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WORLD WATCH

Shipments (40-ft. and 20-ft. ship containers) have been sent to national coordinators in the French-speaking African nations of **Democratic Republic of Congo, Cameroon, Togo, Central Africa Republic, Benin, Burundi, and Ivory Coast.** Some shipments have already been received, while others await customs clearance.

ACTSCo in Thailand has printed 50,000 copies of the *He Is Risen!* salvation coloring book in **Thai** for distribution throughout Thailand. This is a first-time printing of this popular coloring book in that nation, where terrorists have been exploding bombs and grenades in the streets of Bangkok.

Printings in Indonesia continue, with 100,000 copies each of *Help From Above* and *The Way to God* in **Indonesian**, plus 25,000 copies each of *A Bible Study on John* and *A Bible Study on Matthew*. These printings provide Indonesian believers with spiritual encouragement, plus booklets to distribute. Materials in local languages cannot be imported.

In China, 100,000 booklets in each of three titles have recently been printed for use by believers there.

One Precious Copy— and Glad to Get More

Recently a couple from Tennessee took 16 ten-pound boxes of WMP Scripture booklets into Mexico for a mission trip and pastors' conference. They reported: "Upon arriving at the church in Mexico, we opened the boxes and counted out stacks of each title, dividing them equally. We then packaged the Scripture booklets and [Bible] study guides with one New Testament for the pastors to take to their respective churches throughout northern Mexico. Many pastors came into the room while we were packing the material, **reluctant to wait** to receive them.

"One pastor was excited and reached into his pocket to show me a copy of *A Bible Study on Revelation*. He had laminated it. He said he had copied it for use in his church—it was his only copy. He was **so glad to know he would be getting more.** During the day, pastors came to thank us for coming. It was so moving to see **pastors with tears of appreciation.**

"Although we didn't speak the same language, we could identify each other as brothers in Christ by your booklets."

"At the end of the conference we went to the squatters' camp. We took half a box of Scripture booklets to pass out. Most were gone within two hours.

"On the way home we stopped at a flea market in Texas. We found a small band of Mexican believers singing gospel music and preaching. In front of them they had a basket of WMP Scrip-



Boxes of WMP Scripture booklets are transported to workers who are waiting for tools for reaching out to others.

ture booklets for distribution. Although we didn't speak the same language, we could identify each other as brothers in Christ by your booklets. Thank you."

Precious Seed Planted in Haiti

A mission trip to Haiti in the summer of 2009 planted the precious seed of God's Word before the devastation of this January's earthquake. A group from Kentucky took Kreyol Scripture booklets and New Testaments to a small mountain village. "Each day we packed up items and went into the countryside for home prayer visits. We prayed with each family and told them about Jesus and the plan of salvation. We distributed seed packets, New Testaments, rice, beans, shoes, and personal items. **The people of Haiti are starving for the Word of God.** They treasure the Bible and are so excited to receive one in their language. Your ministry is priceless. Thank you so much for allowing us to give the [Kreyol New Testament with

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Psalms and Basic Study Supplement] to those who want to know the Word of God.”

[God's Word is a vital element for relief efforts in Haiti. You can provide 20 Kreyol New Testaments with Psalms and Basic Study Supplement for a donation of \$28.80 or 75 New Testaments for \$108. A gift of \$100 can provide 48-page Kreyol Scripture booklets for 2,500 people.]



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A Faithful Friend Moves On



David Tamez served as WMP's national coordinator for Mexico for more than 25 years. His enthusiasm about the effectiveness of WMP Scripture booklets and his desire to reach the people of Mexico with the truth of the gospel **opened the door for the close partnership in ministry between World Mis-**

sionary Press and Every Home for Christ. David also wrote a brochure, "How to Be Effective in Evangelism Using WMP Scripture Booklets," which is inserted into boxes of English and Spanish booklets as they come off the bindery. Over the years, WMP sent David **almost 15 million booklets** to share with distributors throughout Mexico. **More than 2½ million booklets** from those shipments **were sent on to Cuba** with David's assistance.

David has been involved with many Christian organizations and has felt led of the Lord to take on a larger responsibility with another ministry. Therefore he advised WMP that he will no longer be able to serve as our national coordinator. He wrote, "I want to thank the WMP team for the great opportunity you have given me to serve local churches and pastors in Mexico. Your

ministry and faithful support have been of great blessing for millions of people throughout the country."

The WMP team extends to David (and to his wife Sandra and daughters Sandy and Wendy) our heartfelt thanks for all he has done for the distribution of WMP Scripture booklets throughout Mexico.

God's Provision: A New Coordinator in Mexico

Needing to find someone to serve as WMP coordinator in the greater Mexico City area, we prayed about who to contact. At the same time, Every Home for Christ was establishing a new national director for Mexico. A network of churches pledged to help distribute one million gospel booklets in the metropolitan areas surrounding Mexico City. This area plus the greater Mexico City area includes 27 million people.

EHC's new director, Gloria Silva Lopez, had visited churches in Chiapas, Mexico, and met Andres Noguera, WMP's coordinator for that part of Mexico. He shared WMP booklets with her and encouraged her to contact WMP for more. That conversation led to others, and Gloria agreed to take on the responsibility of overseeing distribution of WMP literature in her area. The **40-ft. container being prepared for Mexico** will be of great benefit, as 2010 has been declared the "Year of Christian Outreach Pro-Evangelization." EHC will be



Each Mexican young person who reads a Scripture booklet can learn how to become a born-again believer.



God used these willing hands to distribute Scripture booklets during evangelistic outreach in Juarez, Mexico.

actively involved in this home-to-home outreach which has been named “Love Letter from a Father.” They are anticipating 45,000 new believers as a result of this campaign. Surely God’s timing and leading are perfect.

[A gift of \$20 will reach 500 people in Mexico; \$100 will present the gospel to 2,500 people there. Every dollar counts. See response form enclosed or go to www.wmpress.org/donateonline.shtml to help on-line.]

Reaching Hands and Hearts Across a Troubled Border

Many churches, ministries, and individuals are reaching into Mexico with the gospel through distribution of WMP literature. A church on the border with El Paso, Texas, has established a program of evangelism in Juarez, Mexico. They requested WMP Scripture booklets for their young people to use in this program. “Our youth program has been an outstanding success as our Lord has moved the young people to witness of the love of Christ. We continue to preach every Saturday in hospitals, in rehab centers, and in orphanages. It’s **very exciting how people appreciate the booklets**, and always there are people making a **commitment to accept Jesus as their Savior**. We continue to share the gospel in this neighborhood where death has become common. We are so thankful for you.”

One Texas ministry which reaches into Mexico and Nicaragua with WMP booklets wrote, “I am still impressed how the Latin Americans **begin to read the booklet the minute you give one to them**. In Nicaragua we were preaching on the streets. One of the pastors was using a megaphone and I was handing out Scripture booklets. The first 5-6 people I approached refused to take them. I asked God to show me why. Then I remembered hearing a street preacher that morning give a message and then ask for any offering. **I began to tell the people that the booklets were free**, and it didn’t take long for them to begin to come and ask for them. Praise God!”



< Spanish He Is Risen! salvation coloring books are prized tools for sharing the hope of the resurrection with children and their parents.



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Training Pastors in Nicaragua

WMP is working with two partner ministries to help train pastors in Nicaragua. Steve Bakos and **Messiah Project** have used WMP literature to reach the Miskito people with the gospel. Now the Lord has opened a door for Messiah Project to “**minister to hundreds of Nicaraguan pastors and church leaders,**” he wrote. “We are holding seminars once a month in various locations throughout the country. We have seen many tears as the Lord is relighting a fire in the hearts of those attending. We have been providing these pastors and church leaders with Scripture booklets to help equip them to act on that fire and [get involved].”



WMP is delighted to help provide pastors in Nicaragua with boxes of Spanish Scripture booklets.

“WMP literature is filling a crucial role in equipping these brothers and sisters. As the pastors go out, they are encouraging those in their congregations to share the good news of Jesus as well, multiplying the laborers in the fields. We are so thankful to the Lord and WMP for the blessing and impact the literature is having here in Nicaragua.”

Way of the Cross Ministries also uses WMP literature for work in Mexico and Nicaragua. Ben Butler reported, “This year we worked in some of the poorest schools in Managua and saw over 28,000 salvations the week of the crusade. *A Bible Study on John* was given to every person who accepted Jesus as well as to all the students we spoke to. We

estimated that we **ministered to over 50,000 people.** We are seeing a tremendous army of young evangelists being raised up. Please share with all the WMP staff how important they are to the growth of the Kingdom by the literature they provide.”

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[You can encourage pastors and leaders in Nicaragua with the spiritual tools they need. Every \$50 will provide 1,250 Spanish Scripture booklets; \$1,000 will reach 25,000 lives with the message of hope and forgiveness.]

Village Pastors Starved for Literature

“I have just returned from a 35-day trip to Peru. We were able to distribute 2,000 booklets. I just want to say thanks because many people who have never heard the gospel now have a booklet to help them. I was able to minister to over 1,000 children in the poor jungle villages. Thanks for your continued love for the Lord. Without your ministry, many would never hear the gospel. I also gave many booklets to village pastors who are starving for literature to pass out.”
—S.B., Illinois, U.S.A.

Evangelizing in Satan's Stronghold

“My ministry has been evangelizing in Pomona for 2½ years. It is a stronghold of gangs, drugs, prostitutes, gay bars, Satan worship, and people who don't know God. I want to tell you about a guy named Mike. I witnessed to him and gave him the booklet *How to Know God* with my phone number on the back. Two weeks later he called me at 11:30 at night, saying he was drinking and needed prayer because he had been going through so much. I prayed with him, and he made a profession of faith. I have been teaching him on Thursday nights, and he has such a hunger to know God. Mike was stabbed four times at the age of 16, and his best friend died. He says he knows he needs God. I thank God for your ministry.”
—E.A., California, U.S.A.

God Became Real Through Rice and a Booklet

“My husband left home to look for work a long time ago, and I am wondering what happened to him. He has not returned. My two children are with me. A knock on my door turned out to be a miracle knock. We had reached the end of the line with no hope. When I opened the packet [of rice], I found a booklet called *Who Am I That a King Would Die in My Place?*, and it was in my language! I am so touched. God has become real to my small family. Thank you [Every Home for Christ] for coming when I needed people to speak to me the Word of God.”
—D.R., Zambia

Wonderful Gospel Booklet

“I received a gospel booklet entitled *How to Know God*. It helped me know God more clearly. I read it many times and am still longing to read it again. Thanks for the wonderful gospel booklet.”
—D.R., Nepal