

Prayer Dispatch / God is Blessing in Answer to Your Prayers As Ministers Receive Quality Leather Study Bibles



As you receive this dispatch, we are preparing to do our annual end-of-year fund raising drive. It is during this time that we raise support for the coming year--2018. We will be purchasing our tickets, making housing arrangements and purchasing Bibles and Bible study aids for the pastors to whom we minister. In 2018, we have invitations to Nigeria, Cameroon and Russia. It is always our desire to have these funds raised before committing to a mission trip. If you would like to add a contribution to your faith and prayers, simply follow this link to our website and press the "Donate" button on the left.

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In this Prayer Dispatch...

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II. Ask God to guide your prayers:

2 Corinthians 1:11 "you also joining in helping us through your prayers, so that thanks may be given by many persons on our behalf for the favor bestowed on us through the prayers of many."

A. Ask God for the finances necessary to purchase plane tickets and accommodations for our ministries in Nigeria, Cameroon and Russia. Please claim...

Philippians 4:19 "And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

B. Pray for a positive response from those who receive our financial appeals. We ask only for the privilege of blessing those who so sacrificially labor on foreign fields.

2 Corinthians 9:12-14

12 For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints,

but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God.

13 Because of the proof given by this ministry, they will glorify God for your obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ

and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all,

C. Please intercede on behalf of those who support our mission work. Ask God to, in turn, bless them for their generosity.

Proverbs 11:25

25 The generous man will be prosperous,

And he who waters will himself be watered.

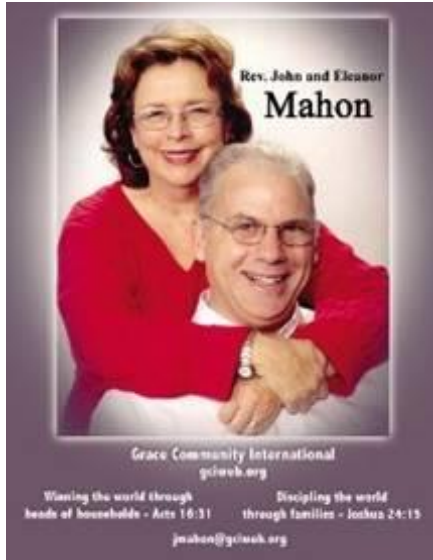
Proverbs 22:9

He who is generous will be blessed...

1 Timothy 6:18-19

18 Instruct them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share,

- ❑ *19 storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.*



Dear Prayer Warriors,

The results of your faith, prayers and generosity are summed up in this passage of holy Scripture...

2 Corinthians 9:10-12 "Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness; 11 you will be enriched in everything for all liberality, which through us is producing thanksgiving to God. 12 For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God."

This picture collage will give you a first-hand report on the results of your co-laboring with us in the ministry in Cameroon.

1_Here we are departing – 17 boxes of Bibles and Bible study aids. The last slide is of our return to the US – we come full, we leave empty, that is the objective.

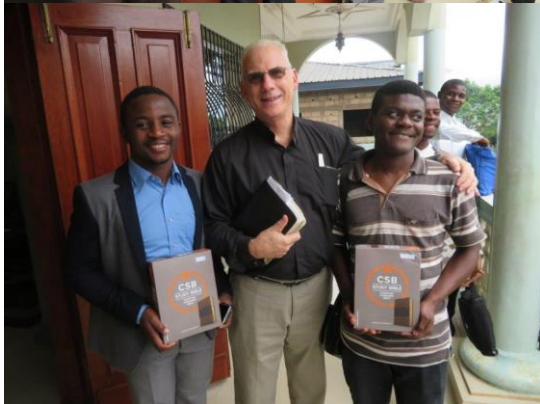
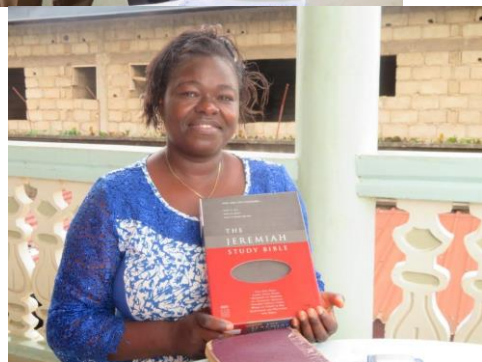
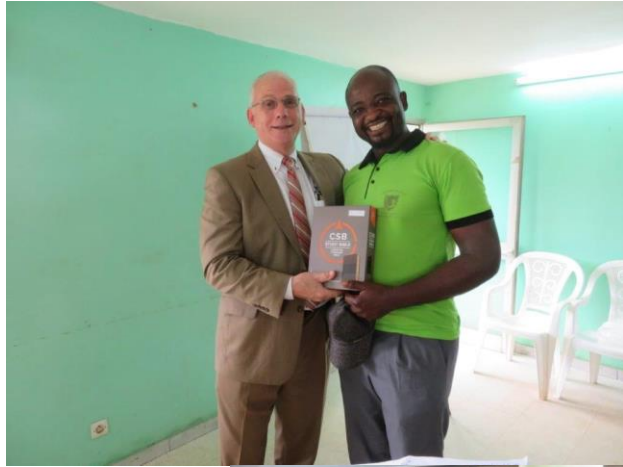


2_ The problem: Ministers of the Gospel using Bibles held together by tape.



3 – 8 You can see in these pictures the smiles of joy from those receiving these precious volumes. There are no Christian publishing houses in the entire country of Cameroon, where quality leather study Bibles may be acquired. Even if they could find them, the cost of a single leather study Bible exceeds the monthly salary of those pictured. Without your faith, prayers and generosity this ministry would not be possible. One pastor told me that he had been saving for three years for a Bible. He then shared that the man who was going to bring one back for him from the US was transferred to another country. Now, even when he finished saving, he had no access to a Bible. With tears of joy he received, at no cost, a leather study Bible with his name imprinted on it. This is one of hundreds of stories – all the same. Your faith is changing the lives and ministries of pastors and churches across Cameroon. Without your generosity, this ministry would not be possible.





9_ Here we are departing. We come full and leave empty. I tell those to whom we minister that we work on the “sucked orange principle.” We come full, like a fresh orange, and, when we leave we want to be empty--peeled open, sucked dry, with only the skin left to be discarded. We seek to minister as Paul in *2 Corinthians 12:15* ***“I will most gladly spend and be expended for your souls. If I love you more, am I to be loved less?”***



I close this email, as always, with a deep and abiding thankfulness for your sacrificial and effectual prayers, which empower and drive this ministry ever forward in the cause of Christ.

By His mercy,

II Corinthians 4:1

Rev. John S. Mahon

Grace Community Int. – Home from Cameroon and Nigeria, preparing earnestly for Russia

Please allow me to close this dispatch with a hymn from my prayer notebook which has been especially meaningful to me...

(Psalms 104:33-34 “I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. Let my meditation be pleasing to Him; As for me, I shall be glad in the LORD.”)

Link to music/tune for this hymn: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wmP-gBewL6I>

The Way The Savior Leads Me

All the way my Savior leads me;
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt His tender mercy,
Who through life has been my Guide?
Heav'nly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in Him to dwell!
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well;
For I know, whate'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

*All the way my Savior leads me,
Cheers each winding path I tread;
Gives me grace for every trial,
Feeds me with the living Bread.
Though my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see;
Gushing from the Rock before me,
Lo! A spring of joy I see.*

All the way my Savior leads me
O the fullness of His love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above.
When my spirit, clothed immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day
This my song through endless ages—
Jesus led me all the way;
This my song through endless ages—
Jesus led me all the way.

Fanny Crosby

Frances Jane Crosby *Born:* March 24, 1820, Putnam County, New York. *Died:* February 12, 1915, Bridgeport, Connecticut Fanny Crosby was probably the most prolific hymn-ist in history. Though blinded by an incompetent doctor at six weeks of age, she wrote over 8,000 hymns. About her blindness, she said: **"It seemed intended by the blessed providence of God that I should be blind all my life, and I thank him for the dispensation. If perfect earthly sight were offered me tomorrow I would not accept it. I might not have sung hymns to the praise of God if I had been distracted by the beautiful and interesting things about me."** In her lifetime, Fanny Crosby was one of the best known women in the United States. To this day, the vast majority of American hymnals contain her work.