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Greetings brothers and sisters in our Lord,

There is more news than we have space for in this second quarterly newsletter of the year. I will get to that in a moment, but first, I break tradition by putting a bit of family news, as well as some financial news first this time.

FAMILY NEWS

After lots of physical therapy and various other attempts to relieve severe back pain, Andre had an operation on Tuesday, 21 June to repair a herniated disk. As I write this, Andre is recovering from the surgery, with the aid of pain medication, and a walker and back brace. His activity will be very limited for some time, and we ask your prayers that he will have a complete and permanent recovery, and that he will find a job. Ann stayed with Andre until she saw that he was recovering well, then she joined me here in Ireland. Several have asked me what caused the problem in the first place. Although we can't be certain, we think it may be related to the infection and surgery in 2005; a good bit of muscle and tissue had to be removed from Andre's leg, and this may have placed pressure on his spine. Really, we will never know the cause for certain. As a further complication, just this past weekend Andre developed a severe kidney infection with kidney stones, and was readmitted to the hospital. Please pray that his health will be fully restored.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Sadly, a congregation of wonderful Christians in rural Texas must close its doors. Our prayer and hope is that the few remaining members will find congregations where they can worship and serve the Lord. These servants of God have helped us in the amount of \$700 monthly for well over 20 years. In fairness, they have given us plenty of warning and have sent financial assistance until the end of 2016. Their support helped to meet some of our personal needs, and with the necessity to cover various health insurance deductibles and rising costs, plus to help those in our family who have lost jobs, our resources are stretched to the limit, and we are certainly trying to find sources to make up any part of this monthly support. Please be on the lookout and let others know of this need. I also remind anyone who is interested, that you can contribute to this ministry using PayPal. Just use my email address: insightbow@aol.com. For 45 years on the mission field, God has provided, and we know He continues to watch over us in all circumstances.

NOW MINISTRY NEWS

I am waiting to hear that several more Bible students in India have obeyed the Gospel. With our Bibles going out to far-flung regions, and with poor communications and language barriers in some areas, we do not find out what is happening in many local congregations of the Church. We do know, however, that many blind people are studying the scriptures, and that two blind evangelists were recently graduated from the School of Evangelism. Since I last wrote to you, I think that at least three people have been baptized into Christ.

Brother Joseph Mukewa and his family always amaze me. In spite of hardship, bad roads, and other difficult conditions, Joseph not only travels to many distant places in Kenya, delivering the scriptures in Braille and large print to schools and other groups, but he holds several meetings a week with blind people in the Mombasa area. Often 14 or 15 blind visitors come to Bible study and worship. Since becoming a Christian through World Bible School in the 1980s, Joseph and his family have been beacons of service in the Kingdom.

I mention the following cousins in the ministry news section, as some of them have lived and worked in Ireland and all of them are long-time supporters of this ministry. On 5 June, I went to Dublin to worship with the Church, and also to meet and to have dinner with Pat Lanier, their daughters Monica and Melissa, and their granddaughter Macey. These ladies did a tour of Ireland, and Pat and Jim have lived and worked here. Pictures of our group are included in this letter. '

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Glynn with visiting cousins

Teaching the Bible, and telling about this ministry are all major parts of my visits here in Ireland. We have received requests from social workers, churches, and individuals for Braille, large print, and talking Bibles. I am honored to speak in schools, churches, to Rotary and other clubs, and to be able to share Christ on my travels. The situation in Ireland is radically different than when we lived here permanently, and while many changes are definitely for the worst, fabulous new opportunities have come to us to help to present God's Word.



Glynn speaking to the Youghal Rotary Club

Many blind and visually impaired people enjoy communicating together in chat rooms by phone. Our Bibles are often featured on these chat rooms, and I am interviewed from time to time about this ministry. As a result, there has been quite an increase in requests for the Courier talking Bible; it is a small handheld unit that contains two complete versions of the scriptures; it is easy to carry and to use. With these Bibles we also send a CD or two which contains Bible topic studies, such as scriptural baptism, God's providence in our lives, evidence for the resurrection, and other subjects. In addition to this, the CD Bibles we sent out in various languages go to many parts of the world. The scriptures in Braille and in large print are also another tool we use to bring Christ's saving message to those with vision problems.

Ann and I thank you for all that you do to make this outreach ministry possible. Our hope is to continue sending the scriptures to others for at least a few more years, and we need your ongoing prayers and support in order to accomplish this mission. We ask God's blessing and protection on each one of you.

In Christ our Lord, with thanks,

Glynn and Ann Langston