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A youth is a person who is going to carry on what you have started. He will assume control of your cities, states, and nations. He is going to take over your churches, schools, and corporations. You may adopt all the policies you please, but how they are carried out depends on him. So it might be well to pay him some attention.

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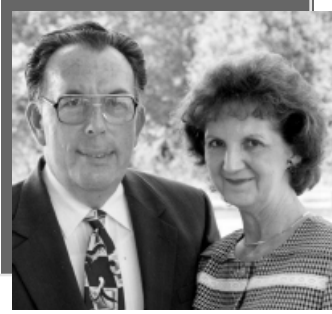
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*"The Lord gave the
word: great was the
company of those
that published it."
(Psalms 68:11)*

Editor's Notes

*Jim & Mary Fellure*

MONEY! A subject that I wish I never had to mention, but since I know of no other way to let our friends and financial supporters know of the needs of the ministry, I must keep on talking about finances.

A story was told of a very wealthy man being asked for a donation for a worthy, Christian endeavor. The urgent need and compelling case were stated, and the call was made for his support. The man responded: "I understand why you think I can give fifty thousand dollars. I am a man with my own business, it is true, I have all the signs of affluence. There are some things you don't know. Did you know that my mother is in an expensive nursing home?" Well, no, we didn't know. "Did you know also that my brother died, and left a family of five and had almost no insurance?" No, we didn't. "Did you know my son is deeply religious, has gone into social work, and makes less than the national poverty level to meet the needs of his family?" No, we hadn't realized. "Well, then, if I don't give any of them a penny, why do you think I'll give it to you!"

I realize there are some like the man in the above story that will never give

anything to the cause of Christ, but there are those that give very generously and cheerfully, so that VBP can keep on printing and shipping the precious and powerful word of God around the world.

Whether you are a regular monthly supporter, or give special offerings for different reasons, VBP could not operate without your support. In a very real sense, this is your ministry, and even though the only recognition you may get in this life is a tax deductible receipt each time you send your support, no doubt, many will come to know Christ and your reward will be great at the judgment seat of Christ.

We have now taken an extra step in fund raising and established the *Thomas F Woodward Endowment Fund*. All who are on our mailing list should have already received a packet of information explaining how the new program works. Without going into detail about the program, let me encourage you to please read the information in the packet that was mailed out, and if at all possible, respond in some way. If enough people get involved with the Endowment Fund program, within a few years this could be a very effective means of supplementing the regular support that we already have. If you did not get an Endowment packet through the mail, contact us and we will send one out immediately. Please pray for the success of this new program.

Even though some will never support VBP financially, all of the fundamental Baptists that we are acquainted with believe in what we are doing. It would be hard to find fault with the printing and distribution of the precious word of God. Missionaries are crippled without it. In fact, when we ask missionaries what is their greatest need on the field, the usual reply is, "Bibles."

President Woodrow Wilson once said "Give the Bible to the people, unadulterated, pure, unaltered, unexplained, uncheapered, and then see it work through the whole nature. It is very difficult indeed for a man or for a boy who knows the Scriptures ever to get away from it. It follows him like the memory of his mother. It haunts him like an old song. It reminds him like the word of an old and revered teacher. It forms a part of the warp and woof of his life."

President Wilson expressed exactly what we are trying to do...give the Bible to the people.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

Jim Fellure

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The Print Shop



Al & Heidi Berg

Dear Friends and Supporters,

Proverbs 14:4 Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox.

While it is true that all financial investments involve some level of risk, there is one investment that is guaranteed. That is the promotion and spreading of the Word of God. Isaiah said in Isaiah 55:11, "So shall my word be that goeth forth out

of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it." This is a promise in the Bible that I believe, as much as I believe John 3:16, and I have given my life to propagating the Word of God throughout the world by means of the printing press.

Recently, we got word from Bro. Keith Stensaas in Uganda saying that the Luganda gospels of John finally made their last leg of the long journey to him. Four hundred thirty-eight thousand gospels of John will be distributed to many people who have never seen the Word of God in their own language.

Bro. Stensaas says that they are working on translating more of the Scriptures, along with some study materials in the Luganda language. This translation work is enough to keep any man busy full-time, but he also has a radio station, as well as many other missionary duties to perform. Please pray for him that God

will guide him and bless him in all of these endeavors.

On a personal note, things have been busy recently in the Berg household since we just "married off" our son, Albert Timothy, to a lovely young lady, Ashley (formerly) Durapau. It was a lovely wedding with only minor glitches that only those who knew what was supposed to happen, knew about, thanks to the good friends we have here at Victory and family members that stepped in without being asked. We had many out-of-town guests and a busy schedule for a few days. It was good to see everybody, but it's also good to return to some normalcy now that everyone is gone. Please pray for Al and Ashley that they will seek to serve the Lord together and that they will have a long and happy life together.

May God bless you,

Bro. Albert Berg

Victory Baptist Press Recommends Brother James Dare, Director of the Pensacola Christian Servicemen's Center

The Pensacola Christian Servicemen's Center is a ministry operated with the spiritual needs of the single military in mind. We have Bible studies three times a week and transportation to all the services of our local Independent Baptist church.

In our short time here, we have seen over 140 souls saved, with many of these being baptized and continuing on for the Lord. This is also a "home away from home" for many that are away from home for the first time. These precious young men and women need spiritual direction in their lives. Some are heading out to Iraq and Afghanistan and could very well give their life in defense of our country. The Gospel needs to be preached in peace time, but how much more when we are at war.

Every week we present our ministry to the new students arriving at the base from basic training. The chaplains have allowed me to visit during "New Student Orientation" or "indoc," as it is sometimes called. Each new student receives a tract from our ministry and is briefed on our activities at the Center, as well as given information about attending Victory Baptist Church.

We are now involved in the Brig (military jail) bringing the message of the Gospel to those who are in great need of direction in their lives. We have seen eight precious souls trust the Lord in the short two months we've been ministering there. This "brig" ministry is unique in that many of the bases from the surrounding areas send their men here. They get saved, and we give them info on good churches in the areas they are returning to.

Thank you for your prayers and support,

James Dare

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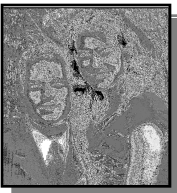
The Richburgs left a full-time ministry in South Carolina and became field representatives for Victory Baptist Press in 1999. Brother Richburg now serves as our general field director.



MARTIN and ANNE FULLER

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The Fullers became field representatives for Victory Baptist Press in 2002. Brother Fuller attended Tabernacle Baptist College of Greenville, SC, and was on staff there under Dr. Harold Sightler. He also served as an assistant pastor and youth director, and pastored for 12 years.



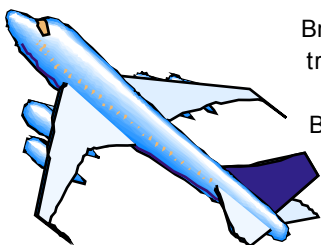
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While attending Oklahoma Baptist College Paul met Rachael, and after graduation in 2005, they were married and started their service for the Lord together. We are glad to have this fine, dedicated young couple representing Victory Baptist Press.

The church needs men who are willing to test the resources of God by attempting the impossible. Even the turtle makes no progress until he sticks his neck out.

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Drinking Water Is Now

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Much of the conversation we hear today is about the high cost of fuel, which has now hit \$4.00 per gallon for gasoline and about \$4.75 for diesel, and the prediction is that it will go even higher yet. The expensive fuel does effect all of us in one way or another, but hopefully the Lord's people won't allow "fear of things coming upon the earth" to cause them to cut back on their mission giving. The Bible still says we are to fear God and keep his commandments, and several times in the Bible, God says, "Fear Not" concerning worldly things.

For some time people have been paying over \$10.00 a gallon for drinking water. Sixteen ounce bottles at \$1.25 each, multiplied by eight equal one gallon for \$10.00. We have an endless supply of water: it's cheap to filter, easy to ship, and not hazardous to handle, yet many people are willing to pay dearly for the convenience of bottled water. Maybe we all should drink less bottled water and drive less to compensate for the extra money we spend at the pump nowadays.

When we combine our concern for the economy with our burden for a world without Christ, we look for cost effective ways to fulfill the Great Commission. If you are concerned about a cost effective way to evangelize the world, then help us put the paper on the presses at VBP. The most cost effective way to carry the Gospel to the world is still the printed page. After more than ten years of doing scripture distribution in Old Mexico, and putting hundreds of thousands of Bibles, New Testaments, and John/Romans into the hands of sinners, I am more convinced than ever with the need to keep on printing God's Word. It's been said that printed material in a third world country will be read by as many as seven different people before it is ruined. If that is a true figure, then one \$500 roll of paper will print approximately 12,000 John/Romans and could reach as many as 84,000 people. Using the same figures, one roll of paper will print 2,000 New Testaments and could reach 14,000 souls, or 500 whole Bibles could reach 3,500 people. The greater majority of the world's population lives in spiritual darkness, but Psalm 119:130 says, "The entrance of thy words giveth light;..."

If you are a pastor, please call me at 864.506.2380. We will be glad to send a field representative to your church and challenge your people to help print God's Word.

For Christ's sake,

Bro Bill Richburg



Blessings & Benefits

Mrs. Pam Leake

From the sighting of the first bloom on our strawberry plants, I anxiously awaited the taste of that first plump, red, juicy berry. I was not disappointed—it was all that I had expected! With joy, I began to pick the berries that were ripe, harvesting them every other day or so. My husband and I enjoy the joint project of jam-making each year and this year promised to be a profitable one. We did, in fact, get enough berries in the first couple of weeks to make two batches of jam and have a few left over to eat fresh. However, about the time that the berries began to ripen in larger quantities, we began to notice the **invaders!** Our garden is protected by a 6-foot fence from most of the wildlife that would love to feast on the produce, but sneakier thieves had discovered the tasty treats awaiting them inside the fence that could not keep them out.

One morning as I walked out on the deck to look over our pretty garden, I spied 5 fat, fluffy-tailed squirrels munching happily away on the big, juicy berries. The paths between the rows were strewn with half-eaten fruit and remnants were left on the top board of the fence. I angrily clapped my hands and shouted, getting their attention, and off they ran to the safety of nearby trees, easily slipping through the fencing wire. I was so angry that these sly little thieves had found our berries and there was little we could do to prevent it.

To make a long story short, the next 2 weeks were a battle. The furry critters availed themselves each morning and evening before I could get a chance to pick the ripe berries. I fretted and they feasted! I realized that instead of the "little foxes that spoil the vines" in Song of Solomon, we had the "sneaky squirrels that spoil the berries." Now I know this little incident wouldn't bother most of you at all, but I allowed the irritation and discouragement that it caused me to disturb my thoughts even during my personal devotion time. My prayers were invaded by thoughts of how to protect "my" handiwork in the garden, and I lost my joy over just a few berries! Though the squirrels were just doing what comes naturally, the devil used that to get my mind off the blessings that the Lord had already provided in the early harvest of the strawberries. I momentarily lost my focus on the Lord's provisions for me, all because of a few berries!

Well, the berry season is over and the feud between the squirrels and the Leakes is over—at least until the tomatoes begin to ripen (another of the favorite foods!) This time I'm planning to just relax and enjoy the harvest that the Lord provides and if the squirrels eat some too-oh, well! God is able to provide for me and the squirrels. I'm just glad the Lord used this little skirmish to teach me a spiritual lesson and I intend to learn from it and move on.

NOTE: Pam is the wife of Ed Leake, pastor of Colonial Baptist Church and director of Colonial Press of Charlottesville, Virginia. You may email her at: pamleake@colonialbaptist-cville.org.

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henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may
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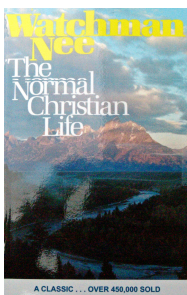


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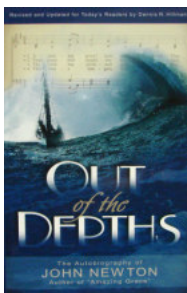


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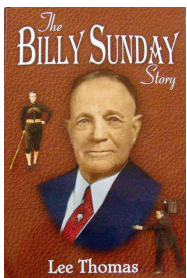


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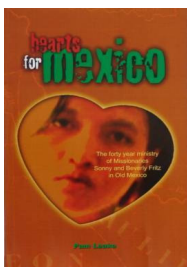


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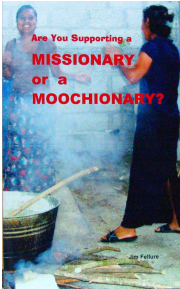
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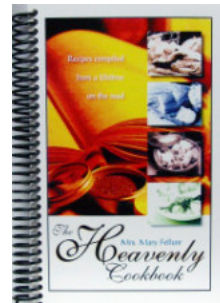


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Pastor Tim Fellure

Not Ashamed of the Gospel

Romans 1:16,17

There were some things that Paul was ashamed of. He was ashamed of how he had lived in the past. When he thought of how he had blasphemed Christ and caused so much pain to the Church, he was ashamed. And I am sure that he was ashamed of how some Christians behaved in some of the churches. When he heard about the carnality in Corinth, he was embarrassed for the cause of Christ. And I am sure he was ashamed of men such as Demas and Alexander the coppersmith. But one thing he was not ashamed of was the gospel of Christ. The philosophers, religionists, and Pharisees of Judaism did not intimidate him. They may have beat him at Philippi, chased him out of Thessalonica, stoned him in Galatia, and laughed at him in Athens, but his message would not change. He would preach the gospel to anyone, anywhere, and at any time.

Not Ashamed of the PERSON OF THE GOSPEL!

"for I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ." To be ashamed of the gospel of Christ is to be ashamed of Christ Himself. The Gospel is not a what, but a Who—without Christ there is no Gospel. Religion would like to have Christianity without Christ, but it can no more be done than to have life without breath. The Gospel is good news, but apart from Jesus Christ there is no good news for any man. In our text, the apostle Paul uses seven great words to state the essence of the gospel: power, God, salvation, righteousness, faith, just, life. These are great words but they have no meaning or value without Christ—they are nothing but

empty words if Christ is left out. Take Christ out and you lose the **power** of the gospel (I Cor 1:24), the **God** who gave the Gospel (Col 1:15), the **salvation** the Gospel brings (Matt 1:21), the **righteousness** the Gospel reveals (I Cor 1:30), the **faith** by which the Gospel is believed (Heb 12:2), the **justification** which the Gospel declares (I Pet 3:18), and the **life** which the Gospel creates (John 11:25). Seven words that explain the Gospel, yet Christ gives meaning to all seven words. Take Christ out and you have to take these words out for they are nothing without Him.

Not Ashamed of the POWER OF THE GOSPEL!

"...for it is the power of God." In Romans 1-3, the apostle Paul paints a dismal picture of the sinner. He spends three chapters telling men that they are hopeless to save themselves. The conclusion after three chapters of condemnation is that there is none that is good or who seek after God. Then how does a man whose heart is antagonistic toward God, whose life is enslaved by sin, and who has rejected the law deliver himself? How does the sinner produce enough righteousness to be acceptable before God?

The world may mock the message, but it is the power of God. And where is the power? It's not in excellency of speech or wisdom. It's not in persuasive oratory and well-crafted speeches. It's not in emotional, high-pressure appeals and manipulative methods. The power is in the simple message of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. *"For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance;"* (1 Thess. 1:5).

Not Ashamed of the PURPOSE OF THE GOSPEL!

"...the power of God unto salvation." The purpose of the Gospel is that men might be saved. Salvation—there is a lot wrapped up in that word. In that one word there is forgiveness of sin, escape from hell, and divine life. Salvation involves cleansing from the sins of the **past**, power to live the new life in the **present**, and hope of a glorious **future** in Heaven—in one word. No word includes more in it than the word salvation. Now show me a religion that can do that. Tell me a phi-

losophy or teaching that can do the same. Show me a way of life or point out a man who has been able to work all that out by his own efforts.

Not Ashamed of the PLAN OF THE GOSPEL!

"...to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." You would expect a Gospel that is so inclusive and rich would be made available to only the best of men. Surely, a commodity this great would not be wasted on the down-trodden and downcast. This can't be for the dregs of society; this must be something that only the upper echelons have access to. And who could put a price on it? What will God demand of sinners in return for His salvation? Will He demand a perfect life? Perhaps devotion to a religion or some daily habit of ritual?

No, to all this! It is by faith that the sinner reaches out and takes hold of the salvation God has provided for him. The power is not to those that are baptized or confirmed. It works nothing in those who keep the law or join a church. Salvation is only for those who believe. Faith is when you let go of all you are holding onto and reach out to God. It is when you believe the word of God so strongly that you are willing to stake your soul on it.

Not Ashamed of the PRODUCT OF THE GOSPEL!

"For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith:" When a sinner believes the Gospel and trusts Christ, the righteousness of God is revealed to him. That doesn't mean that he learns something new but that he receives something new. God demands absolute holiness, and in so demanding, has set a standard so high that no man could ever hope to achieve it. Good men try, but they all fail. Some even compare bad men with good men, and suppose that the good man has more righteousness than the bad man. But the Bible teaches us that you don't have any righteousness. But what you do not have and can never create out of your own goodness is available to you. God takes His own righteousness and puts it to your account by faith. Righteousness is required and righteousness can only be received as a gift of grace.