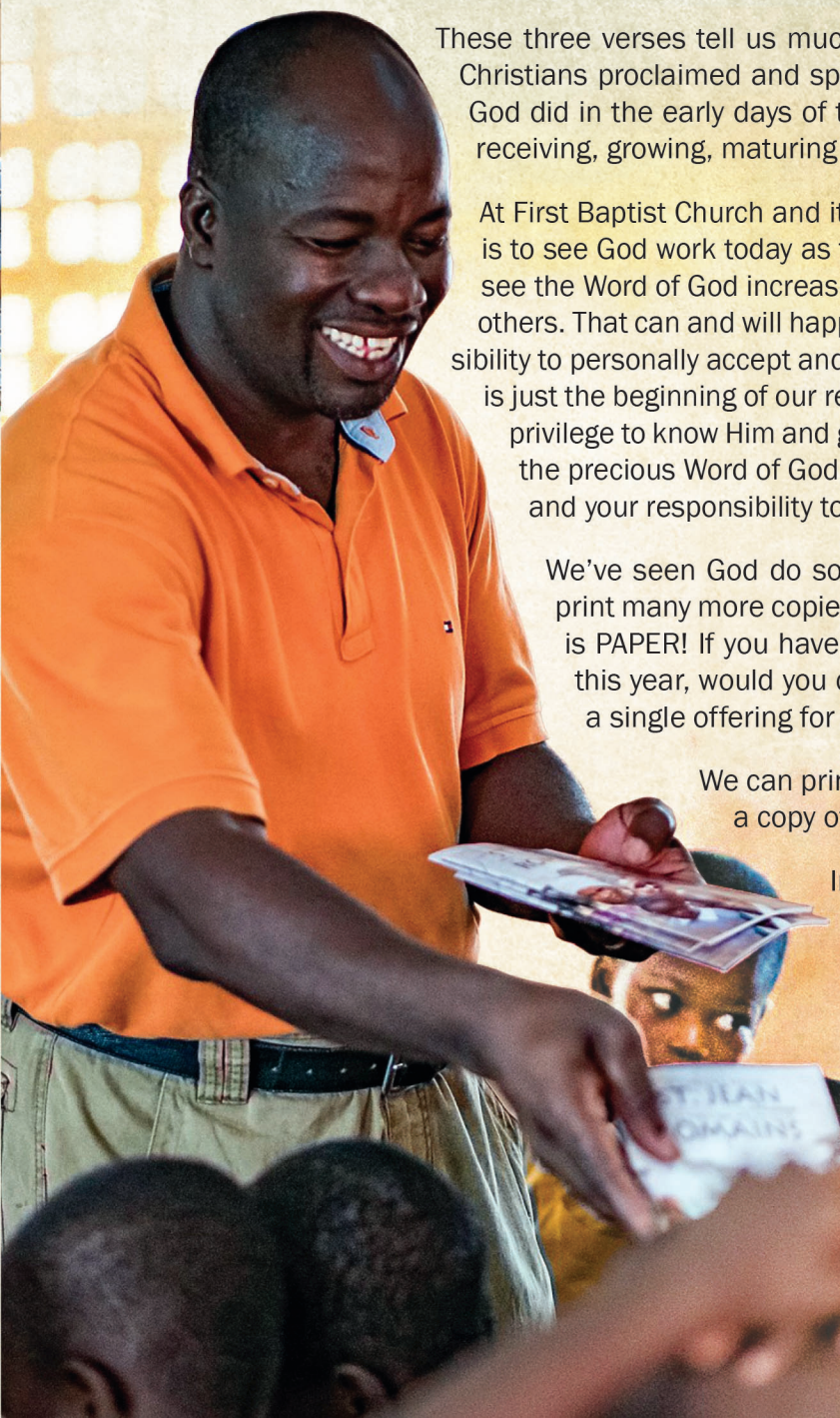
At First Baptist Church and its ministries, including Bearing Precious Seed, our desire is to see God work today as the early church witnessed Him work in the past. May we see the Word of God increase, mightily grow, and prevail in our lives and in the lives of others. That can and will happen if the Word of God is available to man. It is our responsibility to personally accept and become what God would have us become. However, that is just the beginning of our responsibilities. We also are to ensure that others have the privilege to know Him and grow and mature spiritually. We must reach this world with the precious Word of God. It takes both the Message and the messenger. It is mine and your responsibility to supply both.

We've seen God do some miraculous things to allow us to have the ability to print many more copies of the Word of God. However, our greatest current need is PAPER! If you have not participated in National Bible Publishing Month yet this year, would you consider taking part? Would you consider taking at least a single offering for the printing of the Word of God?

We can print Scripture if we had the paper. Lost souls sit waiting for a copy of God's Word; would you consider supplying it for them?

In His work together,

Pastor Duttry  
First Baptist Church





# *When* **4 DAYS** *turns into* **4 WEEKS**

At the end of 2016 we made a decision to add a fourth tower to the web press, enabling us to increase the capacity and efficiency of our printing line. We purchased the equipment and arranged to have it installed. Based on the information we were given, we planned on four days of press downtime needed to install the equipment. However, many things occurred which turned the four days into almost two weeks for installation and an additional two weeks to get the press running efficiently. Praise the Lord, it is now up and running!

Many times our timeline is not exactly God's timeline. The delays which happened during the installation happened so God would be glorified. For example, we were able to give a Bible to the technician installing the fourth tower. When we presented him with the Bible, he asked if he could get another one so he and his wife could start reading the Bible together. The husband and wife electrician team which worked on the press drew closer to the Lord while here and got a few of their spiritual questions answered. Despite living in Michigan, they have since stopped back in to help "fine tune" the press, and they stayed for the church services on Sunday. God's timing is always right, and it is always for His glory!

The press was back in operation by February 21st. By April 21st, we had printed:

- 1,124,200 English John & Romans
- 393,800 Spanish John & Romans
- 258,400 German John & Romans
- 55,000 Portuguese John & Romans
- 6,200 Curipaco John & Romans
- 4,200 Piapoco John & Romans
- 50,000 English New Testaments
- 15,000 Kannada Whole Bibles
- 29,200 English Whole Bibles
- 8,200 Sranantonga Whole Bibles

That's a total of 1,944,200 Scriptures printed in two months! Praise the Lord!

Consider this: It is now possible to print 40,000 John & Romans in one hour (prior to adding the fourth tower, we could print 20,000 in an hour). If the press operated without any problems, we could potentially run one roll of paper in 17 minutes and 32 rolls of paper in one day! While this amount is possible, the paper used to print 40,000 John & Romans in one hour would cost \$37.50 per minute or \$2,250.00 per hour!

Please pray for us as we increase! We will be working to get others involved, so we can print more Bibles, New Testaments and John & Romans in the future.





## *Memorials have been received in memory of:*

**Otis Braley** by Lena Braley of Blanchester, OH

**Lindy Brown** by Hope Baptist Church of Savannah, GA

**Christie Carter** by Geneva Duncan & Family of Columbiana, OH

by Clyde & Linda Durnil of Milford, OH

by Robert & Karen Kallmeyer of Cincinnati, OH

by Kurt & Elaine Lyons of Cincinnati, OH

by Guy Still of Brunswick, GA

**Betty Jane Daniel** by E. G. Gebhardt of Cincinnati, OH

**Steven Charles Ellis** by Mr. & Mrs. Earl Wilson of Graniteville, SC

**Mrs. Griffin** by Pastor Schwanke, Bible Baptist Church, Huntsville, AL

**Dolores Harley** by Mary Bolton of Suffolk, VA

by Lorri Kane

by April McClenney of Chesapeake, VA

by Virtuous Women Class of Good News BC, Chesapeake, VA

**Robert "Bob" Leenerts** by Hiddenite Elementary School faculty and staff

by Brenda Prichard of Hickory, NC

by Randy & Sheila Sweet of Hiddenite, NC

**Edward Maxson** by Richard & Marilyn Bennett of Shinglehouse, PA

**Charles McGonigal** by Mr. & Mrs. Charles Conard of Rockport, TX

**Pat Millay** by Calvary Baptist Church of Casper, WY

**June Olsen** by Calvary Baptist Church of Casper, WY

**Betty Parker** by Bible Baptist Church of Griffin, GA

**Jim Tarter** by Ken & Karen Birck of Cincinnati, OH

by Erven & Donna Carr of Ocala, FL

by Grace Baptist Church of Pensacola, FL

by Linda Johnson of Cincinnati, OH

by James & Rhonda Jones of Cincinnati, OH

by Donald & Donna Maher of Mason, OH

by Grant Mitchell of Monroe, OH

by Donald R. Morgan, Sr. of Cincinnati, OH

by Donald Jr. & Theresa Morgan of Cincinnati, OH

by Ronald & Melissa Morgan of Cincinnati, OH

by Roger & Judy Riddle of Goshen, OH

by Peter Sketch

by Robert & Sandra Spencer of Cincinnati, OH

by Janet Springer of Commerce City, CO

by Connie Tarter

by David & Cyndi Volz of Taylor Mill, KY

by Michele Williams

**Jack Whitt** by Sharon Rutter of Loveland, OH

by Jeannee Saunders of Batavia, OH

by Evelyn Whitt of Newtonsville, OH

**Donna Wirth** by Calvary Baptist Church of Casper, WY

## *& in honor of*

**Terry Spears of KSBJ Radio Station** by Cindy Moremo of Spring, TX



# SEEDLINE GOES WEST

When referring to the ministry of Seedline, we often say it is something in which anyone in the local church can be involved. When we make that statement, we are usually referring to those who may feel their age or physical limitations would disqualify them from participating. I have seen many people overcome what others consider obstacles in order to be a part of a Seedline project. However, one obstacle that continues to come up and keeps people from getting involved in Seedline is location—more specifically, the western part of the United States. The west coast is roughly 2,400 miles from Milford, Ohio, where Bearing Precious Seed is located.

There are many churches in California who have desired to become involved in Seedline, and we would love for them to be involved. However, location has always been an obstacle—until now! Multiple churches in northern California scheduled consecutive Seedline projects, and one California church built a facility to store unassembled Scripture portions. Combined, these factors have allowed California churches to finally participate in their first Seedline project. This past Fall, four northern California churches assembled 70,000 Spanish John & Romans for Mexico City. They loved being a part of it so much that the pastors have scheduled projects again this year. Additional churches in the area have heard of the success and excitement of these projects and are scheduled to participate for their first time. God has really opened a door for many more churches on the west coast to labor with us. If your church is on the west coast, or anywhere else in the United States, and would like more information on how to get involved in hands-on Bible publishing, call us at 513-575-1706.



# the PREVAILING Word of God

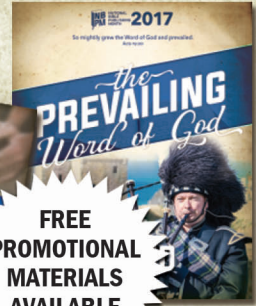
## REACHING

- East Africa
- Papua New Guinea
- Peru
- Scotland

with the Word of God

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 East Africa, Papua New Guinea, Peru, and Scotland in 2017. Free promotional materials are available upon request. For more information, please contact us at 513-575-1706.

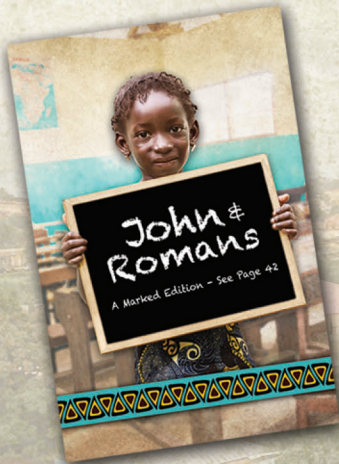
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## additional opportunities in **SIERRA LEONE**



The Lord has opened many doors in the country of Sierra Leone over the past three years. Sierra Leone is a Muslim-dominated country that has struggled through years of civil war, and more recently, an outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus. These struggles have made the people of Sierra Leone very open and sensitive to spiritual things.

In 2014 we began to work on a campaign to provide a whole Bible to every member of the Royal Sierra Leone Armed Forces. We were able to see this transpire due to the faithfulness of churches here in the United States who gave to National Bible Publishing Month. This opened the door for us to be able to return in 2016 and provide a Bible for every police officer in the country.

The country of Sierra Leone has now asked us to provide a John & Romans for every student in their school system. Right now, there are approximately two million students. Seedline churches are currently working on the first shipment of 800,000 John & Romans.

In early April, Lieutenant Colonel Moses Kogbar from Sierra Leone visited us to request Bibles for all of the country's firefighters and for all their corrections officers. Will you pray with us that God will continue to provide through his people to see the country of Sierra Leone reached with the Word of God?






# SCATTERING the Seed



*Faroe Islands*

49,720 Faroese J/Rs  
9,792 Faroese WBs  
► Shipped 1/3/2017



*India*

311,040 Kannada J/Rs  
19,000 Kannada NTs  
► Shipped 1/19/2017




*Bulgaria*

129,720 Bulgarian J/Rs  
98,250 Trilingual Gospels of John  
(Bulgarian/Russian/English)  
► Shipped 3/8/2017



*Ghana*

96,000 English J/Rs  
29,593 English NTs  
7,560 English WBs  
► Shipped 3/21/2017



*Myanmar*

203,280 Burmese J/Rs  
8,820 Thai J/Rs  
1,014 English WBs  
► Shipped 4/5/2017



*Philippines*

99,900 Cebuano J/Rs  
99,600 English J/Rs  
1,014 English WBs  
► Shipped 4/27/2017



*Papua New Guinea*

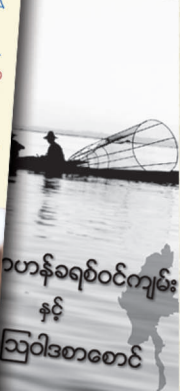
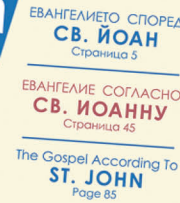
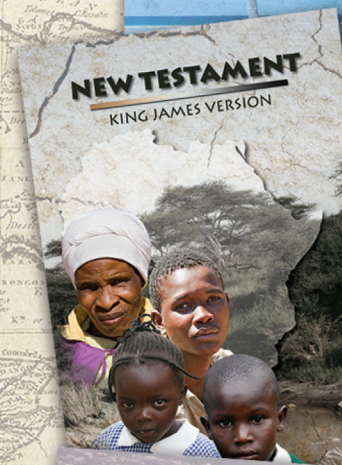
20,000 Pidgin/English NTs  
► Will ship May 2017



*India*

300,000 Kannada J/Rs  
15,000 Kannada WBs  
► Will ship May 2017

Once again, God has blessed us tremendously, and has allowed us to ship His Word all around the world. By early May, we will have shipped eight containers of Scripture around the globe. These containers held a total of 1,297,780 John & Romans, 98,250 Gospels of John, 68,593 New Testaments and 34,380 Whole Bibles produced at Bearing Precious Seed. Another 108,930 Scriptures and 254,000 tracts printed at other printing ministries were included on these containers. We praise the Lord for allowing us the opportunity to produce and ship His Word. God promised in Isaiah 55:11, "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."







**JULY 13-14, 2017**

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- Working with local Independent Baptist churches throughout Juarez and the Navajo Nation.

**2017 SCHEDULE:**  
June 3-9  
June 10-16  
June 17-23 ♦♦  
June 24-30  
July 8-14  
July 15-21  
July 22-28 ♦♦  
August 5-11  
August 12-18  
August 19-25

♦♦ Navajo outreach

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