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"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." - Romans 10:17

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"Follow Me and I Will Make You Fishers of Men." (Matthew 4:19)

I pledged to follow the Lord Jesus Christ 70 years ago, when I went forward at a revival meeting. It was during my courtship with my future wife, who already had an enjoyable personal relationship with the Lord. I had embraced a soul-satisfying relation with the Lord during my adolescence and youth with Confirmation, youth work and camp, but the personal pledge was never stressed at that time.

Upon marriage we established a home altar with Jesus Christ upon the throne. This throne furnished us the strength we needed as we journeyed through life. In return for the guidance the Lord had given us while traveling the various avenues of life through our church, we became involved in several established programs which were designed to bring salvation to the multitude.

There were three gentlemen in our church who were involved with ICLD, and they "bugged" me to join them. Upon retiring, I saw this as an opportunity to get involved with the Lord's work. I have been with ICLD for 29 years and I praise the Lord that He has given me the opportunity to repay HIM for the blessings He has showered upon me during my life. It gives me the

incentive to greet each new day regardless of the aches that accompany adult life.

I have been involved with ICLD mostly in the Receiving Department for 29 years. I am utterly amazed at the volume of religious-type material that exists in America. We are open for incoming material two days a week, with hardly a week passing with no drop-off during the time I have been here. I give thanks to the Lord that each week He gives me the strength and wisdom to sort through thousands of Bibles, books, and other material and direct them to the proper area where they are processed for shipment. They will fulfill the many requests from mostly Third World countries where there is a huge need for the life-saving Word of the Risen Lord.

Gordon Kanten, raised on a farm in western Minnesota, is now approaching his 93rd birthday. Gordon's wife, Gen, served faithfully with Gordon at ICLD from 1986 until her passing from this earth to her heavenly home with Jesus in 2005.



WORK DAY



In February ICLD's friends at Good News for Israel (GNFI) brought a team of 21 workers to bless our ICLD ministry with a Saturday Work Project — arriving early morning and some staying until mid-afternoon. Several ICLD volunteers also participated, and a few of the ICLD ladies put together a very lovely lunch for us all. Jobs achieved included:

1) Sorting through **thousands of old cassette tapes & VHS** to preserve "keepers" and potential "masters" for [legal] copying,

2) **clearing out the basement** of ancient equipment, old family Bibles (for which we found a destination), and assorted flotsam and jetsam, 3) sorting and collating into "sets" dozens of boxes of **valuable of theological literature and Bible reference works**, 4) writing "**Not for Resale" on quality brand-new literature** to be sent

overseas, 5) a fund-raising individualized letter to a raft of old-timers



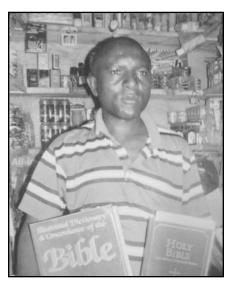
whose names were on 4 x 6 cards in an old-fashioned steel card-drawer file. The *GNFI friends brought a cheerful attitude, and participated roundly in the ministry, and having the children work hand-in-hand with us was a treat, as well.* Thank you,



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WORLD SNAPSHOTS



Zambia

We are growing church, and we need good and sound Bible teachings. Thanks for the books you sent us. Its really helped us to grow in Christ. God bless your ministry. Many thanks. I am selecting some literature as

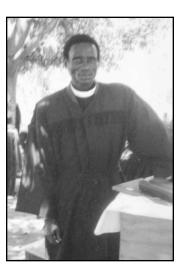
you have instructed. Or, send us what you think will be good for us. Pakistan

Greetings and thank you for your books and spiritual materials. I have collected from my post office and would like to say thank you for all your help and very useful resources for our spiritual growth and ministry. It will be a blessing for our ministry training and hopefully many ministers will be benefitted from it. **Ethiopia**



Nigeria

Thank you very much for I have received one box of Bibles and spiritual materials. It is very useful for my ministry. We praise the Lord for all



Malawi

of you true partners in spreading the glorious light of the Gospel all over the world and wish you great mercy peace and love.

Here there is no rain due to the failure of the season and there is great draught and the price of food commodities much increased. Because of the heat we find it much

difficult to move about in the mid-day. In spite of that I have visited some villages, hamlets, slum areas and unreached areas with the help of our moped and bicycle. Here the people are very anxious to hear more about our Lord Jesus Christ. **South India**

ICLD Shipping Report 2015

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Individuals:

1,299 boxes 24,302 lbs. \$2.63/lb \$63,891.62

Love Packages:

1,573 boxes 44,600 lbs. Approx. \$4,270.00

MISSION STATEMENT

A Christian organization spreading Gospel literature to the world.

FUNDS IN PERSPECTIVE

Thank you for all who make ICLD's ministry of shipping Bibles and quality literature to Englishspeaking countries of the developing world free-ofcharge. All work contributed to ICLD's ministry is done by volunteers, so your giving all goes to some aspect of getting the materials overseas. A box about as big as a volleyball holds about 10 to 12 Bibles (and/or other Christian literature) and costs about \$55 to send to Africa, Philippines, India, etc. So, each \$5 you donate to ICLD represents one 'free' Bible going overseas (compare a 'Happy Meal'). Thanks again for your generosity to ICLD's ministry.

WALL MURAL

For the last few years ICLD has "almost" achieved a Mural on its building's outside north wall. We have a selection of "concepts" ready to go. We even had an experienced muralist ready to supervise the project and a paint store willing to donate paint. However, the prospective workers have expressed interest, but have not been able to commit — yet!! Perhaps someone reading this will prayerfully find God using him or her to recruit a team for ICLD's project — a Project Coordinator and 5 or 6 willing pairs of hands. The wall is about 15' at its highest and about 30' wide. The warm weather is coming soon. Perhaps a youth team is looking for a 3-day project. Maybe we can find a church or neighborhood homes to camp in for a small youth group or a handful of adults for a few days.

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