NEWS FROM JOY NEW ZEALAND

HUNGER FOR THE WORD OF GOD - 977 Pastors

Many of the Pastors we have already established Bible Schools with, are being approached by other Pastors in their areas who are asking for a Bible School too.

In the last three months we have had requests from 977 Pastors who are willing to pay for their own photocopying of the Bible School material. Some are selling their few possessions to be able to do this.

Such is the Hunger for the Word of God!!

At present 1,700 Bible Schools are operating in East Africa.

10,000 DEREK PRINCE BOOKS - GOD'S PROVISION

Derek Prince Ministries has released to us 10,000 books for the work in East Africa right at the same time we received all these requests from Pastors. The books were urgently needed for each of the new Bible Schools and for the discipleship groups of new converts. The photo is of the books in Uganda awaiting delivery into Kenya. Praise God they arrived right on time for distribution to all the Bible Schools.

We are so thankful to Derek Prince Ministries for partnering with us in training Pastors and Evangelists.

INCREASE AND ACCELERATION

The work in East Africa is increasing at a very fast pace with literally hundreds of new Bible Schools starting and thousands upon thousands of people converting to-Christianity. The Lord has been impressing the need upon the Ministry for teaching all the Pastors to begin to PRAY FOR ISRAEL earnestly.

To pray for the peace of Jerusalem, and that the Jewish people would come to know that Jesus is their Messiah.

The Pastors are praying weekly in their churches and individually in their homes. God is wanting to Bless these Pastors and their churches and through their prayers a channel of blessing is being established, as God says in His Word "Those who Bless Israel I will Bless"

WHAT AN AWESOME GOD WE SERVE, HE HAS DONE AMAZING THINGS.

The biggest need we have is for Bibles for the ever increasing Discipleship groups, we place the new converts into groups of 400 people and try to give each leader of a group one full Bible and one self study booklet to do the disciple training. The cost of a Bible is NZ \$10 but this enables one leader to do the Discipleship training of 400 people.

Any donations for Bibles for the NZ Ministry work in East Africa can be sent to the NZ office or placed directly into the NZ account. Westpac Bank, Rangiora, Suzanne's Ministries, 03 0674 0245098 00 or if you are in England you can send it to the UK office.

Thank you for all your prayers and financial giving towards bringing in the harvest in these countries without your help we could not do this Ministry.

May The Lord Bless You, Joy Johnson.

GOD IS CLOSER TO US THAN WE THINK, by Suzanne.

It was during the night when I suddenly felt the Lords presence in a special way. He spoke to me about His omnipresence and how very near He is to each believer. He then took me to the Old Testament where He appeared with the three men thrown in the fiery furnace for standing up for God and none were burnt. Then Daniel thrown into the Lions den and was not touched by them. He then showed me the New Testament and how He fed the 5000. Healed the servant from a distance. Then onto Acts with some of the miracles He did through the disciples and through to the great men of God until this day. He is asking us to trust Him entirely.

Even if our freedom is infringed upon, our true freedom is in Christ. Even if the world is to worry us, our true peace is in Christ, Even if we are killed our life is hid in Christ. There is nothing the world can do to us that we do not have victory over in Christ. It is all covered by Jesus through the cross, every inch of our lives. So let us turn fully to Jesus and trust Him with our life. He is so close to us and loves us so much.