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Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." (I Peter 1:23) "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby." (I Peter 2:2)

Dr. Lee Roberson said, (in writing his recommendation to me for the Bearing Precious Seed Ministry here in Milford, OH), "No one can be born again without using the incorruptible seed of the Word of God, and no one can grow as a Christian without a copy of the Word of God. If we are ever going to reach this world, the ministry of Bearing Precious Seed must be supported by our churches. If they flourish, so will our missionary endeavors around the world." As we serve the Lord helping missionaries and national pastors around the globe with "free" copies of the Scriptures for their ministries, God is doing amazing things and multitudes are being saved and discipled. **Please pray about letting God use you to support the BPS Ministry with monthly support to our General Fund, by participating in National Bible Publishing Month every year, or by buying rolls of paper at \$625.00 a roll. Many churches have done all three each year.**

A flyer for the Scripture Conference 2016. It features a blue and green diamond logo at the top. Below the logo, it lists the keynote speaker as Dr. David Gibbs. Underneath, it lists speakers in day sessions: Dr. Mike Allison, Bro. Finley Cutshaw, Dr. Mike Norris, Bro. Jay McGaughey, Dr. David Harrison, Dr. Garvin Walls, Dr. Bob Ford, Bro. Ed Stanley, Missionary Mitch Tillman. At the bottom, it mentions special music by Matthew McGilliard and the Multi-Church Conference Choir. The BLMF logo is also present. The bottom of the flyer has a photo of children and the text "Reaching This Generation in This Generation".



Dr. Sam Caudill and my wife and I got to attend the Scripture Conference of the Bible & Literature Missionary Foundation in Shelbyville, TN. What a joy it was to be with our precious friend, Dr. Bobby Lemmon, at Victory Baptist Church, Pastor Jim Tedder, in this great two-day conference. Much was accomplished through the preaching and teaching of the importance of publishing God's Word. How badly all of us who are publishing and distributing the Word of God want to reach this generation in this generation.



I was thrilled to be in a Spirit-filled meeting with Pastor David Jordan and his people at Lighthouse B.C. in Shepherdsville, KY. When we lived in Indiana, Brother Dave was my godly pastor for several years. Not only was my precious son-in-law, Jerry Sexton, preaching in this meeting, so were my good friends of over 40 years: Dr. Bob Hamblen, Dr. Fred Schindler, and Evangelist Gary Shock. These men are tremendous preachers and preached messages that filled the altars. I sure enjoyed this opportunity to preach with them. Thank you, Dave!

As we think of this wonderful time of the year that we celebrate the birth of our Saviour, I have prayed that all of us would take every opportunity to share this amazing Truth of God's love gift with the world. Jesus became flesh because of our sin. He was tortured and nailed to a cross for sinners such as you and me. The old, old story does not end there, Christ arose from the grave to justify us of our sins. Hallelujah! If you have not repented of your sins, believed in the only begotten Son of God, and received Him as your Saviour, won't you do it today. We don't have long on this earth to make decisions; so, please make the right decision and not the wrong one, before it's too late.





Marie and I had the privilege of attending the opening night of the Freedom Baptist Church Camp Meeting in Pigeon Forge, TN where Dr. Ed Parton is the pastor. I had been trying to get over chronic bronchitis when we came to the meeting. After the services on Monday night, there were high winds and smoke everywhere. We had a friend who had gotten us a nice townhome at a resort in Gatlinburg for the length of the meeting. As we headed to Gatlinburg the police stopped us and would not let us go any farther. They evacuated 14,000 people from the area. Motels were already filling up fast, so we had to get a motel 20 miles from the church. All my medicine, my nebulizer, my breathing machines, our clothes, our toilet articles, Marie's makeup, our food, and several other things were in Gatlinburg. We had to go to Walmart to get some things to make ourselves presentable for Tuesday. Without my medicine, nebulizer, breathing machine, and inhaling so much smoke, I was not able to attend any more of the camp meeting. The smoke even came through the heater into our motel room. I got so sick and had to be put in the hospital.

After several days, we saw that getting our things were impossible, so we headed home to Ohio. Because I was still having breathing problems, I had to go into Jewish Mercy Hospital in Cincinnati.

After two weeks, we were allowed to go back to Tennessee and get our things. The small townhome in which we stayed one night was not burned, and we did not lose anything. How we thank our wonderful God for this. While there, I did have a bad fall, with which I am still struggling. My lower back and hip were injured, and I had some cuts and bruises. I have been seeing a chiropractor for two months, but it only helps for a day or two. I will be getting some surgical procedures and water therapy in the days and weeks ahead.

Do pray for the people in the Gatlinburg. So many lost everything and some lost their lives. Seeing all these hurting people broke out hearts.

Please pray that we can get back on the road soon in meetings. We cannot afford to cancel our meetings. Funds for the publication and distribution of the Scriptures must be raised or people will perish without the precious Truth of the Word of God. It is a heavy burden that we carry, and we cannot bear this burden alone. We need your help in prayer and finances.

Thank you for loving us and our great ministry of Bearing Precious Seed. We appreciate you and are praying for you, as you labor for Christ's honor and glory and for the furtherance of the Gospel.

Yours for Christ and His Word,

Bob & Marie Ford—Eph. 3:20, 21

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