



ICLD NEWSLETTER

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Faith comes by hearing and
hearing by the Word of God.

Romans 10:17

Mission Statement: A Christian Organization spreading
Gospel Literature to the world.

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A Word from the President

Recently an Africa shipper asked me to “speak to his Board” of their recently launched 501(c)(3) aiming to help build a school and other projects in his West African home area. Here are some principles which set aside Christian non-profit organizations from other such groups.

Kingdom-mindedness – putting aside “turf protection” for the sake of God’s Kingdom (Matthew 13) and “esteeming the other person” (Philippians 2:1-4).

Prayerfulness ought to infuse all of our operation.
(1Thess.5:18; Lk. 18:1)

Integrity – what we do when no one’s watching. (Ecc.7:1)

Money – *looking to God* to meet our needs; how we handle money. (Phil.4:19)

“Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain.” (Psalm 127:1a)



Excerpts from letters we have received at ICLD:

From Ghana: The biggest problem we face today is the materials of the Gospel. The only favor or support we want from you is the Gospel materials. It would be very kind of you if you could support us with the Gospel materials. When we get to some prisons located in Ghana and when there are no Gospel materials to give to prisoners who fervently want to know more about Jesus, they always cry about it.

From Zambia: We will keep on waiting by the grace of God you will remember us. Please help me.

From Malawi: Due to the floods we had many people lost their spiritual materials that you have been sending to us, we therefore plea to you our dear brothers and sister if possible send many Bibles and Spiritual materials this time around so that the problems we are facing here may come to an end.



Let's look at the key components of ICLD's operation.



Audrey (center) daughter of Frances Greven, long-time ICLD volunteer

Sorting: Bibles and Christian books come to ICLD one bag at a time or an entire pickup truck full. Our volunteers sort everything and pull out the cults and heresies, the fiction novels, magazines, hymnals, and denominational literature, which do not merit the cost to send around the world.

Shelving: We stock and shelve the materials according to topic and category; Bibles as per version, pastoral reference,

topical studies, children's materials, etc. Some topics are "uncategorizable" or are about "everything" (Light and Glory). These will get sent to the Container shipper in Illinois who sends Christian literature overseas.

Packing: Usually we pack into medium-to-large boxes, but shippers for two countries (Sierra Leone and South Sudan) prefer barrels (55-gallon drums).

Shipping: This is the most-logistical aspect of the organization. Shipping to a country won't happen if we don't have a shipper to that country. Then we'll need an honest, capable, Kingdom-minded in-country distributor overseas. Determining volume, cost, data base, paperwork, timing all go into making a shipment happen.

Administrative: Treasurer work and receipting, correspondence, newsletters, public relations, building issues and supplies, finding helpers.



Thanks to Mick C. for new signs.

Financial Giving: Checks, PayPal, RMDs, Real Estate Giving

Receipts will be sent for all donations.

ICLD is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Dropoffs:

(Please Check First)

Guy Somers
651-739- 3244

Mike Jorgensen
612-202-8431

Don Gatheridge
612-721-6084



These Congo boxes arrived intact, but banged up. Please keep praying.

Shipping Report: Summer Quarter 2023

Tanzania	92 boxes	2,743 lbs.
Liberia	120 boxes	2,871 lbs.
Philippines	1 box	70 lbs.
Love Packages	5 boxes	199 lbs.
Total:	218 boxes	5,883 lbs.

Building Open Hours

Most Wednesdays 8:30 to Noon

Please call to verify

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(Annual Meeting 2023)



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