



CROWNS

to lay at Jesus' feet

INDIA TRACT PROJECT FUNDED IN DECEMBER

Praise the Lord with us! The project to print Tamil and Telugu tracts for India has been completed. As you may remember, we relayed the need for these tracts from James Starr, a missionary who is collecting gospel tracts and Bibles for a freight container going to India. His first plan was to ship the container sometime early in 2019.



We printed these *God's Simple Plan of Salvation* tracts on our Ricoh 8200 printer. Then Carol and I folded these tracts and boxed them. While waiting for a date from Brother Starr for the container shipment, we heard of the passing of Beneth Jones, the wife of Dr. Bob Jones III.

Since Brother Starr was collecting donated material for India in Greenville, Carol and I loaded up Lifegate's pickup truck and headed down to Greenville to deliver the tracts and attend the funeral.

We arrived in Greenville on Tuesday, February 5th in the evening. The next day, Wednesday, we met with Missionary James Starr at his home where he has a nice storage



building with room to accumulate a freight container's contents.

Brother Starr sold his business and retired to be more involved in mission work in India. He has contacts in the South and in the Northeast of India. Brother Starr has a genuine burden to provide literature for national pastors and Bible institutes.

After making this delivery we attended the funeral of our friend Beneth Jones. Both Carol and I worked with her as students and staff members for Bob Jones University. We both had fond memories and we were able to share a few with Dr. Bob Jones III. The funeral was a very moving and fitting service. We then traveled home on Thursday.

As I mentioned in our last *Crowns* newsletter, one contact in India is a third generation pastor whose grandfather came to the Lord by reading a gospel tract. His name is Johnny Mani. He has a thriving church and Bible institute. He sends his thanks for this delivery of *GSPS*!

We had an opportunity to provide tracts for Brother Starr to carry into India in late



October, 2018. Here is a photo showing Pastor Negi giving 100 copies of Hindi *GSPS* to Brother Jeevan for distribution in his area. This area in India is mostly unreached with the gospel.

Thanks to all who gave so willingly to this very important project. Please pray for the salvation of many souls as the gospel is given to them in *GSPS*.

SECOND TRACT PROJECT FOR INDIA: \$3,000 MORE NEEDED

Carol and I were challenged by Brother James Starr to add to our current shipment of tracts for the freight container. He estimates it will be loaded and shipped sometime in late July.

This is a golden opportunity to reach into a very dark place spiritually. This time Brother Starr is requesting Hindi and Bengali *GSPS* tracts.

He has indicated that these tracts will be shipped up to Siliguri. The city



of Siliguri would be a great center to ship into Nepal, Bhutan, Tibet, and Bangladesh. We are working with him to make further shipments of our gospel tracts for these countries. We are glad to provide tracts as the Lord provides.

I am requesting funds for another 100,000 tracts to be equally divided between the Hindi and Bengali languages.

Brother Starr is on a journey around the southeastern US and then up through some Midwestern states. He thinks he could be able to pick up these tracts and take them back to Greenville, SC sometime in July. If he is able to take them we will be able to save on state-side shipping!

NEW TRANSLATION REQUESTED: MOLDAVIAN

Missionary Chuck Leonard called with a burden to reach the people of Moldova. This is a region of Eastern Europe bordering on the Ukraine. During the years of the former Soviet Union the Russian language became dominant but the region of Moldavia has retained the language of the region.

The Moldavian dialect is related to the Romanian language. Brother Leonard's concern is that many of the people of Moldova speak Moldavian as their primary language. Therefore his desire is to produce the **GSPS** in their first language as the best way to communicate the gospel.

The process of bringing a new language to print is simple from our point of view. We request that a translation be sent to us as a galley of type. A galley is just a simple paragraph form of the translation.



We then produce a tract form using a template in InDesign, which is a publishing software package produced by Adobe. We then send a PDF version of the tract in this new language to be checked by several translators. It is important that these translators are qualified not only in the language, but are also spiritually qualified to know the doctrine of salvation.

After the translation has been fine-tuned by these translators we will agree on finished artwork. We then print 10,000 tracts to ship to our coordinator, Brother Leonard, for their use. Additional tracts can be sent as the Lord provides.

Imagine not having a clear gospel presentation in your native language. We have the opportunity to evangelize the 1.5 million native speakers with **GSPS** for the first time!

If you would like to support this project, you may designate your contribution to our Tract Fund. We will use these gifts to produce this new dialect in tract form as we work with Brother Leonard.



KOREAN BILINGUAL GSPS TRACTS WELL RECEIVED



Our missionary friend Kimble Stohry has been the inspiration for 6 bilingual editions of **GSPS**. When he is in the states he uses them as a college outreach on the campus of Indiana University. One of the bilingual editions is Korean/English.

Keith Davidson of Seedline International sponsored a trip to Korea in October, 2018. Prior to their arrival in Korea Seedline shipped a freight container to Korea full of scripture and gospel tracts. We provided 50,000 Bilingual and 25,000 Korean **GSPS**.

Pastor Steve Rich traveled with the team and gave testimony about distributing Korean John & Romans booklets with a Korean/English **GSPS** tract with them.



He said if a Korean saw a booklet or tract with Korean type they often would not be interested in receiving a copy. But if a bilingual tract was visible they would readily receive it because of the English words on it.

Evidently English is being taught in Korea as the language of business so if they or their children are studying English they want to read the tract as part of becoming familiar with English.

Our next opportunity to ship material into Korea will be late Summer or early Fall. We would like to print 50,000 bilingual and 50,000 Korean tracts. They would cost \$3,000. In order to ship this year we would need to have the funds available in June.



MINISTRY NEED PROVIDED RICOH C5100S COLOR DIGITAL PRINTER

We received a call from a donor wanting to know more about the Ricoh color printer project. When Sherry asked what it was he wanted to know, he said, "We want to pay for it!" Praise the Lord!

After talking with this donor again I got more of his story. He was searching for something in his life and attended a United Methodist church. After attending he told me that their messages had not met the need of his heart. He said he later found a copy of **God's Simple Plan of Salvation**, read it, and trusted Christ as his Savior! Again, praise the Lord!

I explained how we would use the printer to produce tracts that we would not normally stock in large quantities. We have been able to fill soul winners' orders in a timely way. In fact, "We are never out of anything" has become our goal and motto!

Thanks to this donor and his wife we now have this printer installed and producing gospel tracts. Our first project was Portuguese imprinted tracts for a missionary.



This color digital printer meets our needs for short-run color printing. The Ricoh C5100S printer can also produce stapled booklets like the Giant Print **God's Simple Plan of Salvation** tract booklet.

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