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Thank you!

FROM HILTON

Dear Friend.

Thank you for being a source of hope as you help plant God's Word where it's needed most!

You're lifting many hearts as you

remind people of God's presence - made manifest in the baby Jesus - and His great love, which we celebrate at

After all, the joy, peace and life that you and I can experience today was made possible by the love that He first showed us in sending His Son.

There is no better Christmas gift than sharing the story of Jesus' birth and the opportunity for a new life in Him. So I encourage you to browse Bible League's Christmas Catalogue and consider giving a gift with eternal impact this year... and don't forget to engage your church family with the Bible Tree initiative (page 3)!

Even in challenging times, it's good to see that God's Word endures. Together, we have seen millions of Bibles and biblical resources sown into the lives of thousands of people around the world - a magnificent achievement and great evidence of His faithfulness.

So please, keep praying for God's Word to be planted in more hearts. Pray particularly for Zambia and the soon-tocome opportunity to partner with brothers and sisters on the ground to resource the under-resourced church in that nation.

There are still many more people who need God's Word so they can come to know Jesus and share Him with others - and I'm so grateful for your passion to help reach every single one.

May you be blessed with His grace, peace and presence this Christmas!

Yours in His service,

Hilton Edwards

Chief Executive Officer

YOUR PRAYERS ARE **POWERFUL!**

Thank you for standing strong in prayer today, to lift up the under-resourced Church around the world, and to...

- Praise God for the 67 Project Philip Bible study leaders trained in the Northwest Province of South Africa. Pray they'll be strong and courageous and able to lead many to faith through this outreach program you help make possible.
- Pray for continued growth in the ministry in Zambia and for more people to come to know Jesus through the Gospel, thanks to friends like you.
- Thank God for the real message of Christmas and the joy and hope that comes from knowing Him and submitting our lives to Christ.





In March 2023, Jos Snoep, our Global President and CEO will be visiting Sydney and Melbourne.

STARTING EVENTS AGAIN!

Look out for details on: **OUR WEBSITE - bl.org.au** EMAIL US - events@bl.org.au OR CALL OUR OFFICE ON 1800 800 937 or (02) 4374 7000

Bible League is a not for profit, multi-denominational organisation serving the local church and other partners around the world by providing Bibles and biblical resources for them to help people know Jesus Christ.

Alick faced great hardship as he grew up in a village in Zambia...

"Both my parents died while I was young. I had a huge responsibility of taking care of my two siblings, paying for their education. I had to drop out of school and find a job," he shares.

When Alick came of age, he became a polygamist and married five wives.

"In our village, a man attained respect based on the number of spouses he had; we viewed this as normal

But it was a struggle to provide for his family, working as a small-scale farmer. One day Alick couldn't take it anymore and took drastic measures. "I decided to divorce all my wives and left the village to join my uncle in the capital, Lusaka."

There he encountered the Project Philip program and his life was turned upside down. This is how he described it:

"During the Bible study we looked at topic five in the Project Philip booklet which says, 'A new way of thinking'. I realised I needed this new way of thinking... That evening, I was led to Christ by my uncle.

"I am now a different person. Receiving God's Word has changed everything about me."

Alick now shares the Gospel with everyone he meets, encouraging them to discover the transformation of knowing Jesus.

"I was lost but now I'm found! Project Philip has brought the best out of me. I never knew that one day I would stand before people and share the Word of God."

And it's friends like you who have helped to bring about this transformation in his life - so thank you for your support to plant God's Word in so many hearts like Alick's. He says:

"God bless Bible League and its donors...

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for providing us with the Bibles. They're transforming lives and bringing the lost to God's Kingdom like myself."

Please pray for Alick and so many more like him, that they continue to grow in their

And please pray for upcoming opportunities to support Project Philip in Zambia, to plant God's Word in many more hearts in that nation.



In many Muslim nations, God's Word is being planted in hearts, and lives are being transformed... thanks to friends like you!

You may remember the story of Mariam*, who began teaching a literacy class in her closed Muslim nation, using the Bible as her resource.

Despite opposition and discouragement, she pushed ahead... and saw amazing changes in her students' lives as they eagerly dived into God's Word. She says:

"They loved the Scripture part in every lesson. Sometimes, we spent all the lesson time reading the Bible only. They don't seek to have a literacy certificate. All they want is to understand the Word of God."

Your generosity helped to provided essential Bibles and biblical resources in Muslim nations across the world so that Mariam and many more people could engage with God's Word in ways they understand, and to help share the Gospel with others.

*Mariam's name has been changed to protect her identity

Give the life-transforming gift of **God's Word this Christmas!**

Looking for Christmas gifts for your loved ones that will not only bless them but reach even more people around the world with the Gospel? Look no further!

You can give gifts with eternal impact by using Bible League's Christmas Catalogue!

Choose your gifts to go towards a Muslim nation, children learning English, people in prison, and many more... all planting the truth of God's Word to change lives.

You'll receive a beautiful Christmas card with every gift you order.

Simply write a special message in the card and send it to your loved one. They'll be encouraged to know their gift is helping to transform people's lives - and make an eternal impact.

Choose your gifts today from the order form attached or visit www.bl.org.au to order your gifts in time for Christmas.

Thank you for giving a gift that plants the Word of God in the hearts of those who need it most!



Your church can plant Bibles in the underresourced Church this Christmas

... with the Bible Tree!

Each year, churches like yours unite to plant Bibles in the under-resourced

And your church is invited to share in the spirit of generosity!

Through the Bible Tree, your church family can give Bibles to someone they may never meet, but whose life will be transformed forever!

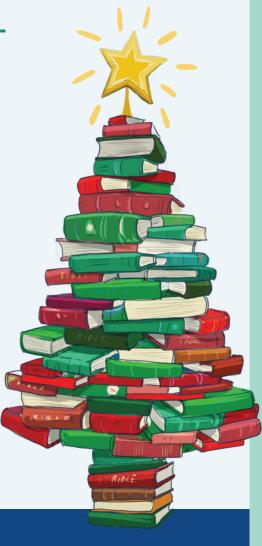
Alex and Lucy Murry from Rockingham Church of Christ, WA shared how simple and meaningful it was for their church to be involved with the Bible Tree:

"Our church got behind the Bible Tree program because we want to see as many people as possible have access to the Scriptures.

"The expressions on people's faces, and the enthusiasm we as a church family felt, [demonstrated] it was a real blessing for us... With the love of Jesus [compelling them, so many] just wanted to be a part of this project."

Visit the website www.bibleleague.org.au/bibletree, email info@bl.org.au or call 1800 800 937 for more information.



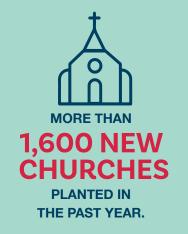






REACHED THROUGH PROJECT PHILIP IN THE PAST YEAR.





Further Information

- () Please send me information about Run4Bibles (for schools).
- () I would like information about becoming a Partner Church Ambassador (promote Bible League in your church).

FREE Resources

- Please send me a **Monthly Prayer Calendar** so I can pray for Bible League's ministry.
- Please send me Grounded In The Word Bible reading guide (GITW).
- Please send me a **Bibles for the** Persecuted pack.



Bibles for the Persecuted encourages

Christians to pray for 21 days and provide Bibles for our brothers and sisters in Christ who are suffering for their faith in Jesus.

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