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Bearing Precious Seed

A Scripture Publishing & Distribution Ministry
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Building to Produce more Scriptures

Giving Tuesday is December 1, and this year we are excited to invite you to be part of something we believe will help prepare BPS for the future. God has blessed us with faithful churches, volunteers, and supporters who have helped us send His word around the world for decades. Our current facility is often stretched to its limits, and we find ourselves continually rearranging equipment, supplies, and scripture projects just to make room for the next job. We are thankful for every project God sends our way, but we are praying for a facility that will allow us to use our time and resources more efficiently and give more volunteers the opportunity to serve.

Our goal is to raise **\$1 million** toward a larger facility. We are praying for **1,000 partners who will give \$1 a day for 3 years**—\$1 million for God's word. Whether through a monthly commitment, an annual gift, or a one-time donation, every gift is an important part of this project. Our first phase will be a 60-by-60-foot steel warehouse addition on the south side of our current print shop, providing much-needed space for equipment, supplies, and scripture production. We would love for you to pray with us, share the need with others, and consider how you might have a part in helping us **build for God's word**. To see the plans, learn more about the need, and find giving information, visit **bearingpreciousseed.com/building**.

But the word
of God grew
and multiplied.
Acts 12:24



Prayer Requests

1. Building fund
2. Finances for daily operations & paper needed for projects
3. Personal & ministry support
4. Updating shop equipment (M.O.M. Fund)
5. Assembling 180,000 John and Romans for Philippines



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Timothy Blackman

Letter from the Director:

The truth of God's word growing and multiplying covers so many areas of our lives. We want to grow in our daily walk with God, see His word shared with the multitudes around us through our witness, and, in our particular ministry, physically see His word multiplied to the millions who do not have a copy to hold, read, and own for themselves.

At BPS, this happens in many ways. We produce the scriptures in various languages and ship them around the world by the ton. We also have opportunities to share our ministry in churches throughout the United States. Our goal is not simply to give a presentation and raise support, but to encourage each church we visit. We want to be their friend and partner and, as John puts it in 3 John 1:8, "...fellowhelpers to the truth."

We are blessed by church groups, teen groups, schools, families, and individuals who come to work in our shop. Occasionally, we are able to take part of our shop to them. On September 11, Joe, Jendi, and Dan brought a truckload of equipment and supplies to First Baptist Church of New Lisbon, where my family was already participating in their annual mission conference. On September 12, we worked with the church and completed over 11,000 John and Romans for the Philippines. Thank you, First Baptist Church!

Another important part of our ministry is regularly visiting the mission field. These trips keep us grounded and focused on the task at hand. Through these trips, I have gained friends—really, family I didn't know I had—around the world. One such friend is Pastor David Arroyo. I met him on our family's first trip to Puerto Rico in 2009, and he has since become a precious brother in Christ. We were saddened to learn that he has cancer. Because of the suddenness and seriousness of his diagnosis, Star and I visited David and his wife, Libby, over Labor Day weekend. We were able to surprise them. He is undergoing aggressive chemotherapy. We ask that you all "aggressively treat him" in prayer. We told him we were not there to say goodbye, but to cheer him on as he and his family walk through this battle.



After returning from Puerto Rico, we went to the mission conference in New Lisbon the next day. The conference ended Sunday, and we left for the airport at midnight—I'm not sure who is in charge of my scheduling, but I should probably talk to him!

As I write this letter, Star and I are in Colombia, ministering with our good friend Luis Montalvo, my translator in Puerto Rico. Luis is married to Angie, who is Colombian. We are also with Pastor Mauricio, a Colombian who pastors in Puerto Rico, and his wife, Melanie. We are having a wonderful time ministering together.

Thank you for your faithful financial support, but even more, thank you for your prayers. We could not do this ministry without churches and individuals like you standing with us. You are fellowhelpers to the truth, and we are grateful to serve alongside you as we seek to see God's word grow and multiply.

God's word changes lives,
Tim Carpenter

UPDATES FROM OUR MISSIONARY STAFF FAMILIES



Tim & Star Carpenter update: And just like that, summer is over and school has begun again in the Carpenter household! August and September have been busy with celebrating Wyldewood's 65th Anniversary Sunday and the 50th Anniversary Sunday of a partner church, Bible Baptist Church of West Bend, Wisconsin. We have also enjoyed preaching at Madison Baptist Church, Berea Baptist Church of Puerto Rico, and a missions conference at First Baptist Church of New Lisbon, Wisconsin.

We are currently finishing a missions trip to Ibagué, Colombia, where we have enjoyed a spiritual retreat and ministering in several churches.

Please keep us in your prayers as we enter a busy fall of traveling and ministering in many churches. We are grateful for your prayers and partnership in the ministry!

Joe & Jendi Pagano update: It has been a very productive couple of months! Joe was able to get a lot of shop maintenance done. He worked on the older, smaller three-knife trimmer, replacing the motor so it can run on standard 220-volt power, putting new wheels on it so it rolls more easily, and giving it an overall service. He also enclosed the wall around the new compressor and put the shipping station back together. It was a blessing to have Rick and Mary Jones at the shop for a week. Joe put Rick's master electrician skills to work while Mary kept the binders going with whole Bibles.

Another highlight was having 22 people travel from First Baptist Church in Preston, MN, to spend the day assembling scriptures. They assembled John and Romans for their own community as well as some for the Philippines. We are preparing to travel throughout October to visit churches in Pennsylvania and New York and spend time with family. We appreciate your prayers for safety as we travel and for God to use our time on the road for His glory.



We are so excited to meet our first grandchild in January, and we were blessed to be there for the gender reveal. It's a boy!



Julianna and Shy Espersen

Dan & Alyssa Espersen update: The time has truly flown by! It feels like just yesterday we were finishing up the last few days of school for the kids and getting our summer travel plans all ironed out, and now here we are in the first weeks of school... and somehow already thinking about winter!

We've had a busy (and really good!) few months. The kids are absolutely loving being back at school, and that alone has been such a joy to see. We've also had some amazing meetings across the country - especially wonderful times in Missouri and Nebraska. We met new friends, enjoyed great fellowship, and worship was such a blessing together. We're looking forward to fall and winter. In just a few weeks, we'll be heading back to Tennessee, which we're really excited about.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. They mean more than you know. They're truly needed, clearly felt, and always appreciated. We can't wait to see what God is going to do next through BPS Oshkosh! Glory to God!

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Bearing Precious Seed is planning three trips to the Caribbean in 2027, and we would love for you to prayerfully consider joining us!

- 1 February 22-March 2:** scripture distribution focused on local public schools with Iglesia Bautista Monte Calvario in Santo Domingo. There are 10 spaces available.
- 2 April 6-13:** basketball camp and community outreach in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. Eight spaces are available.
- 3 April 13-20:** Pastors' Retreat encouraging pastors and their wives. There are 12 spaces available.

Each trip provides a unique opportunity to serve the Lord, share the gospel, distribute scriptures, and encourage believers while working alongside fellow Christians and local churches.

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