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PO Box 800 Lititz, PA 17543 (800) 636-8785 www.ptl.org **Well done!** Last year over 9.5 million people were invited to meet Jesus. This edition of Inspiring Stories is chock-full of testimonies to both the power of God's Word, and the faithfulness of Jesus' followers in sharing the Gospel.

What excites me beyond the numbers is the attitude of our Members across the world. They truly will not stop until everyone is invited. As followers of Jesus we know there is spiritual hunger in the world, but let me share how God is showing just how deep it is.

One example comes from our PTL Read Carry Share® App. In one 90-day period, our ads reached over half a million people seeking to learn about Jesus. Not everyone downloaded the app, but each of those half a million people searched online a phrase, a plea, to find God.

It is not just the app.

Looking forward to 2025, 1.5 million Gospels have been requested in India, even as evangelists and pastors face persecution and potentially death. They will give their lives to reach their countrymen for Christ.

In Pakistan, 1.25 million Gospels have been requested and are will be openly shared in rallies, parades, and quiet conversations. We must not be confused. While permits are granted for rallies, the

speakers and all who attend still face violence and death.

On the African continent, 800,000 Gospels are needed. Amidst a rapidly growing population, ongoing conflict, and the impacts of globalization, there is one steadfast hope—Christ. Our partners across Africa are sharing this hope with passion and resilience.

In Eastern Europe, against the backdrop of war in Ukraine and heighted political tensions, 900,000 Gospels have been requested. Even in the face of destruction and uncertainty, people are seeking the hope that only the Gospel can provide. Our partners are boldly stepping out throughout Eastern Europe and offering the light of Christ.

In America, despite ridicule and well-organized efforts to remove God from every aspect of public life, Christians are sharing Jesus more boldly than ever before. Over the next year, 2.9 million Gospels are slated to be shared; a testament to the hunger for spiritual truth that cannot be silenced.

As opposition grows in every location, Members and Strategic Partners are pressing on until all are invited. Collectively, League Members in 2024 reached almost 10 million people with God's Word. In the following pages, both stories and numbers seek to provide accountability as well as encourage you with what God is doing through you.

What strikes me most as I share this report is how Jesus's followers, universally, are not backing down. They are moved by the love of Jesus that they have received and are determined to keep sharing. In 2025, we hope to reach 20 million!

Until all are invited,

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David Collum

President & CEO

The Pocket Testament League

A TEN YEAR VISION

Sharing Jesus with 130 Million People from 2019 - 2028

As we wrap up 2024, we are on pace to reach 130 million people in 10 years. However, due to the God-Sized requests for Gospels we see around the world, we're aiming higher and are excited to share our new goal: reaching 60 million more in the next 3 years! Together, we have sought to lead people to Christ through the Gospel of John — and we will continue **Until All Are Invited!**

It starts with **READING**



90% of Members

are reading their Bible 4+ times a week



and through our Read Carry Share® app, we see God's Word read around the world daily...over 3.7 million chapters have been read since it launched in late 2020!

Which leads to **CARRYING**



47,332 people and partners have *SHARED* **printed Gospels** since 2019. Combined with our Read Carry Share® app, that resulted in...



53.4 Million+ people reached with the Word of God in over 240+ countries and territories

ALL OF THIS TAKES A TEAM

League Members remain courageous and passionate about sharing God's word. We partnered with Trevecca and the Barna Group to get insight into our community.

We found that League Members and Strategic Partners are...

GENEROUS

100 percent of Members' Sponsorship requests were fulfilled this year.

LOVE JESUS

In a nationwide survey conducted by Barna inquiring about the faith and religious practice of the American public, 72% of born again Christians nationwide report that religious faith is very important in their lives today vs. 99.2% of PTL Members.

LOVE HIS WORD

75% of PTL Members read their Bible daily vs. 58% percent of born again Christians nationwide.

Barna had noted in a previous study that reading God's Word is a leading indicator for sharing one's faith and that holds true for this phenomenal group of Christ-followers.

HAVE A HEART FOR THE LOST

50% of PTL Members share their faith weekly.

4 in 10 PTL Members experience joy and contentment after sharing their faith.

PTL Members are diverse in their outreach and share the Gospel especially in the following areas:

- Elderly (36%)
- Homeless Persons (35%)
- Children's Outreach (28%)

- Workplace Outreach (26%)
- Prison Ministry (21%)

This global movement of Christ-followers who are inviting millions to meet Jesus through the pages of His Word is a pretty incredible group of Christians — and you are part of that group. League Members' love for God's Word and passion for reaching those who are far from Him rings out in every story they share with us.

In fact, **7,323 new Members** joined the team this year alone. But it doesn't stop there...

PARTNERS IN UNLIKELY PLACES ARE STEPPING ON THE GAS

The League partners with people...people who are like Daniel in the Bible! These people include partners from all over the globe who love Jesus, love God's Word, and have a heart for the lost. They are reading, carrying, and sharing God's Word.

They are people God has placed in strategic positions, leading ministries, businesses, and key parts of government to share God's Word using their networks. These partnerships accelerate reaching the world for Christ.

From 2019 through 2024, hundreds of Partners invited 53,543,614 people to meet Jesus.

- Reaching America
- The Continent of Africa
- Russia, Ukraine, and throughout Eastern Europe
- China
- India
- Pakistan & The Greater Middle East
- Every country in the 10x40 Window

And they are just getting started!

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

We know you care that people are invited to meet Jesus, that's why we at The League we are so focused on doing work efficiently using a simple cost-effective model that works for anyone.

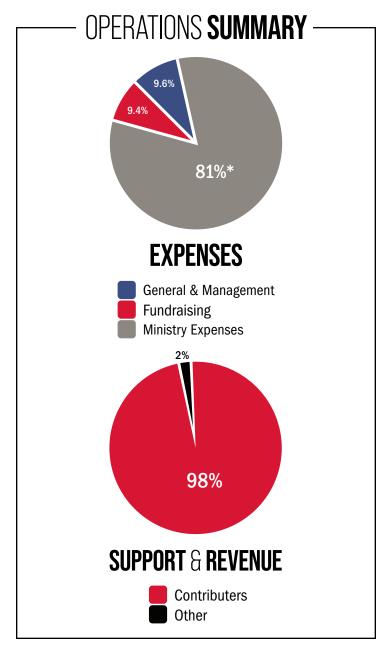
Our team is virtual. No building, minimum overhead, with a constant focus on cost-effective excellence.

Over 81% of PTL's total operating expenses went to directly to mission, serving Christ-followers who are actively sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world every single day. And this effort is fueled by the generosity of Christians like you.

We're proud to be held in good standing by these Independent third-party organizations:







^{*81%} of The League's operating expenses go directly to mission. If you would like a more indepth look at our financial information, please email your request to giving@ptl.org.

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INSPIRING STORIES

Most of us, as Christians, struggle to share Jesus. We easily become frustrated, overwhelmed, or even feel guilty if we do not share or sharing doesn't go as expected. At The Pocket Testament League, we understand. That's why we created a simple method to sharing Jesus that works for anyone.

It all starts with the Gospel of John.

Be encouraged as you read powerful stories from Members telling us how God led them to share about Jesus with their neighbors, customers, family members, strangers, and more. Together, we are advancing God's Kingdom. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

JOHN 15:12

REACH AMERICA

SMALL BUT POWERFUL

Richard was going about his day when he spotted a small booklet on the table in the lobby of his apartment. He walked over to it and picked it up.

"I read the Gospel because someone left a copy on a table at my apartment building. I was quickly convinced that Jesus died so I may be saved from sin."

God is working through Richard. He now shares the Good News with everyone he can.

"Every day I share Jesus with anyone who wants to hear what the Lord has done!"

Richard's life, and lives of many others he has reached, have been forever changed thanks to that small but powerful pocket-sized Gospel.

Richard F. from NJ

ASKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES

Nicholas owns a business and allows the Lord to speak through him every chance he gets. Recently, God gave him the opportunity to share the Gospel with one of his employees. After a conversation in which the man shared hardships in his life, Nicholas handed him a Gospel, and they decided to read it together. Nicholas explains,

"I'm praying and asking God to give me more opportunities to listen to people that are hurting and share the answers that only Jesus can provide for them."

Nicholas A. from NC

ALWAYS PREPARED TO SHARE

Robert tries to make sure he always has pocketsized Gospels with him. He wants to be prepared to share Jesus with anyone the Lord places in his path.

Recently, Robert was at a shopping mall and handed a woman a pocket Gospel. She smiled and thanked him, and he was thankful God gave him an opportunity to share His Word. Little did he know, the Lord had even more in store for Robert's outing.

"As I walked through the mall, I had 8 other people approach me and ask for [a pocket-sized Gospel]. They saw the woman's Gospel, asked where she got it, so she described me, and they walked through the entire mall until they found me!"

Robert was able to share God's Word with all of them. He was so grateful that he came prepared for what the Lord had for him that day and shared,

"I was thrilled that people sought me out to receive the Gospel!"

Robert A. from KY

BEING FED GOD'S WORD

Rachele shares care packages with the less fortunate in her community. Her town holds an event each month in which they provide hot meals and care packages to community members in need. She recently had the opportunity to share the Gospel personally with people at the event. Rachele explains,

"We started a prayer table where we share Bibles and pocket-sized Gospels."

Lives are being changed in Rachele's community, as people are being fed God's Word.

Rachele H. from SC

GOD'S WORD NEVER RETURNS VOID

John's small town organizes an Independence Day parade every summer. This year, his church participated for the first time.

"We proclaimed 'God loves you' with large banners and handed out more than 500 pocket-sized Free Indeed Gospels with the church's name and phone number."

The small town's population grows from under 1,000 to over 20,000 in the summer months, and it is John's hope that people from far and wide would be reached by God.

"We may never know the full impact, but God's Word never returns void, so we are claiming that promise for this event."

John P. from NC

THE HARVEST IS RIPE

Christian lives in Cleveland, Ohio. He explains that his city is a melting pot of diverse cultures and that the harvest is ripe to introduce people to the Lord.

"People are so very open to receiving the Gospel of John and it is awesome to be able to give out these pocket-sized Gospels!"

Christian says he regularly has opportunities to share Gospels in English, Spanish, Arabic, and Chinese. He hopes that the Lord continues to use him to reach the people of his city.

Christian A. from OH

HOPE IN TIMES OF NEED

Amber and her family work with an emergency food pantry. They are happy to share hope with people in need.

"We make pocket-sized Gospels available to those who come to the pantry in need of assistance, and we include them in care packages for the homeless," she explains.

Amber is grateful that she is able to share the Living Word of God with people who are in difficult or emergency situations. Through her willingness to share His Word, God is reaching people with hope for the days ahead.

Amber K. from MO

BASEBALL FIELD TURNED MISSION FIELD

Richard and Pauline share the Gospel on Sunday mornings at their local baseball fields during youth baseball games. Every Sunday during the season, they preach a short sermon to the athletes and their friends and families.

"Many have opened their hearts to Jesus and gladly receive pocket-sized Gospels," Richard explains. "Since the season began just 3 weeks ago, over 25 children and adults have responded to the Gospel message!"

For Richard and Pauline, the baseball fields are also a mission field. They are allowing God to speak through them and even excitedly say that their Sunday mornings at the ball fields "has become the highlight of our week!"

Richard K. from NC

ON THE PATH TO JESUS

Ramon, is passionate about sharing the Gospel. The Lord has given him a heart for the lost, and he uses pocket-sized Gospels to share the Good News with many of the people he meets.

One person Ramon has been able to reach is R. Ramon shared a pocket-sized Gospel of John with him and the two have been meeting for coffee regularly since. At their last meeting, R even asked for an entire Bible. Ramon was able to give him

one and pray with him.

"Praise God that a chance meeting at a workplace has led to more," Ramon excitedly said. "R may not be a believer yet, but he is on the path to Jesus!"

Ramon P. from Ontario

MORE THAN A PARADE

One beautiful morning in Minnesota, hundreds of people lined the streets for a much-anticipated "Boogie for Jesus" Parade.

Todd was full of excitement. He and his friends David, Tanya, and Lorvin participated in this Christian outreach parade. Lorvin danced and performed Christian rap, and David drove the Boogie Mobile, inscribed with Gospel messages.

Todd says,

"As a street Evangelist who shares Gospels of John wherever I go, I have dedicated myself to searching for and reaching the lost in various places."

Prior to the parade, Todd and his friends met spectators along the parade route. They engaged them in conversation, handed them pocket-sized Gospels, and even had the opportunity to lead some of them to the Lord. Pat, Ora, Reggie, and Jerry were a few of the more intent listeners, and all three placed their faith in Jesus as their Savior.

The Lord used Todd and his friends that morning. For Pat, Ora, Reggie, and Jerry "Boogie for Jesus" was more than a parade—it was an eternity-changing experience!

Todd P. from VA

GO OUT AND SHARE

Cherie leads evangelism training sessions that help people learn how to share their faith. She says,

"The Pocket Testament League is a big part of my training. I show several PTL videos and, at the end of the session, I even give each participant a handful of pocket-sized Gospels and tell them to go out and share God's Word!"

Cherie has heard many wonderful stories from her students about lives that have been changed through packet-sized Gospels. One such story came from a man who felt led to share a pocket testament with a young woman he met one day.

After he handed her the Gospel, the woman

immediately started crying and let him know that he arrived with this Gospel just in time. She told him she thought that day would be her last day on Earth because she had been thinking about committing suicide. The woman allowed God to intervene and accepted Christ that very day. Her life was saved!

"Later, he was able to follow up with that woman and she told him how thankful she was that he helped her," Cherie remembers. "She told him that she found out how she could order more pocketsized Gospels and is now sharing the Gospel and saving lives too!"

Cherie D. from VA

GETTING THEM TO THEIR DESTINATION

Matthew, a PTL Member and Veteran, is a ride share driver. He often tries to find opportunities to lead others to the Lord. While he is helping them get to their destinations, Matthew feels called to also help them along their journey to their eternal destinations. One day, he had the opportunity to just that.

"I offered a ride to a fellow Veteran and told him that the only cost of the ride was to check out a PTL Gospel, see what he thought, and if it was any good, share it someone else," Matthew recalls. He prayed that God would work in the man's life and went about his day. Sometime later, Matthew saw the man again.

"I asked him what he thought about the book,"
Matthew says excitedly. "He said, 'I got saved! I
shared it with my girlfriend, and she got saved,
too!'"

Matthew is grateful that God is using him and pocket-sized Gospels to make what he calls "eternal difference opportunities."

Matthew H. from PA

GOD GIVES THE INCREASE

Todd leads street evangelism outreaches. The tools he most frequently uses are pocket-sized Gospels of John. Todd loves how easy they are to share and has found that the smaller size—paired with the engaging covers—are perfect for planting seeds of faith in the hearts of others.

"Earlier this fall, I lead street evangelism outreaches during a tent revival in Buffalo, New York," Todd shared. "In one afternoon alone, seven people prayed to receive salvation. Two of those people, George and Terrell, also gladly received Gospels of John since they didn't have Bibles of their own."

Todd will continue allowing God to use him to plant the seeds of faith in the lives of others.

"One plants, one waters," he says, "but God gives the increase!"

Todd P. from VA

CALLING AND PURPOSE, EVEN IN HARD TIMES

David and his family have been doing street ministry and mission trips intermittently for the last few years. David's wife, Aimee, has been in the hospital since the end of June receiving treatment. Despite their personal struggles and difficulties, David, along with all his six of his children, still desire to serve the Lord and lead others to Him.

"During this difficult season without their mother at home, I want to continue to show the kids what our calling and purpose is—even in the hard times,"

David explains.

The family will purchase food for the homeless in their area, provide them with a meal, and gift them pocket-sized Gospels in the hopes that they will be introduced to Jesus.

"I don't want to waste an opportunity that we could be sharing the hope we trust in!" David explains.

David J. from FL

"The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

ROMANS 6:23

SOMETHING TO TANGIBLY CARRY

Tommy recently revived his walk with the Lord and finds the Holy Spirit drawing him closer as he spends time in the Word each day. He ordered a few pocket-sized Gospels of John in hopes that the Lord would grant him the opportunity to witness to others. It wasn't long before he was able to do that.

"I recently had an opportunity to share the Gospel with some young people at a local concert event," Tommy shares. "It sparked their interest in Christ and the story of Him dying for our salvation."

In that moment, Tommy was incredibly grateful he had a tool to give them!

"Having something I can tangibly carry with me to give others that can help them get started on their journey is great!"

As Tommy continues to allow the Lord to use him, he plans to keep pocket-sized Gospels on hand at all times. He is confident that, with God leading him, he can help even more people to experience the same revival he has.

Tommy P. from ID

GENERATIONS OF GOSPEL SHARING

Apryl is a PTL Member thanks to her grandmother. She has a desire to share Jesus with others just as she remembers watching her grandma share her faith.

"My grandma used to get Gospels of John when I was growing up to hand out," she remembers fondly.

Apryl knows that her grandma changed countless lives as she used pocket-sized Gospels to lead others to Jesus. She knows that she can continue that tradition and hopes that the next generation will too.

"I would like to keep up that tradition with the younger generation to share the love of Jesus!"

Apryl C. from TX

HOPE COMPLETELY IN JESUS

Erica understands the importance of sharing the Gospel and the hope of Jesus. She watched her grandparent's ministry—distributing pocket-sized Gospels and sharing the love of God—and saw the incredible impact they had on so many lives. At 16 years old, she moved with her grandparents to Ukraine and was able to witness the true power of

the Gospel.

"Even though we couldn't speak the language, the Gospel we handed out spoke volumes to a people that were hungry for God," Erica explains. "I watched people stop right where they were and start reading a Gospel that said, 'God loves you' on the front page. Soldiers, teenagers, the elderly—they all stopped what they were doing and read the words that gave them hope."

Erica's husband is currently dealing with health issues, and they do not have regular income. Despite going through a tough time Erica is not going to let her personal circumstances keep her from sharing hope with others.

"Honestly, I don't know from day to day how we'll make it, but I just keep trusting Jesus to meet our needs," she explains. "And that doesn't take from my desire to give hope to those who have none.

Every day I see people that need to hear that someone loves them—that there is someone that will never leave them. And every opportunity I tell them about Jesus!"

Erica knows firsthand how important it is to have the hope that Jesus offers us. Instead of allowing her circumstances to be an excuse to keep quiet, she is allowing God to use her right where she is to lead others to Him.

"It is my heart's desire to share God's love and

I will continue to share it every opportunity that I can," she says excitedly. "I have hope, and it's completely in Jesus. Jesus makes life worth living...every day!"

Erica S. from ID

GOOD NEWS AND GREAT HOPE

Harris is a long-time PTL Member who takes every chance he can to share the Gospel with the lost. He enjoys sharing pocket-sized Gospels in his local community—at Salvation Army, the public library, the community center, and wherever the Lord gives him the opportunity. Recently, he has been working with military veterans.

"I give pocket Gospels out at our local Warrior Healing Center—which is a place where many of our local veterans go in need of physical, emotional, and psychological assistance," he explains. "The center offers food, counseling, art classes, and there is a Bible study. They also allow us to put Bibles out in the foyer along with other materials for people to take."

Harris' outreach at the Warrior Healing Center is one way that God is allowing him to reach others with the hope of the Gospel. Many of the veterans that visit the center are in need of something to help them cope with their current realities. The Word of God provides the outlet and the hope that they desperately need.

Harris is hoping to continue planting seeds to add numbers to the Kingdom of God through his sharing of the Good News. His prayer is that the Lord will continue to use him in mighty ways to reach the lost with the message of Jesus!

Harris R. from AZ

MEETING JESUS IN CORPORATE AMERICA

Nicholas works as a corporate chaplain in North Carolina. He knows that God has called him to seek out lost souls in the corporate world, and he takes that calling very seriously. One tool Nicholas loves to use is pocket-sized Gospels of John.

"I've already passed out several pocket testaments," he shares excitedly. "So far, one person has come back with questions, and we've started reading the Gospel of John together!"

Nicholas has noticed that, although some of the people he works with have a Christian upbringing, their understanding of the true Gospel is somewhat lacking, and he is happy to help them meet Jesus and truly get to know Him.

"I'm looking forward to continue preaching the Gospel to others, and I am praising God for the

opportunity to build relationships through His Word!"

Nicholas A. from NC

A CHANGED COURSE

Mirinda is part of an outreach that feeds the less fortunate. Recently, she decided to give out pocket-sized Gospels along with the meals her team provides.

"We had had a man come to us that just left the hospital from an overdose," Mirinda shared. "We fed him, handed him a Gospel, and directed him to a local shelter."

Mirinda was confident that the Word of God had the power to change lives, so she prayed for the man and hoped God would use the Gospel to redirect his life. Recently, that same man visited the center, and Mirinda was happy to hear that God had done just that!

"He told us that his life had been changed since he visited us that day," she said. "Through the Gospel message, the course of his life was changed!"

Mirinda D. from GA

"I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide."

JOHN 15:16

TREATS AND OUTREACH

Every fall, Myrical creates Halloween treat bags for the kids in her neighborhood. She includes a pocket-sized Gospel, school supplies, candy, and a small toy. She is home-bound, but sees Halloween as the one night a year that God allows her to witness by bringing her neighbors to her door.

"I trust that His Word will not return void," she says. "We have new Christian neighbors who are also working to reach the neighborhood for Him, and I pray we would be a light in the darkness!"

Because Myrical is willing to serve the Lord right where she is, He is using her to share hope and truth in her community. She is confident that His Word has the power to change lives and hopes her neighbors will meet Jesus within the pages of the pocket-sized Gospels she gifts to them.

Myrical B. from MI

SPEAKING THEIR LANGUAGE

Pastor Steve works at Rescue Mission at the USA/ Mexico border in El Paso, Texas. The outreach does wonderful work ministering to migrants in their time of need.

"When I first started serving at Rescue Mission,

I would go to the migrant shelter and hand out Bibles," he explains. "Unfortunately, all the Bible's that I had were in English, so oftentimes, the migrants would not be willing to accept them, as they were not in Spanish."

Pastor Steve knew that something needed to be done and relied on God to provide the solution. In an answer to prayer, Rescue Mission received thousands of bilingual pocket-sized Gospels of John.

"Now, thanks to the Spanish Gospels of John that have been provided to us, I can hand out hundreds at a time when I go to our migrant shelter! I am grateful that we can now provide the Word of God in a language that the people can understand."

Pastor Steve from TX

WATCHING GOD WORK

Eddie recently gifted a pocket-sized Gospel to a friend. She happily accepted it and took it home, planning to read it when she had some time. Little did she know her 12-year-old son, Brenden, would be the first one to meet Jesus within its pages!

When Eddie saw her a few days later, he asked his friend about the Gospel. Brenden was with his mother at the time and piped up, "Oh yeah I read about John!" Eddie asked him how he knew about John, and he explained that he read his mom's little book.

"He told me he wants to get baptized and wants his own Bible," Eddie exclaims. "I planted the seed and in front of my eyes I saw God work!"

Eddie plans to get Brenden a personalized Bible and equip him with pocket-sized Gospels for his friends at school, as he requested.

This experience brought Eddie so much joy and excitement! The Lord allowed him to see the ways He works when you are willing to follow His call!

Eddie G. from TX

PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL HEALING

Tina is passionate about following God's lead and introducing others to Him. She regularly shares pocket-sized Gospels with people she meets. Whether she is walking downtown or running errands, Tina never shies away from gifting someone a Gospel and praying for them. One place that Tina often visits is her local hospital.

"I go to the hospital regularly to pray for the sick for salvation and healing," she explains. "Many people have come to Christ and received healing

through my ministry."

Tina's faith in the Lord and her willingness to boldly share His Word with others has not only provided physical healing but spiritual healing as well.

Tina F. from British Columbia, Canada

THE GREATEST TREAT

Clint ordered a bundle of "No Tricks, Just Treats" Gospels to distribute to trick-or-treaters this Halloween. He wanted to give them the greatest treat along with candy this year—the Word of God!

As he was preparing for Halloween, Clint's 9-yearold daughter saw the illustrated Gospels and asked if she could have one. He happily handed her one and was excited when she started reading it immediately.

"My daughter loved the Gospel so much!" he explains. "She ended up using it to have her own little Bible study! She is leading her 8-year-old sister through the Gospel, page-by-page!"

When Clint ordered illustrated Gospels for Halloween, he did not realize that his own daughters would be so encouraged by the booklets. He is excited to see how the Lord will use what the girls read to encourage others to

seek after Him!

Clint S. from FL

MEETING A NEED ONE FAMILY AT A TIME

Bruce's church has a food and clothing pantry that is open every week for individuals and families in the community who are in need. Over 75 families come every week for assistance. Many of the families are immigrants and speak Spanish.

Recently, Bruce realized that despite having excellent food and clothing to meet the physical needs of the families, the church was not helping the families meet their spiritual needs. He decided to change that.

"My wife and I began an outreach ministry a few months ago to reach those who come to the pantry, and pocket-sized Gospels are a big part of our efforts," he explains. "We have been able to get to know most of the families. We assist them with their shopping and just take time to speak with them, which has led to many opportunities to share the Gospel."

Bruce and his wife—who speaks Spanish fluently—stock up on both English and Spanish Gospels to ensure they are prepared to share with anyone who comes to the pantry.

Since we see many of the people every week, we can continue conversations with them, but if we know a customer will only be coming once to the pantry, we make sure to give them a Gospel even if we don't get a chance to speak with them."

Bruce and his wife are successful in sharing the Gospel and enjoy using pocket-sized Gospels to reach people—especially those who are in need of hope. Because of their hearts to serve Him and others, the Lord continues to use them to reach people in their community with the hope of Jesus!

Bruce C. from PA

THE RIDE TO SALVATION

Etienne is a driver for a popular ride-sharing company who uses her platform to share the Gospel. She has a message on the separation plexiglass in her vehicle that reminds her riders that Jesus loves them.

Recently, the Lord gave her the opportunity to share her faith with a Muslim woman who needed a ride. Shortly after entering the car, the woman saw Etienne's message and thanked her for the gesture. Sensing the Lord moving, Etienne handed the woman a pocket-sized Gospel of John and shared her testimony.

"I told her that I received the Lord when I was 15 years old and that God saved my life when I was 16 years old," she says. "Then, I asked her if she wanted to receive Jesus in her heart and she said yes!"

When the pair arrived at the destination, the woman asked Etienne to pray for her and help her get started on the path to salvation. She did, and happily lead the woman to pray the sinner's prayer. Both women instantly felt the presence of God.

"The Spirit felt so strong that I started to weep, and she was full of joy and beaming," Etienne recalls. I invited her to church, and she might come—all Glory to God...He is awesome!"

Etienne Z. from Ottawa, Canada

REAL RELATIONSHIP

William shares Jesus through pocket-sized Gospels and finds the most meaningful faithfueled conversations happen when he slowly builds relationships with the people in his community.

One of these relationships is with Judy. Judy works at a local store and the first time William brought up Christ, her response was "No thank you, God hasn't been very fair to me."

"I came to learn over time that her son had an inoperable brain tumor," William shares. "I would always ask about him when I encountered her and let her know I was praying for them."

Sadly, Judy's son passed away a few months ago. Because William took the time to build a relationship with her, Judy has opened up to him, and he has continued sharing his faith and the love of the Lord with her.

"Over time she came to see that I truly cared," he says. "I have seen a change in her and believe God is working in her heart!"

William S. from IA

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Christian Is passionate about giving out pocketsized Gospels to others who desperately need the hope of Jesus. He regularly looks for ways to introduce others to Jesus and lead them to salvation.

Last month, Christian visited a nursing home and brought pocket-sized Gospels to share with the residents. Little did he know the Lord had a friendly face from the past waiting for him.

"At the local nursing home, I met an old school

friend I have not seen for 50 years," Christian shares. "So wonderful to share the Gospel with him in our group setting and then 1-on-1. I then gave him a Gospel a John to begin his journey with the Lord!"

Christian is a wonderful example of the truth that, when we are willing, the Lord will use us to bring others home to Him!

Christian A. from OH

GOSPEL AT THE GATE

Yvette always looks for opportunities to share the Gospel with people the Lord places in her path. Her most recent opportunity came at the airport when a young girl named Jani approached her and asked her for help navigating the airport.

"God saw to it that we would be at the same gate," Yvette says with a smile. "While we waited for the plane to arrive, I shared my testimony with her and handed her a pocket-sized Gospel."

Jani listened and accepted the pocket Gospel but was not convicted or convinced. Determined that God wanted her to continue the conversation, Yvette asked Jani If they could stay in touch, and she agreed.

In the months that followed Jani reached out to her for answers to various questions. Yvette has been faithful in showing the love of Jesus and, although Jani has not come to know the Lord yet, Yvette hopes that the seed she planted at the airport that day will bear fruit.

Yvette from PA

TOUCHING HEARTS

Todd regularly explores Buffalo, always keeping his eyes open for opportunities to share the Gospel. After getting off at the downtown bus station one day, he felt led to take a walk in a nearby park. While in the park, Todd met a woman named Juanita.

Through conversation, Todd learned that Juanita had walked away from her faith. She had been reprimanded by a church as a teenager because of an unplanned pregnancy and since then had not given much thought to following Jesus. Todd handed her a pocket-sized Gospel and reminded her of the truth inside the pages. He explained the Jesus loved her, despite her past circumstances, and that He was waiting to welcome her with open arms.

After their conversation, Todd prayed with Juanita and knew that her heart had been softened. It

seemed that she was ready to begin her faith journey again.

"She said, 'I feel like I'm going to cry,'" Todd shares. "Praise God for His touching hearts!"

Todd P. from VA

HEAVEN-SENT

Adriana recently ordered pocket-sized Gospels of John and could not wait to share them! She gifted Gospels to people on the street, cashiers in stores, and to her friends and neighbors.

One of these opportunities will remain in Adriana's heart forever. She recalls sharing a Gospel with a woman waiting to cross the street downtown.

"She was very happy and smiling," Adriana says.
"She told me that I am a blessing and an answer to her prayers!"

In the conversation following, Adriana learned that the woman was sick and unable to work. The woman expressed that she had been discouraged lately and was not sure what to do with her time. She expressed to Adriana that she felt that God sent her to encourage her and give her a purpose.

Because Adriana was willing to share the Gospel,

and the hope contained within its pages, the Lord used her to shine His light in a dark circumstance. Her prayer is that the woman continues to grow closer to the Lord, and that she may even lead others to Him!

Adriana G. from CA

I REALLY NEEDED THIS!

When going through her weekly routine, LeeAnn is sure to always bring pocket-sized Gospels with her. She views her errands as opportunities for the Lord to speak through her. Every week, LeeAnn visits three grocery stores and her local bank. She enjoys telling others about how Jesus has saved her.

One day, as LeeAnn was shopping, she noticed a young woman in line in front of her. They struck up a conversation, and LeeAnn told her she had a gift she wanted to share. Surprised, the woman asked if she was sure that she wanted to give it to her.

"I said yes and explained what it was," LeeAnn recalled. "She then put it over her heart and said, 'I really needed this!'"

When LeeAnn got back in her car, she started to weep, in awe of the way the Lord used her to reach a lost soul. She prayed for the woman and her

salvation and continues to do so regularly.

LeeAnn S. from CT

HOME AS A MISSION FIELD

Grace is a stay-at-home mom, who uses pocketsized Gospels to share her faith. She loves allowing God to use her to reach others as she goes through her day.

"I share Gospels eat the grocery store, the doctor's office, other appointments, and especially to anyone who comes to our home," Grace explains. "I make it my goal that anyone who comes to our house gets a Gospel of John, so hopefully I can talk and share some with them about God."

She knows the Lord can use her to further His kingdom no matter where she is, and she truly views her home as a mission field. Grace has happily shared Gospels with her plumber and her HVAC technician.

"I have been able to share with them about God," she says. "My plumber even keeps his Gospel in his car and has told me he reads it!"

Recently, Grace needed to have her washer fixed. When the repairman arrived, Grace engaged him in

conversation and found out that he was a Muslim. After their short conversation, Grace felt the Lord nudging her to share His Word with the man.

"I gave him a Gospel of John and he said that he would read it," she says. "He left his country because of persecution and now he is in the USA where he can freely hear the Gospel. I am praying for him!"

Grace is an encouraging example of how our mission field can be anywhere...even our own home! Because she is willing to follow the Lord's lead, she is changing lives through His Word!

Grace C. from TX

FEELING AT PEACE

Ryan is a PTL Member and Power Sharer. He seeks the Lord's guidance as he hands out pocket-sized Gospels, and he is always willing to share the hope we have in Jesus.

A few weeks ago, he met a man named Norm. Norm informed Ryan that he was a Muslim. Ryan engaged him in conversation about his own beliefs and explained why he made the decision to follow Jesus. Norm listened intently and was visibly moved by what Ryan had to say. At the end of the conversation, Ryan handed him a pocket-sized

Gospel of John.

"I told him to wholeheartedly ask Jesus to be his Lord and Savior and to repent from his sins," Ryan excitedly shares. "We were able to talk for 20 minutes together. He accepted Jesus as Lord!"

Days later, Norm reached back out to Ryan. "He told me he's never felt this peace," Ryan shares. "After reading the Gospel and watching videos from PTL, he cried out to God and laid himself down at the foot of the cross."

The Lord used Ryan to change the course of Norm's life. Ryan is excited to see how many other lives are change as both he and Norm continue telling others of the truth about Jesus.

Ryan L. from FL

ONE OUTCOME OF OUTREACH

During an outreach in her community, Carol met a young man who was in training to be a police officer. Through the outreach, and faith-fueled conversations with Carol, he became radically saved.

The man heard worship music in the park and was immediately drawn to the group of evangelists. He walked over to the group and explained that he

wanted to learn about the Jesus they were singing about. Carol gladly honored the man's request and spent time going through the Gospel message and introducing the man to Jesus.

After the conversation, he visited the group's prayer tent. "He received Jesus as His savior and was very enthusiastic to receive the Gospel of John!" Carol shares.

The next day, the man started to attend a local church. Carol has stayed in contact with him and knows that, to this day, he is growing in his faith!

Carol D. from Ontario, Canada

WALKING WITH THE LORD

Mulu loves sharing the Gospel. She is encouraged when she feels God nudge her to reach out to others with His message of hope and love.

"I have consistently shared the Gospel with friends, family, in cafes and stores, and at work," Mulu says. "But this time, I felt the Lord was telling me it was time to go into the streets. So, I have been doing precisely that every Saturday. I am continually in awe of God's ability to prepare those who are ready to accept!"

One such Saturday, Mulu felt led to walk further

than she usually does. She wasn't sure why, but she suspected the Lord had someone in mind for her to speak to. She was right! After walking for some time, she saw a woman sitting by herself smoking a cigar.

"I felt led to talk to her," Mulu shares. "She was very surprised but allowed me to share the Gospel and my testimony. She even allowed me to pray for her and give her a pocket-sized Gospel to take home."

Mulu learned that the woman's name was Brandy. She asked Brandy if the Gospel message had resonated with her, and she said yes. She explained that she had been seeking truth and told Mulu that what she shared had been encouraging and seemed like an answer to the questions she had been asking.

Mulu continues to pray for Brandy and all the other people she has met through her Saturday street evangelism. She says she will continue to follow the Lord's guidance and allow Him to lead her to people who need to hear His Word.

"It's been incredibly uplifting," she explains. "I am even encouraging a small group of teens I disciple to do likewise."

When we are willing to walk with the Lord, He uses us to further His kingdom. Mulu is a wonderful

example of this truth. We are excited to see how many more lives the Lord will touch through her ministry.

Mulu A. from CA

A SIMPLE TESTIMONY

Lauren has strong desire to lead others to the Lord. She admits she is not very outgoing and making conversations with strangers can be difficult for her, so she appreciates the ease of using pocket-sized Gospels to share her faith.

"I had a really big blessing a couple of weeks ago when God permitted me to share a Gospel with a woman I met in the doctor's office waiting room," Lauren shares. "I simply took one out of my purse and began to read it. I noticed her glancing at what I was reading, so I offered one to her."

The woman accepted the Gospel with gratitude and then opened up to Lauren. She shared that her father was a minister but that she rarely went to church and did not even own her own Bible. The two women sat for a long time reading the Gospel together.

"I pray that she finds Jesus through His Word!" Lauren says. "I know it's a very simple testimony, but I felt used by God and someone who didn't own a Bible now has the life of Jesus in her bag!"

Lauren V. from Manitoba, CA

WHAT'S NEEDED MOST

Tiffanie enjoys packing and distributing hygiene bags for the homeless in her community and the communities she visits. The hygiene bags include necessities—such as toothpaste, socks, and deodorant—along with a pocket-sized Gospel of John.

Earlier this winter, Tiffanie was driving in downtown Seattle—a place that she visits regularly. This particular day, Tiffanie was stopped at a red light, and she saw a homeless man. She handed the man one of the hygiene bags with a pocket-sized Gospel in it. The first thing the man did was take out the Gospel of John.

"I'm always amazed that when a person gets a hygiene bag full of much-needed items like deodorant, toothpaste, a pair of socks, shampoo, conditioner etc., that the first thing they take out of the bag is the Gospel!"

The hope of the Gospel is what is truly needed most in today's tough times. By including God's Word in her hygiene bags, Tiffanie is sharing the hope of Jesus with those who need it most!

Tiffanie T. from WA

"Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved."

ACTS 2:21

DO YOU HAVE ETERNAL LIFE?

William is a part of a monthly community outreach in his city. His congregation gathers canned goods and groceries to distribute in different neighborhoods. The group invites people to get free groceries, offers to pray with them, and then asks them if they have eternal life.

If they respond "no" or seem unsure of the answer to that question, the group members use pocket-sized Gospels of John to guide them through what it means to accept Christ. Each month, between 20 and 25 people pray to accept Christ though this outreach. Over the last 5 years they have witnessed over 1,000 accept Christ and meet Jesus.

The outreach is proof that people are truly hungry for the Word of God. William and his fellow group members are humbled that the Lord continues to gift them the opportunity to see the fruits of their outreach month after month.

William B. from FL

IT'S NOT SO HARD

Ken is always encouraged by the faith of the younger generation. Recently, the youth pastor at Ken's church challenged his students to

share pocket-sized Gospels as a simple way to evangelize. One of the high school students shared a story with Ken about how he was able to witness to others at school.

The teen shared that he had some downtime during PE class and was reading through the Gospel of John. One of his friends approached him and asked him what he was reading. After he explained that he was reading the Gospel of John, the friend asked if he could have a Gospel. The teen happily gave it to him. While recalling the experience, the teen said, "It's really not so hard to give these out!"

When we are willing, God always provides us with opportunities to share the Good News. No matter where our mission field might be, God wants to use us to lead others to Him!

Ken B. from AZ

TOUCHED BY A GOSPEL

Sheena works at her local Pregnancy Resource Center, and she and her husband recently started a church. She regularly orders pocket-sized Gospels to distribute at both the Center and their new church.

"We are just starting out as a church plant,

and in the last 60 days we have had almost 10 individuals either recommit their lives to Christ or ask Him into their heart for the very first time!" Sheena exclaims. "The pocket-sized Gospels of John are a very important part of feeding these young sheep and helping them introduce their Savior to their friends."

The Lord is using Sheena and her heart for the lost to expand His Kingdom. Thanks to her willingness to share His Word, many people's lives—and eternities—are being changed!

Sheena B. from ME

CONNECTED BY THE CROSS

Marianne is always ready to fight the good flight. Recently, she went to the grocery store, armed with a Gospel of John in her pocket.

"At the store, there was this young man, maybe 20," Marianne recalls. "He was wearing a cross. I said, 'That's a nice cross. Why do you wear it?' He said, "Because I'm a Christian, and I want to remember that.'"

Marianne continued their conversation, telling him that she was a Christian as well. She handed him the pocket-sized Gospel and encouraged him to share it with someone. He accepted it with excitement and assured her that he would gladly share it as the Lord called him.

"Sometimes, I think God leads me to give these Gospels to other Christians to remind them to share His Word."

Marianne M. from KS

PASS IT ALONG

Tim, his wife, and their daughter were driving around their new neighborhood, praying for the people in the community. As they were driving, they pulled up to a truck on a narrow lane. The truck had two men in it and Tim felt called to share the Good News with them.

"I rolled my window down on that cold, dark evening and asked the driver if he had ever read the Bible," Tim shares. "He replied, 'Yes, some.' I handed him a Gospel of John and told him what it was and that if he didn't need it, to pass it along to someone he knew who would need it."

A few weeks later, Tim was at work and a friend from his new Church stopped in. He introduced Tim to his son—who happened to be the passenger from the truck! Tim couldn't believe the way God orchestrated the divine meeting.

Tim was amazed at how God used him to make an impact on his friend's son before they even met. Tim and his family will continue reaching the people that the Lord places in their path, and they trust that He will lead them to others that need to hear the message of the Gospel.

"God is in control of every finite detail of our lives for His glory, to reach the lost," Tim says. "We believe John 3:17 is in present-day action when we are out praying and sharing with others God's Grace by which we are saved through faith!"

Tim L. from New Brunswick, Canada

PASS IT ALONG

This winter Todd went downtown to give away blankets, clothes, and food to the needy. Along with these necessities, Todd gave away the most needed item of all—the Gospel. Eight people prayed with Todd and asked for salvation that day!

"One of those salvations happened at the bus station nearby," Todd shares. "I walked over to use the bathroom and a young man opened the door for me. I felt led to minister to him."

Todd allowed the Holy Spirit to guide his conversation. He learned that the man's name was Amari and that he just gotten out of prison

that very morning. When Amari told him that he didn't own a Bible, Todd handed him a pocket-sized Gospel of John.

"Amari became born again!" Todd excitedly says.
"Isaiah 61:1 says we are 'to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound.'"

Todd is doing just that, following the Lord's lead and sharing freedom in Christ with those who desperately need to the hope of the Gospel.

Todd P. from VA

A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS GIFT

Robin and her husband were flying on Christmas Day to spend the holiday with their son. While in the airport, Robin prayed that God would provide someone that she could introduce to Jesus. It was Christmas after all and sharing God's Word seemed like a wonderful way to celebrate. The couple struck up a conversation with a woman sitting in front of them during the flight, and God responded to Robin's request.

"She mentioned that she had put her back out right before their family vacation began," Robin recalls. "I asked if I could pray with her. She smiled, gave me her hands, and I prayed not only for her healing, but that God would reveal His love to her in a way she would know it was Him."

After the two women finished praying, Robin's husband handed her a pocket-sized Gospel of John to share.

"I told her it was my favorite book of the Bible because it spoke of God's love for us. She took the Gospel, smiled, and put it in a zippered pocket of her backpack. After finishing, she looked right at me with a beautiful smile and told me 'You've given me a wonderful Christmas gift."

Robin S. from NM

THE BEST NEWS EVER

Katie has always had a heart for sharing the Gospel. She has tried many ways of evangelizing, including sharing tracts, engaging in conversation with people, and—more recently—sharing pocket-sized Gospels from The Pocket Testament League.

Since becoming a PTL Member, Katie tries to hand out Gospels everywhere she goes. Some time ago, Katie felt the Lord leading her to include a five dollar bill inside the Gospels she shares. She prayed about it and soon after, God blessed her with an extra \$100 she was not expecting. She knew that this was a gift from the Lord and an

answer to her prayer.

Now when she shares a Gospel, Katie says, "This is the best news you're ever going to have given to you. If I could give you what He's given to me, this five dollars would seem like nothing."

Katie's obedience and heart for sharing God's Word is allowing Him to work through her to lead the lost back to Him.

Kathryn H. from NC

GOD'S PERFECT TIMING

Justin was flying home and had a short layover at the Toronto airport. He noticed a young man who was wearing a cross around his neck but didn't get a chance to talk to him. While waiting for his plane to board, Justin felt the Lord calling him to leave pocket-sized Gospels on chairs and benches in the airport terminal, so he did just that. As he was placing the Gospels around the terminal, Justin walked by the same young man wearing the cross.

"I walked past him and heard the Lord prompt me to go and talk to him," Justin says. "I went back and asked him about his cross and if he's following Jesus. It turns out that he is not yet bornagain, but he has been reading his Bible!". Through their conversation, Justin learned that the man—Brendan—didn't grow up in church, but was hungry to learn more about Jesus. Brendan was very open to talking about what he had been reading, so Justin was able to encourage him to continue before he had to head to his gate.

When he arrived, Justin was informed that his flight was delayed. He knew this was an opportunity from God to continue the conversation with Brendan. He walked back to where he was still sitting, and the men resumed their conversation.

"My flight ended up getting delayed twice, and I spent the rest of my time talking to Brendan. The Lord told me to give him a pocket-sized Gospel of John which he received gladly. I answered more of his questions and planted seeds. When I left Brendan to catch my flight, I arrived at my gate precisely when my section was starting to board; it was all timed out perfectly, praise God!"

Justin D. from Nova Scotia, Canada

A FREE GIFT FROM GOD

Michael was on his way to work, armed with his last pocket-sized Gospel, when the Lord blessed him with an opportunity to share it.

"I had a wonderful Gospel conversation with a man

named Cisco," Michael explains. "He didn't know how to have everlasting life, so I shared John 5:24 and told him that Jesus promises that if you are willing to hear, receive, and believe what He says, you can be sure you have eternal life."

Michael took time to explain the Gospel message and emphasized that salvation is a free gift from God. He encouraged Cisco and told him that God can and will transform his life if he decides to follow Him.

"He told me he would definitely read the Gospel today!" Michael shares excitedly.

Michael's experience is a wonderful example of what can happen when we look for opportunities to share God's Word with others.

Michael W. from FL

SHARING 'SALTY BAGS'

Dee loves sharing pocket-sized Gospels and introducing others to the Lord.

"Whenever I go to the store, gas station, anywhere, I make up 'Salty Bags' with candy, a church pen, scripture cards, and a Pocket Gospel in a baggie that says, 'Have a Nice Day.'" She shares.

Dee regularly has encouraging experiences with her 'Salty Bags.' Responses range from people crying and hugging her, to others witnessing her gifting them and asking for one for themselves.

"I also give them to the homeless and include a donation and prayer. I love the conversations that begin when I share!"

Dee knows that God is using her to share His Word and trusts Him when He says that His Word will not return void. Each 'Salty Bag' is an opportunity for someone to experience salvation, and Dee plans on continuing to gift them as long as the Lord allows her to!

Dee J. from MD

BEAUTIFUL, WORTHY, AND LOVED

Tina enjoys hearing others sharing their stories and is amazed at how God uses each of us differently to impact His Kingdom. She wanted to share her own story in hopes that it might encourage us to follow God's call in our own lives.

A few years ago, Tina started making handmade, natural soap. During the pandemic, she turned her hobby into a small business, and recently, she has felt called to utilize the business the Lord blessed her with to introduce others to Him.

"I have made it my mission to tell the women I serve that they are naturally beautiful, fearfully, and wonderfully made by their Creator," she explains. "I encourage them to avoid both the harsh chemicals they use in pursuit of beauty and the harsh words they speak to themselves."

Tina felt God urging her to do even more and found herself in a relationship with a local women's shelter. She immediately started donating a portion of her profits to them and met with the residents regularly to share her journey to finding her identity in Christ.

"I sit down with women who are often at the lowest point in their lives and tell them that their circumstances do not define them. They hear that it doesn't matter what the world says or thinks about them; they are truly loved and truly beautiful in God's eyes. The transformation I see in these women as I am talking leaves me in awe."

When she visits with the women, she also teaches them how to make their own sugar scrubs or lip balm with ingredients they can buy at the grocery store. She ends each session by giving them a bar of her soap and a pocket-sized Gospel of John with the cover that reads 'You are worth more than you can ever imagine.'

"God has used me in a way I would never have imagined possible. All the energy & passion for my business has been overshadowed by the energy and passion I have for reaching women who need to know that they are beautiful, worthy, and loved by God!"

Tina E. from OH

TWO NEW LIVES

Michael drives the ultrasound bus for his local Crisis Pregnancy Center, and he and his family work with a pro-life ministry. One day at the abortion clinic, a woman approached his daughter. She was crying and explained that her boyfriend was forcing her to have an abortion, and she needed help.

"My wife, daughter, and others in the ministry got her the help she needed, and she was able to choose life," Michael excitedly shares.

A week later, the woman moved in with her family several states away to escape the reach of her abusive ex-boyfriend. Michael's wife continued to share the Gospel with the young mother via phone calls and text messages.

"My daughter and I were praying for the woman one night as we were driving in the car," he says. "The next day, the young mother texted my wife that she had prayed to receive Christ the night before—at the same time my daughter and I were praying for her!"

The Lord answered Michael's prayer and used him and his family—through a very tough situation—to introduce the woman to Jesus and the hope of new life He offers. Thanks to Michael and his family following the Lord and serving as He has called them to, the woman has new life of her own as she prepares to bring another new life into the world!

Michael T. from NC

ADDING TO THE NUMBER DAILY

God has called Dan to share the Gospel with the lost.

"I prayed 3 years ago that the Holy Spirit would lead me to 52 people—1 person a week—that the Holy Spirit had already convicted to receive Jesus as Lord and Savior but needed a little push from someone else to make the change for their life," Dan shares. "God answered my prayer! By that December, 52 people repeated a prayer accepting Jesus as their Lord and Savior."

While many would count that as a victory and feel that they accomplished what God had called them to do, Dan felt led to do even more.

"The next year, I prayed to reach one person every single day. At the end of the year, 440 people made a commitment to follow Jesus. In 2023, I

witnessed 319 people committed their lives to Christ."

As Dan continues to reach others and help them understand what it means to truly follow Jesus, the number of people he has led to salvation increases almost daily. He gives every one of the people he witnesses to a pocket-sized Gospel of John to remind them of their commitment and help them on their new walk with Christ. The Lord is using Dan to change many lives and Dan is confident he will reach many more as the Lord leads him!

Dan S. from NY

SPOKEN TO BY THE SPIRIT

One day, on Neil's weekly grocery store trip, the Holy Spirit spoke to him. He had parked in the middle of the lot and, as he walked towards the building, Neil noticed a woman walking behind him.

"I felt impressed to slow down, so she could catch up with me," He shared. "The woman had concern on her face, and I asked if I could give her a Gospel of John."

She agreed, so Neil gave her a pocket-sized Gospel and told her to be sure and read the first few pages—with the plan of salvation—first.

The woman was so grateful to Neil and explained that her brother was in the hospital with congestive heart failure. Neil was glad to be able to offer her the hope of Jesus in such a tough time.

"I believe we will see her and her brother in heaven because God's word doesn't return void and I was impressed by God's Spirit to give the Gospel to her!"

Neil H. from VA

SEEK GOD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND

Eric recently had two opportunities to share the Gospel—one with his neighbor and one with a friend. He was so thankful that the Lord worked through Him and that he got to see it happen!

"I could tell that my neighbor had already been thinking about his life, and also that he realized he needed to make a change," Eric says. "I had the opportunity to share a pocket-sized Gospel with him and was so blessed by the experience!"

Not long after that, Eric was able to give one of his friends a Gospel of John as well. He gave the friend two extra Gospels to give to anyone he desired to share them with, and he gladly accepted all three.

"I truly believe that God is calling me to witness

to people that I encounter, and I also realize that everyone in the world is running out of time," Eric shares. "We must all seek God while He may be found!"

Eric is grateful for resources like pocket-sized Gospels that God can use to call and draw people near to Him. "People truly need to be saved by and through Jesus, unto God the Father, before it's too late!" he says.

Eric S. from WV

JESUS HEALS

Daniel is a born-again believer with a powerful testimony.

"I was graciously saved by Jesus in a jail cell from addiction, mental illness, and other things that I struggled with for years," he explains. "At my very bottom, I cried out to Him and asked Him if He really was who He said He was to do for me what I can't for myself."

One week later, Daniel says that Jesus himself came to him and delivered him. "Since that day, I have never had a craving for alcohol or drugs, and my life is completely changed!" he exclaims.

Daniel still lives in the same city, so he regularly

sees the same drug addicts and dealers. He feels called to do something more than give them money when he sees them. "I tell them Jesus loves them but usually can't tell them in depth how much. So, coming across pocket-sized Gospels is an amazing thing for me!"

Daniel is excited to be able to hand people the living Word of God and trusts that the Lord will do the rest! His own testimony is proof that Jesus heals, and he is excited for the opportunity to play a small role in Jesus healing the lives of others.

Daniel D. from NY

SMALL BUT MIGHTY

Ryan and his team of evangelists often go to shopping malls to share Jesus and the hope He offers with others. They trust that the Lord will provide them opportunities to share His Word with others—and He certainly does!

"We see salvations weekly and always give new believers the Gospel of John," Ryan explains. "By the grace of God, we have seen 361 salvations since we began witnessing in malls in 2023."

Ryan's outreach is a wonderful example of how simple it can be to share God's Word with others. Pocket-sized Gospels are a small but mighty way

to lead others to the Lord! Because of his and his team's willingness to share their faith, hundreds of lives have been saved and eternities have been changed with the Gospel message!

Ryan M. from AZ

A MAP FOR LIFE'S CROSSROADS

Mulu is no stranger to using pocket-sized Gospels for outreach. In fact, she tries to carry Gospels everywhere she goes, so she is ready to share His Word with anyone the Lord places in her path.

"Just a week ago, I was able to share the Gospel with a young lady who worked at a café," Mulu shares. "As I started to share the Gospel and my testimony with her, she told me that she was at a crossroads, trying to find purpose and meaning in her life–even wanting to start to seek God but just never getting around to it. She was amazed that I came up to her and was speaking to her about those very things!"

Mulu was able to gift the woman a pocket-sized Gospel of John and explain that, inside the pages, she may just find the answers she has been searching for.

This experience is an incredible example of the importance of being equipped to share the Gospel

at all times. The Lord will always go before us and give us opportunities if we are willing to partner with Him in Kingdom work!

"I am continually in awe of God's ability to prepare those who are ready to accept!" Mulu says.

Mulu A. from CA

OPPORTUNIES FROM THE LORD

Anne is so thankful for pocket-sized Gospels. Through them, she has found her favorite way to share her faith!

"By God's grace, I regularly hand out Gospels of John—to high school students, people downtown, students at the college campus near me, and at abortion centers," Anne shares. "The Lord gives me many opportunities to engage in Gospel conversations, and many of the individuals agree to read these Gospels!"

Sharing pocket-sized Gospels has given Anne confidence to introduce others to Jesus. She loves that she can simply hand someone a Gospel and the Lord can do the rest! She is even finding new ways to reach people with God's Word.

"I just started uploading some of my Gospel interactions on my YouTube channel," she adds.

"The Lord is doing great things in our midst! May

He receive all the glory!"

Anne M. from FL

MAKING THE MOST OF EVERY CHANCE

I hand out pocket-sized Gospels at gas stations, stores, hospitals, or anywhere go," Ann shares. "Usually people are in a hurry, so I just say, 'There is a good chance I won't see you here on earth, but I want to see you and your family in Heaven someday. This booklet tells you how to get there!'"

Ann says that most people happily accept the Gospels with a smile. Some even tell her how much they needed to hear her message of encouragement. Ann's prayer, and ours, is that people's hearts will indeed turn to God!

Ann H. from PA

SIGHT FROM THE LORD

A few days ago, Bonnie was ordering new glasses. The office was busy, but Bonnie felt God clearly tell her that the young woman she was working with was lost and needed to meet Him.

"We were finished and cashing out, but I hadn't

had a quiet place to share with her yet," Bonnie says. "I asked Holy Spirit to help set up the time and shortly after she said, 'I have your paperwork but let's go someplace quieter'—Oh how I was thanking God!"

After heading to another room, Bonnie was able to start a faith conversation and tell the woman about Jesus and His love.

"The Holy Spirit gave me the exact words she needed to hear to open her heart to Jesus," Bonnie shares. "It was so beautiful! I gave her a Gospel and told her God had arranged the timing because He loves her so much."

Bonnie is looking forward to checking in with her and continuing the conversation in future appointments. "God is so faithful!"

Bonnie G. from FL

REUNITED FOR A PURPOSE

Kelly enjoys looking for ways to share her faith with the people the Lord places in her life. A few months ago, Kelly knew the Lord provided an opportunity to do just that when He reunited her with a friend from her youth. Kelly quickly learned that her friend was alone, and her health was failing.

"I got to share my testimony and what God has done in my life," Kelly explains. "We spent a lot of time getting reunited, praying, encouraging and talking about my 'Christ' love for her."

Sadly, Kelly's friend passed away just a couple of months later, but Kelly will forever be grateful that the Lord brought the two back together. He gave them the opportunity to speak about Jesus, and Kelly was even able to gift her a Gospel of John. Kelly is confident that the two friends were reunited for a purpose, and she prays that she will see her friend again in Heaven!

Kelly S. from MI

SIMPLE, SERIOUS, SPIRITUAL

Tim leads a ministry that includes a community center for people to come when they need help. Tim and the staff regularly look for ways to share the Gospel and give people the hope of Jesus.

A few months ago, an unhoused neighbor came into the community center with a Gospel of John that he had previously received.

"He told our staff how glad he is that this is a place where he knows he can get these," Tim shares. "This is not an isolated occurrence. We have had multiple people tell us that they are glad we have the Gospels of John available for them!"

Days later, a man was sitting in the community center. One of the staff members approached him and engaged him in a conversation.

"We find that simple conversations often lead to serious conversations and then those lead to spiritual conversations!" Tim explains.

The man shared some of his struggles, and the staff member asked him if she could pray with him. After the prayer, she explained that she wanted to give the man a small gift—a pocket-sized Gospels of John. The man was appreciative and left the center with a smile on his face.

"We find that people will eventually come back," Tim says. "Many even start joining our Bible studies, then our popup church on Sundays, and then get involved in a local church!"

The work Tim and his staff are doing offers hope to people who don't know where else to turn. They are able to share the Gospel and allow Jesus to meet them right where they are!

Tim S. from CA

"The free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

ROMANS 6:23

FOR SUCH A TME AS THIS

Andrew regularly prays for divine appointments—or as he calls them—"divine rendezvous."

He was recently in a waiting room when he saw someone he thought he might share the Gospel with. They left the room shortly after, so he prayed this bold prayer, "God, let the right person come, sit in the chair immediately to my right, and start a conversation with me. That way, I'll know they're the right person."

Sure enough, within just a few minutes, the Lord answered his prayer. A man came along, sat down next to him, and asked him a question. Andrew then knew this man was the person he had prayed about! He took the opportunity the Lord provided and began sharing with him about God.

When Andrew's name was called, he knew the time he had left with the man was short, so he pulled out a pocket-sized Gospel of John and handed it to him. Andrew encouraged him to read it, and he walked away thrilled about the opportunity to share God's Word! Andrew is confident that God placed this man right next to him for such a time as this!

Andrew E. from FL

BECAUSE OF THE LITTLE GOSPEL

Mary enjoys sharing pocket-sized Gospels of John with others in situations that the Lord leads her.

One of her favorites times to share is when she goes on vacation. She always leaves a monetary tip, along with an English and Spanish Gospel, for the room cleaners and hotel staff.

"I also put a Gospel of John inside many of the cards I send," Mary explains. "Especially when I am sending them to people that I know do not read the Bible—I hope that they will read a smaller version!"

One of Mary's friends told her that she received a pocket-sized Gospel of John from her and decided to read it. She has since decided to give her life to Christ!

"I was so excited that I went right over to her house to see if it was true!" Mary says excitedly. "It was! She wanted to have Jesus as her Savior because of the little Gospel of John! My heart is singing!"

Mary W. from IN

FINDING HOPE

Donna recently shared a pocket-sized Gospel with her hairdresser. Donna knew the woman was very superstitious, so she thought that hearing the Gospel message might help her find hope and peace.

Donna explains that the woman regularly talks about her grandson, Sean. Sean is in a home recovering from drug addiction, but she often brings him to her home to spend time with him.

"Recently, she told me that he tried to kill himself," Donna shares. "I felt so bad for him and wanted to help, so I prayed for him. I have continued praying for him and his grandmother."

When Donna got her haircut the other day, she told her hairdresser that she had been praying for Sean and had something to give to him.

"I handed her the Finding Hope Gospel," Donna says. "She gladly took the Gospel and said she would give it to him. I said, 'You read it too.' and she said she would!"

Donna T. from MA

THE GOSPEL SAVED MY LIFE

Sheryl shares pocket-sized Gospels everywhere! He shares them with the homeless, in the stores, and on the streets.

Years ago, Sheryl shared a Gospel with a young man who had been in jail. He told Sheryl that he had previously attempted to kill himself and failed. Sheryl shared that Jesus loved him wanted him alive. She encouraged him to read the Gospel.

Years later, Sheryl saw that same man at a laundromat.

"He told me that he still had the Gospel and said that it saved his life!" he says. "He was so happy to see me, and I was so happy he was alive, that he gave his life to Jesus, and that he still had his Gospel of John!"

Sheryl L. from NC

A NEW PERSPECTIVE

A few months ago, PTL Member Mike was diagnosed with kidney cancer.

"Thankfully it is not terminal, and the doctor feels confident about removing it with surgery, but being a husband a father of three kids left me in a place where I was questioning everything," Mike explains.

Mike has been a believer for years and is no stranger to sharing the Gospel but says it has been a while since he put his faith on the forefront of his mind. His diagnosis helped put things into perspective for him and has encouraged him to share his faith with others.

"It brought me to a point of conviction and resolution to get back to serving God and sharing the Gospel as much as I can."

Mike is thankful for other PTL Members who sponsor Gospels. "The mounting medical bills have made it difficult to spend much, so I'm very thankful for programs like Sponsorship that equip people to share the Gospel!"

Mike S. from KY

LIVES CHANGED BY THE GOSPEL

Several years ago, Nadine ordered PTL Gospels for the first time. Her Aunt and Uncle were preaching in multiple prisons in the state of Washington, and Nadine wanted to give them something to help with their ministry. She remembers hearing that many lives were saved as a result of the ministry and of pocket-sized Gospels. In recent years, she has been reminded of the power of the Gospel and has

started sharing pocket-sized Gospels again.

"Recently, I have relocated to Southern California where the amount of homeless people is overwhelming," Nadine shares. "I devote my time and resources in my own attempt to share the Gospel. I want nothing more than to continue to assist individuals in their journey to know Christ."

Nadine enjoys sharing pocket-sized Gospels with everyone the Lord places in her path. Her own faith has been strengthened by the desire of others to place their hope in Jesus. "People are hungry for Christ!"

Nadine G. from CA

LEADING PASSENGERS ON A JOURNEY TO JESUS

Anthony has been a ride share driver since 2019 and he sees his job as an opportunity to lead his passengers to Jesus. He even stocks his car with pocket-sized Gospels so he has something to give people that will encourage them on their journey to Jesus.

"I began sharing my testimony of faith while driving passengers in 2020," he shares. "It provides for a unique opportunity to share the Gospel, my testimony, and my own biblical knowledge with others."

Anthony has had some amazing conversations with many diverse people. He has spoken to people from many religious and non-religious backgrounds, and even had an atheist tell him that his words made her reconsider her beliefs. One of his most memorable conversations was with a Muslim woman.

"She accepted a Gospel of John from me and asked me to pray with her!" he says. "Glory be to God!"

Anthony J. from CT

PRESENTING JESUS WITH JOY

Sharing Jesus is not easy. PTL Member, Sarah, knows this all too well. She thinks it is especially true for Members in the USA.

"I think it is difficult in America where people seem to be calloused to the beauty of God's Word," she shares. "I admit that sometimes this attitude has influenced my sharing. I think as followers of Jesus, we can help break the calloused familiarity with the Gospel when we present Jesus with joy."

Sarah remembers one such experience, where she was able to share the Gospel with a woman at a local grocery store.

"[Sharing] is usually something that I have to pray a lot about because I feel uncomfortable," she says. "God used this encounter in a far greater way than I could have imagined, and I believe God may be opening the door for a discipleship opportunity."

Sarah is confident that, through continued conversations and the pocket-sized Gospel, she gifted her, the woman's life will be changed. The Lord is using Sarah to be an example of faith to that woman, and many others, because she is willing to joyfully present Jesus to them!

Sarah M. from VA

A MOTHER'S LIFE CHANGED

Mark enjoys sharing pocket-sized Gospels with the various people the Lord places in his life. He feels the Gospels help him connect with people and he appreciates that they are something tangible to gift to others when he shares his faith with them.

The most meaningful experience Mark has ever had when sharing his faith happened in a conversation with his mother.

"After sharing what the Lord has done for me and how He saved me, I gave a Gospel to my mother and she accepted Christ on the spot!" Thanks to Mark's willingness to share his testimony, the Lord has used him to transform many lives, including that of his own mother! Mark now has confidence that he will see his mother in eternity and knows that the Lord is always working in the hearts of those we love!

Mark D. from NJ

A MEANINGFUL TRIP TO THE MALL

One morning, Todd decided to visit the mall to run some errands. On the way inside, he saw three young men—James, Cayden, and Justin—sitting by the doors. Todd engaged the men in conversation and took the opportunity to witness to them.

"James wasn't sure of his eternal destiny, Cayden said he was agnostic, and Justin thought he was going to Heaven, but he didn't know why," Todd explains.

By the end of the conversation, all three men prayed with Todd and accepted Jesus into their lives. Todd even gifted them a pocket-sized Gospel of John to aid them in learning even more about Jesus.

The Lord used Todd's simple trip to the mall to change three lives and lead them back to Jesus. It is truly incredible what the Lord can and will do

when we are willing to follow His lead!

Todd P. from VA

GOD'S WORD BREAKS THROUGH BARRIERS

Myra lives less than 3 hours from the Mexico border. She has recently felt the Lord nudging her to break through language barriers and reach people for Him.

"We are getting Spanish Gospels into the hands of Latinos and ministering to the people who are appearing in our community," Myra says.

Myra has already had a few incredible experiences since she decided to respond to God's call on her life. One memorable experience happened at a hotel she visited.

"I was at a hotel and met a man who obviously did not speak English or understand what I was saying, she shares. "I gave him the Spanish Gospel and went inside the restroom. When I came out, I saw him reading it. Glory!"

Myra M. from AZ

"I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness."

JOHN 12:46

A STARTING POINT

Dan ministers to the homeless and poor living on the streets of Columbus, GA. He placed his first PTL Gospel order in February and already has a few amazing experiences.

"The first time I went to distribute Gospels, the Holy Spirit told me to offer one to a guy standing on a street corner," Dan shares. "I did and he took the Gospel and said that the day before he had been in a relationship the that drove him to his knees, He said would need to rebuild his relationship with God one book at a time...and this would be his starting point!"

Dan knows this is just the beginning of how the Lord will use him through these pocket-sized Gospels.

"I went out to distribute three Gospels last Saturday," he recalls. "As I was leaving my car, the Holy Spirit told me to grab ten. Within 15 minutes, all had been given out... one at a time!"

Dan's story is an encouraging testimony to how the Lord can use each of us to draw others close to Himself. If we are willing to take that step and find our own starting point, there is no limit to what He will use us to do!

Dan T. from GA

MALL MIRACLES

Dione and her friend decided that instead of waiting for the lost to find them, they would go out to reach them. On a Saturday at the mall, they met a young man from the Congo, nicknamed Wu.

As they shared their testimonies, Wu's heart opened to the message of salvation. When Dione's friend showed him John 3:16 from a Pocket Testament League Gospel, his face lit up with joy.

Wu accepted Christ as his Savior, a moment that left them both grateful to God for the opportunity to witness such transformation.

Dione L. from NC

READY TO BELIEVE

John, a dedicated member of Men on a Mission in Georgia, shares how their ministry recently impacted a young man named Jermaine. Men on a Mission is a community organization focused on sharing the Gospel and providing essential support, such as food, clothing, and nursing home ministry, throughout the Central Savannah River Area.

During a recent tent event, Jermaine approached their team seeking prayer and encouragement.

Holding the Gospel up proudly, he expressed his readiness to give his life to God, unafraid of the truth it held. John's heart rejoices as they celebrate Jermaine's testimony, knowing that God's Word continues to transform lives.

John C. from GA

DIVINE APPOINTMENTS

While waiting in line at the bank, Patricia felt the Holy Spirit urging her to share Gospels with the two women behind her. One of the women gratefully accepted the Gospel, explaining that she had been wanting to study the book of John to learn more about Jesus.

Patricia responded, "I pray about who to give the Gospels to, so it was God who directed me to you."

Although they were called up by the teller before they could speak further, Patricia later saw the woman in the parking lot, where she had the opportunity to pray with her. Praise God for His divine appointments!

Patricia C. from CA

"If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

JOHN 8:31-32

TEACHING WITH TESTAMENTS

Richard works in a high school, where he often has opportunities to share the Gospel with students. "While working within state guidelines can be difficult at times, these Pocket Testaments are a great tool for students who come to me with questions about their faith," he explains.

He also participates in the Good News Club at his local elementary school. This program provides an environment in which he and his team are able to build relationships with younger students and share the love of Christ through open discussion. He adds,

"The Pocket Testaments are perfect for getting the Gospel into the hands of children in a way that's just their size."

Richard W. from SC

FAITH ON THE MOVE

Jackie and her friends are committed to sharing the love of Christ with others. Once a month, they visit local malls and parks to pray with people and share the Gospel. Their outreach has led to numerous salvations and healings.

On a recent outing, a young man working at a GNC

store gave his life to Christ after hearing their message. They also prayed for another employee, a Christian who had strayed from his faith, asking God to heal the trauma he had endured. Jackie is grateful for these powerful encounters and the way God is moving in her community.

Jackie C. from CA

CUP OF BLESSINGS

Liam and his family, dedicated homeschoolers, have found a unique way to share their faith. Each week, their 12-year-old son brings Gospels to a local coffee shop, where he eagerly shares the message of Jesus with everyone he meets. His interactions span a diverse group of people, including military families, college students, and local businesspeople.

His consistent presence and heartfelt conversations have also led to new friendships and meaningful connections. For this family, their regular visits to the coffee shop have been a powerful and uplifting way to share God's Word and witness the impact it has on others.

Liam B. from MS

GOSPEL GATEWAY

Christopher's mission to share the Gospel has taken a meaningful turn in Los Angeles. Partnering with a local Chinese Christian church, Christopher and his team are making a profound impact on the Chinese community.

They have been distributing Gospels to Chinese international students at LSU, providing them with a gateway to learn about Jesus. Christopher's gratitude shines through in his message: "Thank you so much for helping to supply us with the Word of God. May God continue to bless you!"

Christopher C. from LA

HEAVEN'S SIMPLE PATH

David was at a park in New Jersey when he met someone anxious about his future. The man had been told that attending a Roman Catholic church was the only way to reach Heaven. David gently shared that salvation comes through the recognition of sin and following Jesus, not through affiliation with any particular church. The conversation was heartfelt, and David's words deeply resonated with the man.

In that moment, the man embraced the message of salvation, and David handed him two Gospels

of John—one for his own reading and another to share with someone else. The encounter revealed the power of a compassionate conversation and the lasting impact of the simple Gospel.

David M. from NJ

GOD'S PERFECT TIMING

Lori had a remarkable week of sharing Gospels in her community. While working at In-N-Out, a teenager told her, "I really needed this today." Lori's heart was warmed by this sincere acknowledgment, knowing that God's timing is perfect.

Later, at Ace Hardware, a man in his 40s or 50s responded with, "You have no idea how much I needed this today." Lori simply replied, "God did."

Each interaction was a testament to the profound impact of sharing God's Word, touching lives in moments when it was needed most.

Lori M. from CA

"Give thanks to the Lord, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted."

ISAIAH 12:4

FIREWORKS OF FAITH

Arlene and her team set up a booth at the 4th of July celebration in Honesdale, PA. Over three hours, they handed out 35 Gospels, engaging with at least 100 children and 50 adults. The event was a success, with three young girls receiving Jesus into their lives!

The support from Christians, including donations and prayers was greatly appreciated. With 33 Gospels left, Arlene is excited to continue sharing God's love and His Word in the community.

They're preparing for a seven-hour outreach next week and will be ordering more Gospels to keep up with the demand and keep sharing the message of hope!

Arlene S. from PA

CONTINENT OF AFRICA

GOD'S LOVE THROUGH HIS WORD

Samson is a follower of Jesus who lives in Nigeria. He has always read his Bible, but when he accepted the 21-Day Challenge, it took his faith and love for God's Word to a whole new level.

"I was reading the Bible occasionally, but after engaging in the 21-Day Challenge, skipping reading the Bible makes me feel void that day," he explains. "It really made reading the Bible part of my everyday activities."

When spending time in the Word became an indispensable daily activity for Samson, he started to feel God's love in a powerful way.

"I feel the presence of God's love within me through His Word," he says. "One thing I hold on to is that His love is always before and with us. All that is left is for me to love Him back!"

Samson from Nigeria

COMPLETE FAITH

Ada shared, "I thought being 'Born Again' was a mockery term until I read the Gospel of John. On the 3rd day of reading, I saw that being born again means having a relationship with Jesus."

In that moment, Ada dedicated her life to Jesus. She prayed and surrendered her life to Him and His will.

"Even though I grew up in a Christian home—and believed I had faith because of it—I realized it was a different reality after reading the Gospel. I discovered that my relationship with Jesus was half-baked. After reading, I now have complete faith in Jesus!"

Ada is excited to share the knowledge she has gained with the people God places in her life. She believes that the Gospel is a great tool to enter into conversations with other Christians, Muslims, and anyone else God may place in her path. "The Gospel opens the heart for conversation!" she exclaims.

Ada from Nigeria

MEDITATING ON GOD'S WORD

Faith is a student in Nigeria who was encouraged to complete the 21-Day Challenge. To take the challenge, a person must read one chapter of John each day for 21 days. Faith decided to accept the challenge and is so glad that she did!

"This 21 Day Challenge has really built my spiritual life," she explains. "Seeing how powerful Jesus

was throughout the Gospel of John has helped me to put my faith in God. Because of Him, I will never give up no matter the situation."

After spending time in the Word for 21 Days, Faith not only gained greater knowledge of who God is, she also created a habit that is sure to stick with her for the rest of her life.

"By taking the 21 Day Challenge, I have been able to develop a consistent quiet time and prayer life so I am growing with God!"

Faith from Nigeria

REVIVAL IN KENYA

Kenya Crusade is working hard to reach young people in Kenya with the Word of God using pocketsized Gospels of John.

"Through this little book, people learn about Jesus...it is amazing!" one leader exclaims.

The group uses pocket-sized Gospels of John—in both English and Swahili—as gifts for new believers that have recently accepted the Lord and to introduce students in the area to Jesus for the first time.

This year, the group started a feeding project in

Kenya for kids. Each night of the event, every child that attends receives a meal and a Gospel of John.

"Hundreds of people have come to the Lord, and we give Jesus all the glory!" he explains. "It's about bringing the Gospel to people, not just those that look like you, but to lost people all over."

At one event at a local school, hundreds of students were gifted a Gospel and encouraged to read it and allow the Lord to lead their lives. The students were happy to receive the Gospel and left the assembly waving their new Gospels in excitement

Through these outreach opportunities, Kenya Crusade has a goal of reaching 1 million students in 24 months. So far, over 50,000 students have now heard the Gospel through pocket-sized Gospels distributed by Kenya Crusade.

"We thank God that we are able to do this," he says. "And that we have the ability to help people meet Jesus Christ!"

Kenya Crusade in Kenya

TWO GENERATIONS COMING HOME

Our Partners in South Africa are doing great work and leading many lost souls to Jesus and salvation

in Him.

Recently, they had the opportunity to witness something extremely special—two generations of Khoisan accepting the Gospel!

The Khoisan people are indigenous people in Southern Africa. Our Partners were able to present both men with a pocket-sized Gospel of John, and they were thankful for the incredible gift. Our prayer is that they meet Jesus within the pages and lead many other Khoisan people to Him!

Global Voice of Prayer in South Africa

GOSPELS PROVIDING HOPE IN AFRICA

Our Partners in South Africa are excited to share how the Lord is using pocket-sized Gospels to inspire hope and redemption in their country!

One man our Partners shared about had recently lost his job and—with it—his hope. He was sitting along the road, and they were able to have a conversation with him. They gifted him a Gospel and told him it was "a key to unlock the door." When they left him, they noticed he was reading the Word of God with a smile on his face!

Our Partners also give Gospels to a ministry in their city that feeds the poor. They distribute bread

and soup and share God's Word in the form of the Gospel. The people are very happy to receive their own personal Gospels and seem to leave the meeting refreshed and full of hope.

Ministry Partners in South Africa

ROAD TO FAITH

In Kisumu, the third largest city in Kenya, African Enterprise has been actively sharing the Gospel through various outreach programs. During a street evangelism effort, Benson, the team leader for African Enterprise Kenya, encountered a group of boda boda riders—motorcycle taxi drivers—waiting for customers. As is common in their outreach, they carried the PTL Gospel of John.

Benson approached the group and began sharing the Gospel. Most of the riders were receptive, but one man seemed disinterested and skeptical. When Benson asked if they wanted to commit their lives to Jesus Christ, three of the riders eagerly said yes and received the Gospels of John. The fourth rider, however, was hesitant and said he would think about it.

However, the skeptical rider asked to see the Gospel booklet. As he flipped through the pages, he was intrigued, saying,

"If this is a Bible, if this is the true Word of God, I have desired for a long time to have a book that I can share with my family and verify the truth of what you're saying."

Benson took the opportunity to guide him through the Gospel, showing him key passages, including John 1:12. He explained how the highlighted verses confirmed the message he had been sharing. Moved by the scripture and the conversation, the rider expressed a newfound understanding and desire to follow Christ. With Benson's guidance, he prayed to accept Jesus as his Savior. The moment was a celebration, not just for the new believer but for the entire group!

Benson O. from Kenya

"I urge that supplication, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people...This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of truth."

1 TIMOTHY 2:1, 3-4

500 CHURCHES STRONG

Dr. Danie, the CEO of Judea Harvest, shared a powerful story about their ministry's impact on the Yao tribe, an unreached group in northern Mozambique, southern Tanzania, and parts of Malawi. Judea Harvest, founded 24 years ago in South Africa, has been actively working in this remote area for many years, planting churches, training leaders, and spreading the Gospel. The Yao tribe faces significant challenges, including widespread illiteracy and a lack of modern infrastructure, making outreach efforts particularly difficult.

Last year, Danie visited the Lichinga area, a region where the Yao tribe resides. He described the experience as stepping back 100 years in time, noting the absence of modern conveniences and the prevalence of chickens roaming the streets. Despite these challenges, the ministry's efforts have been fruitful, largely due to the use of the Gospel of John and audio Bibles.

The Gospel of John has been a vital tool for the literate leaders in the community, enabling them to study and teach the scriptures. It was the first significant resource many of these pastors had access to, and they eagerly used it to spread the Gospel. The leaders took these Gospels back

to their communities and began planting house churches. Remarkably, over 500 house churches have been established, each using the Gospel of John to guide new believers in their faith!

Dr. Danie from South Africa

MARKED BY FAITH

Dr. Danie recounted a meaningful story that began many years ago. Judea Harvest operates across 32 countries in Africa, focusing on rural areas and identifying young leaders to nurture and equip for ministry. He explained that the PTL Gospel of John is one of the foundational tools used in their training and has become a crucial resource for these new pastors.

For many, the Gospel of John was their first Bible and a significant spiritual tool. The pastors encouraged new believers to engage deeply with the text, using a method that involved different colored pens. They would circle mentions of God with a black pen, references to Christ with a red pen, and instances of evil with another color. Additionally, they used a cross symbol to represent God overcoming evil, with one side depicting those accepting the body of Christ and the other side representing those still unreached by the Gospel.

This interactive approach led to the creation of

a booklet called "John's Journey," which has been continually developed over the years. The booklet serves as a guide for believers to engage in various forms of evangelism. It emphasizes that everyone has a role to play in spreading the Gospel. The Gospel of John, with its simple yet profound message, continues to impact lives and encourage believers to participate in sharing the Gospel!

Dr. Danie from South Africa

GOSPEL IN EVERY HOME

Hebert, the Ministry Director for Every Home for Christ in South Africa, shared insights into the significant role the Gospel of John has played in their ministry. With a presence in over 150 nations and offices in 200 of them, Every Home for Christ utilizes the PTL Gospel of John to equip pastors, church leaders, and members for evangelism. Herbert oversees seven different nations, contributing to a ministry footprint that spans a vast region. As he noted, "The Gospel of John has been very useful for us in the sense that we use it for equipping pastors and church members to actually have something to go and use evangelism and gather the harvest."

The Gospel of John has become an essential tool, often serving as the first Bible for many due to

the high cost of full Bibles. Herbert added that the colorful design and pocket-sized format of the booklets make them particularly appealing.

"It's receptive," he said. "Everybody wants to get a hold of it, whether it's adults or children."

Reflecting on the impact of the Gospel of John, Herbert expressed gratitude for the support of The Pocket Testament League's donors, saying, "When I contacted the office here to request for the booklets and they were delivered to us, courier paid and everything, it really touched my heart. What the donors and the supporters of The Pocket Testament League are doing is actually going a long way in terms of participating in the Great Commission."

Hebert M. from South Africa

HUNGER FOR THE WORD

Pastor Paul, originally from the Democratic Republic of Congo, serves as a missionary in South Africa. Sent by the Lord, Paul's primary mission has been prayer ministry. However, his journey led him to connect with the Global Voice of Prayer and The Pocket Testament League. He shared.

"Every year, by the grace of God, I go around the

country to all the nine provinces, giving the Gospel of John in the churches, in the street, in the school."

This extensive missionary work allows him to reach a broad audience across South Africa. One particularly impactful experience Paul recalled was at Camp Unity, a youth camp where young people gather to explore their futures, often from a scientific perspective. The number of participants at the camp varies, with groups sometimes reaching up to 500, all receiving the Gospel of John!

"We use this opportunity to give them the Gospel of John," he explained. "They get the thirst and hunger with the Word of God and just to commit their life to the Lord."

Pastor Paul M. from South Africa

PARTNERS IN FAITH

Pastor Paul shared another powerful experience during the "Time to Rise" movement in South Africa last year. This movement was a call to the nation to rise and stand up for the Gospel. The gathering took place at the same venue as Camp Unity, bringing together 300 leaders from across the country! During this significant meeting, Paul was given the opportunity to share a message that

deeply resonated with him.

He said,

"I always wonder why God trusted me to give me this booklet, the Gospel of John. I had thousands of them in my place."

He distributed 300 Gospels of John to each leader present. The impact was immediate and profound, transforming the spiritual atmosphere of the meeting. The distribution of these Gospels led to new partnerships and opened doors for further ministry.

Paul shared,

"From that meeting, I got some partners saying, 'I want to be part of this.'"

These partners have since become vital to his ministry, establishing reception points for Gospel distribution in cities like Cape Town and Johannesburg. This collaboration has allowed Paul to continue spreading the Word of God, even reaching large churches and schools! A significant aspect of his ministry is reintroducing the Bible into schools, countering the trend of removing religious content from educational institutions.

He shared,

"Now, through our ministry, we are doing the opposite—bringing the Bible into schools. God is really big and has opened doors."

The students' excitement and eagerness to receive the Gospels have been evident!

Pastor Paul M. from South Africa

ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL

Stephen from Word of Life Nigeria works with young people across Nigeria, introducing them to the Gospel and guiding them in sharing its message with others. He recounted the story of Kabil, a believer who had not grown deep roots in Christ. Through reading the book of John, Kabil came to a deeper understanding of who Jesus is.

Stephen shared,

"Reading the book of John over time, he's able to encapsulate himself, understanding who Jesus is. It was a wild moment for him, knowing that he was a believer, but now he is being empowered to believe more and to know that truly Jesus is the Son of God."

In addition to outreach, the Gospel of John plays a crucial role in their discipleship efforts. Stephen described a 21-day discipleship program where new believers are connected with mentors daily. This program helps ensure that new converts are grounded in their faith and connected to a supportive community.

The Gospel of John remains a foundational element in Word of Life Nigeria's ministry. The Gospels are a vital tool for proclaiming the Gospel message. The commitment and impact of Word of Life Nigeria in sharing the Gospel are evident. As Stephen concluded,

"We are grateful for you and for the ministry you have there in Nigeria. I know we've supported you for years and look forward to continuing to do so."

Stephen B. from Nigeria

"I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it well."

PSALM 139:14



SOMETHING SPECIAL AWAITING

Tornike is 11 years old and lives in Georgia—a small country just outside of Russia. His mother is a Christian, but his father is not. Tornike heard about the Summer of Hope Bible camp from his aunt.

"She told me that I absolutely must go because something special awaited me there," he explains.

She was right! That special moment happened on July 24 when the Lord touched him with His Spirit. "I really enjoyed the camp because I witnessed the real work of the Holy Spirit," he says.

During the camp, Tornike was particularly drawn to the discussion about prayer. He learned about the power of prayer in a believer's life, and through the course of the week. Tornike was renewed.

He began to realize that, as a Christian, he was called to obey his parents and not be rude to others—including his siblings. He recognized that he has been using his words to tear them down instead of building them up as Jesus would. When he realized all this, he repented and made a decision to start walking in step with the Lord, especially through his relationships.

"When I return home," Tornike says, "I plan to apologize to my family members and mend my

relationships with them. I will also attend Sunday school at the local church."

The Lord used Summer of Hope Bible camp to renew Tornike and spoke to him through His Word. There is no limit to how God will continue to use Tornike as he grows in his faith!

Tornike from Georgia, Mission Eurasia

THE HANDS AND FEET OF JESUS

Valentina came to Chisinau from Odessa region with her two sons, Volodya and Danik—aged 12 and 8—to get medical treatment. She was in a desperate place—her husband left the family long ago, and in the last two years she buried two parents and was diagnosed with cancer.

She came to Moldova for surgery and cancer treatment. After her surgery, Valentina learned that the cancer had spread to other organs. She is currently undergoing chemotherapy, and she and her sons are living in a refugee accommodation center. Valentina worries about her sons, as they have no other relatives to provide for them if Valentina does not recover. Despite the ongoing war in their area, Valentina's focus is her fight against cancer.

Valentina's sons, Volodya and Danik, were invited

to the Mission Eurasia ICare-Moldova children's 3-day camp. The boys were delighted and had a wonderful time. They connected with other kids, sang Christian songs, learned Bible verses, listened to Gospel stories from the leaders, and played.

One camp leader explained, "When Valentina and her boys came to our ICare Center before the surgery to pray together about the outcome of the surgery, Volodya—the eldest son—asked to play the guitar. He had gone to music school in Ukraine and was a very talented musician."

Despite his instrument being broken, Volodya's talent is clear. His music brings the family joy and hope in unthinkable circumstances. By connecting with the family and giving them a safe space to share their hearts, Mission Eurasia is sharing the love of Jesus.

"With such fates, children from Ukraine are here," the leader says. "Everyone wants simple human warmth and participation. And they see hope. When they come to us, you can see in their eyes those who need to share their grief and worries, and for at least a short part of their journey, we are able to be together—where we can support and comfort them."

The incredible work of Mission Eurasia and their camps is allowing Jesus to bring hope to families

who are dealing with heartbreaking situations. They are truly the hands and feet of Jesus and God is using the ministry to speak His love and truth to the people of Ukraine.

Valentina, Volodya, and Danik from Ukraine, per Mission Eurasia

CHILDLIKE FAITH

Myroslava is a 13-year-old from Ukraine who, along with 200 children—most of whom were refugees—participated in a summer Bible camp in Moldova. 90% of the children were not Christians, but the Lord would speak to them through the camp.

Before the war started, Myroslava was a typical teenager. She had many friends and loved to spend time with them—especially swimming in the river. But on February 24, everything changed.

"I heard what sounded like thunder, but it was shelling," she explained. "When we turned on the TV, we saw we were at war."

Her grandfather grabbed his backpack and walked 18.6 miles to sign up for the Ukrainian army. He's still fighting today. Her mother and younger sisters stayed in the basement of the local school for a month and a half—her mother only leaving to find some food every 2-3 days. On March 28, her

grandmother met a volunteer named Mykola that helped them evacuate to Chernivsti Oblast.

"I miss my home, my toys, my school, and my friends," Myroslava says. "I understand that I am a foreigner in this place. I have lost everything. I don't have anything, and I don't know if I'll be able to go back to my house, lay on my bad, use my favorite blanket and hug my favorite soft toy. Who can tell me when I can go back to my home? Who can take away the pain from my chest because I lost my childhood? Why did I have to become an adult at 13?"

Through the seemingly hopeless situation, Myroslava's grandmother kept her faith, and Myroslava was able to witness her devotion to God.

"My grandmother lives by God alone, Myroslava explains. "She taught me to pray Our Father in Heaven. She often says, 'It's God who made our path cross with that of Mykola and other brothers and sisters.'"

Just when all seemed lost, Myroslava received the invitation to Bible Camp.

"The week that I spent at camp brought me back to my childhood," she says with a smile. "I laughed, played, participated in competitions, and ate yummy treats. I am grateful to God for His mercy to me, and I thank the people who brought me back to life and my childhood. Praise be to Jesus!" Myroslava exclaimed.

Myroslava from Ukraine, per Mission Eurasia

ARMED WITH GOSPELS

On November 25, Kiev was hit by the largest drone attack since the war began. Despite their fear and distress, some of the residents of Kiev waited out the attacks with new hope—as just days before, they were introduced to Jesus by the staff, partners, and volunteers of Mission Eurasia.

A partner on the ground shares, "Right before the massive drone attack on Kiev, evangelists went to the streets of the city to fellowship with people, support them, and give pocket-sized Gospels to everyone."

In a place that is experiencing the horrors of war, the Lord is working. He has a heart for His people in Ukraine and is using His followers, armed with pocket-sized Gospels of John, to share His hope, love, and peace with the people there.

"There seems to be no end to the war," he explains. "There are still many challenges, but in the midst of it all, God continues to touch lives through our faithful staff, partners and volunteers."

Mission Eurasia in Ukraine

"Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous hand."

ISAIAH 41:10

HUNGRY FOR GOD

Rostik has been following the Lord for the last 15 years and has always wanted to serve Him in the best way possible.

When the war broke out in Ukraine, Rostik's family left their home in Ukraine in search of safety for their children. After many discussions and much prayer, Rostik's wife and children went abroad, and Rostik decided to stay behind in western Ukraine. It was here that he met with Mission Eurasia, learned about pocket-sized Gospels, and became extremely passionate about distributing them!

Rostik created a telegram channel to send Gospels and other Scripture resources to anyone who needs them—anyone who wants to share about the Lord but does not have the means to do so. He has gotten a great response, with many people writing to him and requesting the resources.

"I can send around 500 to a few thousand copies a day," Rostik says. "People are hungry for God, and my dream is you enter any house and see at least one Bible there."

Rostik attends conferences and meets with pastors and church leaders to tell them about the pocket-sized Gospels and to promote more distribution. He even distributes them himself when he has time!

Our partner in Ukraine says, "We praise God for people like Rostik—his passion for the Lord, his heart, and the dedicated efforts he invests in spreading the Gospel and bringing people closer to God are truly inspiring!"

Mission Eurasia in Ukraine

MORE THAN A MEAL

In Ukraine, PTL Partner Mission Eurasia utilize mobile kitchens to bring meals and hope to residents of Kiev.

"Our mobile kitchens continue bringing joy to those in need as they enjoy a hot meal," one partner explains. "People start gathering when they see a meal is in the making, so the team shares the Gospel during that time."

After sharing the Gospel message, the team invites people to make peace with God and pray, and many respond. And as people eat food, the team talks to people, answers their questions, and prays for them individually.

"People are very grateful," he shares. "Even those who don't come to receive food, just come to say thank you for what the team is doing. Last time, a young lady who lives in one of the houses nearby brought some money as her donation towards the

"Take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm."

EPHESIANS 6:13

food. Others (who don't need food) stop to get some scripture resources and ask questions."

The mobile kitchens are going beyond providing a hot meal—they are feeding souls in the process!

Mission Eurasia in Ukraine

THE JOY OF THE LORD

Karine is an 8-year-old girl who lives with her parents and sister in the village of Zangakatun in Armenia. She recently received a Christmas box from Mission Eurasia.

"I am so happy that you came to this village and gave us these beautiful Christmas boxes," she shares. "I love Jesus very much, who healed me and gave me life. My little sister and I will always pray that you will come again to our village next year and tell my friends and other village children about Jesus and give them gifts."

Mariam is Karine's mother. "We are refugees who moved to Zangakatun from Nagorno-Karabakh," she explains. "I am very happy that there are such kind people who try to make our children happy, especially on the occasion of this wonderful Christmas holiday. By making the children happy, you have also made us parents happy.

After seeing so many difficulties and losses, it is a great happiness for me to see the joy of my child now."

Mariam is extremely grateful to Mission Eurasia for including pocket-sized Gospels of John in the Christmas boxes.

"I, like all Armenians, consider myself a Christian," she says. "But when I heard the Gospel, I felt ashamed because I had never read it until now. Thank God that, besides sweets and toys, you gave us a Children's Bible and the pocket-sized Gospel of John!"

Karine and Mariam from Armenia

GOD IS WORKING IN RUSSIA

Our partners, Mission Eurasia, continue ministering and evangelize in the Samara region of Russia. The ministry feeds people, helps those in need, rehabilitates those struggling with drug and alcohol addiction, all while preaching the Good News of Christ. Mission Eurasia distributes pocket-sized Gospels of John and includes phone numbers for anyone who desires to ask questions or learn more about the Word of God.

"We want to help others know the Word of God. We pray for people, as well as help those who are in a

difficult life circumstance—like those dealing with poverty, homelessness, or sickness. Part of our ministry is bringing them food, clothes, medicines, responding to different needs of people, and the other part is bringing them hope through the Gospel."

Many lost souls come to the mission's recently planted church for services and turned to the Lord. Many have even been baptized! The ministry regularly uses printed pocket-sized Gospels of John and find it a great way to reach the lost with the Word of God.

"The word is working in the hearts of many, and we believe it will bear fruit!"

Eurasia Mission in Russia

THROUGH HARDSHIPS, GOD PROVIDES

The year 2023 was marked by many negative events for Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh, including multiple military sabotages. After nine months of complete blockade of Karabakh, on September 19, Azerbaijani troops suddenly attacked NKR, and after two days of war, more than 300 people were killed. All the inhabitants were forced to leave their original places of residence and move to Armenia.

The number of refugees in Armenia has reached

150,000 since 2020. It has been a great challenge for such a small country to receive such a large number of people, but also an opportunity to serve them and share the Good News with them."

Eurasia Mission responded quickly to the situation, organizing food aid for many hundreds of families. In December, during the Christmas season, the "Give Hope" project took place—in which 5000 children's boxes with sweets, toys, Children's Bibles, and pocket-sized Gospels of John were distributed throughout Armenia.

The ministry desired for the refugee families to be comforted, in a small way, through the gift of the Christmas boxes. More than thirty churches and over two hundred young Christian leaders participated in the project. People showed openness and interest in spiritual values—particularly in hearing the Gospel message and in prayer.

"Many adults responded positively to the call to prayer and asked us to pray for the children and their families, after which we invited them to churches for Sunday services in their neighborhoods. Parents made promises to read the Bible and the pocket-sized Gospel of John and to attend church."

The ministry was overjoyed to serve—visiting

families and showing them the love of Christ. Thanks to the "Give Hope" project, the Good News was shared with thousands of families, bringing them joy and hope during this difficult time for Armenia and its refugees.

Eurasia Mission in Armenia

A SIMPLE TESTIMONY

On a cold Saturday in early January, a team of street evangelists from different churches in Kiev distributed pocket-sized Gospels of John to several hundreds of people in the city. Everyone would take a Gospel with joy, and it warmed up their hearts.

"We are so happy to be able to share these wonderful PTL Gospels," one church leader said. "They enable us to go on the streets of our city in these difficult times. Our people need to have hope and God to rely on."

Hundreds of residents of Kiev received Gospels in just one day. The team is always ready to respond to God's leading to share His Word with their people—especially when they are searching for something to give them hope.

"We are praying that those seeds will grow, and the people will come to have faith in the Lord Jesus!"

Mission Eurasia in Ukraine

WARMING HEARTS IN THE COLD

On a freezing cold December morning, a ministry group of teenagers and adults in Russia took to the city streets to share Jesus with their neighbors. The group distributed pocket-sized Gospels along with Christmas messages and holiday well-wishes.

While the group was sharing the Gospel, God touched many of the young people. They began to pray—for the salvation of those they were sharing with and for the Lord to give them more opportunities to encourage and give hope to their city.

As the team preached the Good News and shared the Gospel of John, one older man they met repented and accepted Jesus into his heart.

Even the cold and snow do not deter the group from sharing God's life-changing Word. They have even started sending Gospels to Belarus so the Gospel can be preached in cities there as well.

The ministry is being obedient to the calling the Lord has placed on their hearts to reach their cities with His love, hope, and peace. They pray that many meet Jesus and receive salvation through the pages of the pocket-sized Gospels!

Frontline Ministries in Russia

OUTREACH IN RUSSIA

In one Russian city, a group of local churches are encouraging their members to look for opportunities to participate in evangelism. They want to be a source of hope in these troubled times.

In addition to encouraging personal sharing, the churches are opening outreach sites throughout the city. A few of these sites are set up at popular train stations and subways. Every Tuesday evening, the group serves tea and pastries while witnessing to travelers and distributing pocket-sized Gospels.

The group also puts on a weekly outreach for students in Moscow. One student, Dildar, responded to the Gospel invitation by praying for his repentance, asking for eternal life, and requesting the Lord's help to pass his school exams. They hope Dildar's prayer is the start of a beautiful relationship with Jesus!

The group is undoubtedly introducing others to Jesus and His everlasting love. God is allowing them to have a wonderful impact on their community because they are willing to share their faith.

Artem from Russia

"That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ."

1 JOHN 1:3

RAISING UP LEADERS

This winter, a group of students from Saint-Petersburg Christian University visited a Baptist Church in the Saint Petersburg region in Russia. The students are part of the "Practical Training of Missionaries" program at the school.

"They took an active part in the worship service," our Partner shares. "From praising God with singing to sharing the Word and their testimonies."

The students also socialized with the church members to offer encouragement, prayer, and conversation.

After visiting the church, the students went to the streets of the village and distributed pocket-sized Gospels. It was a great opportunity for the group to share the Gospel message while being encouraged in their own faith and experiencing a new way to evangelize!

Mission Eurasia in Russia

ALEXANDER'S STORY

Alexander and his family moved to the small village of Chur in the heart of Udmurtia, Russia about three years ago. They felt called by the Lord to do mission work in the village and—after spending

so much time there—the villagers started really opening up to them.

"Gradually the tension and distrust of the population towards us newcomers subsided," Alexander shared. "The locals were sure that we would soon go back to the city, however, the Lord has disposed of our hearts to stay here for a long time. We see His hand in all areas of life, blessings accompany the ministry here, and our family is very grateful to God and all those brothers and sisters who carry this mission with us. We, together with the Church of God around the world, are faithfully bringing the people of Chur to the Lord."

Alexander and his family have created an especially strong connection with the children in the village. Tea parties and other fun events have led to wonderful conversations about the Lord.

"Their parents gradually began to show interest in the church, God and Bible study, noting that their children returned from us a little different—happy and inspired. All this is thanks to our Lord, who always leaves His imprint on the heart, and thanks to your increased prayers that keep and financial donations that keep us going."

Alexander's own faith is being encouraged as he sees others coming to the Lord and finding joy, hope, and love.

"Recently we invited local people, families, men, boys and girls to come to our house. More than 35 people came and we gave all of them PTL Gospels of John with different covers. Some of them even took two to give to some of their friends and relatives!"

Alexander and his family are actively responding to the Lord's call on their lives to lead the people of Chur back to Him. It is truly inspiring to see the way the Lord is working in this small village!

Alexander from Russia

LOST TO FOUND

The Kyiv church, The Lord is Near, takes the mission to "go and make disciples" to heart through their street evangelism efforts. They find the pocket-sized PTL Gospels particularly effective for their outreach.

Denys was handed a PTL Gospel of John while sitting by a trash can, drinking beer. His journey had been tough: fleeing constant shelling in eastern Ukraine, he arrived in Kyiv only to struggle with unemployment and turn to alcohol. Feeling lost, Denys was skeptical when he heard that Jesus loves him. "That can't be true. People like me are not loved," he said. But he accepted the Gospel of John and took note of the contact

number on the cover.

The following day, Denys called the number listed on the Gospel. He spoke with a local church minister who listened to his story and offered support. Denys expressed his feelings of hopelessness and his desire for change. The minister connected him with a community of believers who helped him find a path to recovery.

Today, Denys keeps the Gospel of John close to his heart, literally and figuratively, carrying it in his breast pocket as a constant reminder of the hope and transformation it has brought into his life.

Denys from Kyiv, Ukraine

FAMILY REVIVAL

Valery, a retired security officer, found himself lost in routine after an injury led him to resign and live on disability. One day, a woman handed him a Gospel of John, suggesting he might find meaning in it. Valery, intrigued but uncertain, set the book aside.

When Valery's mother, Lydia, visited and noticed the Gospel, she began reading despite her failing eyesight. The book brought comfort and hope, leading Lydia to share its message with her husband, Mikhail. Initially skeptical, Mikhail's curiosity grew, and soon the entire family began attending an evangelical church.

Valery saw how the Gospel transformed his family's lives, which inspired him to embrace faith himself. His wife Katya and sister Irina also accepted Jesus, finding strength and purpose through their newfound faith. Valery now praises the Gospel of John for its profound impact on their lives.

Valery from Russia

TURNING POINT

In the village of Rodnekovskaya, Russia, Natasha faced immense struggles. Homeless and unemployed, she survived through temporary labor and found it difficult to turn her life around. Despite attempts to find solace in church, her situation seemed unchanging.

One day, after being thrown out into the rain with all her belongings, Natasha reached out for help. The local pastor, contacted by a compassionate Gospel distributor, came to her aid, bringing her to a missionary base. There, Natasha found a safe space and began to study the Bible earnestly.

With support, Natasha secured a job and started caring for her grandmother. Her transformation was profound—she was baptized and now works in a

boarding house for the elderly. For two years, she has lived a renewed life in Christ, sharing her faith with others.

Natasha often reflects.

"I am always thankful that one day, the Gospel of John fell into my hands and God began to work in my life, changing so many things!"

Natasha from Rodnekovskaya, Russia

HOPE WITHIN THE WALLS

A prisoner in Arkhangelsk, Russia, recently received a Gospel of John, and the impact was profound.

"I do not know how you found out that I am in prison and need such spiritual literature. It must have been God's providence that the Gospel came at the right time," he shared.

The Gospel has not only transformed his perspective but also sparked curiosity among fellow inmates.

"I am very happy that thanks to you, my life is changing," he said, adding that he has filled out the page to make a decision and accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior. With two and a half years remaining in prison, he hopes to receive more Gospels to share with others and prays for stronger faith to live according to God's principles upon his release.

Andrei from Arkhangelsk, Russia

REHAB TO REDEMPTION

Four years ago, a 48-year-old woman received a Gospel of John from a friend's husband. This simple gift sparked a profound transformation in her life. As she began reading it, her husband Alexander noticed a change; she had become calmer. Even when he came home drunk, she would read or play the Gospel aloud, which helped him settle down. Although he isn't a believer yet, she remains hopeful that God is working on him.

Three years ago, the COVID-19 quarantine brought severe trials for her 20-year-old daughter Alina. Struggling with deep depression and suicidal thoughts, Alina dropped out of university. The family faced a series of challenges—doctors, pills, and conflicts. Alina's behavior deteriorated, and she was suspected of drug use. Her mother decided to send her to a private rehab center, which was a tough but necessary measure to protect her from negative influences.

Communication was restricted to five-minute phone

calls every two weeks, so her mother sent letters with the Gospel of John. Even though Alina was mistreated and abused at the center, she shared the Gospel with the girls who mistreated her. After six months, she left the rehab, and the girls gave her gifts as a sign of friendship.

Alina's struggles continued with a suicide attempt, landing her in intensive care. Her mother kept sending letters and Gospels, which Alina shared with other patients. She even prayed aloud, leading to noticeable changes among her peers.

Today, Alina is trying to return to university, reading the Bible, attending church, and has been baptized. She recently found a job at a great company, where her faith intrigued her interviewers.

Natalia from Russia

LASTING IMPACT

For years, Vyacheslav and his family have been visiting a boarding school for sick kids, sharing the love of God with music and special programs. Their visits, especially during Christmas and Easter, have always been well-received, partly because Vyacheslav has a personal connection—he grew up in a similar setting.

When COVID-19 hit, they couldn't visit for almost

two years. But when they returned with gifts and Gospels of John, they found that their impact had lasted. The staff told them the kids had become more obedient and respectful, and the Gospels were cherished. Vyacheslav and his friend Gennady were moved to tears, thanking the Lord for the continued transformation.

In Kinel, Vyacheslav and Gennady also gave a young man a copy of the Gospel of John. He was so surprised and excited, he shouted in the street and promised to read it to learn more about Jesus. The genuine enthusiasm of the young man was a joy for them to witness, and they were grateful to see such a heartfelt response.

Vaycheslav from Samara region, Russia

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

MATTHEW 25:40

CHINA & EAST ASIA

HOPE DOES NOT END IN DISAPPOINTMENT

Mr. Yamazaki was excited for the opportunity to share God's Word. He planned to hand-deliver the Messiah Manga Gospels to apartments and parks that families frequented. Shortly before he planned to distribute the Gospels, Mr. Yamazaki learned of a facility that had been closed for quarantine due to a Covid outbreak.

Realizing this opportunity was from the Lord, Mr. Yamazaki decided to wrap the Gospels and drop them off at the facility, so they had them to read while they were in quarantine.

"I was told later that the residents and staff were very happy to receive the Gospels," he explained. "The easy-to-understand Manga Gospel brought smiles to everyone's faces and the experience encouraged me as well."

God provided a wonderful opportunity for Mr. Yamazaki to bless others in a negative situation, and his obedience strengthened his own faith in the process.

"No matter how dark the darkness is, the Gospel shines," he exclaims. "Hope does not end in disappointment!"

Mr. Yamazaki from Japan

HAPPILY SURPRISED

Kazuhiro lives near an elementary school and a junior high school on Sapporo, Japan. He saw the Manga Gospels and knew they would be perfect for the students in his community. One day, as the students were leaving school for a holiday break, Kazuhiro decided to hand out the colorful, illustrated Gospels and say hello to the students. He fully expected to be dismissed, but God had other plans.

"I was happily surprised that the students graciously received them," Kazuhiro explained. "Recently there have been many cases where the Gospel is not received well, so I was happily surprised with the positive reaction I got."

Kazuhiro attributes the reception to how easy-tounderstand and visually attractive the Gospels are. He enjoys being able to share the Word of God in an exciting way and plans to continue gifting the Manga Gospels to people the Lord places in His life.

Kazuhiro from Japan

CATCHING EYES AND CAPTURING HEARTS

Mika attends a church in Sapporo, Japan. Her church recently began distributing the Messiah Manga Gospels, along with individually wrapped cookies, to people in the community. The remaining Gospels were placed at the reception desk at her church.

One week, an elementary school student who attended the church for the first time, noticed the bright and inviting cover and picked one up. Mika saw that he was still reading it as his family left the service that day.

"I hope that the Gospels will be used and will bear much fruit." Mika said.

She is confident that the Lord will grow the seeds planted by the pocket-size Gospels. As the Gospel catches people's eyes, her prayers is that they will capture their hearts as well.

Mika from Japan

INDIA & THE GREATER MIDDLE EAST

THE LORD IS WORKING IN PAKISTAN

Despite intense persecution of Christians in Pakistan, there is a group of believers who have made it their life's mission to reach the country with the hope and salvation of the Gospel.

Last month, they put on a large evangelism event in the city. Pocket-sized Gospels of John were distributed, and thousands of people accepted lesus as their Lord and Savior.

One of the attendees had come to the event as a spy for a local terrorist organization. He arrived planning to report back to his leaders. However, when he heard the choir worshiping and felt the presence of God, his life was forever changed.

The man described a sweet unknown voice which whispered in his ear, "I love you, and I shed my blood for you." He felt something like electricity in his body and began to cry. Through the following sermon—about Jesus being the door, the only way, and the life—the man accepted Christ as his Savior. He went back home as new believer and is sharing about Jesus with others.

The Lord continues to work in Pakistan through this brave group of believers. Despite dangers and threats to their lives, the group will continue their ministry because they know that the Lord is with them as they reach their people with His Word.

Gawahi Mission Trust in Pakistan

NEVER HEARD THE NAME OF JESUS

Our partners in Pakistan are not only sharing the Gospel message in cities and at rallies, but they are also reaching remote tribal villages in the country.

The group shares the love of Jesus in practical ways—by drilling water wells, providing food aid, and setting up sewing centers to protect and empower women in the villages.

"Hundreds of tribes of people from Muslim and Hindu backgrounds have never heard the name of Jesus and the Gospel," our partner shares. "We are reaching out to these tribes with the love of Jesus and sharing the Good News of Jesus—who washed our sin by his own blood, died on our behalf, rose again on third day, and is coming back soon to take His people with him for eternity!"

This fall, the group went to a village for the very first time. Many people in this village heard the Gospel, accepted Jesus as their Lord, and were joyfully baptized the next day. One group member plans to return to the village regularly to disciple the new brothers and sisters in Christ.

"We were able to give Bibles to the believers," he says. "They are so happy after receiving Jesus and His True and Living Word!"

Gawahi Mission Trust in Pakistan

THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL IN PAKISTAN

Our Partners on the ground in Pakistan are encouraged and communicate that the harvest is plentiful and ready in the Islamic republic of Pakistan! In Karachi, the world's largest Islamic city, they held a Christmas Rally and distributed millions of pocket-sized Gospels

During the Rally, three men—Hameed, Abdul, and Saddar—were waiting for Gospels. They had been hoping for years that someone would share the Good News of Jesus.

"The men rushed to meet me to receive their Gospels," our Partner shares. "I told them 'Jesus loves you, and this Gospel is a testimony of one of the eyewitness disciples of Jesus.'"

The men started reading the Gospel and decided, right then and there, to accept Jesus as their Lord! Our Partner was able to lead these three Muslim men in the Prayer of Salvation.

Pocket-sized Gospel distribution is bringing millions of Muslims to Christ in the Islamic republic of Pakistan.

"It's amazing how desperate Muslims are to read

the Gospel of Jesus. They want to know Him and accept Him—even when they are persecuted badly and know they could be put to death," he shares. "The rally was a fulfillment of long-awaited dreams and hopes of many to receive Gospel and meet Jesus!"

Gawahi TV & Missions in Pakistan

TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S LOVE

Over 25 thousand Muslim background men and women attended a Christmas Gospel rally in Karachi, Pakistan. Everyone in attendance received pocket-sized Gospel of John. Shaan was one of those men.

Shaan worked for a Muslim religious organization known for hating and persecuting Christians. He regularly watched Gawahi TV network's broadcast to try and find content that spoke out against Islam, so he could justify an attack on Christians.

In 2015, the Taliban attacked the TV network to prevent them from sharing the message of Jesus. Shaan was among the group that planned and launched the attack His job was to search the network's computers to review the content in an attempt to find a reason to kill the Christian community in Pakistan.

The message of God's love found on the network's computers transformed Shaan's life, and he was desperate to receive a Gospel. He even had a dream where he was holding a Gospel in his hand and reading it. An angel of the Lord directed Shaan to a furniture shop where he patiently waited for a chance to receive his own Gospel. He did not when or how, the only thing he was told was that he could get a Gospel if he stood in front of the shop. On December 17th, Shaan was finally handed his very own pocket-sized Gospel.

Shaan happily told the distributors, "I have been waiting years to get my Gospel, and I had a dream of this shop. I have been waiting here every day, and today my feet are not on the ground—I am flying in sky after receiving this, and I am rejoicing to get the Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ!"

Gawahi TV & Missions in Pakistan

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

MATTHEW 28:19

PTL APP - READ CARRY SHARE®

FY 2024 Digital Reach

People in every country of the world except North Korea are meeting Jesus by reading the Gospel of John through the PTL Read Carry Share® App. This year, the app has been downloaded **5.8 million times**. Since the app was launched, it's been downloaded over 10 million times!

Right now, even as you open this, people all around the world are meeting Jesus for the first time in their native language by reading the Gospel of John in the PTL app. God has opened the door to reaching people through the PTL app in more than 140 countries and territories — in places like China, Iran, Africa, and Cuba. If they can be reached through the internet, we can reach them with an invitation to meet Jesus.

While much of the reach of the PTL app happens through digital advertising, key partners are reaching even more people with hope by using the app in their ministry outreach.

A VITAL LIFELINE

In partnership with Groundwire, The Pocket Testament League is extending hope and the message of Jesus Christ to those navigating moments of deep distress. Groundwire operates JesusCares.com a digital platform where people feeling lost or alone can connect with a representative to discuss their struggles and receive the truth of the Gospel.

This partnership has become a vital lifeline for many. When someone makes a commitment to Christ, they are guided to download the PTL app—a crucial next step in their spiritual journey. The app not only provides access to the Gospel of John but also offers additional resources that help new believers grow in their faith and understanding.

Over the past year, the impact of this collaboration has been profound. More than 92,000 people have downloaded the Read Carry Share® app, demonstrating the far-reaching influence of this partnership! The app's reach extends beyond initial downloads; those who have embraced the message of the Gospel through the app have shared it with others, leading to an additional 2,115 shares! Most significantly, this outreach has resulted in over 9,500 decisions to accept Christ! Groundwire and the PTL app are helping to share Jesus' message with countless people through digital outreach. By using the app and online resources, they're making a meaningful impact, sharing hope and nurturing faith around the world.

We give thanks to God for this partnership and are grateful for how it brings comfort and strength

through His Word!

From our **Partners** at **Groundwire**

The reach of the Read Carry Share® App is truly of God and not of our own doing. God has taken what was our initial vision of creating an app for America and used it to reach across borders. Pray for the continued success of Read Carry Share®!

MOST POPULAR

GOSPELS OF 2024



GOSPEL LANGUAGES

Afrikaans Amharic Arabic Armenian Belarusian

Bengali

Cambodian (Khmer)

Chichewa

Chinese (Simplified) Chinese (Traditional)

English Farsi French Gagauz Georgian German Guirathi

Haitian Creole

Hindi

Indonesian

isiZulu Italian

Japanese

Jula

Kabardian Kannada Korean

Kurdish Kyrgyz Nepali Oriya

Pakistani Urdu

Polish

Portuguese Punjabi Romanian

Russian Sepedi Spanish Swahili Tamil Telugu Thai

Tswana Turkish Tuvan

Ukrainian Vietnamese

Xhosa

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS

Afrikaaans 2020 (Afrikaans)

Bible in isiZulu 2020 (Zulu)

Bible Segond 21 (French)

BSI Re-edited (OV) Hindi Bible - 2015 (Hindi)

Chichewa – The Word of God in Contemporary

Chichewa

Chinese Contemporary Version (Chinese

(Simplified))

Chinese Union Version Simplified (Chinese

(Simplified))

Chinese Union Version Traditional Chinese (Chinese (Traditional))

Common Language (Tamil)

Easy to Read Version (Bengali)

English Standard Version (English)

From Holy Scripture New International Version (Romanian)

Georgian translation by Georgian Christian

Publishing house "Paradigm Studio" (Georgian)

Good News Translation (English)

Gospel of John Christ has Risen (Gagauz)

Haitian Creole Version (Haitian Creole)

Indian Revised Version (Oriya)

Indian Revised Version (Punjabi)

Indian Revised Version (Gujrathi)

Indian Revised Version (Telegu)

isiXhosa 1996 (Xhosa)

Ivan Ohienko Bible translation in Ukrainian

(Ukrainian)

Kabardian Translation (Kabardian)

Kannada – Indian Revised Version (Kannada)

Khmer Standard Version (Khmer/Cambodian)

King James Version (English)

Kiswahili Contemporary Version (Swahili)

Korean Revised Version (Korean)

Kurdi Sorani Standard Version (Kurdish)

Kyrgyz Bible Society Version (KBS – Kyrgyz)

Modern Belorussian Translation of Luka Nikolaevich

Dzekuts-Maley and edition Anton Lutskevich (1926) (Belarusian)

Nepali - Indian Revised Version (Nepali)

New American Standard Bible (English)

New Amharic Standard Version (Amharic)

New Arabic Version (Arabic)

New Ararat Revised Version of Armenian translation (Armenian)

New Geneva Translation (German)

New International Version (English)

New Kutsal Kitap (Turkish)

New Living Translation (English)

New Living Translation (Bahasa/Indonesian)

New Revised Version 2006 (Italian)

New Russian Translation (Russian)

New Sepedi Bible Translation (Sepedi)

NTLH Português (Portuguese)

Nueva Version Internacional (Spanish)

Ohienko Bible Version (Ukrainian)

Persian Standard Version (Farsi/Persian)

Polish Living New Translation (Polish)

Revised Urdu Bible (2010) (Pakistani Urdu)

Revised Vietnamese Version (Vietnamese)

Russian Updated Synodal (Russian)

Swahili Union Version (Swahili)
Thai – Thai New Contemporary Version
The Bible in Jula (Jula)
The New Interconfessional Translation (Japanese)
Tswana Bible 1970 (Tswana)
Tuvan Translation IBS-Russia (Tuvan)
VanDyke (Arabic)

ABOUT THE LEAGUE

The Pocket Testament League is an interdenominational evangelical organization founded in 1893 when a teenage girl and her friends made a commitment to carry pocket-sized New Testaments to share with others. The League encourages followers of Jesus everywhere to Read, Carry and Share God's Word.

Learn more about The Pocket Testament League by visiting **www.ptl.org/about.**

TOGETHER WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD!

We pray that you have been as blessed reading these stories as we were in preparing them for printing.

God is at work through our Members! His Book, the precious Word of God, is alive! Scripture reaches the heart as nothing else can, and these stories are living testaments to what happens when people give away His Word as a free gift to those they encounter.

If you have a heart's desire to reach the world for Christ, won't you consider partnering with The Pocket Testament League? There is no greater return on investment than putting Scripture into the hands of those who want to share it.

Learn more on our website at **www.ptl.org** or write to **giving@ptl.org**



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Volume Nineteen 2024 In the narrative of the Gospel of John, Jesus' first words are, "What are you looking for?". This highlights that in the heart of every person — we are looking for something. Jesus then says, "Come and see," which is ultimately Jesus' invitation for us. He is what people are looking for whether they realize it or not. He gives an open invitation for all to know and follow Him. God is powerfully at work, and these beautiful stories allow us to "come and see" the beauty of Jesus and how he's been working through His Word as the lost are found.

Over the past year, more than 9.5 million people were reached with the Gospel! While this is an amazing accomplishment to celebrate, the task is not done. Take time to be encouraged by these stories, and may they challenge us on to keep sharing the Gospel. Allow the Holy Spirit to give you your own stories of His amazing work. Until our last breath, we will march forward sharing the best news there is, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believes in Him will not perish but will have everlasting life."

Until all are invited.

