



# World Missionary Press NEWS

Worldwide Ministry Highlights/Free

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## Giving God's Word to All the World



**WMP has produced over 1,191,000,000** Scripture booklets, Bible studies, salvation coloring books, and New Testaments since its beginning almost 44 years ago. To God be the glory for each portion of His Word that has been given in His name. This past fiscal year God provided record income for record in-plant production, the equivalent of 4.6 million booklets per month. Our prayerful, earnest goal is production of 6 million booklets per month in plant plus one million per month overseas as *God provides the means*.

**Almost 6,000 boxes of booklets, primarily Russian and Ukrainian,** were sent to WMP's national coordinators in Russia and Ukraine as well as to major distributors in Finland and the Netherlands. Workers in Finland and Russia have waited more than a year for their materials.

**Pastor Douglas Robb,** WMP's national coordinator in Jamaica and speaker at WMP's 43rd anniversary celebration in October, 2004, will receive 1,450 boxes of Scripture booklets and Bible studies for his ministry and for another faithful ministry in that island nation.

"I am from Ethiopia . . . From the beginning I was not with Jesus, but one day I saw your booklet and read it. After that I understood the [truth], and **my heart was broken to take Jesus as my personal Savior.** Now I understand the truth that because of my sin, God sent His only Son to save me. Also I believe that Jesus died on the cross for my sin. Your booklet, *The Amazing Life of Jesus Christ*, can change me. It is written in simple English. God bless you." —D.M.

This poignant letter from a worker in a sugar factory in **Ethiopia** contains the vision of World Missionary Press. We are *confident* that God's Word, used by the Holy Spirit, can bring readers and hearers to salvation through Jesus Christ. In a world filled with death and darkness, suffering and pain, the words of Scripture bring peace, comfort, and hope. Through 48-page topical Scripture booklets, WMP distributors around the world can offer hope through Christ, who can heal a hurting heart and save a lost world.

An evangelism team leader in **Cameroon** gave 5,250 booklets to a mobile missionary team going to evangelize in East and South Cameroon. He wrote, "We have been using your literature in door-to-door evangelism and



**People in Cameroon who have been set free by God's Word.**

open-air campaigns. The large [Bible study] booklets and New Testaments are used in follow-up of new converts. We have also given up to 6,300 pocket-size booklets to pastors of different denominations . . . for evangelism campaigns in their churches. We also gave 150 New Testaments to pastors for ministry in prison. . . . According to the reports of different groups, *more than 2,000 people have made decisions to follow Christ.* We really bless the Lord for your ministry, and we pray that the Lord will continue to use you to bless this generation." —M.M.

A lady from **Brazil**, requesting a box of *How to Know God* in Portuguese, wrote, "I used to have this kind of booklet to give to my clients and colleagues and to give to people on the street . . .



**Dr. Francisco Rodriguez (I) takes time off from his dermatology practice to deliver WMP Scripture booklets in numerous countries.**

I have finished one box of *Help From Above*, and I had wonderful experiences like people receiving Jesus, people having a reconciliation with Jesus, and many opportunities to explain about salvation in Jesus. I would like to continue doing that. The booklets are a very efficient way to introduce a conversation about Jesus. God bless you." —S.C.

An outreach ministry in **South Africa** reported using three to four boxes (160 copies per box) each month of *A Bible Study on John* for people

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**World Missionary Press, Inc.**  
Year ending September 30, 2004\*

**Balance Sheet**

	General Operating Fund	Stewardship and Annuity Funds	Total All Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	79,567	10,573	90,140
Receivables	7,691	502	8,193
Contribution receivable		15,000	15,000
Raw materials inventory	60,124		60,124
Prepaid expenses	70,930	1,875	72,805
Property and equipment less depreciation	604,338	234,105	838,443
Investments in annuities		446,337	446,337
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>822,650</b>	<b>708,392</b>	<b>1,531,042</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>			
Accounts payable	52,655	6,376	59,031
Accrued expenses	17,472	13,449	30,921
Current and long-term notes payable		70,583	70,583
Current and long-term annuity liabilities		438,407	438,407
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>70,127</b>	<b>528,815</b>	<b>598,942</b>
Unrestricted net assets	740,423	179,577	920,000
Temporarily restricted net assets	12,100		12,100
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>822,650</b>	<b>708,392</b>	<b>1,531,042</b>

Annuity liability is what we owe to annuitants for lifetime payments. Note that annuity investments above cover this. WMP no longer receives gift annuities.

**Interesting facts:**

- WMP Scriptures have gone into **209 countries** of the world.
- **Scripture booklets have been printed in 318 languages.**
- This past fiscal year WMP produced 47,870,200 Scripture booklets the size of *Help From Above*, 4,200,325 Bible studies, and 256,260 salvation coloring books, a record production volume.
- All 40 paid workers, including the president, receive the same hourly wage, recently raised to \$7.75. Approximately **270 volunteers** per month save thousands of dollars.
- Production cost per 48-page booklet this past year, including overhead, was about 4 cents each (including postage) on average. **Every dollar contributed for Scripture booklets produces booklets for about 25 people.**
- Use of special shipments and ship containers last year saved WMP about \$524,263 over post office costs.

—Vicky Benson, Treasurer

**Statement of Activities**

**SUPPORT AND REVENUE**

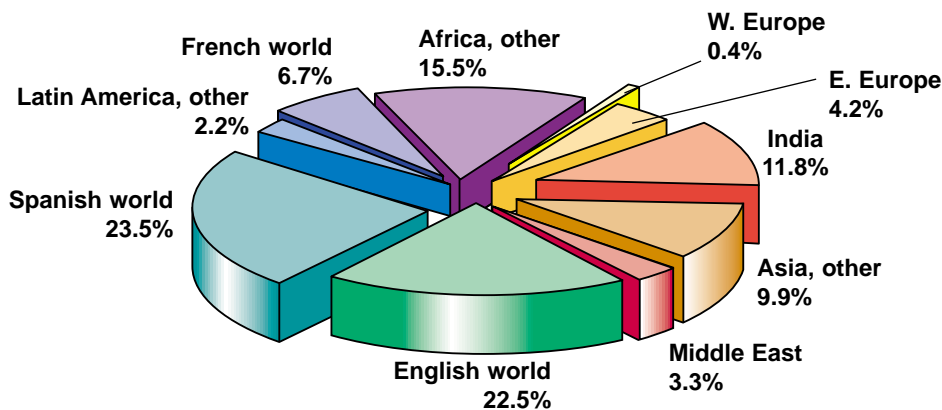
Contributions recognized for operations	2,376,031	25,000	2,401,031
Contributions recognized for capital	5,450		5,450
Rental income		24,405	24,405
Interest and dividends income	2,205	222	2,427
Miscellaneous income	18,015	3,785	21,800
<b>Total support and revenue</b>	<b>2,401,701</b>	<b>53,412</b>	<b>2,455,113</b>

**EXPENSES**

Production costs	1,353,745		1,353,745
Shipping	603,262		603,262
<b>Total program services</b>	<b>1,957,007</b>		<b>1,957,007</b>
Development	134,253		134,253
General	296,119	55,782	351,901
<b>Total supporting activities</b>	<b>430,372</b>	<b>55,782</b>	<b>486,154</b>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>2,387,379</b>	<b>55,782</b>	<b>2,443,161</b>
Increase (decrease) in unrestricted net assets	14,322	(2,370)	11,952
Increase (decrease) in temporarily restricted net assets	1,000		1,000
<b>Net assets, beginning of year</b>	<b>737,201</b>	<b>181,947</b>	<b>919,148</b>
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>	<b>752,523</b>	<b>179,577</b>	<b>932,100</b>

\* A copy of our complete audited Financial Statements is available free upon request.

**2003-2004 Production Prepared for These Areas of the World**



**WMP Board of Directors:**

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**Eagerness to receive 2-in-1 Scripture booklets in southern Africa is exciting to experience.**

who come for prayer and salvation at their crusade meetings. Their evangelist writes, "As an evangelist I am blessed and appreciate your material that I use all the time to share the Word of God." —J.M.

During the past fiscal year 47,708,200 items were printed, boxed, and sent to **167 countries**, spreading to every corner of the globe. Many booklets were mailed by friends and relatives into closed areas of the world.

Previously in Chiang Mai, **Thailand**, a truck loaded with 435,355 Scripture booklets, representing nine languages of the region, headed for the **Burmese border and beyond**. People in South-east Asia who knew only Buddhism or tribal religions were able to know of the one true God who loves them and has given His Word to be read in their languages—**Burmese, Hmong Daw, Karen S'gah, Lahu, Naga, Ngo Chang, Rawang, and Wa**. Such



**A Thai girl reads The Way to God.**

names are strange to us but not to the ear and heart of God.

Along the **upper Amazon River in Colombia** the Chowning family faithfully serves the Lord. They are thrilled to see what God is doing in this region and thank WMP for being "an awesome part of our work. *You are the only ones that send us material free of charge.*" In one year they distributed approximately 45,000 Scripture booklets. "It is just incredible to see how much use we're getting out of the WMP booklets." They have sent English booklets into **Brazil** to be used to teach English in the schools. Christian teachers use WMP booklets in schools established in closed tribes. Brazil's constitution requires schools to be established in those tribes and also requires the teaching of English. Pastors also use the booklets for evangelism. "**WMP is going places that missionaries may never go, but [the Word] is going and God is doing incredible things.**" —L.C.

As WMP strives to provide many, many distributors with the materials they request, God continues to bring

opportunities. Shipments that can be sent on skids or in ship containers cost thousands of dollars less than to send the same number of boxes individually through the postal service. Many orders can sometimes be combined in one consignment and sent to a central location. When distributors in countries such as **Brazil, Paraguay, Mozambique, Malawi, and Jamaica** receive and process shipments for fellow distributors, more material can be shipped at less expense.

Last year a WMP employee accompanied a semi-trailer, loaded with booklets, to Texas. Many of these booklets were destined for **Mexico**, where Mexican pastors eagerly awaited their arrival. Some were taken to Nicaragua through Way of the Cross Ministries. Their director, along with a team of 70, met with nearly 60,000 people. They distributed food, school supplies, and literature and reported some 26,000 salvations. Another ministry delivered newly-printed Miskito booklets to **Nicaragua**. This year a 40-foot semi is planned to be driven to Texas with booklets for eight different ministries working out of Texas.

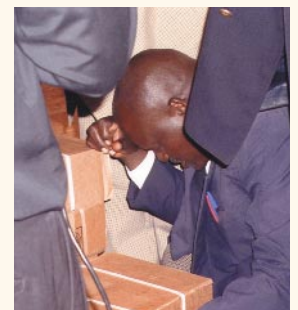
A distributor in Illinois regularly sends WMP booklets to missionary friends. She reports, "I just heard from a missionary friend in **Mali**. She said that a gentleman there is 'radically saved,' is using the Scripture booklets and 'leading many to the Lord,' and that he is 'fearless in his witness.' How exciting!" —J.E.

From **Kenya**, "Your booklets have helped so much in this ministry. As we go out every day to the Kenyan people and preach salvation, these booklets help us reach people who aren't ready to commit their lives to Christ and people who have just committed their lives to Christ (praise God), showing them exactly what it means to be saved. *The [booklets] truly have changed thousands of people in Kenya.* We really need more. The more you give, the more people who don't have Bibles will be able to read Scripture." —S.S.

Yes, we KNOW that the Scripture booklets are effectively taking God's Word to all the world. We KNOW that it is



**Christians in Mali take seriously Jesus' call to take the gospel to every creature.**



**Distributor in Kenya prays earnestly over boxes of booklets.**

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God's will that none should perish and that ALL should come to repentance. We KNOW that faithful distributors will go door-to-door, ride mighty rivers into hidden jungles, and cross over dangerous borders to carry this precious gospel. And we KNOW that our God is mighty to save . . . regardless of time or place, language or culture.

*[Your involvement through prayer and financial support is very important. Each \$20 donated provides for 500 Scripture booklets. A \$100 gift will touch 2,500 people with God's wonderful Word.]*



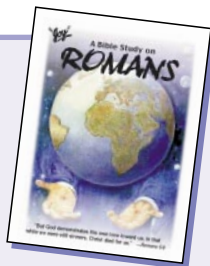
### **"Power to Transform a Life"**

An inspiring new rent-free video is ready to enjoy. "Power to Transform a Life" captures the essence of WMP's 43rd anniversary, celebrating a record year of income and produc-

tion. Featured speaker Pastor Douglas Robb, WMP's coordinator in Jamaica, himself came to Christ through literature and shares his love for God's Word and the work of WMP. *To borrow a copy free of charge, check the response form, or call or e-mail your request. (A return postage-paid mailer is provided. Or you may keep the video for \$10 reimbursement.)*

### **New Tools for Discipleship and Evangelism**

Highlighted by the production of *A Bible Study on Romans* in English, several new titles and languages were added during the past fiscal year. The salvation coloring book *He Is Risen!* in French was added, along with two new Bible studies (Genesis and Revelation) in Simplified Chinese. *Help From Above* and *The Way to God* were printed in Miskito for use in Nicaragua. A total of 15 new projects were completed during the year, adding to the tools available for those working from India to Germany and from Mongolia to Togo. Write or e-mail to request WMP's *International Ordering Guide*, which describes each title and lists each language available (or visit our website at <http://www.wmpress.org>).



**Woodrow Goodman (1918-2004)**

### **"To God Be the Glory"**

Woodrow Goodman, one of four incorporators of WMP in 1961 (along with his younger brother, co-founder Watson Goodman), died September 5, 2004. (His wife, Marie, died 3½ weeks later.) For the first 40 years of WMP's history, he served faithfully on WMP's Board of Directors and as corporate Secretary. When WMP, a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial

Accountability, underwent their onsite review five years ago, ECFA's examiner told us that never had he seen such a complete and well-written set of corporate minutes.

When Watson Goodman died in late January, 2002, Woodrow flew from California into a blizzard to speak at his brother's memorial service, just days after their older sister had also passed away. (The memorial celebration, which includes his message on Abraham and the life of faith, is available on video free of charge.)

Dr. Goodman loved and taught God's Word. For much of his life he served in Christian college administration, most notably at Bethel College (Mishawaka, Indiana) for 13 years and Marion College (now Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, Indiana) for 16 years.

Over his lifetime he received many honors, but in his memoirs he wrote, "Being secretary to World Missionary Press has been for me an unpublished activity that has untold spiritual results. In that day when all things are known, being a small part of this dynamic work of God may be my reward far beyond many other better known activities. Truly the Scriptural booklet ministry has been a bridge in countless lives over the valley of sin and guilt to a place of forgiveness and peace." To God be all the glory! The family listed World Missionary Press as one of the charities to which gifts in his memory should be sent.

### **Statement of Faith**

We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the only infallible authoritative Word of God. We believe that there is one God eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful men, regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential and that salvation comes by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost—those who are saved unto the resurrection of life and those who are lost unto the resurrection of damnation. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.

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