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## **AUGUST 2013 PRAYER LETTER**

**Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,** 



"For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that He (Jesus) must rise again from the dead." (John 20:9)

Most of our world does not know the Scriptures period. They do not know of a Saviour Who died for their sins and rose from the dead to justify them from their sin. They have no knowledge of a living Saviour, for they have not heard of Him or read about Him. Many of the young people and young adults in the Muslim world are now reading about our risen Lord because of brave missionaries and national pastors who are risking their lives to smuggle the precious Word of God into these dangerous countries. They are willing to die to get the Holy Scriptures to those who are seeking for real truth to fill the emptiness inside. We have the privilege of supplying multiplied thousands of Bibles, New Testaments, and John/Romans to these precious longing souls. This need is great! We need your help. If folks are willing to hazard their lives for the Word of God, shouldn't we be willing to do our best to get it to them? Will you pray? Will you give?

NATIONAL BIBLE PUBLISHING MONTH 2013 Our theme for NBPM is "Turning Darkness to Light." We live in a world filled with darkness. Have you been to Haiti and seen them dancing around the Voodoo fires, as they go into demonic trances? Have you ever been into the deepest jungles of Africa or South America and seen parents give their children to be eaten by crocodiles or anaconda to appease their gods? Some of us have, and we will never be the same. We thank God, because in many of these places, they now have the Light of the Word of God and have accepted the Truth. Darkness is everywhere, but we can bring Light to a dark world. Will you help us send the Light by taking part in National Bible Publishing Month and have a campaign in your church before the year is over? Please do your best to be a part of our NBPM Campaign this year and help turn the darkness to Light.

IT WAS A PRIVILEGE TO SPEAK IN THESE CHURCHES. It was our first time to meet Pastor Jared David. He and his people at Maranatha Baptist Church in Aiken, SC treated us royally. It was great to preach and update them on the BPS Ministry. I also got to preach for Pastor Joey Curado at the Calvary Baptist Church in Wagner, SC. These wonderful friends had been taking up offerings all month to help us on our medical bills. We had the joy of spending time with Pastor Tad Marshall of Lakeside Baptist Church in Clearwater, SC, then speaking in his church on Wednesday night. His church participates in our Seedline Ministry. We print the Scripture signatures in different languages, then they put them together and ship them to missionaries and national pastors around the world. We have around 150 churches involved in our BPS Seedline Ministry. Their fingerprints are going around the world as they enjoy this hands on work for our Lord.

Dr. Don Fraser, who started the Bearing Precious Seed Ministry is in heaven now, but his dream and vision live on. Dr. Fraser's dream was to see the Bible published by the local churches for every country in every language that people speak. He wanted to publish the major languages and trade languages first, then languages of smaller people groups. At the BPS and the First Bible International Ministries of the First Baptist Church of Milford, OH, we are teaming together to do just that. You are an extremely important part of fulfilling that dream and our Lord's command to get His Word into all the world.

**Health News** The doctors tried the Prialt Intrathecal Infusion trial for my 24 hour a day neck and headaches, but it did not work. They will be trying something else in September to see if that can help. I had my 77<sup>th</sup> surgery in August to remove another cancerous tumor from my bladder. I have been having a lot of pain from that surgery, but God's wonderful grace is more than sufficient.

Thank each of you for your prayers and support. We cannot answer the requests for millions of Scriptures from missionaries and national pastors without your help. You are our Lord's lifeline to those needing His Word. May God continue to use you greatly.

Yours for Christ and His Word,

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