

The Living Word Transforming Lives

Joyreport

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You Provided
God's Living Word!

 Bible League CANADA

Thank you!

Your Impact:

Bibles where most needed:

You responded to the call for Bibles where most needed around the globe. 5,568 Bibles allowed us to respond quickly to needs in over 40 countries. New believers receiving their very first copy of God's Word. Believers receiving a long-awaited copy of the Bible. In each case, your gift was received with joy!



Our Mission

Connecting YOU with local champions to see maximum impact and multiplying transformation.

Bible League Canada is committed to doing missions differently. How? Through extraordinary international partnerships in over 40 countries. Local believers, equipped through Bible-centric discipleship programs to become champions for the Gospel, are reaching their own communities with the Living Word of God.

Bibles for South East Asia:

Because of your support, not just 33,000 Bibles were placed in South East Asia, but 66,000. Twice as many new believers received a Bible, because of you! (see also the story on page 4)

Bibles for India:

Some regions of India are hostile to the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. And in these hostile places, your gift helped to deliver 11,818 Bibles! New believers are equipped with God's Word for strength, comfort, and perseverance—because of you! (see also the story on page 6)

God bless you!

You Provided Bibles and Training

Bringing opportunities together

Anita loves Jesus. She also loves being the hands and feet of Jesus by serving the youth in her community, as well as a special support group for parents of children with disabilities.

Some time ago, your support provided training for Anita to be a ministry leader in her community, and you continue to equip her with the Bibles she needs to begin Bible study groups.

She is confident that the Holy Spirit will lead her, as her ministry grows and she witnesses the Word of God changing people's lives.

The mothers of the kids with special needs have become Anita's friends, and they often invite her into their homes outside of the support group. Anita appreciates these times to share her life experiences and the love of Christ.

Anita **had an idea to expand this ministry** of friendship by reaching out to their children:

sharing Bible stories, games, and crafts. **She shares God's love with the kids**, and sees the light in their eyes when they hear about how much He loves them.

The teens group Anita leads had been meeting for several months at her apartment. Bible studies led to talking about things like how to discover and use their gifts to serve God.

Bringing her two passions together, Anita enlisted the teen group to come out and spend time with her kids' group! Their enthusiasm had many parents asking questions about the God they serve. So, Anita began a Bible Study group for the mothers of the children, including one Muslim woman. Several women from the local church joined as well. Now every week, they meet together as friends, hearing about the love of Christ!

You made a difference in the lives of young believers!

“*The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'*

MATTHEW 25:40 NIV

MYANMAR, STARTING NEW CHURCHES

167 house churches started

86,226 evangelistic contacts

4,597 baptisms

BECAUSE OF YOU, THESE NEW BELIEVERS ARE RECEIVING BIBLES!

9,913 new believers

PRAYER: Please pray for these ministry partners and the heartbreaking situation for the people of Myanmar. Your support, standing together as brothers and sisters in faith, greatly encourages them. **The people of Myanmar need Jesus!**

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My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.

2 CORINTHIANS 12:9A NIV

INDIA, PERSECUTION

Facing Opposition with Grace

Because you provided Bibles

Manhan joyfully disciples new believers in a church in southern India, holding worship services and ministering in his community.

As he gathered with village leaders to celebrate the start of the newest literacy class, anti-Christian activists showed up and began threatening Manhan. They hurled accusations at him, yelling at him to stop holding worship services and to end all the classes he led in the area.

The activists extended their threat to the village leaders gathered, warning of dire consequences if these activities were allowed to continue. Manhan did not despair:



he moved his worship services online and notified the literacy teachers that for their safety, he would only connect with them online for a time.

There are men watching Manhan's every move, hoping to find a reason to arrest him. Some of the activists are even filing an anti-conversion lawsuit against him.

Manhan refuses to be discouraged. He knows that God is in control; His grace is sufficient. And this **confidence spills over to encourage everyone he meets**. Please pray for God's continued grace and protection for Manhan, and all the new believers that he serves!

Thanks to your support, Manhan continues to lead an Adult Literacy program, training teachers to share the Gospel.

Challenges? Or Opportunities?

“*I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.*

PSALM 34:4 NIV

You provided Bibles & training

Olivia was afraid to go to overnight summer camp for the first time.

Summer camps in the woods are what our Canadian partner does best. Their passion is **to reach out to Canadian kids least likely to hear about Jesus**. And camp is such an amazing place to make that happen: time spent in the great outdoors, with activities and small group times geared to sharing the love of Christ with kids. Nearly half of them are hearing this message for the very first time!

But there are kids, like Olivia, who are afraid to be away from home overnight. Add in the fact that it is with unfamiliar people, in the woods: Olivia would never have gone to camp.

But then the pandemic happened and overnight camps were not allowed. At first, camp directors were stunned: this is what they did best! Now what? Then the reality of not connecting with all these kids made them ask God to help them challenge their thinking, and they came up with Day Camps. Suddenly, Olivia's fears were wiped away!

At camp each day, she listened closely to the truths her leader, Grace, shared with them



from the Bible. Olivia talked them over with her parents at night, and even introduced them to Grace. This kind of interaction with parents wasn't possible at overnight camp.

At the end of her camp week, Olivia told Grace that the previous night, in the quiet of her own bedroom, she had read a passage in her new Bible, and then confessed to Jesus that she needed Him in her life. Praise God! Grace knew that she would likely have never met **Olivia if not for the turnaround from overnight camps to day camps**. God was faithful in every challenge!

You provided Olivia with a Bible and instruction from a caring leader!



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