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## **2007** ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Printing 46,489, 168 pages 1,559 miles over 75,000 pounds

Shipping

These numbers would be incredible by professional standards. Our workers aren't professional printers. They are men in their 60's who get their strength and commitment from their Savior! These men printed over 1,500 miles of gospel material in . 2007!

Our mailroom workers, as well as all of our special volunteers, are retired men and women who have an incredible passion for spreading God's word. They personally read every letter that we receive and then ship out material on a weekly basis.

Our workers that collate the books are collating over 5,000 copies a day! Amazing!

Especially when you know that our volunteers are in their 60x, 70s, 80s, and even 90s!

"For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power ..." (II Timothy 1:7). As we age, our bodies get tired; however, it is amazing how much strength we receive from God when our passion and focus is on Him and His Son. If there is one lesson I have learned while being a part of the Mission Printing family, it would have be this one assurance.

People are starving for the Truth and God is using Mission Printing to feed them. Praise God!

## **Office Administrators**

Mary Carroll newsletter, email, shippina, department communication, volunteer supervisor, etc.

Jessie Lee Caskey promotion

Alice Walker bookkeeping, call center, proofing, etc.

#### **VOLUNTEERS ARE** WELCOMED!

Monday-Thursday 7:00 AM-2:00 PM

### **MISSION PRINTING NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

God blessed Mission Printing in 2007. We saw the addition of new supporting congregations and individuals, new volunteers, and continued improvements in our ministry. Through a partnership with you, we were able to continue printing and shipping gospel material! Mission Printing mailed over 47,840 lbs. of material to countries throughout the world! All the glory belongs to our Father in heaven. Mission Printing would not exist if it were left to our own strength and understanding, for this ministry is only possible because of the power and love of God and His Son.

We did, however, have some obstacles in the past year. Because of the mailing regulation changes made by the USPS, we saw a considerable increase in our postage expense.

In 2007, we shipped 47,840 lbs. to foreign lands at a cost of \$106,271.50! The majority of the expense (27,347 lbs. @ \$84.703/97) came after the postal changes. As a comparison, consider the figures from 2006: 67,292 lbs. @ \$71,860.36! The rate rose again on January 14. We are facing a postage expense of \$210,000 in 2008!

We need your help! We are asking for congregations to consider increasing their financial support or to have a special contribution on behalf of Mission Printing. We are also asking individuals to share the news about our ministry and our financial need with other Christian souls who are searching for a Christ-centered ministry to support.

47,840 pounds



# **TOUCHING THE WORLD**

## LETTERS FROM THE FIELDS

#### Lewisville, TX WBS Teacher Sandy Haney

I wanted to let you know how well the material *What the Christian Woman Can Do in the Church* is doing. I have sent many of these to different WBS students. The one I call your attention to is a sister in Christ in India who reported, "It was quite an eye-opener!" She was indicating that she had seen some things that are not permitted by God for Christian women to do or perform in His church.

I hope this is as encouraging to you as it was to me.

#### Pangasinan, Philippines Calasiao Church of Christ Roboerto Q. Indong

Your continued concern, thoughtfulness, and prayers for us will unequivocally culminate in the edification of the church here. Mission Printing will also aid in bringing more souls to Christ and finding their eternal salvation.

#### Chisombezi, Malawi Church of Christ Center Daniel Mlebe

Thank you for the gospel books being sent to our center. The material is very profitable for evangelism. The small books seem to open doors into people's souls that we thought were unreachable. We have been amazed by the people that have responded to the material from Mission Printing!

#### Kumba, Cameroon Mboe Glenn Beson

The material that Mission Printing has been sending are of great value t our evangelism efforts. More and more Cameroonians are developing an interest in God. "We are praying that you can continue to send us Biblically sound material despite the obstacle of the ever increasing postage rates!"

#### Benin City, Edo State, Nigeria WBS Follow-up Teacher John Ehimiyein

I received your material in good order. I am so grateful for them. I have started sharing the songbooks with the congregations that needed them, especially the newly established ones. I shall also give Bibles out to those that cannot afford to buy a copy.

I greatly appreciate all that you are doing to help me and others in our country to spread God's word. I am grateful to God for having put Mission Printing in this part of the world! There is not much we could do without you!



<u>Cookeville, Tennessee</u> The Sycamore Church of Christ is one of the US congregations using the Mission Printing material for local evangelism. Congregations such as Sycamore are following the path of Jesus by not compromising the Truth. We commend the Sycamore Church of Christ of Cookeville, TN

#### Baguio City, Philippines Midtown Church of Christ Jonathan "JoJo" Ramos

Thank you again for hearing our call. I praise our Father in heaven for brethren like you that are willing to share these precious gifts with us. The Mission Printing books are great tools for us to minister God's word in this area of the world,

We received all of the material in good condition and we have begun to distribute the books. We display the books in our Family Life Center. The Mission Printing books are considered "hot items!" Many visitors take them. The seen is being spread and planted. Our building is located in the center of the city, so we are being visited by preachers and teachers that make us of our library. It is extremely difficult to acquire sound gospel material and Bible studies, so Mission Printing is essential to our ministry in the Philippines.

"Your ministry will leave an unequalled legacy in Biblical studies and world evangelism!"

#### Seke, Chitungwiza, Zimbabwe Conrad Tafirenyika Tsiga

I really appreciate the great work that Mission Printing is doing through the printed page. Zimbabweans are people who love to read. Even if you throw out a tract or booklet, people will run for them and they will take the time to read whatever they can get.

I thank you for sending me the books. They are being prayerfully used and many people are turning to Christ because of these lessons.

Please continue to send us more books, even if they are old ones. They will be used to the glory of God!



Chisombeze, Malawi The Church of Christ Center provides Mission Printing Material as well as other biblically sound material to anyone that comes. This is a picture on a day that a shipment from Mission Printing had just arrived.

#### Chennaik, Tamil Nadu, India Vadaopalani Church of Christ G.J. Prabhu Doss

I am a full time minister and very much interested in ministry "by the printed page." I was delighted to see your piece of the literature called *Bible References* which came with a correspondence course lesson to my son. It is really a great work and it is very useful to laymen, as well as to preachers.

I have noticed that you print over 80 books on numerous topics from the Bible, as well as studies on denominations. We appreciate Mission Printing's great job for the cause of Christ. We therefore request that you send us your sound material so that we can edify local congregations and to evangelize people throughout India. We strongly believe that the Mission Printing material will be useful to the church, schools, and local outreach in our corner of the world.

#### Chitimba, Rumphi, Malawi Chitimba Church of Christ Hawkins Nyirenda

Thank you very much for the great number of books that you sent our congregation. The material is helping us spread the undefiled gospel among the lost.

We are praying that you can continue to send us Biblically sound material despite the obstacle of the ever increasing postage rates!

#### Chegutu, Zimbabwe Chegutu Church of Christ Shorayi Mubvumbi

We are kindly requesting that you send us some material for our 2008 Evangelism Campaign. We need about 500 copies of each title. We can break up the request into smaller shipments if the request is too large.



Asaba, Delta State, Nigeria James Obika is a WBS Follow-up teacher. Brother Obika utilizes the Mission Printing material in his ministry in Nigeria

#### Kumba, Cameroon Cameroon Christian Secondary School Tabi Martins Ameli

We have had a problem with a shipping and postage ban for a few years now. Because of this problem, we did not receive material from Mission Printing during this time and the effects were felt throughout the church. Thank God that the ban has been lifted. Mission Printing can once again send Biblical material to Cameroon, but this can only be done at an increased cost.

#### Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

I have read your wonderful books and I love them! They have helped me in my Christian walk. I have received many blessings from studying them. Please send more material that will help me to grow and teach others.

"I am so grateful to God for putting Mission Printing in this part of the world! There is not much we could do without you!"

#### Ezinihitte Mbaise, Imo State, Nigeria Church of Christ Aron Mbutu I Theophilus Njoku

We wanted to thank you so much for sending the material to our congregation. The books have been very helpful in our evangelism efforts.

We are continually praying for Mission Printing and that God continue to bless you as you work in His vineyard.

#### Agabado, Ogun State, Nigeria

We wanted to express our sincere appreciation for the material that we recently received.

Your ministry will leave an unequalled legacy in Biblical studies and world evangelism!

The spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ and the fire of evangelism which you have kept burning is alive in Nigeria. Thank you for your love for ALL souls!

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"Giving from the heart today, to touch a soul tomorrow."

## "God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name,

IN THAT YOU HAVE MINISTERED TO THE SAINTS, AND DO MINISTER."

Hebrews 6:10

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> Memorials & Honors November 28, 2007 to January 31, 2008

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES SELECTS NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

#### Calvin Hammons of the South Main Church of Christ in Weatherford, TX

Brother Hammons has been married to his wonderful wife, Betty, for almost 57 years. They enjoy their two children, Andrea and Rex, and their families. Brother Hammons brings the women from the South Main congregation to work at Mission Printing. He and Betty have been members of the South Main Church of Christ since 1994. Calvin served for 13 years as an elder of the Pleasant Ridge Church of Christ in Arlington, TX.

Brother Hammons has a deep love for Christ and His body. It's because of this deep love that he has been a part of the Mission Printing family for all of these years. Calvin is admired in his community and respected in the church. I have been blessed to be associated with Brother Hammons for several years. He leads by example and he follows the example of Jesus. Calvin Hammons is a great addition to the leadership of Mission Printing. Of course, he was viewed as a leader long before being appointed in this official capacity.

#### Darrell Allen of the Beltline Road Church of Christ in Irving, TX

Brother Allen was born in Dallas in 1965 and has been married to his lovely wife, Melissa, for 15 years. They have three children: Nathan 13, Scot 11, and Kayla 7. Darrell and Melissa are overjoyed at the recent baptism of Nathan. Darrell has lived in Irving since 1994 and has been an insurance agent with Texas Farm Bureau for the last 8 years.

Brother Allen has been attending Beltline Road since 1990 when he met Melissa. He became a deacon in July of 1998. His responsibilities include overseeing the young people and making sure the Lord's supper is brought to the shut-ins, sick at home, or hospitalized. Darrell is also one of the four men who regularly lead the singing during worship, and he has taught the teen Bible class on Sundays since 1994.

Darrell brings a high level of energy and leadership. I have also discovered that he has a humorous personality, as can be noted from reading his description of himself: "I am a pudgy faced bowlegged pygmy who doesn't like pina coladas or getting caught in the rain."

The Mission Printing family is looking forward to working with Brother Hammons and Brother Allen to spread the gospel across the globe. Mission Printing is blessed to have these men join us in our mission and to guide us.

## PLEASE NOTE

**If you are not on our regular mailing list and you make a memorial donation**, you will receive the issue of the newsletter in which your memorial appears. If you wish to continue receiving the newsletter, please let Mission Printing know by contacting Mary Carroll. If we do not hear from you, your name will be removed from the mailing list. We are sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause. We are attempting to reduce any expense that is not needed. Thank you for your support and prayers.

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