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# **Mission** Outreach

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## It is Time!

Often the poorest of people by the world's standards can be the richest in the Kingdom of God, but because of their poverty, the Word of God is an unreachable treasure. This is the case for Burundi.

A landlocked country of nearly 13 million souls, it is one of the most densely populated nations in Africa. The ethnic groups of this nation, the Twa, Hutu, and Tutsi peoples, have lived in this region of Central Africa for at least 500 years, sharing the same language, religion, and similar customs. However they also share a very painful history, littered with massacres, killings, social conflicts, and violence even as recently as 2015.

Burundi remains one of the poorest nations in the world, with an expectation for 2023 of those living below the poverty line to reach about 83%.

To this land and people the Word of God first came in 1879 with the arrival of the first missionaries. They were martyred in 1881. The next generation accepted the Word from the missionaries that arrived in 1898, and a mission was established. This set the stage for new arrivals in the early 20th century during the German colonial rule era.

In post-colonial independent Burundi, Christianity has had a deep engagement even with political leaders. Nevertheless, the indigenous customs, traditions and beliefs still held a

influence by and large. In recent times, Burundi has also accepted various new religious movements, and while



freedom of religion is respected, it has opened the door to many cults including Islam, which is being used to manipulate the poor people through social aid and support. However, the Gospel is being preached fervently and there are hundreds of new churches being established throughout the nation for truly born again believers.

The nation desperately needs and desires the Word of God and discipling in the truth, in order to walk in wisdom and discernment and throw off residual beliefs that are contrary to God's heart for them. (Continued over page...)

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## It is Time...

It is time to get the treasure of the Word of God into their hands, and see the church set free by His truth, and ignited in passion to proclaim it throughout their nation. Despite such physical poverty, it is time for them to know the joy of the true riches of the Kingdom of God.

We celebrate the gospel coming to this nation 125 years ago and now yearn for this people to come into the fullness of truth and freedom in Christ. It is time for God's Word to filter into the deep recesses of their hearts and bear the fruit of repentance, forgiveness, love and a deep faith in the only true God. We desire that they fully embrace the resurrection life of Jesus, and cancel the demonic contracts over their nation and their lives.

So with joy we seize the opportunity, to include Burundi in our Pearl 22 One Million Bible Project, by partnering with Russell and his ISOM discipleship training programme, to gift Bibles to the hungry, Burundi believers.

## **Gold in Their Hands**

To give a Bible is like giving a Gold Bar. They hold their new Bibles aloft in celebration and then hold them close to their heart as a treasure. It is a perfect reflection of their faith toward God and their gratitude for the ministry they have received.

In a recent trip to Burundi and Uganda conducting Bible training schools for Christian leaders, I was blessed with the supply of Bibles to give to students and send for distribution to churches in various provinces.

Many students in our training schools are from the tribal areas, and do not have bibles, although they are leading Churches, and so it is a huge blessing for us to be able to support them with new Bibles in their own languages, Kirundi and Kiswahili.

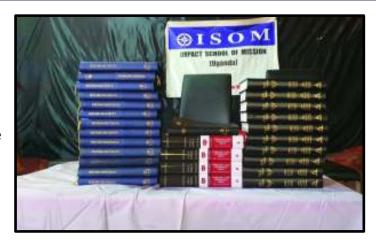
Such is the hunger for the Word of God that the Burundi team have also requested at least 50,000 New Testaments to distribute throughout the nation.

So far in Uganda we have been blessed to get hold of Bibles in the Luganda and English languages for distribution there.

Through our training and discipleship ministry and that of Mission Outreach's Pearl 22, many people are also receiving their first Bible in Albania which are being distributed to the poor.

Thanks to the faithfulness of MO and supporters! We have been 'blessed to be a blessing' by giving the greatest treasure – **like Gold in Their Hands** - the Word of God which transforms hearts, lives, communities and nations.

- Russell Turner, ISOM Training





" I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. ... For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building. By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, ... which is Jesus Christ." 1 Cor.3:6, 9-10a, 11b (NIV)



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## **PROJECTS IN FOCUS**

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## PEARL 22

### Turkish New Testaments (NEW)

We are amazed and so blessed that the Lord has created an opportunity for us to help supply New Testaments to the hungry and needy

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people of Turkey and **completed the first 10,000 in just one month!** Hallelujah! Thank you to our faithful and generous supporters. May you be doubly blessed. But, because the need is so great, that we decided to double our goal from 10,000 to 20,000.

Pearl 22 Project Goal: 20,000 Balance: 10,000

### Burundi New Testaments (NEW)

Our brothers and sisters in Burundi live in poverty and are unable to buy their own bibles. This has lead to false teaching and beliefs. We believe the Lord has opened the door for us to provide New Testaments to them and invite you to join us. The cost per New Testament is \$4.30 **Pearl 22 Project Goal: 10,000** 

### **Myanmar Bibles**

We have heard many are coming to Jesus in Myanmar and there is a great need for bibles to help grow the new believers. Price per bible is \$4.50, and our initial goal is for 40,000 bibles. Thank you to our supporters as we are over half way to completing this Pearl 22 project.

Pearl 22 Project Goal: 40,000 Balance: 22,366

### Uganda Bibles

The provision of Bibles in Uganda has created unity with the pastors and begun a revival in the areas where they have been given. What an honour to be able to meet this need. Price per bible is currently about \$15.00. **Pearl 22 Project Goal: 25,000 Balance: 21,138** 



### **Chinese Bibles**

Project Pearl in 1981 was significant for Eddie and the many others who helped with this epic delivery of a million Chinese bibles. Despite the Communist Party now making it more and more difficult for believers to get a bible, we believe God will make a way where there is no way. Price per bible is \$4.50.

Pearl 22 Project Goal: 100,000 Balance: 84,398

### India Bibles: Telugu & Hindi

The church in this nation is growing rapidly, as fear and persecution have opened the door for the Lord's people to reach out and share the gospel of Jesus. The cost per bible is \$3.50.

Pearl 22 Project Goal: 50,000 Balance: 42,674

### Nepal NT with Q&A - COMPLETED!

We are delighted to report that this project has been completed also in record time and meets the need of New Testaments for the 2023 Christmas Crusades and our Body Builders for Christ (BBC) discipleship training programme in March 2024. Thank you so much to our faithful and generous supporters. May the Lord richly bless you.

### **OTHER PROJECTS:**

### **Emmanuel School Student Sponsorship, Nepal**

Emmanuel School in Pokhara gives children of poor lower

caste families an opportunity to receive an education. They have twelve students still needing sponsorship. The cost to sponsor one student is \$60 per month. For more information email: wendy@nzmo.org



### **RESPONSE COUPON**

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Myanmar Bibles (MYPRL22)	\$
Chinese Bibles (CHPRL22)	\$

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Pearl 22 Where Most Needed (PRL22WMN)	Ş
Nepal Radio Programme (NEPRAD)	\$
Nepal CMTC Bible College (NPBC)	\$
Nepal Student Sponsorship (STUDSPON)	\$
Tibetan Leaders Support (TIBLDRAH)	\$
China Pastors (CHPSTR)	\$
<b>'To Catch the Wind'</b> Book (EDBOOK)	\$
Disaster Relief Fund (DRF)	\$
Where Most Needed: (WMN)	\$

Payments can be made from our website at: nzmo.org or via online banking to our BNZ bank Account number: 02 0466 0034018 00. Please specify your preferred project or funds will be allocated to 'Where Most Needed'.



## **PRAYER CALENDAR**

PEARL 22 1 Pray for the impact of the Word to I Pray for the Impact of the Word to countries. Push back spirits of deception so that the fullness of the Word of life would be enjoyed by all. Ask Holy Spirit to bring such life to every person every time they read. Ask Holy Spirit to bring discernment and understanding, to unpack the mysteries of the Word. Pray that the sustenance of the Bread of Life would be found in the pages an outpouring of truth, and the impact of forgiveness. Pray that the Word would be the light illuminating the way they are to live.

**2** Rejoice in and bless the supporters who pray, give and help the Word go out. Bless the families sowing into Pearl 22 with a double portion. Pray the light of His face shine upon them, giving peace and couragė.

AFRICA 3 Over this continent, pray for a mighty move of Holy Spirit, bringing to life all that has been sown, especially thinking of recent outreaches and training in Uganda and Burundi. Pray for fertile soil both of the heart and of the earth, bringing abundance both spiritually and naturally. Pray for those who have received a Bible would be deeply nourished, yet always would be deeply nourished, yet always hungry and growing in faith.

**4** Pray that as MO are enabled to fund Bibles for Burundi, all that is on our hearts for this nation will come to pass. Pray for the Truth of the Word to bring all deception to light, and that the nation would be transformed and freed.

**5** Pray for Pastor John and Ruth in Uganda, for Holy Spirit anointing and power on the Word they speak. Pray also for God's sustaining grace, protection, wholeness, and provision.

**<u>GLOBAL CHURCH</u> 6** Pray that indifference, criticism and destruction would shift in Jesus Name. Pray for such as desperation for the Presence of God to fall on the Church.

**7&8** Pray that the wind of Holy Spirit would fan into flame gifts of God, of power, love, and self-discipline, igniting the Church. As we come with desperate hearts for Him, and Holy Spirit overtakes our humanness, as we reach into His goodness and abide in Him, pray for a mighty and powerful new move of God to reach family, neighbours and nations. Pray the laying hands on the sick and weary would be powerful and effective.

**PERSECUTED CHURCH** 9 Praise God for people willing to risk their lives for Bible deliveries to restricted their lives for Bible deliveries to restricted nations. Praise God for deliveries under way and pray for Sovereign and angelic protection over those involved. Pray that the Word would multiply in the nation, as loaves and fish. Rebuke all hindrance and herald the joy of the Spirit and the Word coming to transform nations.

**Ministering to Restricted** Access Nations since 1975 **10** Break the power of the antichrist spirit in the nations. Pray that the Word and the message go out in the power of the Holy Spirit unhindered so that it may reap an abundant harvest. Pray for signs and wonders to confirm the preaching of the Word the Word.

**11** Pray for those imprisoned for their faith, to stand strong as faithful witnesses, and to be spared from abuses. Pray for supernatural encounters with Jesus for them and for those holding them captive.

**12** Pray from Psalm 51 for the Body of believers. Pray for pure hearts and steadfast, willing spirits to sustain them throughout their circumstances. Pray for the joy of salvation and worship in spirit and truth to energise them. Pray that believers would be leaning into Him, inclining ears to His voice, yielded vessels for the purposes of God.

AFGHANISTAN 13 Pray for mercy on the persecutors, perpetrators and Taliban. Pray for these proken hearts imprisoned by wickedness that they would be freed, whole and full of joy. Pray for this redemption of lost souls into the Kingdom of God, nourished by the Word of God.

**14&15** Pray for true humility to come upon the people of Afghanistan. Pray that forgiveness would flow from the people towards the Taliban. Decree healing and forgiveness on them. Bring people to their knees, desperate for the Living God to have His way in them and in the pation in the nation.

**16** Call out Afghanis, descendants of Abraham, out of captivity and brokenness, and to their destiny as people of faith, whole and healed. As Holy Spirit broods, break the power of false religion so all may renounce this. Declare he who has ears will hear what the Lord is saying.

**PAKISTAN 17** Amidst violence and destruction to places of worship, pray Psalm 59 over the Christians. Pray for deliverance from enemies and declare God their strength, for the strength of the part of the fortness, refuge and shield. Pray for the grace to 'watch for the Lord' and cling to His goodness.

18 Thank God for His work in the refugee camps among Afghanis. To those wondering where is their future, pray Christians would share the hope of Christ, and the church would grow in refugee camps.

**TURKEY 19** In the midst of tragedy, pray for miracles, for people to turn their face toward their Good Father to find healing, comfort and peace. Pray for the Word to spread far and wide.

INDIA **20** Pray for strength, courage and refuge to the Christians in Manipur who are

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suffering violence and persecution. Pray for the mercy of God to plough hard hearts, to receive the truth and be saved. Pray for great grace to be on the nation, transforming it to reflect His Glory.

21&22 Release the abundance of the Father's house over Pastor E, for her living situation and physical needs. Pray for no hindrance to bible distribution and that she would walk in complete peace, partnering with the Lord in His wisdom and understanding.

**NEPAL** 23 Bless the Deborah graduates who are establishing sewing businesses in their villages. Pray for an increase of their confidence in the Lord and an enabling to bless their communities with this service and also with the hope of Christ. Pray also for the latest intake of ladies. Pray for a special touch on each of them to know the Father's love for them and to become strong in faith.

24 Pray for Samuel and Mangali for protection and increased anointing. Pray for renewed strength of body and soul as they wait on the Lord. Pray that the healing testimony of Samuel's brother would spread far and wide for the glory of God.

**25** Pray for Emmanuel School, that the principal and teachers would flow with Holy Spirit and impact the students and community.

26 Pray for the medical clinic which opened in August to function well and be effective in bringing the Kingdom of God to earth. Pray for the knowledge of the goodness of God to spread throughout Nepal.

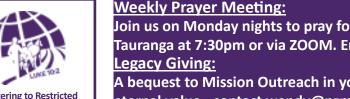
**CAMBODIA 27** Praise God that in Cambodia the Prime Minster role has passed to the son who is a Christian. Pray that he stewards the role well and that the anointing on him would be strong for the purposes of God in this nation.

USA 28&29 Praise God for the burning heart of compassion for the Body that Warren and Jolene now carry in USA. Bless them as they live and move and have their being in the Lord Jesus. Pray for eyes to open to recognise the fire of the heart of God within them. Pray for opportunities for others to see and catch this fire.

### NEW ZEALAND

**30** Pray that God assemble the right teams for the Nepal and Pakistan trips in March and April next year. Praise God that He will direct the way to walk in, and the times of connection will be effective.

**31** Praise God for Lifetalk radio touching people in other nations. Pray for all those who make contact after hearing the Word by radio, that they would receive Jesus wholeheartedly and transform their families and communities.



Join us on Monday nights to pray for the nations at 'The Sanctuary' 159 Durham St, Tauranga at 7:30pm or via ZOOM. Email: <u>alan@nzmo.org</u> for an invite.

A bequest to Mission Outreach in your will is a way to leave a lasting impact of eternal value - contact <u>wendy@nzmo.org</u> for more information.