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On Its Way!!



What a day! January 5, 2009 was a day we had long been praying for as the Congo Container II was gently lifted onto to back of a flatbed truck for the first leg of an 18,500 kilometer (11,500 mile) journey to Shalom University in Bunia, Democratic Republic of Congo. Fully loaded the container weighed 17, 330 kg. (37,986 lb.) and contained 97, 929 French and Swahili books. Of that total number of books, 77,809 were printed in EPI's own print shop, 18,102 were printed in the US, and the remaining 2,018 were donated by various missionaries.

The container is scheduled to arrive at Shalom University, where the books will be unloaded and distributed, in late March or early April. An added bonus is the fact that since EPI owns the shipping container itself, and is, in effect, donating the container as well, there will be no time crunch to unload the container ASAP and return it to the shipping company. Rather, the believers there will be able to put the container to whatever use they deem best.

Pray for a safe and uneventful journey for the container, for a quick and inexpensive release from Customs when it arrives in Congo, and for wisdom and strength for those brethren charged with the responsibility of distributing this precious cargo to a lot of spiritually-hungry, yet very patient, Congo believers.

Beach Preach

There is a big empty space behind our building here at EPI. It looks very strange to look out there and not see that big, green 20-foot metal container. I find myself asking the question, "Now what, Lord....?!"

"Do You have another big container project for us?" It would be exciting to launch out on another "impossible" 100,000 book order. But where would this container go? There are so many places in the world where a container of good books about the Bible would be ravenously consumed by hungry believers. I think the best thing would be to quietly and confidently watch and pray. He will make His will plain to us in His time.

"Or do You want us to continue on with 'business-as-usual?'" We are constantly receiving requests from believers, churches, and missionaries for a box or two, or an M-Bag or two of books. Why don't they ask for more? We have so many other good books that I am sure would be of

great blessing to them! I think that God would have us be faithful in the "little" orders as well as "big and exciting" ones. We must never forget that He has a "big" purpose for each "little" book.

"Are there new, undiscovered or unfulfilled opportunities for EPI books out there somewhere?" There are undoubtedly many assemblies, missionaries, and ministries around the world that have not heard or have not realized the potential of EPI books. How do we find them? Not by looking for them and trying to "sell" to them but by looking to Him to show us those opportunities that He would have us meet and waiting for Him to open the right door in the right time. I believe that our prayer should be that the Lord would keep our eyes fixed on Him, our feet following closely to Him, and our hands ready to faithfully do the work He gives, and enables, us to do.

A Word From The Word

(Act 8:30) So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?"

Do you remember the Ethiopian's response?

(Act 8:31) And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

What are the essentials to understanding the Word of God? A student and a teacher.

The student must first have an insatiable hunger to read the Word. The Ethiopian had travelled all the way to Jerusalem to purchase a portion of God's Word.

The student must see the need for a teacher. When asked if he was understanding what he was

reading the Ethiopian said, "How can I...?"

The student must have a teacher who has been taught of God and sent by God. Phillip, who had been sent by God to that remote desert highway, opened his mouth and spoke of Him who had been his teacher.

Harlow Happenings

Fifty years after participating in the translation of the Bible into Congo Swahili, Gertrud Harlow has completed a complete revision and reformatting of the Congo Swahili Bible. What a testimony to the faithfulness of God who gave such wisdom and enabling to His servant! The Congo Swahili Bible is now being prepared for publication and distribution to the believers in the Congo.

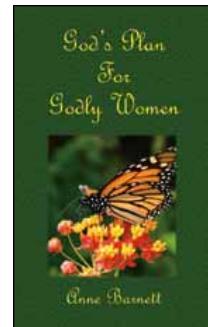
Gertrud has also been assisting in the revision and reformatting of the Chokwe translation of the Bible. Chokwe is one of the major languages spoken in Angola.

With the completion of her work on the Congo Swahili Bible, our dear sister felt the Lord's prompting to begin yet another translation project. Gertrud has begun the task of translating the New Testament portion of Bill MacDonald's Believers Bible Commentary. Please uphold Gertrud in your prayers as she continues to labour for her Lord's glory.



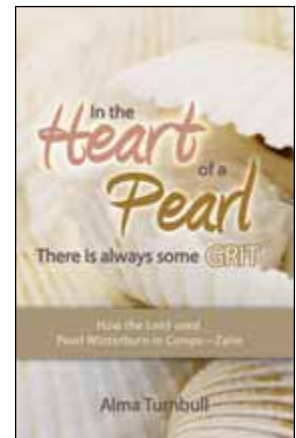
Book Report

God's Plan for Godly Women—Few would dare to tell today's woman what or who she should be, but Annie Barnett fearlessly wields the sword of Scripture in promoting God's honor and the highest fulfillment for women. Using apt Biblical examples and weaving Scriptures together, the godly woman comes into view in all her beauty. This easy-to-read but challenging-to-apply guide will be useful either as an introduction to God's plan, as a refresher course when the goal becomes obscured with time or familiarity, or as a teaching outline for class or home. Every woman is at one of these stages: beginner, somewhere down the path, or teacher. This booklet will motivate you to press on, to shape up, to picture the goal and to pursue the prize of God's, "Well done." - Report submitted by Marilyn MacMullen



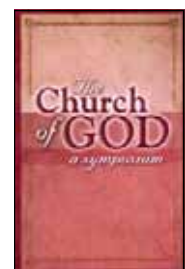
New Title

EPI has released the revised and updated biography of Pearl Winterburn, *In The Heart of a Pearl, There Is Always Some Grit!* This book, formerly published by MSC tells the story of how God used Pearl for His glory as a missionary in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Pearl first arrived in Africa in 1953 after spending time in Belgium for language study and medical certification. The next 49 years were fruitful, with many coming to know the Lord as their Savior. In 2002, because of a broken hip, she arrived back in Toronto with the realization that her days as a missionary nurse were over. She was thankful for the way the Lord had blessed her ministry in DR Congo, but had difficulty grasping the reality that her days of service in Africa were over. The following acronym describes the qualities evident in Pearl's life — Persevering, Enduring, Achieving, Resilient, Loyal. Her earnest prayer was that the Lord would allow her one last visit with the people she loved. Because of her medical emergency Pearl had been airlifted to Nairobi, so never had the opportunity to say goodbye to her "family" in Tchabi, DRC. God answered her prayer, and in 2007, she spent 10 days with them, even with a surprise celebration on her 87th birthday! To see how the believers had stood firm in their love for the Lord in spite of the vicious attacks from rebel tribes, was such a blessing for Pearl. She keeps in regular contact with Mandro via email and is thankful to the Lord for the privilege of bringing the Gospel to that part of Africa. The sequel, newly added to the biography published in 1997, describes the great joy she (and they) experienced. To God be the glory! This 228-page book will retail for \$15.00.



Back In Print

One of the blessings of the print-on-demand technology used by Everyday Publications is that out-of-print titles can easily be brought back into print and kept in print. EPI has done just that with the updated and re-released, *The Church of God, A Symposium*. This classic work is a collection of 10 essays by assembly Bible teachers Dr. James Naismith, J.M. Davies, James Gunn, David Boyd Long, Dr. Stephen S. Short, J. Boyd Nicholson Sr., John Smart, E. W. Rogers, and Robert McClurkin about the New Testament church. This book puts forth an excellent and concise argument that it must be possible in the power of the Holy Spirit to practice these New Testament church principles today. The 132-page book will retail for \$5.44.



Keep In Touch!

We would like to setup an email distribution list so we can quickly inform our prayer partners of late-breaking, and sometimes urgent, news and prayer requests. We would greatly appreciate having you on this list. Please send us an email (which will give us your email address) with your name & address (so we can update our database) and the words, "Everyday News Updates" in the subject line.

Quarterly Report Highlights

Production

Production for the first quarter of the 2008 – 2009 (FY09) was down 27.3% over the same period one year ago as 31,869 pieces of literature were produced compared to 43,835 the year before. This decrease is due to the fact that, with the completion of printing for the Congo container and Angola ACCTS container, printing in this first quarter was focused on replenishing stocks of English and Spanish books as well as test booklets.

Distribution

Distribution for the first quarter of the 2008 – 2009 (FY09) was up 320% over the same period one year ago as 111,658 pieces of literature were shipped out compared with 26,579 the year before. This apparently phenomenal increase is largely due to the shipment of 92,019 Portuguese books and test booklets in the Angola ACCTS container. Distribu-

tion for the first quarter, exclusive of the Angola ACCTS order, was actually down 26.1% from the same period in the previous fiscal year.

Finances

We praise the Lord that at the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year 2009 (FY09), all bills were paid, new orders were being received, and there was sufficient cash in the bank to continue operations. Therefore we are pressing on with the mandate He has given us: To provide good books about the Bible that are easy to understand to hungry believers around the world.

Projects

The shipping of the Angola ACCTS container and the Congo Container marks the completion of two of the largest projects ever undertaken by EPI. Does the Lord have another large project for us? Join us in prayer as we seek His face and wait on Him to reveal the next "big" job. In

the meantime, we have some smaller projects we are working on:

- An order of approximately 2,500 books for Spencer & Lois Dibble in Nigeria
- A call has gone out to all assembly missionaries in Zambia asking for their orders of EPI books to be included in the ACCTS container shipping in April, 2009.

The research and purchase (as the Lord provides the funds) of a replacement saddle-stitch binding machine. Our old machine has served us well but is rapidly approaching the end of its useful life.

Brethren, Pray for Us...!! Thess. 3:1



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