

THE **Intercessor** September 2016

"I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel..."



Partners in the Gospel

By nature, Bible Visuals International is a supply line ministry. We have the privilege to supply frontline ministry partners around the world. Some of these are folks we will never know this side of Heaven, but there are others we've formed special friendships and partnerships with over the years. Here are a few:



BCM Canada
Bible Centered Ministries (BCM) is another ministry here in Lancaster County that has a special focus on the missionfield of children.

Their Canadian branch is headquartered in Hamilton, Ontario under the direction of **Phil Whitehead**. BVI has established a special distribution relationship with BCM Canada to make our materials more accessible within Canada. BVI materials can now be ordered

through their website (www.bcmintl.ca) or purchased directly from their Ministry Resource Center in Hamilton.

Mongolian Missions



Missionaries **Mickey and Trina Cofer** have a vision for Mongolia that goes far beyond their own lives and the present generation. As part of their work in the country, they have established a printing press to help provide Christian literature for the national churches. BVI has established a Royalty-free agreement with the Cofers, so they can translate, print and distribute our Visualized Bible series in that country. All 312 lessons have been now been translated and some printing has already been done.



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The Cofers will be our guests at our Arise & Declare banquet next month. We hope you can join us if you're in the area. See the last page to learn more and to get your banquet tickets.

Country B



I met brother David about five years ago at a ministry conference. At that time he shared the need for gospel-centered stories he could use in

children's clubs in a particular country. Because this country is predominately Muslim and most clubs are held open-air, these stories would provide a safer way for them to share the Gospel than through Bible lessons with pictures of Jesus and other Bible scenes. We gave David access to several stories, but due to language and communication issues, we weren't sure if anything would ever come from the arrangement.

Fast forward to this year when I ran into Brother David again at another ministry conference. Through his translator I learned that he had indeed made much use of the stories. He's translated all of them into the language of the country where he serves. We've recently made these text files available through our webstore too. Brother David has annual outreach to over 500,000 children in this country. We've given him royalty-free access to several more stories. However, Brother David needs approximately \$5500 to print these BVI stories and supply them to his teachers. If you'd like to have a part in supplying this need, please contact us asap!

Obrerofiel

Obrerofiel is a ministry that has grown out



of the mission organization, Camino Global. It provides low-cost and free digital ministry tools to the Spanish-speaking world. Some of the Spanish translations of BVI's downloadable PowerPoints are included on their resource site (www.obrerofiel.com) We

recognize that having a web site laid out in Spanish means more nationals in particular can learn about, and make use of BVI materials.

Positive Action for Christ



This US-based publisher provides Bible curriculum particularly for Christian schools and home school families. Several of BVI's biographies and visualized hymns have been integrated into their grade level curriculums as additional resources teachers can utilize.

www.positiveaction.org

Good Life Ministries



Several years ago Sam Gunti came to us looking for some materials to use in his children's ministry work in and around Hyderabad, India. Since then, we have established a Royalty-free relationship with Good Life Ministries to translate and print BVI lessons and stories in the Telegu language. This Fall, Sam and his team expect to minister to 15,000 children through their VBS ministries alone!



NEW FORMATS & UPDATES

- Over the summer we introduced our **Collections DVDs**. Simply put, these are all our BVI materials put onto three disks. The disks contain the illustrations in PowerPoint files and the teaching texts as PDF files. Many of our translations are also included. So far these have been very popular, especially with missionaries who transport a lot of materials in a compact format.



- This month we have also introduced our new **Family Format**. These are our stories adapted into a print format designed for ease of use in the home. These 8.5"x8.5" books have the words and illustrations printed together. Our desire is that these books would help families worship together and to be encouraged by stories of God's grace to all generations.
- *New Testaments 14 & 16* These volumes from our series on Acts have been recently colored by **Ed Olson**.
- *When I am Weak...* This new **Occasion for the Gospel** story on the life of Founding Father, Roger Sherman, is beginning the illustration phase under the skillful hand of **Del Thompson**.

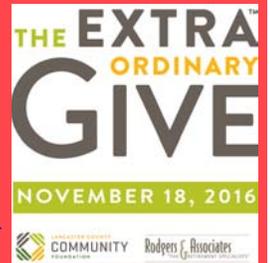


- *Old Testament 8* This volume from our five part Exodus series has been recently colored by **Joshua Day**.

- *Old Testament 19* This volume on the book of Ruth is being colored by **Yuko Willoughby**.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November 18 is
ExtraGive
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Praises & Prayer Requests

MONDAY

- Pray for office manager, **Patti Pope** as she has been dealing with mobility issues due to torn cartilage in her hip.
- Pray for **Melody Mayer** as she works from Michigan and as she prepares to represent BVI at fall conferences in Michigan and Florida.

TUESDAY

- Thank the Lord for the service of outgoing board member, **Dr. Mable Ruth Wray**. She continues to help lead the ministry of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Eastern Pennsylvania.
- Praise: **Dr. Christine Beiler** has recently joined the BVI board and is spearheading our Arabic translation work.

WEDNESDAY

- Pray for **Tom & Betsy Luttmann and family** as they make ministry and family visits to South Carolina in October and to Nova Scotia in early November.
- Pray for operations specialist, **Dave Spangler**, as he continues tracking production projects and researching distribution opportunities.

THURSDAY

- Pray for office assistant **Becky Nicholson** as her father recently passed away.

- Thank the Lord for all those translating materials into other languages. Recently we have added titles in **Romanian, German, Amharic, Arabic, Spanish & Portuguese**.

FRIDAY

- Pray for us as we prepare for our ministry banquet, **Arise & Declare**, on **October 20th**. Pray that it would be used to exalt the name of Christ and to further the work of His kingdom.
- Pray for funds to colorize our **Visualized Bible series**.

SATURDAY

- Praise: Four sets of our Visualized Bible Series in Urdu have been sent to **Lahore Baptist Bible College** thanks to the sponsorship of the project by **People's Baptist Church** in Frederick, MD.
- Pray for our network of freelance and volunteer **writers, illustrators, graphic artists, and office help** as they work on current projects.

SUNDAY

- Pray for **Good News Club** ministry's starting again this fall in public schools. Some are facing extreme opposition.
- Pray as Psalm 78:7 says, that children...

...might set their hope in God

....might not forget the works of God

....might keep His commandments.



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We invite you to join us on **October 20th** as we celebrate 57 years of ministry. Our theme this year is "Arise & Declare" taken from Psalm 78. Joining us for the evening will be **Mickey and Trina Cofer**, missionaries to Mongolia. Come learn about how the Gospel is advancing in this land and how Bible Visuals International is playing a special part in declaring the good news to the children there. Our banquet offering will go in part toward this Mongolia project.

Thursday, October 20, 2016

6:00 PM (supper begins at 6:30)
 Shady Maple Smorgasbord

129 Toddy Dr., East Earl, PA 17519

Children ages 8+ are welcome to attend. No nursery is provided.

Tickets are \$5 per person (\$4 for ages 8-10). Please go to www.biblevisuals.org to order your tickets or contact our office for help.

All tickets must be purchased by October 6, 2016

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