

Bearing Precious Seed Scripture Publishing & Distribution Ministry

2021 Annual Report

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Romans 10:17

We are so glad that God is in control even in the midst of the events of 2021. We stand amazed at how God continues to use the ministry to reach a lost and dying world with His Precious Word. We cannot adequately describe for you the many ways God has blessed Wyldewood's Bearing Precious Seed ministry. This report will only highlight a few of the blessings we have seen God perform over the course of the past year.

In our prayer letters we try to regularly thank all those who volunteer their time to work in the print shop. We rely heavily on our volunteers to get the scriptures produced. We would like to say a special thank you to our faithful volunteers from Wyldewood Baptist Church. We have people from our church that come and work in the shop every week, some of them almost every day, including Saturdays! These folks are the life blood of our ministry and we sincerely appreciate each and every one of them. We would also like to say a special thank you to Independent Baptist Church of Ramsey, Minnesota, and Trinity Baptist Church of Warrenton, Virginia, for going the extra mile and making our ministry their mission trip for 2021.

We had another tremendous year of scripture production! In 2021, we were able to produce a total of 638,145 Bibles, New Testaments, John & Romans, and tracts. Included in these totals are 235,800 Spanish tracts that we sent to Puerto Rico and Mexico. The "Responding to Coronavirus in the Light of Eternity" tracts continued to be effective in 2021 as we had requests for a total of 13,000 of them. These tracts were custom printed with the addresses of those churches that requested them. In addition to all of the scriptures we produced, we were able to help several churches and missionaries with brochures, bus invitations, bulletins, newsletters, special event invitations and flyers.

A few of the many highlights of 2021 were the production of scriptures to fill a 20 foot shipping container with 40,000 pounds of scriptures to Kenya, Africa. These included 10,000 whole Bibles and 300,000 John & Romans in English and in Swahili. Due to a family emergency for the missionary family receiving the scriptures we had to hold off shipping the container until the beginning of 2022. We also produced 10,000 Telugu and 10,000 Hindi New Testaments in a combined effort with the Bible and Literature Missionary Foundation in Shelbyville, Tennessee. We shipped the scriptures we produced to them in Tennessee, where they loaded them on a container with the scriptures they produced, and shipped them all to India.

In a report like this our focus is always on God's word and reaching the lost with the Gospel. "It is only good news if they get it." It is very easy to over look some of the other ways God blesses us. One of the other ways He blessed us last year was allowing us to upgrade a key machine in the print shop, the press. In 2021 it became obvious we needed to replace our old press. God, as only He can, burdened a family to donate the funds to buy the ministry a new press! This is exciting in and of itself. It is really exciting to think this is the first brand new press we as a ministry have ever had in our 42 year history. To God be the glory great things He has done!

God's word changes lives, Tim Carpenter, Director

Welcome Paganos!

On February 6, 2022, Joe and Jendi Pagano were commissioned by Wyldewood Baptist Church to represent the Bearing Precious Seed Scripture Publishing ministry of Oshkosh, Wisconsin. We are excited to see what God has planned for their future here at BPS. Please pray for them as they begin their deputation travels. Please consider having them come to your church to present our scripture publishing ministry.









Hello friends!

We, Joe and Jendi Pagano, are excited to join Bearing Precious Seed, Oshkosh, as representatives.

We were blessed to grow up in Baptist families in Pennsylvania and get saved at early ages. Our first hands-on experience with Scripture publishing was at a church event when we were teenagers. We got to fold covers, collate signatures, and staple John/Romans for missionaries.

We've always been active in our local church. In 2015, the Lord laid on our hearts to move towards more church ministry. We moved to upstate New York to join the staff of Valley Bible Baptist Church. While we



were there, we had some opportunities to help the Northeast Baptist Seedline ministry based out of that church. It was exciting to help other churches assemble Scriptures and then be a part of passing out those same Scriptures.

In 2019, we felt the Lord leading us towards full time ministry. We visited Wyldewood as a family in July of 2020, and the print shop was the first place we visited. At that time we didn't know for sure what specific ministry we would work with, but we felt the Lord leading us

to Wyldewood Baptist Church. In October 2020 we packed a Uhaul and drove all of our belongings 1,000 miles to Oshkosh, Wisconsin - just in time for church to be canceled because of you-know-what.

During the past year, while seeking the Lord's direction for ministry, Joe has worked as a self-employed handyman with expertise in HVAC, and works as a subcontractor for Duncan Windows and Doors. Jendi works part time in the church office, and occasionally on jobs with Joe. Our son, Joey, is a Freshman at Biblical School of World Evangelism (BSWE.org) in Milford, OH. Our oldest daughter, Adina (far right in photo), is preparing to go to college in the fall to study music education. Our youngest, Christina, is in 11th grade at Wyldewood Christian School.

We are currently helping at least one day a week in the print shop, and have enjoyed getting to meet some of the volunteers that help. Tim included us in the training sessions for the new press, Joe is learning how to fix the machines, and Jendi is happy to help with secretarial work. Lord willing, we will start deputation in March 2022. If you'd like us to visit your church, email jpagano@wyldewood.org.

We are honored to have a part in printing God's Word. The Scriptures printed in BPS can go places we will never get to go. Let's join together to send our fingerprints around the world!

~ Joe and Jendi Pagano



Current Project Update



The first major project we are working on in 2022 is 100,000 Farsi New Testaments for Iran. As of the writing of this letter we have 30,000 complete and in the warehouse.

God has blessed us with many volunteers. Almost everyday we have volunteers from all over Wisconsin working in the shop. Some people come from as far as four hours away! On a regular basis we have five different churches represented in the shop at one time. Last week we had a total of 84 people working in the shop over the course of a

week. Next week we have Mission Team coming from Independent Baptist Church in Ramsey, Minnesota.

Booklets in Dari

While working on the scriptures for Iran we were approached by a Missionary going to closed countries in the Middle East. We were able to print some Gospel booklets for him. He has since smuggled them in and has seen people saved. He told us that Christianity is flourishing in many of these closed countries, and we need to continue to pray for the Christians in these countries as they are persecuted and even martyred for their faith.



Scriptures for Africa

Last year we were able to produce a container load of Scriptures for Kenya, Africa. Due to some delays beyond anyone's control we were not able to ship this container at the end of last year. The shipping of this container is now scheduled for February 25, 2022! We look forward to sharing many pictures about the scriptures shipping, arriving, and being handed out in Kenya. Thank you to all those that have prayed for, given towards, and helped assemble all these scriptures. There are 10,000 whole Bibles and over 300,000 John & Romans in either English or Swahili.

M.O.M. Fund Update

As many of you know last year we had a generous donor give \$40,000 to a matching fund that we call our M.O.M. (Modernize Our Machines) fund. Our immediate need was to replace our press. The need to keep our machines running at top performance or to be replaced as they become too expensive to keep repairing is critical to us getting the word of God in to the hands of the lost around the world. You can see from our end of year report on the first page that God continues to bless our ministry. We are producing more scriptures and have more people volunteering in the shop. God continues to bless our machinery as we have an ever increasing demand on them. It is apparent as we produce more and our machines continue to age we need to be prepared to replace them as the time comes. As we continue to raise money to match the \$40,000 that was donated last year, we are excited to inform you we have passed the half way mark and now have \$20,000 in a fund to help us upgrade our equipment. Thank you to all that have given! Please pray that God will continue to supply all of our needs.