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# Bearing Precious Seed

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In our July prayer letter, we shared about a missions endeavor to the Caribbean next year. There will be **multiple trips** from January 13 through April 8, 2025. Evangelizing People In Caribbean (E.P.I.C.) was born out of a desire to reach the people of the Caribbean with the gospel of Jesus Christ. At this time, God has opened the doors wide for us to minister in both **Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic**. We will be working hand in hand with national pastors, missionaries, and local churches on these two Caribbean islands, with our sights set on other islands in the future. We have had a great response so far.

Bearing Precious Seed (BPS), Couriers for Christ (CFC), and Wings as Eagles (WAE) are working together for the January 13-25, 2025 trip to Puerto Rico, and there is still room for you to join us (no passport needed)! We will be working in the cities of Mayagüez, Guayama and Cidra with local Baptist churches.

On the March 3-11, 2025 trip, CFC has **room for a few more people** on the team going to Iglesia Bautista El Limon in El Limon, Dominican Republic (passport required). TeenMania Puerto Rico will take place from March 4-11, 2025, and we are looking for some more energetic people to help reach the youth of Puerto Rico (no passport needed).

Our March 17-25, 2025 trips are filling up! There will be three different teams ministering simultaneously in Santo Domingo, and one of the three team slots is already completely full. The goal of these particular trips is to work with several churches in Santo Domingo all at the same time. We will have the opportunity to **pass out tens of thousands of scriptures** with invitations to special events at each church where we will be working. We will also have the chance to visit public schools, parks, and Santo Domingo's extensive metro system to pass out scriptures.

Our annual retreat for both pastors and their wives will take place from April 1-8, 2025 at Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida in Mayagüez, Puerto Rico (no passport needed). We are **looking for people who want to serve the pastors and wives** of Puerto Rico. This retreat is always an encouragement to both those who are served and those who do the serving.

These various opportunities are unlike anything we have ever offered. We would **love to have you join us** in this epic outreach opportunity. Please visit us at [epic.wyldeewood.org](http://epic.wyldeewood.org) for more information on how you can join us as we "by love serve one another."



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Galatians 5:13b



## Prayer Requests

1. Finances for Daily Operations & Paper
2. Personal Support
3. Ministry Support
4. Update Shop Equipment (M.O.M. Fund)
5. Building Project
6. Scriptures for East Timor
7. E.P.I.C. Mission Trips
8. Scriptures for Malawi
9. Delivery of Tzeltal Bibles



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## Letter from the Director:

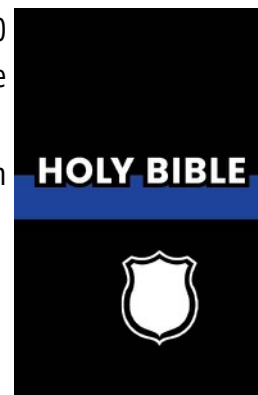
**Thankful!** As we enter this Thanksgiving season, this one word keeps coming to my mind. I am thankful for my salvation. I am thankful for my Saviour. I am thankful for my Bible, where I not only learned of my need for a Saviour but also how to grow closer to Him. Romans 10:17 says: “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” I am grateful to be able to produce His Word for the millions—billions—around the world who have never heard, “For God so loved the world...” I am thankful for a church that understands the Great Commission. I am thankful for a wife and family that not only support me in this great cause but have worked alongside me for nearly 24 years through the good times and the bad. I am thankful for the staff of Bearing Precious Seed here in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. I am thankful for the hundreds of volunteers who have come to work in the shop this year and put their fingerprints on hundreds of thousands of scriptures. Our ministry could not have produced all these scriptures without their help. I am thankful for each one of you receiving this prayer letter. I am thankful! I am blessed.

In our last prayer letter, we wrote about the 55,000 Spanish John and Romans that were prepared for the E.P.I.C. campaign in the Caribbean next year. We have **shipped a total of 75,000 Spanish John and Romans to Puerto Rico** to be staged for the beginning of this endeavor in January. Please pray they arrive safely and in a timely manner.

Our prayer letter in May shared about our trip to Malawi, Africa, in which the Police Commissioner, who is third in charge of all the police in the country, personally asked us to send enough English Bibles to give to every police officer in Malawi. This was a blessing, but also a challenge due to the scale of the task. I want to **personally thank Mount Pisgah Baptist Church** of Oliver Springs, Tennessee. Dr. Garvin Walls is their pastor, and Brother H.B. Carney is the longtime director of their print ministry. When they found out about this need, they donated 15,000 English Bibles and sent us the materials to produce another 10,000 English Bibles with a custom cover for the police.

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God's word changes lives,  
 Tim Carpenter, Director



## UPDATES FROM OUR MISSIONARY STAFF FAMILIES



**Tim & Star Carpenter update:** We are so thankful for all the friends we have around the world. We know many of you pray for our family and ministry regularly, and we are grateful for every prayer.

We are doing well and are thankful for what God is doing in our family. Tomas and Isaiah are both back in Bible college, and we look forward to having them home for Christmas break. Please pray for Isaiah, as he has experienced a recurrence of the health issues that began nearly four years ago. After each episode of his seizure-like events, he is very worn out for a couple of weeks, making it difficult to keep up with school and work. He has maintained a positive attitude through it all, but it remains a struggle.

Justus is a senior in high school, and we are praying with him about the next steps God would have him take in his life. Zander has started his freshman year of high school and

seems to be enjoying it—as much as any teenage boy enjoys school! Xavier is in third grade and would rather be outside on these autumn days. Quinn has started kindergarten and is learning to read and sit still, though the sitting still part seems to be the hardest most days.

**Joe & Jendi Pagano update:** We are very grateful to all of our prayer partners. We know that your prayers have supported us as we travel! We are currently working on our 2025 schedule and are looking for churches that would like to partner with us.

Due to some changes in our plans, we made a quick trip to Pennsylvania, where we visited two churches. It was a nice bonus to spend time with Jendi's family, enjoying moments with our nieces and nephews.

We had the opportunity to present our ministry and fill in for pulpit and piano at a church in Michigan before loading the camper and heading southwest. At the time of this writing, we are in New Mexico, traveling back from Phoenix toward Oshkosh. We've been blessed by five churches that have prayed for us and provided RV hookups, and we look forward to visiting a few more before returning home.

Thank you to those who pray for our children. Joey recently moved into his own apartment; Adina is busy finishing school and working at a hair salon; and Christina is feeling the weight of college assignments.



**Jeff, Helen, & Jeffrey Christian update:** Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are so grateful to serve Him! Over the last couple of months, we have been able to spend most of our time in the shop working on various ongoing projects. During this time, we have completed several projects. We recently finished 150,000 John and Romans in Tetum and 33,000 Tetum tracts, which represent over half of the overall project. Please pray for the Tetum New Testaments that still need to be completed.



We are currently working on the remaining 100,000 Spanish John and Romans for the E.P.I.C. campaign in the Caribbean and 10,000 whole Bibles for the police force in Malawi, Africa. We are so thankful for our volunteers who do so much for the Lord. Please pray for these projects and that the people who receive the scripture will be saved.

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Since our last prayer letter, we have been able to ship all the Tzeltal New Testaments. **Please pray that these scriptures arrive in a timely manner in Chiapas, Mexico.**

Seeds of Grace Transport has been a tremendous blessing to us, helping us get all the Tzeltal New Testaments to Missouri. They are scheduled to be on a shipment from Missouri to Oaxaca, Mexico soon. The missionary there plans to deliver them to Chiapas where the Tzeltal people are eagerly awaiting their arrival.



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