



BEARING PRECIOUS SEED

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

While many people travel to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and Branson, Missouri, to experience the *Sight & Sound Theaters*, I want to invite you to Milford, Ohio, to experience the sight and sound of the Word of God being produced. Would you consider coming to *Bearing Precious Seed* to tour the print shop and to observe the press printing the Word of God? We have the privilege to see and hear God's Word being produced every day, and it is such a blessing! We have seen God do miracles for Himself and His Word in the past, and we continue to witness His miraculous works today, as He daily supplies what is needed for His Word to be printed and distributed by the millions all around the world!



If an opportunity presents itself for you to take your students or older saints on a trip, may I encourage you to consider our area? There is much to see and do that will uplift your heart spiritually. We are just 45 minutes from the *Creation Museum* and an hour away from the *Ark Encounter*. At *Bearing Precious Seed*, you will have the opportunity to participate in the print shop, to assemble Scripture, and to learn the facts of Bible printing and distributing. If you are interested in visiting *Bearing Precious Seed*, please call 513-575-1705. We will do all we can to make your stay profitable for God's work.

I also want to say "thank you!" to the many churches who have partnered with the *Seedline* portion of *Bearing Precious Seed*. *Seedline* churches join with us to assemble Scriptures in various languages, and make them available to those in need throughout the United States and many other nations. Also, I would like to thank the many prayer and financial supporters who labor together with us for the sake of publishing God's Word.

In His work together,

William Duttry, Pastor
First Baptist Church





- ▶ Since 2012, *Bearing Precious Seed* has printed **66,870,800** copies of Scripture. That is an average of **10,131,900** copies of Scripture per year.
- ▶ *BPS* has used **11,830,000** lbs. of paper, or between **315** and **350** semi loads since 2012.
- ▶ That average means we are using **1,690,000** lbs., or **45** to **50** semi loads of paper per year.
- ▶ In that period of time, *BPS* has printed Scriptures in **38** different languages.
 - John & Romans have been printed in **31** languages.
 - New Testaments have been printed in **15** languages.
 - Whole Bibles have been printed in **14** languages.

This year we have seen the largest increase in paper costs I have witnessed in the 11 years I have been here. We strive to be more efficient in our scheduling, and we seek ways to decrease waste where possible. The 27-pound paper used for printing John & Romans and some New Testaments is now running about 52 to 54 cents per pound on average. The 22-pound paper we have been using to print whole Bibles is now up in the 92 to 95 cents per pound range.

One roll of paper = 1,250 lbs.

One semi load of paper = 40,000 lbs.

@ 54 cents per pound, one roll of 27 lb. paper costs \$675.00.

@ 54 cents per pound, one semi load of 27 lb. paper costs \$21,600.00.

@ 95 cents per pound, one roll of 22 lb. paper costs \$1,187.00.

@ 95 cents per pound, one semi load of 22 lb. paper costs \$38,000.00.

Miraculously, God continues to meet our needs, and His Word continues to go all around the world. I give you these numbers simply to show you a few statistics, and to allow you to be aware of what has been happening with the cost of paper and with the Scripture production. Thank you for all you do to partner with us to send God's Word to those in need.

Al Braley,
BPS Director of Operations





Memorials have been received in memory of:

Pastor William Boyd by Doug and Jane Bosse
by Tonya Brownlee of Cincinnati, OH
by Clyde and Linda Durnill of Milford, OH
by Charles and Judith Hagerdorn of Aurora, IN
by Jon Hagerdorn of Aurora, IN

Otis Braley by Lena Braley of Blanchester, OH

Myrt Butler by Elsie Tarter of Goshen, OH

The Braley family members by Royce and Pam Braley

Jerry Cegiel by Mike and Patricia Cegiel of Mason, OH

J. B. Cranford by Eaves Tabernacle Baptist Church in Leesburg, TX

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by Audrey and Douglas Shifflet of Batavia, OH

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Kenneth Toles by Ted Bevis
by Julie and Jason Brown and family
by Dr. William Fritz of Upper Arlington
by Bea Gay of Milford, OH
by Mike and Holly Harper of Newtown, OH
by Harris and Irene Kirby of Goshen, OH
by Mary Kirby of Loveland, OH
by Kurt and Elaine Lyons of Cincinnati, OH
by Betty Mackey of Milford, OH
by Holly Raines

David Warner by Kurt and Elaine Lyons of Cincinnati, OH

The Whittle family members by Royce and Pam Braley


Olivia Wilson by Linda Johnson of Goshen, OH

& in honor of:

Pastor and Mrs. John T. Bryant

on their 50th wedding anniversary
by Charles and Juliet Conrad of Manheim, PA

PRAYER REQUESTS

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- ▶ Safe passage of the Scriptures as they are shipped to various parts of the World
 - ▶ Funds needed to replace our Miller Sheet-fed Press with a five- or six-color unit
 - ▶ Interns who are working in the shop during the next 6 to 12 months
 - ▶ Increased giving toward paper to offset increases in paper cost
 - ▶ Expansion of the Seedline ministry throughout the West
 - ▶ Equipment in the shop to run effectively and efficiently
 - ▶ Continued safety while traveling for the ministry
 - ▶ Translation work going on in various parts of the world
 - ▶ Safety in the print shop for the employees and volunteers

Thank you for praying!

**TOGO**

Shipped 1/9/2018

29,700 French New Testaments
99,000 French John & Romans**MALTA**

*Shipped 1/23/2018

100,000 Maltese Book of John

**PHILIPPINES**

Shipped 2/8/2018

246 English Bibles

**TANZANIA**

**Shipped 2/13/2018

50,025 Swahili John & Romans

**ST LUCIA**

Shipped 2/18/2018

3,153 English John & Romans

**MYANMAR**

Shipped 3/27/2018

96,040 Burmese John & Romans
19,359 Burmese Bibles**FRANCE**

Shipped 3/28/2018

30,360 French John & Romans

**HUNGARY**

Shipped 4/18/2018

51,810 Hungarian John & Romans

**PORTUGAL**

Shipped 5/2/2018

15,180 Portuguese John & Romans

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA**

Shipped 5/22/2018

19,824 English New Testaments
99,855 English John & Romans**WALES**

Shipped 5/30/2018

10,281 English New Testaments

**PHILIPPINES**

Shipped 6/19/2018

616 English Bibles

**KENYA**

Shipped 7/2/2018

1,992 English Bibles

**CROATIA**

Shipped 7/13/2018

161,820 Croatian/English John & Romans
5,151 Croatian Bibles**BULGARIA**

Shipped 7/26/2018

340,200 Bulgarian John & Romans

**URUGUAY**

Shipped 8/2/2018

245,000 Spanish John & Romans
2,553 Spanish New Testaments
810 Spanish Bibles**GHANA**

***Shipped 8/6/2018

54,000 English John & Romans
10,572 English New Testaments
1,440 English Bibles**PHILIPPINES**

Shipped 8/10/2018

34,320 Ilonggo John & Romans
19,692 Ilonggo Bibles**HAITI**

Shipped 8/16/2018

18,000 French Creole John & Romans

**GRENADA**

Shipped 8/17/2018

1,440 English Bibles

**PAPUA NEW GUINEA**

Shipped 9/4/2018

38,880 English New Testaments
101,970 English John & Romans**ST LUCIA**

Shipped 9/16/2018

3,600 English John & Romans
558 English New Testaments
324 English Bibles**MOZAMBIQUE**

Shipped 9/19/2018

12,000 Portuguese John & Romans
320 Portuguese Bibles

Shipped via container



Shipped via crate

*Shipped from Bible Baptist Church in Sophia, WV

**Shipped from Liberty Baptist Church in Newport Beach, CA

***Shipped from Rock of Ages Ministry in Cleveland, TN

2018 SHIPMENTS

The **VIPs**

of Bearing Precious Seed

A few years ago, a company in Cincinnati called and asked if we would send some business their way. When I responded that we could not, the man on the other end of the phone stated he did not understand why we could not since we were so busy. I then asked him if he had ever been to *Bearing Precious Seed* and he stated he had not. I invited him to come over and tour the facility, and we set a time for him to do so. I always allow salesmen who desire to speak with us to come and see where God's Word is being printed and assembled. It always provides an excellent opportunity to witness to them.



The salesman came to *BPS*, and after having a discussion in my office, we began touring the print shop. When we reached the bindery line, he stated that they had the same equipment. On that particular day we had seven people working the bindery line, and he mentioned he had the same amount operating his bindery. Once again he asked me why we would not send some of our work to them since we were so busy.

I then asked a question that answered him in a way he could understand. I said, "Of your seven bindery line operators, how many do you pay to work for you?" He looked at me as if I had lost my mind. He answered, "We pay all of them!" I then mentioned the difference between his business and our ministry. I told him, "Six of the seven people working the line that day were volunteering their time." With amazement he exclaimed, "I cannot compete with **that!**"

The volunteers we have at *BPS* make it possible for us to accomplish so much more for the cause of the Lord. We refer to our volunteers as **VIPs—Volunteers Insuring Production!** We are so thankful for each of them, and we do not always give them the recognition they deserve. We would like to express our appreciation to all the volunteers who faithfully help us every day, and also the groups which come and volunteer their time. You all are a very big part of the ministry of *Bearing Precious Seed*. Thank you!!!!





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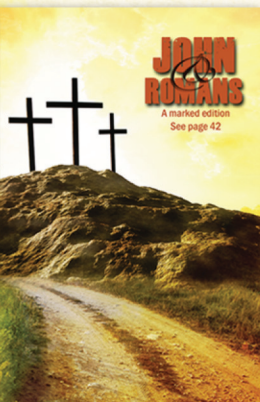


Personalized Scriptures

AVAILABLE

We can personalize John & Romans and New Testament covers for your individual church needs. Church or ministry information can be placed in a pre-designed cover, or we can custom design a cover to fit your outreach needs. To view sample covers, please visit our website: www.bpsmilford.org.

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Scripture Focused Mission Trips

Experience BPS El Paso

- Assembling God's Word and then distributing it in Mexico and to the Navajo Nation in New Mexico.
- Ministering in Juarez, one of the fastest growing cities in the world.
- Ministering to the largest Indian Reservation in the world, with a Navajo population of over 500,000.
- Working with local Independent Baptist churches throughout Juarez and the Navajo Nation.

2019 SCHEDULE:
June 1-7 †
June 8-14 †
June 15-21 ♦♦
June 22-28 †
July 6-12 †
July 13-19 †
July 20-26 ♦♦
August 3-9 †
August 10-16 †
August 17-23 †
† Juarez Project
♦♦ Navajo outreach

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