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Fri. 1 "...lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together," John 4:35b,36 NKJV. Pray today that our literature may be very fruitful as it is sown in the farflung places of a very needy world.

Sat. 2 Praise the Lord for the three new printers which should make possible continuing improvement of our production in both quantity and quality, for the Lord's glory and the further blessing of many.

Sun. 3 From Bill, written in early June: "*The printers have been installed and are operating beautifully. It really is quite amazing to see them at work, well worth a trip to Port Colborne! The colour printer too is performing well with sharp detail and accuracy...Harold has already produced several titles with amazing speed*" (PED (*Pray Every Day*) May 9-11).

Mon. 4 Pray that the Lord may lead as we now investigate replacing the perfect binding machine (which is old, noisy, and not always reliable) and the large paper cutter.

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Tues. 5 Thank the Lord for good results from Alma Turnbull's first cataract surgery (PED May 31). Pray that all may go well today, also, as she has the surgery on her other eye.

Wed. 6 Assemblies in Florida were sent *The EPI Story* DVD in June. Pray that there may be a favorable response and that interest and prayer support for EPI may be broadened.

Thurs. 7 Thank the Lord for directors Steve Adams, Bill Allison, Ron Gee, Gertrud Harlow, Don MacMullen, and Arthur Robinson. Pray for the Lord's rich blessing for each one according to his or her particular needs at this time.

Fri. 8 Pray for the Lord's blessing for Harold and Barbara MacDougall and their 3 teenagers as they shift gears to a slightly more relaxed summertime schedule (at least on the home front!). Pray for safekeeping in all of their varied activities throughout the summer.

Sat. 9 The French translation of *The Way Out and the Way In* has been sent for checking and proofreading (PED May 13). Please pray for accuracy.

Sun. 10 From Bob and Sue Cullen (Uganda): "*I have placed another order to replenish our supply. Your assistance in providing them to us is an invaluable asset...Could you please enclose the question booklets with each of these courses since we use them as correspondence materials. The books are used free of charge as long as they are returned to us.*"

Mon. 11 Pray for Executive Director Bill Letkeman as he carries the primary responsibility for running EPI. Pray for wisdom as he deals with problems that arise from time to time as well as carries out the more ordinary routines of his work.

Tues. 12 Pray that all may go well for Daveen Lidstone who has returned to work for her former employer in Toronto. She plans to continue as EPI's part-time bookkeeper, coming in after her regular day job is finished. Pray that this may go well and that she will not be unduly stressed.

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Wed. 13 Praise the Lord that Gertrud Harlow has finished work on the first volume of *Come and Dine* in Swahili (PED June 2). Please continue praying for her in ongoing work on the 4-volume set.

Thurs. 14 Pray that a copy of the original Swahili *Come and Dine*, vol. 2, mailed from Kenya in June, might arrive safely so that Gertrud can proceed to scan, edit, and format it.

Fri. 15 Thank the Lord for 2,450 copies of 11 titles and 2,500 copies of 5 test booklets printed in May in spite of the "down time" necessitated by the transition to the new printers.

Sat. 16 Ask the Lord to bless Esther Frey (missionary to Puerto Rico) as she proofreads two new Spanish booklets, *Ask in My Name* by Gertrud Harlow and *Knowing the Will of God* by Susan Dibble Crowe (PED May 18).

Sun. 17 From Robert and Margaret Muir (U.K. - Zambia): "*Thank you for the books in French and Swahili which we received for the work at Mambilima, Zambia. These have been a great blessing for the work over the river in DR Congo and also at the Refugee Camp at Kala...The folks in Congo have just nothing to read and study and there is a real hunger.*"

Mon. 18 Thank the Lord for proofreader Eunice Free, who has been doing the Everyday English course to better prepare her for that work. Pray for the Lord's direction for her for possible other uses of her newly acquired skill.

Tues. 19 Pray for the Lord's blessing for Tim Plett, who has done an outstanding job as part-time shipper at EPI for the past 3 years. He is working with his father in construction again this summer. Pray that Jeremy Dalziel may quickly learn the shipping routines as he takes over as part-time shipper.

Wed. 20 Thank the Lord for Grace Spence's office work four days a week. Pray for wisdom for her in handling the "unexpected" which inevitably crops up from time to time as phone calls, mail, and e-mail come in from all over the world.

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Thurs. 21 Pray for wisdom for Sara Townsend in the ongoing work of preparing Spanish and Portuguese manuscripts for printing.

Fri. 22 Pray that Della Letkeman may make good progress in writing the first draft of the biography of the Apostle Paul during the summer, a slightly less pressured time for her as her piano students take a break (PED May 17).

Sat. 23 Praise the Lord for continuing high production. At the end of last June, 55,981 books had been printed in that fiscal year. As of June 10th, 66,124 books have been printed this fiscal year!

Sun. 24 Praise the Lord for the 59,293 books distributed this fiscal year as of the end of May, a significant increase over the 46,843 books distributed by the end of May last fiscal year! Think of what these books will mean to the individuals receiving them, and then pray for them!

Mon. 25 Pray that the momentum for both production and distribution may be continued for the balance of this fiscal year which ends September 30th.

Tues. 26 It is not too soon to pray for the missionaries who will be requesting books to be sent via ACCTS containers to Zambia and Angola this fall. Pray that they may give thought now to their anticipated needs for literature to carry them through until more containers are sent in the spring of 2006.

Wed. 27 Join Gertrud Harlow in praising the Lord that *12 Bottles of Milk* (Swahili) and *Me First?* (English) have been re-formatted. Pray for her in the ongoing work of re-formatting titles for reprinting on our digital printers along with work on *Better than Bread: Old Testament*, volume 1 (PED June 27).

Thurs. 28 Pray for wisdom as the possibility of putting some of our books into Chinese and Arabic is explored. We have been very encouraged by the good response to the Chinese/English version of *Food for New Believers*, with some of these even going into China (PED April 3,4).

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Fri. 29 Pray for wisdom for Harold as he tries to arrange for a large shipment of Swahili and French books to go to North East D.R. Congo (PED June 4).

Sat. 30 Pray that each of the staff may be able to take time off this summer to relax, refresh, and revitalize. Pray for safety on the roads for those who may be traveling.

Sun. 31 From Margie Gould (Zambia): “*It will be wonderful to have the [Portuguese] books to take with us [into Angola in August]. The hunger and thirst for the Word is awesome right now and we really need to take advantage of it.*” Pray for much blessing. Pray also for wisdom as needs are assessed as to further books to be ordered to go via ACCTS container in the fall.

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Mon. 1 “*I will go in the strength of the Lord God; I will make mention of Your righteousness, of Yours only,*” Ps. 71:16 NKJV. Praise the Lord for the opportunity afforded us through literature to proclaim and teach the righteousness of the Lord. Pray that we may “go in His strength” alone.

Tues. 2 Pray for the Lord’s rich blessing for Bill and Della this month in their multi-faceted ministries as well as keeping up with family responsibilities.

Wed. 3 Praise the Lord for 7,779 books packed in April and May to be sent “no charge” to assembly commended missionaries serving in Peru, Zambia, Nicaragua, Colombia, Nigeria, Honduras, Papua New Guinea, and Kenya.

Thurs. 4 Pray for wisdom and the Lord’s leading for Harold as he manages the print shop, designs new covers, and coordinates the work of the volunteers.

Fri. 5 Thank the Lord for His faithfulness in provision for the ongoing needs of the work. Pray for wisdom in our stewardship, so that we may make good use of what He has provided through His faithful stewards.

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Sat. 6 Pray for the extended families of the EPI team. Some have children from teenage to young adult years, others have aging parents and grandchildren. What affects our families has an impact on us and our work also. Pray for the Lord’s protection and blessing for all.

Sun. 7 Give thanks today for the many prisoners in North America and elsewhere who are using an EPI book and test booklet to help them understand the Scriptures better.

Mon. 8 Pray for health and strength for Alma over the next two busy weeks as she helps at the Markham Bible Chapel Day Camp. She requests prayer also for dedicated leaders, good weather, and results for eternity.

Tues. 9 We continue to be exercised to see a more widespread distribution of our books. Pray that there may be favorable responses as missionaries are contacted about EPI literature.

Wed. 10 Pray for Andrew Rennie as he develops several new test booklets along with continuing translation of *Philippians: Paul’s Prison Psalm* into Spanish.

Thurs. 11 Recently a letter was received from a national thanking us for books “just received” that had been mailed to Ghana in August of 2003! In view of that, please pray that our books in transit may go quickly and safely to their intended destination.

Fri. 12 Pray today that recipients of our books may not experience undue delay in getting our books by reason of their being held up in Customs.

Sat. 13 Pray for Gertrud as she continues upgrading some of our Swahili titles. As we went to press she had started work on *Start of the Race* (Genesis) and *Letters of the New Testament*.

Sun. 14 From Spencer and Phyllis Dibble (Nigeria): “*Thank you for the books sent 9/27/04. Most of them arrived a couple of months ago...There is still a large demand for EPI books. We appreciate your share in our work and ask our Heavenly Father to bless each of you.*”

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Mon. 15 Pray for renewed strength for Grace this month as she carries on the routines of the office: answering the phone, processing the mail, preparing the picking slips from which orders are prepared, etc.

Tues. 16 It will not be long before our annual inventory will be required once again at the end of our fiscal year in September. Pray for the Lord’s blessing and help as preliminary work is done this month.

Wed. 17 Pray that the Lord may prosper Margarida Cerqueira as she continues work on the Portuguese translation of *The Way Out and the Way In: Studies in Exodus and Leviticus* (PED March 12).

Thurs. 18 Thank the Lord for the Editorial Committee (Don MacMullen, Gertrud Harlow, Della Letkeman, Harold MacDougall, and Marilyn MacMullen). Pray for wisdom for them in carrying out their responsibilities.

Fri. 19 Pray for wisdom for Harold in organizing the printing schedule, needing to juggle “on demand” printing requirements for out of stock books (when they are ordered) with the need to reprint titles that are low in stock.

Sat. 20 The regular staff of EPI is now about evenly divided between those working on-site and those working off-site. Pray that those working off-site may continue to sense the importance of their contributions and that all may work together as a well functioning team.

Sun. 21 Thank the Lord for a new Spanish title printed in June, *Entiende tu Biblia (Understand Your Bible)* by Wilf Munnings. Pray for a favorable response to sample copies mailed to regular users of our EPI books.

Mon. 22 Pray that Sara may know the Lord’s leading in what proportion of time to give to “other responsibilities” and what to the Spanish and Portuguese work.

Tues. 23 Where would we be without the prayers of the Lord’s people? Pray that each one who is committed to pray for us may faithfully present the work and workers before the

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throne of grace and may be blessed of the Lord for their vital part in our overall ministry.

Wed. 24 Pray that copies of the Chinese/English *Food for New Believers* taken into China (as well as those who take them and receive them!) may enjoy the Lord’s protection at every step of the way: transport, distribution, and use (PED Feb. 6).

Thurs. 25 Thank the Lord for the faithful volunteer help of Arthur Robinson, John Storm, Desmond and Gayle McCurry, and Jimmy Rollo. Pray for His richest blessing for them as they perform many mundane tasks needed to “finish” our books after printing.

Fri. 26 Pray for Marilyn MacMullen and Sara Townsend in ongoing work reviewing our test booklets as part of the revitalization project (PED April 29).

Sat. 27 Please continue to pray for more open doors for our books, particularly into French-speaking areas and Asia.

Sun. 28 Praise the Lord for the test booklets that multiply the effectiveness of many of our longer books. Pray for much blessing to those who are studying the Scriptures in this way.

Mon. 29 Pray for wisdom for those reviewing letters received from nationals requesting free literature. Pray that the Lord may lead in the selection of books suitable to the particular needs of each writer and for multiplied blessing as books are sent through the Free Literature Fund and very probably shared with others.

Tues. 30 Thank the Lord for the building, equipment, and stock of books and supplies He has so graciously provided for us. Commit them afresh to His care and keeping, asking that they be kept safe from all forms of harm or evil.

Wed. 31 Pray for the Lord’s blessing and help for all who may be proofreading an EPI title at this time. It isn’t always known who will be doing what as we go to press! Pray for accuracy and that any glaring problems may be identified and corrected *before* the title goes into print.