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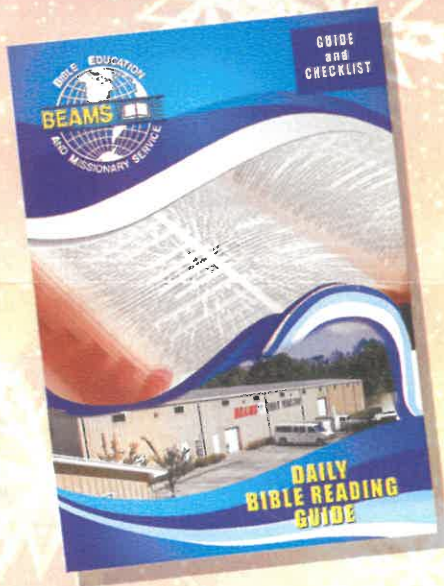
Newsletter



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Merry Christmas
From The
BEAMS Staff
And Missionaries

BIBLE READING DAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023



The Greatest Book in all the world is the Bible! Is the statement that our BEAMS missionaries quote during our presentation to churches. It is a true statement. The tragedy is that many American Christians find little time to read it. In an effort to encourage Christians to read their Bible, BEAMS provides churches with Bible Reading Checklists to give to their members. Once finished reading through the Bible, send the completed list to our office with the churches address and we will send a certificate of completion and a new checklist. Pastor if you would like to use our Bible Reading Checklists, just call the office at 228-832-1096 to place your order today.

BEAMS BIBLE DAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Every year, on the first Sunday of February, BEAMS asks churches to take one Sunday out of the year and receive a special offering for Bibles. This year, Bible Day will be on Sunday, February 4, 2024. This year's project is different than previous years. Our project is New Testaments for Bahasa, Indonesia. Why just a New Testament? This is a new translation. The translation of the Old Testament is ongoing. The Board of Directors, being lead of the Lord, decided we would provide just New Testaments until the whole Bible is completed. The New Testaments will be hard covered and the same quality as our whole Bibles. Our goal is to raise \$30,000 to provide 5,000 New Testaments in the Indonesian language.



5,000 Indonesian New Testaments

A sample packet, including a Bible Day Poster and Bible Reading Checklist, has been mailed. Pastor, if you have not received a sample pack or you need additional posters, contact the BEAMS office at 228-832-1096.

From the President's Desk

*W*hat a joy and privilege to serve the Lord together to provide the Whole Word to the whole World! Because of your generosity, BEAMS was able to provide almost 80,000 Bibles this year.



Dr. & Sis. Lockard

Since our last newsletter, we celebrated the homegoing of Advisory Board member and faithful member of Faith Baptist Church, Gulfport, Mississippi; Bro. Bennie Dill. Two weeks after Bro. Dill passed, his dear wife, Rita Gail, went home to be with the Lord. They were both battling an illness. Sis. Dill is Pastor Dan Carr's sister, the pastor of BEAMS sending church; Faith Baptist Church, Gulfport, Mississippi. We are thankful that we sorrow not as others that have no hope.



Bro. Bennie Dill

BEAMS TRAVELS

- I have been invited to represent the BEAMS ministry in several churches. Pastor Shannon Foote gave me the opportunity to preach Sunday morning for their missions emphasis month. Grace Baptist Church, Marrero, Louisiana also committed to mailing 100 boxes of BEAMS Bibles!
- We attended a Men's Meeting hosted by Ben's Ford Baptist Church, Pastor Caleb Martin, Advisory Board member. Dr. Shelton Smith was the main speaker.
- The next week, Rhonda and I headed back to Pennsylvania to participate in Victory Baptist Church's Mission Conference. Pastor Gary Alberding and his dear folks were such wonderful hosts. I was privileged to preach twice and present the BEAMS ministry. They took several boxes of Bibles to mail. This is a new church for BEAMS.



Stoddards and Lockards

- We were honored to preach the 85th Homecoming/Anniversary service of Calvary Baptist Church, Palestine, Texas. Pastor Andrew Stoddard is the new Pastor and is doing a fantastic job. It was an extra special weekend as my daughters and granddaughters were able to attend and minister with us. Pastor Paul Alexander of Faith Independent Baptist Church, Enterprise, Alabama, invited me to give an update on the ministry and preach. They have been longtime supporters of the BEAMS ministry. They took all the boxes of Bibles I had to mail.
- We ended the month of October with Fort Victory Baptist Church, Crowley, Texas, Pastor William Keisling. Pastor Keisling hosted a BEAMS Revival. BEAMS Missionary Don Smith, Evangelist Kevin Mann and myself were the speakers. This was their first BEAMS Revival. It was a wonderful meeting.

PACKING BIBLES

What a blessing to have three groups of volunteers come and help pack Bibles. In addition to the volunteers for packing Bibles, we had a fantastic group come and help prepare the Bible Day promotional material for mailing. Rhonda had some family members come for a visit and she recruited them to help! Always an extra blessing to serve with family.



With all the recent events in the middle East, we are reminded of the urgency of the hour. I believe the time is drawing nigh when our work for the Lord will be over, John 9:4. Thank you for supporting the BEAMS ministry and the Lockards that we might be busy sending the Light of the Word into a dark world.

Dr. & Sis. Lockard

What Others Are Saying About BEAMS

What a joy once again to speak on behalf of the BEAMS ministry. Having just returned from the Philippines and the Mindanao area, and actually having to go to several churches and being privileged to see one of the most exciting things to us, all of the different whole, hard back Bibles that are there in the local churches. One of the saddest things is to realize, that even though we have many BEAMS Bibles doing their job in the Philippines, there are still hundreds and thousands of people, even within our local churches, that are without a BEAMS Bible. What a privilege it is to be there among the people who can only continually testify to the goodness of God in providing for them a Bible through the BEAMS ministry. Thank God for the BEAMS ministry and all that's being accomplished with all the cooperative help of all the people just like yourselves who are giving to provide the Word of God, the precious Word of God, to the people who so desperately need it around the world



Dr. Mark Smith

BEAMS BIBLE EXHIBIT

William Tyndale produced the first English translation of the New Testament from the Greek in 1525-26 which eventually became the text of all the translations of the English Bible through the Reformation period. Today there are two complete copies of this 1526 New Testament in England. Tyndale also translated a number of Old Testament books from Genesis to II Chronicles. He did a marvelous job of the five books of the Pentateuch which were published the year of his death in 1534. Tyndale's copy of the Pentateuch is here on display. The book that was done for Tyndale was printed by a man named Richard Jugge in 1553.

William Tyndale is the one who really launched the Reformation into the Received Text Greek New Testament and the Received Text Masoretic Old Testament. Tyndale had a huge impact and influence on many of the theologians and linguistic students of his day.

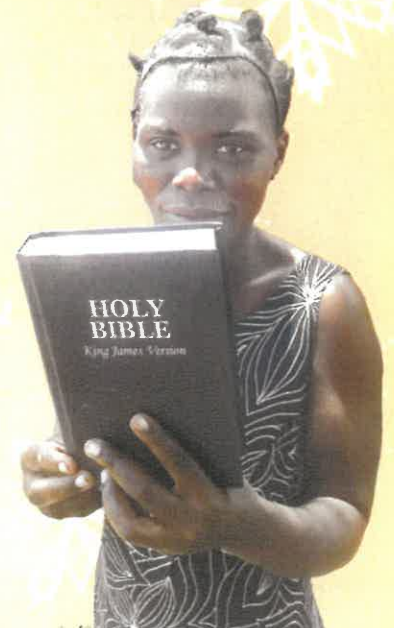


William Tyndale

THANK YOU BEAMS!

Missionary Okecha Gilbert emailed this thank you for the BEAMS Bible. Precious is eleven years old and received Christ as her Saviour. I presented her first ever Bible. It has been great for her since she couldn't manage to buy one. BEAMS Bibles made it possible. This was a thank you sent to a supporting church. I am Jangngam Singsit, a National Pastor-Missionary from India, doing mission works in the bordering villages of Manipur, India and Tamu, Myanmar. Serving as Pastor at Berea Bible Baptist Church (Independent Fundamental Baptist). I received your gifts, Holy Bible, King James Version through BEAMS ministry. We are having Bible Camp in our christian school from 6-8th November 2023. We have about 240 children attending our Bible Camp and we distributed the Bibles to those who Believed and accepted Jesus Christ as their personal Savior. The Bible gifts are truly a treasure blessings for us, especially for the Children. Thank you so much for your gifts. Please continue to pray for us.

Thank you for supporting the BEAMS ministry!



PROPERTY UPDATE



2023 has been a year of repairs to the facilities. We praise the Lord for those that have partnered with us to accomplish these repairs and updates. This past month Bro. Lockard noticed that two trees beside the RV pads were dead and dropping branches. We thank the Lord that Bro. Ray Taylor and Bro. CalebThrun were able to take them down and cleaned up before they did any damage. The Lord provided the property and provides the means to take care of it!

PACKING BIBLES



Youth Pastors are you looking for a mission trip for your youth group? Pray about bringing your group to BEAMS to pack Bibles! Pastors packing Bibles at BEAMS is a wonderful outing for senior saints! Bro. Scott is scheduling packing groups! Several pastors have scheduled a time to bring a group. If you are interested in bringing a group to pack Bibles, please contact Bro. Scott at our home office 228-832-1096 or scott@beamsbibles.com.

BEAMS EVENTS CALENDAR

January 7, 2024	BEAMS Bible Reading Sunday
February 4, 2024	BEAMS Bible Day
February 25, 2024	BEAMS Sunday: Faith Baptist Church, Gulfport, Mississippi
February 26-27, 2024	National BEAMS Conference: Faith Baptist Church; Gulfport, Mississippi
March 28-29, 2024	Texas BEAMS Bible Conference: Ambassador Baptist Church; Ennis, Texas
April 14-19, 2024	BEAMS Revival: Gospel Baptist Church; Poland, Ohio

BEAMS MISSIONARIES WORTHY OF SUPPORT

Full-time Missionaries	Phone	States Serving
René and Freda Freret	228-324-4175	Medically Inactive
Donald and Mary Benson	423-227-6296	TN
Raymond Dombeck	601-606-5455	PA, OH, WV, NC
Dan and Carrie Kaighen	228-832-1096	Mexico
Randy and Lynne Freeman	985-516-7502	LA
Delmas and Judy Knight	251-387-0122	Medically Inactive
Robert and Laura Lethers	863-409-6336	Medically Inactive
Arthur and Rhonda Lockard	228-832-1096	MS, AL, GA, FL, US
John and Cindy McElroy	662-216-0553	SW TX, AZ, UT
Alvin and Sharon Roberts	575-650-4221	MO, IL, IN
Don and Pat Smith	214-729-4060	TX, OK
Jim and Cathy Velazquez	505-920-2398	NM, CO
Cecil and Kathey Young	989-255-1272	MI

More BEAMS Missionaries Needed
If you would like more information on becoming a BEAMS Missionary, you can contact Dr. Lockard at 228-832-1096.

