



# ICLD NEWSLETTER

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Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God ~ Romans 10:17

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## SACRIFICES THAT COST SOMETHING

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King David was at the culmination of power and life in 2Samuel 23; however, in letting his guard slip and his pride get in the way, he ordered a census of his people, making a statement of self-sufficiency, and incurring God’s wrath. The plague struck, and realizing his error and counseled by the prophet Gad, this beloved howbeit flawed servant of God, David, set out to make amends. In supplication to God, David buys a farmer’s oxen, the wooden yokes as fire-wood, and the threshing floor as a place for the altar in preparation of sacrifice. David sought to regain a right relationship with God and to express his sorrow. The farmer offered all these goods to David for free, but David tells him, “I insist on paying you for it. I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing” (2Samuel 24:24).

May God guide us to surrender to Him that which costs us in the giving.

### ESTATE GIVING

Thank you to those who have chosen to make a legacy statement to God’s work through ICLD.



Vacation Bible School Students in Nigeria

**Excerpts of Letters from Recipients**

**From the Philippines:**  
*“I’ve read a pamphlet entitled ‘Where will you spend Eternity?’ by Dr. Calvin K. Katter, a very inspiring and stirring article excellent for soul-reaching material; I do pray for more copy of it for our mission here in Southern Philippines, if it is possible for me to have.... I and my wife are self-supporting missionary reaching the indigenous cultural communities here in Mindanao (specifically, The Higa-onon tribe, Menuvu tribe and Talaandig tribe); we do need your prayers also as we minister the said communities.”*

**From Cameroon:**  
*“As for us here in Cameroon life has been so difficult close to a year now since we went into some political crisis which has lead to several deaths and several people arrested and thrown into jail for no just case. We the English speaking part of this country has been marginalized for several years because we are of the minority so when some freedom fighters rose up since last year to protest it degenerated into something else. Only prayers and Gods intervention can flow safe us. While in the midst of this crises this is the moment we need the word of Christ most and that’s the reason I want to use this opportunity to plead for study material as this situation has rather push more people to lend on Christ.”*

**From Malawi:**  
*“We saw some few of you Bibles, magazine, books, tracts, including we shall distribute them to our new decons, pastors, Rev, through many of our mission found here in Malawi. God bless you all people.*  
**Note: see the article on the next page for an update on the mission trip to Malawi.**

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## SPONSORING SHIPMENTS

Over the years ICLD has asked individuals, groups, or churches to “sponsor” a pastor or a village or an area – this shipping cost could be as little as \$46 to \$67 for one box of Christian literature. Some people could afford to pay for a third of a container to Nigeria for about \$3000 (going overseas and distribution in-country), which would cover one of the states of Nigeria, for example, one time. Due to ever-increasing shipping costs ICLD tends to send fewer boxes overseas, the tonnage sent notwithstanding. All monies received contribute to the shipping process – shipping fees, ICLD’s building, supplies needed in the process. No person or denomination receives funds or pay or reimbursement of any kind at ICLD. (Volunteers only.) ICLD exists for one, sole purpose -- to send God’s Word and Christian literature free-of-charge to developing countries. Thank you for your contributions of funds and materials.

## PERSONAL CONVEYANCE

In this day and age people are traveling to everywhere in the world. ICLD exists to send literature overseas and would love to furnish Christian travelers with Bibles and Christian literature to take to their places of destination and to give to the Christian workers in those places they visit in the developing world, especially. Some reading this will be willing to pay for that extra suitcase full of Christian literature. Some may decide to take Christian literature instead of extra clothing and food and gifts normally in tow. Almost everyone willing to make a sacrifice of time and effort could afford to take a few Bibles and books and a few pieces of Sunday School materials. Also, when your foreign friends are visiting – students, businessmen, pastors, missionaries, etc. – please consider bringing them to ICLD to gather a bit of Christian literature to take back to their home country.

### ICLD WEB SITE

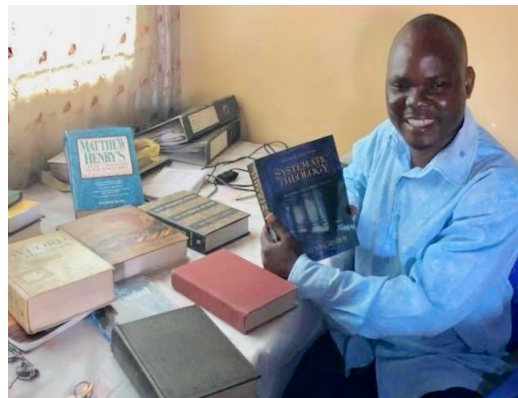
*Remember to take a look at ICLD’s web site from time to time for updates of all sorts.*



## **UPDATE ON ICLD VOLUNTEERS MISSION TRIP TO MALAWI**

As we told you in the Spring newsletter, three of our ICLD volunteers went on a mission trip to Malawi in March: Pam Nersesian, John Towah and Sharon Stacknik. Sharon gives us the following report:

*Thank you for your prayers for those of us who went to Malawi. We had an exciting trip full of preaching, teaching, health education, reconciliation work, graduation ceremonies, visiting many small churches and praying with the Malawians. We traveled over many muddy, bumpy paths to get to small villages and schools. We forded a stream and walked to a village that did not remember having any white person visit them before. We saw a young girl who had eye problems being able to see an ophthalmologist and have her eyes clear for the first time in many years. Visiting prisons and bringing encouragement in those dark places was also very meaningful to us. We made contacts and helped people connect with one another. We were able to work with several wonderful pastors who have benefited from the books that ICLD has been able to send them thanks to your donations. We saw Malawians who had nothing but were praising the Lord in song and worship. We felt love and gave many hugs to those we met. We left part of our heart in Malawi.*



**Pastor Moses receives Christian literature from the ICLD volunteers**

## **ICLD MISSION STATEMENT**

*A Christian organization spreading Gospel literature to the world.*

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