



ICLD NEWSLETTER

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

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A Christmas Greeting from the President's

Desk—John Stacknik

Decades ago in missionary candidate school, our group's theme was **"Only one life 'twill soon be past. Only what's done for Christ will last."** Over these same decades it is always true that only those things done for Christ, in the name of Christ, at the behest of Christ, in the presence of Christ have lasting meaning and significance. I would like to challenge all of us as we take toll and inventory of our lives during the holiday season and into the New Year to ask ourselves whether our main joy and significance derives from the Savior's presence in our lives and in this world. For those who need a spiritual lift this Christmas we pray the words of Ephesians 1:18: *"... that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you."* For those whose life goal is serving the Victorious King, the Lord Jesus Christ, we pray the words of Jeremiah 31:16: *"Restrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears, for your work will be rewarded, declares the Lord."*

Please keep praying for ICLD's ministry.

Thank you all for your donations, your prayers, and your letters of encouragement. If you would like someone from ICLD to speak to your church or Sunday School class or mission team, please let us know. If someone is interested in contributing time to ICLD, please contact John and Sharon Stacknik (612-272-9863).

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

ICLD MISSION STATEMENT

A Christian organization spreading Gospel literature to the world.

PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD



Pastor Mike and students at Christ Foundation Bible Church, Nigeria



Bible instruction in the Philippines

In a letter from a pastor in the Philippines:

We have a special prayer meeting every Wed. 6:00 PM o'clock to 8:00 PM o'clock in the evening, interceding for the salvation of the people throughout the world, and be assured that we are also praying for ministries like yours to continue to flourish as we also plead for your prayers for God to give wisdom, courage, strength and boldness as we continue the ministry in [the work] he has entrusted to us here.

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ICLD SHIPPING: New Twists

Shipping costs are far and away the greatest expense for ICLD's ongoing ministry of sending quality gospel literature free-of-charge to developing countries. All books and materials are donated. All work is done by volunteers. Besides costs for the building, supplies, and postage, all funds go toward the continual flow of materials overseas. The overseas' need and request for printed matter is endless with no end in sight. ICLD places a yearly box of books into the hands of ministry individuals everywhere and anywhere.

For the last two years ICLD has been seeking cost-saving, non-commercial shipping to various countries. ICLD tries to find private shippers who send containers to English-speaking countries, who will grant ICLD a favorable rate. Next, reliable persons are needed to get the boxes distributed "in-country". In the Philippines, ICLD has begun sending balikbayan boxes when there is an "in-country distributor" available in a Philippines city or region.



Missionaries Colin and Darwin from the Philippines

DONATIONS and LEGACY GIVING

As God stirs our spirits to make a contribution this Christmas or to name ICLD in our Estate Planning, let's all think of **ICLD's theme verse** which defines the Scripture's role in a soul coming to eternal faith in Jesus Christ our Savior: "*Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.*" (**Romans 10:17**) Many thanks on behalf of ICLD's family of volunteers and those in the world's developing countries.

URGENT NEEDS: (please pray)

- 1) **private shippers** to Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe.
- 2) trustworthy and capable "**in-country distributors**" for all the **English-speaking countries of Africa** beginning with Nigeria, as well as the **main cities and regions of the Philippines**.
- 3) more persons to 'courier' materials overseas in their luggage



Jim Nelson operates a very busy shipping department!
(He could use some more volunteers)

ICLD OVERSEAS SHIPPING REPORT FOR 2018

Commercial shipping	8,180 pounds
Private shipping	11,864 pounds
Containerized shipping via IL	16,000 pounds
Personal carrying and misc.	875 pounds

Some of ICLD's wonderful volunteers gathered for a prayer meeting on a Friday morning.



ICLD'S Mailing Contacts

Bring to ICLD Office (Wed. & Fri. mornings):

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UPS/FedEx: c/o Jim Nelson

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