



Fall 2023



Begging for Bibles
in Malawi



Preparing for
Puerto Rico trips



Serving by love
In the print shop

Bearing Precious Seed

A Scripture Publishing & Distribution Ministry of
Wyldewood Baptist Church in Oshkosh, WI



Malawi Police Asking for Bibles

Ovi and his team from Hope for the Future continue to pass out Bibles in Malawi. Ovi shared the story of one police officer given a Bible. The officer looked at the Bible in his hands and said, "This is a Bible? I have never seen a Bible. I never imagined I would hold one of my own. You have not only given me a Bible, but all my fellow officers too." He had never owned a Bible! His friends and fellow officers had never owned a Bible. His entire family as far back as you can trace has never had a Bible. You have made it possible for him to have one. God's word is changing lives in Malawi.

For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

Galatians 5:13



Letter from the Director:

There truly is joy in serving Jesus. We continue to see God bless our print ministry here at Wyldewood. We are truly humbled and blessed by all those that “by love serve.” (Gal 5:13) Daily there are people that volunteer their time to come to the shop and put their fingerprints on scriptures that are going around the word. We are often told about people who are “by love serving” through their continued prayers for the ministry. We are so thankful for those who “by love serve” through their gracious and sacrificial giving to finance the production of all these scriptures.

Financial Needs

- 1. Daily Operations & Paper
- 2. Personal & Ministry Support



- 3. Update Shop Equipment
- 4. Building Project: finish phase 2 & start phase 3



- 5. Containers for Malawi & East Timor



Recently, I was given the opportunity to go back to Puerto Rico where we have taken many mission trips, and helped others serve with the churches on the island. One of the main churches we work with in Puerto Rico, Iglesia Bautista Berea, of Aguadilla, has been growing under the leadership of Pastor David Arroyo. Pastor Arroyo is from Aguadilla and was saved and discipled under

Missionary Steve Buchanan. Pastor Buchanan started Berea in the 1990's, and the church had a successful pastoral transition in 2019. God continues to bless this church, and they have grown to the point Pastor Arroyo felt led of God to install two deacons. I was humbled when he asked me to come to Puerto Rico and preach the charge to the deacons on September 17. It was a very fast trip and a blessing to see God's hand continuing to move in Puerto Rico.

When Star and I arrived for service on Sunday morning, Pastor Arroyo introduced us to Migdalia and her family. Earlier this year she received a John and Romans at the main stop light where we distribute scriptures. She had received one there the year before as well. Migdalia said that she felt the need to go see what was going on at the church, and has been faithfully attending ever since!



In 2024, we are planning two different mission trips to Puerto Rico. First trip: January 23-27 Youth Outreach & Friend Sunday with Primera Iglesia Bautista de Ceiba, Pastor Luis Martinez
Second trip: February 20-27 Annual Pastors Retreat & Friend Sunday with Maranatha Baptist Church, Pastor Jerry Harmon, in Ceiba.

If you are interested in either or both of these trips please go to the QR code for more information as well as a form to fill out. There is a limited number of spaces, so don't wait. You can also go to our YouTube channel @BPSOshkosh and find a couple of videos from the 2023 trips to Puerto Rico.

God's word changes lives,
Tim Carpenter, Director





Carpenter family update: We are thankful for all the care people have shown our family. We are encouraged by your prayers, and kind words and actions. Star and I are doing well. Tomas is in his second year at Pensacola Christian College. Isaiah has transferred to Maranatha Baptist University. Isaiah's health continues to improve and we ask you to keep praying for him as he continues to add more to

his load as his health does improve. Please pray that God will continue to provide for both of the boys' college tuition. The next three boys, Justus, Zander, and Xavier are "enjoying" home schooling and Quinn truly enjoys disrupting their schooling whenever he can.



Pagano family update: On August 25, we drove to Pennsylvania and stayed for three weeks. Using Jendi's parents' house as a home base, we were able to visit ten churches. It was good to meet up with long-time friends and meet new ones. The world shrinks quickly when we start connecting mutual acquaintances.

It was encouraging to meet many fellow Christians that are "by love serving one another" in their local communities. It was discouraging to have car trouble, but we were able to get to each place we needed to be. It was encouraging to see the Lord provide a mechanic, the parts, and the funds to get our car ready for the trip home.

Please pray for our next trip to Alaska for a missions conference in October, and as we visit some churches closer to home through the fall.



Christian family update: We arrived in the US in March 2022 and had no idea what the future held. One thing that we were sure of was that God had everything under control. Our first task was to literally get our house in order. We had to essentially start over. The adjustment was challenging, and, at times, even traumatic, as we readjusted to American culture and life's

accelerated pace. God met our needs at every step and is still caring for our needs.

We are very excited to be part of BPS. We had experienced the blessing of handing out Scripture in foreign lands, saw the joy on the faces of those who read the Scripture, and rejoiced when people were saved. We had never experienced the blessing of assembling the Scripture and then handing those same Scriptures out on the mission field. There is no greater blessing!

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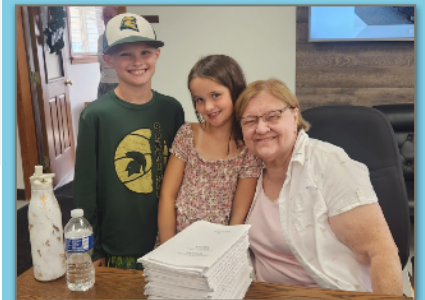
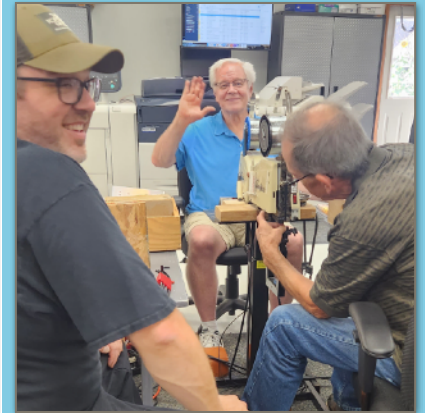


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If you send an email to bps@wyldewood.org, we'd be happy to switch your letter to digital.



Each month we have a birthday Tuesday, and we celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our volunteers for that month.



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Building Project Update

Planning has started for phase three, which is building an additional warehouse. We have already maxed out our renovated space. Please pray for wisdom for all the decisions that have to be made, and for the funds to complete the project. We are excited to watch God work it all out!

Memorial Donations

In memory of Paul & Pam Delap

In memory of Jim Hoffman

May the Lord comfort you as you grieve the loss of your loved ones.



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