



UPDATE FROM COLOMBIA

Recently, Pastor Jordan visited TPTL Colombia, where he ministered in several churches across Bogotá, Barranquilla, and surrounding areas. He also led a well-attended seminar on missions and evangelism, with ninety people from a local church participating.

The churches and believers were deeply encouraged by his time of ministry and expressed their gratitude for the visit, eagerly anticipating his return in the future.

While Pastor Jordan had hoped to visit TPTL's work in the Amazon, unrest in the region made it too dangerous to travel there at this time.

Raphael, who serves with TPTL in the Amazon, has recently returned to the Colombian side of the river after being stranded on the Venezuelan side for three months. Several challenges, including the closure of the river by the army, prevented him from leaving. Despite these difficulties, Raphael continued to visit churches, preach the gospel, and disciple believers. During his time there, he faced threats from territorial guerrillas and was forced into hiding for three weeks in the jungle with other Christians. He also endured several weeks of illness but has since recovered. Without a phone due to losing it, Raphael was unable to communicate during this time. We praise God for His protection over Raphael, and we are thankful that he is now safe and well.

In addition, the latest printing of the Gospels of John have been distributed across various cities and towns in Colombia, including Bogotá, Barranquilla, Santa Marta, Cartagena, Cúcuta, Pasto, Inírida, and in the Amazon jungle, reaching both Colombia and Venezuela.





OUTREACH IN KENYA, UGANDA AND TANZANIA

Peter, our TPTL representative in Kenya, shares, “Hello and praise the Lord! I want to share some testimonies from our recent missionary outreach in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania.

Over the past few months, we’ve had the privilege of reaching thousands of children with the Gospel. By God’s grace, we were able to share the Gospel in 60 schools. It was a blessing to distribute the Gospels not only to the children but also to the school staff.

At one school, three children approached me after the outreach, asking for personal prayer. They shared that they had never had access to the Bible before, and receiving the Gospel was a miracle to them. I also met many adults and young people who had never owned a Bible. For many, receiving these Gospels was the greatest gift they had ever received. I can confidently say that 90% of the children we met had no access to the Word of God—many do not have Bibles, phones, or computers to read from. It has been a tremendous blessing to provide them with their own personal copy of the Gospel.

I praise the Lord for TPTL’s support in making it possible to print these Gospels, and I want to thank everyone who helped bring them to these communities. May God truly bless each of you.”

BUDDHISTS COMING TO FAITH

David, our TPTL representative in Myanmar, shares, “Despite the ongoing challenges in my country, I continue distributing the Gospels of John alongside fellow believers. Recently, I’ve had the opportunity to teach people from a Buddhist background about Jesus Christ, and I’m thankful to share that four of them have come to faith and have been baptized. They are now receiving further teaching and discipleship. Just yesterday, two more people accepted Jesus as their personal Saviour and Lord, and they are eager to be baptized as well.



Right now, we are facing devastating floods and landslides caused by a typhoon that has severely impacted many parts of the country. Countless people have lost their homes, and tragically, lives have been lost. One of the villages I’ve previously ministered to is now completely underwater. I thank God that many of the believers were able to escape with their lives, although they’ve lost everything else. Please continue to pray for our country, and ask God to give me the strength to continue serving Him in these difficult times.”

STORIES FROM NIGERIA

A mother and daughter received the Gospel of John in their local language after hearing the message of Christ. They were eager to learn more about what John wrote concerning Jesus and how to believe in Him as the Son of God. Both of them surrendered their lives to Christ, accepting Him as their Lord and Saviour. I met them in my home village during a visit, where I had traveled by motorbike to share the Gospels.



By God's grace, our evangelism outreach in Okposo village continues to bear fruit. The photo shows new believers who gave their lives to the Lord after we shared the Gospel with them in their local language. The Gospel of John in the local language has proven to be especially effective in remote villages. Those we have ministered to in these areas have been very receptive to the message. However, in urban areas, many prefer the English version of the Gospels.



These young people at a church have just received copies of the Gospel of John in their local language and are beginning the correspondence course. They will also receive training on how to use the Gospel for evangelism.



In our last newsletter, we mentioned the need for a new motorbike for Udemé to help him share the Gospel. Thanks to the generosity of TPTL supporters, we were able to purchase the motorbike for him. We are deeply grateful to everyone who contributed to make this possible.

PRAYER POINTS

Pray for Somchai and Saengtong as they conduct their Christmas outreach in various regions of Thailand. Pray that many will come to faith as the Gospel is shared and received.

Pray for the provision of more Gospels that are needed for Nigeria and Colombia.

Pray for Raphael as he ministers in the Amazon Jungle on both the Venezuelan and Colombian sides. Pray for his protection, health, and that his ministry will bear much fruit.

Pray for all of our workers and their families in each of the countries we serve. Ask God to bless them this Christmas and to keep them faithful in proclaiming and distributing the Gospels throughout their nations.

IF CHRIST WAS NOT IN CHRISTMAS

If there was no Christ in Christmas,
What cause would there be to sing?
No angel refrain to repeat
Hailing the birth of a King.
No peace on earth, good will to men
Or bright star above the stall.
No gifts of gold, myrrh, frankincense;
No story to tell at all.

Why give gifts if the greatest gift
Was not by God given first?
What cause is there to celebrate
In a world that's still sin-cursed?
If you take Christ from the season
There is no freedom from sin.
No hope for this world or the next
If Christ's birth is not left in.

However, Christ's birth did occur.
He can save us from our sin.
Eternal life is ours in Him –
This is cause to celebrate!

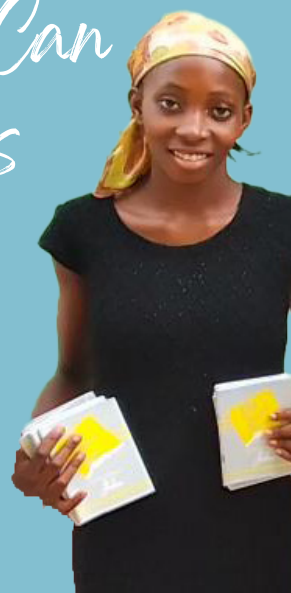
By Judith Searle

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AND YOU ARE TO GIVE HIM THE
NAME JESUS, BECAUSE HE WILL
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MATTHEW 1:21

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