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Romans 10:17

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Our faithful, unstoppable God!

During the covid19 pandemic, Bibles continue to flow from ICLD headquarters to pastors around-the-world. Volunteers stagger hours and social distance. We reprint this 2012 article that honors our faithful, unstoppable God; He has sustained ICLD since 1961.

Seeing God from His point of view is more exciting than anything we could imagine. This story is about God's use of a Bobcat – a story with many twists and turns, yet, with only one conclusion. To God be the Glory! You see, a man who had recently undergone a triple-bypass surgery was sent out on a journey, one which only God could ... did ... orchestrate. A seemingly little task ending with multiple miracles.

This day started out like many others. This man worked for ICLD doing varying tasks. One included driving a van, gutted out for the purpose of filling it with Bibles and Bible-related materials. These materials would be used for overseas' missions and missionaries, helping those who would not have access to a Bible to see, read, and be changed, transformed into God's Children -- saved by God's grace through the Christ of the Bible. Back to the origin of the story.

I, Jim Nelson, the driver in this miracle of miracles, and author, was given a request to pick up some materials. While driving... and driving... and driving, trying to find this unfamiliar location, I was thinking, "I sure hope I'm not going to be disappointed by only picking up two, maybe three, bags of materials" (which often does happen, and we do appreciate that). This would be a long journey to receive such a small amount. NOW is where the real story begins. I finally found and drove up to the business. I parked, went inside, and was directed up the stairs to the second floor. There I was informed that, "Those boxes are for you." WHOAAAA!

There were boxes everywhere. All the boxes held Gideon Bibles. Fear set in... how was I, who had recently endured a triple-

bypass, to get 30 boxes or more downstairs and into the van? Well, God knew His plans for me and for ICLD, and who could certainly make good use of this great treasure. As I had parked on the opposite side of the building, I went back downstairs to start the van and drive around the building to be closer to the boxes.

OH, OH! The van would not start! The starter had gone out. Now, where was I parked? I was in the parking lot of AM-PM Automotive Repair. That's right, AM-PM Automotive Repair in White Bear Lake. Immediately they began to take out the old starter and put in another. Interesting so

far? I hope so because the best is yet to come. While they were working on the van, a Bobcat showed up! The boss/owner, Gregory Martz, is a Gideon who helped to collect all these used Bibles while replacing them with new ones in

various places like hotels, motels, hospitals, etc. He came up with a simple solution to my problem of retrieving the Bibles. (Now, Who is really in charge here?)

He removed the second story window and brought a Bobcat around and raised it to the window. He enlisted the help of three or four of his men to help. While some men loaded it, others unloaded it into the van parked on the opposite side. They filled the van with some 30 or more boxes consisting of 750-1,000 Bibles. When the last box was loaded, guess how far along the mechanic was in fixing the van? You guessed it, he had just finished. I signed the papers, thanked them, and was on my way back to ICLD with a story to last a lifetime. Thanks be to God...and to faithful men. PS- Special thanks to Earl Isaacs (another Gideon) who helped piece together this story.



Around the World

NIGERIA

I was dazed to see the huge box sent to me. Thanks for all the materials ranging from tracts to a huge Reformation Study Bible. I pastor a collegiate church and I was able to give some of the materials to my pastoral team and youths yesterday. God bless you real good.

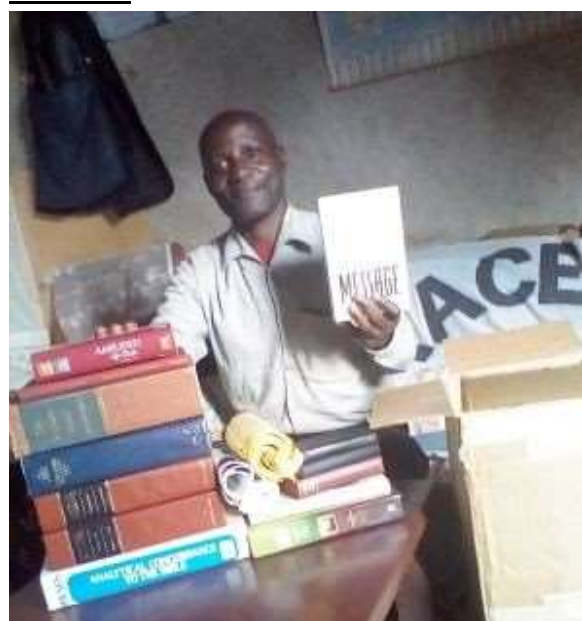
CONGO

Greetings in Jesus Name... I can confirm the receipt of the package you have sent. I praise God for the gift. Books are very valuable for my ministry and for the Bible Institute. ...May blessings of God be upon the ICLD.

GHANA

Greetings in the name of our lord Jesus Christ. Please I am pastor and in need of study materials I hope your ministry can be of great help to me to get them. Please kindly put me on your mailing list and send me some. Thank you very much.

KENYA



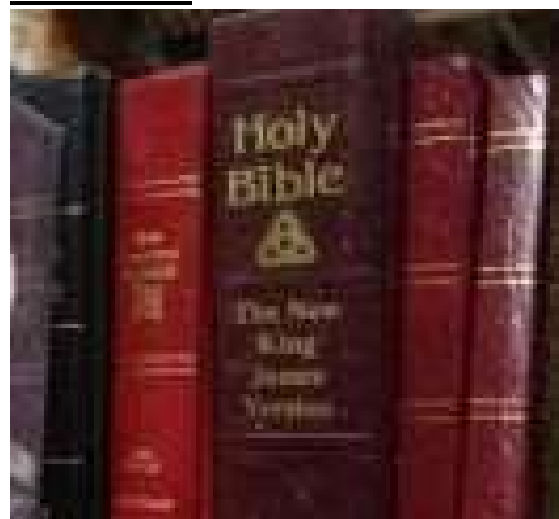
ZAMBIA

I should mention that I am now working with smaller churches where the need for Christian books and Bibles is high. Plans are underway to set up a book library. Your continued support towards this will be highly appreciated.

INDIA

I received the package of books today. Words cannot express my gratitude for your kindness and services. Thank you so much. May our Lord, almighty God bless you and all co-workers abundantly. Sir one reminder with humble request, "poor and homeless in US are rich here in India" So, many youths and many children of God here can't afford to buy even a single Bible. I humbly requested you to render this service continually.

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