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Ronald D. Gilbert Newsletter



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Dear brethren,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord continues to bless our work. We are so thankful for your continued support and prayers. We have been very busy with our mission trips and preparing for our Africa trip. The traffic to our web site continues to grow. In January we had 541 visits, in February we had 2,296 and in March we had 3,404 visits. In May we had 4,103 visits. Our visitors have now come from 185 nations. We have had visits from 46 states here in the USA and Washington DC. Our online BCC students are growing in number as well. In January we had 6, in February 75, in March 200. At the end of May we had 385 BCC students from 63 nations taking classes. We are encouraged by these numbers. These statistics are very exciting because from them we know that people around the world are going to our web page and reading gospel tracts, articles and enrolling in our BCC's. We have had one man in Southeast Asia request to be baptized. We have put him in contact with a faithful congregation and are waiting for their follow up. Brethren, please pray that God's Word will have free course and that good and honest hearts around the world will learn and obey the truth.

We are also continuing to help train men to preach the gospel around the world. We have sent many boxes of books, Bibles and literature helping good men who want to preach the gospel of Christ. Recently from our mission trip we picked up three new students who want to take Bible classes and learn more of God's Word.

We had a great mission trip to Australia, New Zealand and American Samoa. Jimmie and I spoke on the lectureship in Australia and conducted gospel meetings in New Zealand at New Plymouth and at Palmerston North. Carolyn and Linda taught ladies classes in New Zealand and at American Samoa. Jimmie and I also made some radio

“Go ye into all the world . . .”

Mark 16:15

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tapes to be used there on the island. For a detailed report of our trip and pictures visit Jimmie and Linda Hill's mission blog at: <http://hillmission.blogspot.com>.

We are currently working on our mission trip to Zambia and Ghana in August. Those going on this mission trip will be Rusty & Laura Stark, Barry Gilreath, Jr. and Jimmie Hill and myself. Jimmie and I plan to work there in Livingston for about three weeks then fly on to Ghana, West Africa and spend another week there conducting meetings and working to encourage the brethren there.

We are trying to raise funds to send more Bibles to Africa. I reported last month that our m-bag rate had gone up to \$4.00 per pound. After much talk and pleading with the people we are dealing with they have agreed to charge us \$2.96 per pound which is still over a \$1.00 per pound cheaper than the post office. We have printed and sent 100,000 gospel tracts and 2,500 Bibles and New Testaments to four different locations in Africa at a cost of \$15,164.36. We are hoping to raise another \$8,800.00 to send another 5,000 NKJV New Testaments. These will cost \$176.00 per hundred, \$1,760.00 per thousand for the New Testaments and postage. Brethren, we need your help in getting these New Testament's into the hands of people who

are hungry for the Word of God. If you can help with these New Testament's please make your check to Ronald D. Gilbert-Missions and mark for Africa N.T., and send to Rock Valley church of Christ, Attn: Ronald D. Gilbert, P.O. Box 49494 Cookeville, TN. 38506. A financial report will be sent to churches that help.

We received word this week that sis. Pearl Henson, wife of bro. Lloyd Henson , long time missionaries living in Livingstone, Zambia passed from this life this week. Sis. Pearl was a wonderful Christian lady. Please keep bro. Lloyd in your prayers.

Thanks so much brethren for your help with our work. We need your continued financial help and your prayers with our efforts to take the gospel of Christ into all the world.

In Christ,

Ronald D. Gilbert

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