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## BPS Staff

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# Bearing Precious Seed

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



## 50,000 John and Romans Were Assembled In 3 Days

In just three days, 400 people collated, stapled, trimmed, and boxed over 50,000 Spanish John and Romans! On August 5-7, we had the privilege of joining the Wisconsin Independent Baptist Fellowship's Camp to help celebrate 50 years of camp ministry. In honor of this milestone, the churches in the fellowship decided to produce 50,000 Spanish John and Romans for our upcoming E.P.I.C. outreach. The funds for this outreach were raised by the churches involved. It was truly amazing, and the campers really enjoyed participating in this project.

We are happy to report that the first John and Romans has already been handed out in the Dominican Republic! Tim was able to overcome the language barrier and witness to Diogenes by pointing out the underlined verses. O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. Psalm 34:8





## Financial Needs

- **Daily Operations & Paper**
- 3. Update Shop Equipment (M.O.M. Fund)
- 4. Building Project
- 5. Scriptures for East Timor



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### Letter from the Director:

"O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him." Psalm 34:8

Take a minute to meditate on Psalm 34:8. "The LORD is good"—sometimes we just need to be reminded of this. The verse goes on to say, "blessed is the man that trusteth in him." As we trust Him, we are blessed.

God has truly been blessing our ministry in the shop as we see many people volunteer their time to produce scriptures for people around the world. Not only are we witnessing God's blessings in the shop, but also as we travel for the ministry. The Christians, Paganos, and Carpenters have had very full travel schedules these last few months. If you would be interested in having one of us present the ministry in your church, we would be happy to do so as our schedules allow.

Speaking of traveling, on August 12, Tim and Star Carpenter, along with Joshua and Kelli Stertz, traveled to the Dominican Republic for a week. We were able to meet with several churches, pastors, and church members.

This was a survey trip for our upcoming E.P.I.C. trips. The Dominican Republic is one of the islands we will be Personal & Ministry Support ministering to next year during our E.P.I.C. campaigns, which will begin in January. For more information, please visit epic.wyldewood.org.



Currently, we are working on several projects in different languages for various countries. We have just shipped 10,000 Arabic/English John and Romans for a country in the Middle East. The missionary we are working with in this undisclosed country has a unique opportunity to freely distribute these for a brief window of time. We are diligently working on the Tzeltal New Testament, as well as Spanish scriptures for the Caribbean. We also have two different projects underway for ministries here in the USA. Shortly, we plan to begin working on a container load of English Bibles for Malawi, Africa. As we finish the Tetum John and Romans, we ask that you pray for the final review of the Tetum New Testament before we print it.

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God's word changes lives, Tim Carpenter, Director

#### UPDATES FROM OUR MISSIONARY STAFF FAMILIES





**Tim & Star Carpenter update:** It was a very full and busy summer. Tim and Star started their summer in Malawi, Africa in May and finished their summer in the Dominican Republic in August. Tomas and Isaiah have returned to Bible college. Star has started another homeschooling year. Justus is a Senior, Zander is a Freshmen, Xavier is in third grade, and Quinn has started Kindergarten. It was good to have everyone home for the summer. As the boys all get older we are thankful for the time we are able to spend together, albeit fleeting. Isaiah continues to improve from his health issues that started back in 2021. By God's grace the rest of us are in good health. Thank you for all the kind notes and support for our

**Joe & Jendi Pagano update:** We praise the Lord for providing a truck to pull our camper. We were able to use both during the week of camp while helping assemble 50,000 John and Romans. Afterward, we continued on to Minnesota and North Dakota, visiting five churches. It was a learning experience with the camper, but we think we did okay (LOL), and it helped us not feel quite so worn out.

We enjoyed visiting the headwaters of the Mississippi. It gave us an opportunity to reflect on Don Fraser's burden years ago to see the Bible spread throughout the land, just as the waters of the Mississippi spread across our nation and into the world.

For those of you that know our family: Joey is engaged and planning a wedding for next spring, Adina is halfway through cosmetology school, and Christina just started college. We appreciate your prayers for each of them!

In September, we have a 10-day deputation trip to Pennsylvania, and in October, we'll be heading to Arizona to present in some churches there. Please join us in praying for next year's schedule, and let us know if you'd like us to visit your church.









Jeff, Helen, & Jeffrey Christian update: We are blessed to be part of BPS. The Lord has opened so many opportunities to get scripture to people who desire to read the Bible in their own language. We recently had a group from Calvary Baptist Church in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin visit the shop. They worked all day collating and binding New Testaments for Chiapas, Mexico. They collated over half of the project and bound several thousand of them as well. The people in Chiapas currently only have the "Good News for Modern Man" version of the Bible in their native language. That will all change when they receive these New Testaments in their native Tzeltal language. Praise God! Please pray for this project.

God has also blessed our family. In early August, our grandson Emerson followed the Lord in believer's baptism. Our current trip has taken us out west to Idaho, where our third son is an assistant pastor at a church in Pocatello. I had the privilege of preaching the morning service and then hearing our son preach in the evening service. It is such a blessing to see God working in the hearts of our children and grandchildren. We so appreciate your prayers for us!

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One of the key goals of E.P.I.C. is to inspire and empower Puerto Rican believers to take the lead in ministering to other Caribbean islands. By equipping them with the tools and support they need, we aim to foster a movement where Puerto Ricans become short term missionaries to their neighboring islands. This initiative not only strengthens the regional church but also helps build lasting connections across the Caribbean, spreading the message of Christ further than ever before. A great example of this vision in action is the couple pictured with Tim & Star —Josue Torres, from Bolivia, and his new wife Maty, from Puerto Rico—who now minister in the Dominican Republic.





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