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# **OUR TOTAL WORLD OUTREACH**

### **HOW YOUR CONTRIBUTION IS BEING USED WORLD-WIDE:**

According to the latest analysis of how our mission funds are actually being used world-wide, we are now using 10% of your contribution to help with our new translations of the Gospel message (16 new translations printed last year), and 33% of your contribution for the printing of our free Gospel literature (just on 6.9 million copies last year), and 37% of your contribution for the free distribution of this Gospel literature now in altogether

573 tribal languages in 114 third-world countries, and then 9% of your contribution for general administrative expenses that are also an essential part of such an operation, and finally 11% of your contribution to handle the encouraging reaction that we are receiving from so many people all over the world, who have read this free Gospel literature (please see pages 3 to 6 for some inspiring extracts from their letters to us)!



The printing machine in Germany, where over 5 million of our Heart Books and other Gospel messages are now being produced per year for free distribution to Africa, Asia, India, South America and many of the world's smaller islands.

# **RESULTS**

## JUST A FEW EXTRACTS FROM THEIR LETTERS!

According to the letters we receive daily from the 114 third-world countries where our Gospel literature is being distributed free of charge in non-Christian communities, we know that last year, at least 14,923 people in these non-Christian communities did accept Christ as their personal Saviour as a result of God's anointing on these Heart of Man books and other shorter Gospel messages. And as any research agency will confirm from their own experience of such feedback, that is only the tip of the iceberg! There are without doubt many other people whose lives are also affected in a similar way through this Gospel literature, who simply do not think of actually writing a special letter to the publishers of that book or pamphlet in South Africa! But the letters we do receive are most encouraging, and I'm sure they will also be a real inspiration and blessing to you, just as they are to us here at A.N.G.P.!

# UGANDA MUSLIM SAVED THROUGH HEART PICTURES



## **PHOTO PREVIOUS PAGE!**

I am Hajali Nambeja, I was a Muslim before I got saved. A Christian church was just next door to my house, and an evangelist from that church by the name of Nelson shared God's Word with me and invited me to attend the services. Sometimes I went to enjoy the music and other things, but I would not change my religion and accept Christianity. Even the pastor of the church spoke to me and I would listen, but refused to turn to Christ because I feared my people would kill me if I changed from a Muslim to a Christian. When my family realised that the Christians were preaching to me, they started visiting me and bringing me gifts. Then one day there was a meeting at this church and the topic was The Heart of Man. I decided to go and see what it was all about. Big chart pictures of the Heart of Man were being used to illustrate what was in a person's heart, and as the pastor was talking about these pictures I felt a knocking in my heart. I felt all the bad animals were in my heart and I wanted my life to be different! That day I accepted Jesus Christ into my life as my Lord and Saviour and my life was totally changed! When my family realised that I had accepted Christianity, they came

and threatened me and took away my bed, mattress and other possessions. I wondered how I was going to live, but soon the Lord started intervening in amazing ways. In the church there is a group working with street children and abandoned babies, and I started working there. Now I am a full-time worker and I have a baby by the name of Moses, who was abandoned and put in a dustbin in the city, that I am raising as my own child. I am so happy the Lord has taken care of me. and my special thanks goes to Pastors Nelson and Paul. But my very special thanks goes to All Nations Gospel Publishers who sent that Heart Chart to my pastors, which caused the turning point in my life from Islam to Christianity, and above all to know the grace of God which brings Salvation! Testimony sent by Nelson Onyango, Kampala, Uganda

Sometimes literature can achieve what we as people could not achieve!

# **BRAZIL**

# HOPELESS PROSTITUTE SAVED

I hope that the testimonies will let you know how God has blessed our outreach work through the tracts which you sent us, and how grateful we are to you for sending us the tracts! I want to tell you about a young man Luiz Fernando who received one of your tracts and his life was completely changed through the Holy Spirit and your tract. Some time ago, our team went on an outreach in the city early in the morning, and we saw this young man on the street. He was a drug addict and he used to steal or make money from selling his body so that he could survive. He was in a hopeless state and very unhappy when we found him that morning. One of our team gave him some tracts and spoke to him about Jesus and about how he could have a new life free from sin and drugs. He examined the tracts and wanted to know more about the messages, and after a while he accepted Jesus as his Saviour. We took him with us and gave him a place to stay, and today he is a changed man! He was baptised, and God has given him a wonderful family, and he is always eager to share his testimony, to preach and to sing in the church.

Testimony sent by E.G. da Silva, Alvorada, Brazil

# DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

# I WANTED TO DIE

My testimony took place a number of years ago, but I still want you to know how your literature saved my life. At the time of the civil war all my family, my mother, father, brothers and sisters were shot dead in the refugee camp for no reason at all. When this news reached me I did not want to continue living, and decided to end my distress by throwing myself off the bridge of the Mutambala River. I put my hand in my pocket to get my handkerchief to wipe my tears and felt a paper from All Nations Gospel Publishers that someone had given me. I had kept the paper because I wanted to smoke hemp with it. but the title in French "Who will set me free" caught my eye and I started reading it. I cried out to God and asked Him to help me, to save my life and give me strength to carry on living in this terrible world. After the prayer, and after crying for a long time, I started to feel a little hope enter my mind, and I walked to the village to find a man who I knew was a pastor. He helped me to find a home and now I am getting better and happier every day because of

Jesus who loves me. Testimony sent to us by B. Mwenera, Democratic Republic of Congo

# SIERRA LEONE

# HEART OF MAN BIBLE STUDY GROUPS FORMED

Thank you for your literature that has helped us by the power of the Holy Spirit to bring many people to Christ in this Muslim dominated area of Sierra Leone! By the grace of God my evangelical team and I visited villages, homes, clinics and hospitals, and talked to small groups of people using the literature as Bible study guides. We would take the first picture of the Heart Book and discuss two or three animals from this picture at a time in detail, every person present would say what they thought about the animal. By the time we got to the third picture people had realised the condition of their hearts and how far they were from God. and they desperately wanted to give their lives to Jesus Christ. Now we have opened three community study groups using your Heart of Man book as a Bible study guide, and would be so grateful if you would supply us with more literature as our area of evangelism is growing very fast.

A. Moriba, Freetown, Sierra Leone

## **INDIA**

# HINDU SAVED AND HEALED

am Mrs Muthamma, aged 45 years. I was a Hindu idol worshipper all my life and used to give burnt offerings to idols thinking they would help me. One day I became very ill and did not think I could recover from this dangerous illness. But then my son received a tract "Who will set me free?" in Telugu from a pastor in our area, and he brought that tract to me and sat by my bed and read and explained to me that only Jesus can deliver us from the bondages of our sins. I was tired, and I wanted to be free! After thinking about the message of this tract I knew that the idols could not help me to get better or to be free from my bondages, so I prayed to Jesus Christ and asked Him to be my Saviour. A few weeks later I was baptised by the pastor who gave my son the tract, and I know that I am totally free from all my heavy burdens and bondage of sin. I am also cured from the illness that I thought was going to take my life, and I have become actively involved in the church. I pray that God will bless your ministry and I thank God every day for that tract!

A.Muthamma, Khamman District, India

# THE LAST EGG!

## **NEW LANGUAGE PRINTED**

According to their Chin legends, all the world's races were born from 101 eggs. The Chins were born from the last egg of all, and by that time all the desirable parts of the world had already been inhabitated, and all that was left to these people was the mountainous areas of Myanmar. The Tapong Chin people have a population of only 16 000 and live in the northern part of the Chin State, which is the



poorest and the least **developed** region Myanmar. Travel restricted in this remote mountainous area where it takes more than a day to travel to the nearest town. and they therefore depend on farming and living off the land for their day to day needs and livelihood. This has resulted in strong family bonds high respect and and concern for their elderly relatives. The rich culture and strong sense of family and community has kept many traditions alive among this interesting and colourful tribe. But one tradition that is dying out fast is the facial tattoos found on women,

tradition unique to the Chin people. In the photo on the previous page we can see an elderly woman with facial tattoos which she had put on her face at the age of about 12 years old, smoking out of a "bong" pipe. This woman is one of the last generation to bear facial tattoos and even though the photo is not very clear we can see the dots on

her chin and other ink marks on her face. According to Chin legend the tattooing of women's faces started when a Burmese king travelled to the region many years ago, and was so impressed by the women's beauty that he kidnapped one to take as a bride. Because of this incident. parents began to tattoo their daughters to ensure would not be taken away from their families. Other Chin tales say that the tattooing was done for beauty and to make a distinction between the different tribes in case one was kidnapped by another, and also to indicate marital status and social standing, giving these women a sense of belonging and identity.



When Christianity and literacy was brought to the Chin by American **Baptist** state missionaries, the Tapong who converted to Christianity linked their beliefs of the Christian God to the animistic Chin gods and a variety of spirits, some associated with natural objects like trees and rocks, and others associated with ghosts and dead people. Among the most feared spirits are those of people who died violent deaths and those of women who died at childbirth. Because of this mixed religion and the strong influence of Chin culture, a pastor working among the Chin people asked us if he could translate our literature into the Tapong language

to use as Bible study aids in his church and as tools of evangelism among the unsaved. And now together with the help of Rev. Thang we have translated and printed the Heart of Man booklet and "Who will set me free?" Gospel message into

the Tapong language, and the pastors who are working among the Tapong tribe have let us know that they can see how people's hearts and minds are being opened by the Holy Spirit through the message of the Heart Book and tract.

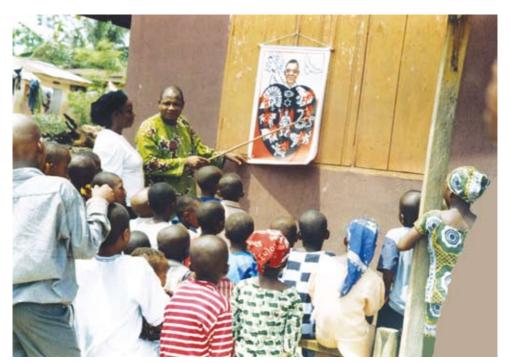


In this photo we can see how the newly printed Heart Books are being used in a Bible study group, and to equip the church members for evangelism among the Tapong people using Heart Books and "Who will set me free?" Gospel tracts in their own unique Tapong language.

# **MEET YOUR CO-WORKER**

You might have wondered who actually ends up using vour contribution to God's People like school work? teachers, evangelists, even manual labourers and day to day office workers. But one thing that is very clear is that the results and appreciation from all these people is very encouraging! Pastor Ohindri Ikedi of Jesus Christ Ambassadors Ministry in Nigeria says in his own words: "I am gladdened in my heart to send you this letter because I feel specially favoured in this service. This is because of this special unknown of miracle an donor who has paid and sponsored the sending the precious Heart Chart for my use. The Heart Chart is a precious teaching aid to work with, because it makes teaching with it simple, and the pictures appeal to both voung and old hearts! Children are very interested in learning from it and so are adults. I use it in the evangelism field to show them practically and simply what goes on in the hearts of people, and I have seen





the strong remorseful impact on children and adults. I have seen one naughty boy who always caused trouble in classes, sit very quietly and listen to my explaining the Heart Chart pictures with his mouth open and his eyes wide with amazement. Because the pictures of the heart are so good at attracting children of all ages, I have arranged with some local Sunday School churches teachers in the around my area to teach the children in their Sunday Schools this with Heart Chart. Each week somebody

else gets a chance to use the Heart Chart and it is continually being used and passed around by myself and others. I think the donor will be happy to see that we are putting to good use this Chart which they provided. Their charitable spirit spurred me on to also send these photos so that they will be encouraged to know their gift is leading many people to Jesus Christ and a new life of faith. I hope you will be encouraged that I have seen many souls won for God's Kingdom in this way"!

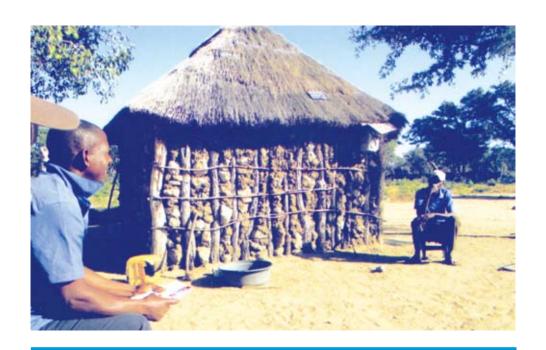
# THE OLD AND NEW TOGETHER?

# TWO ROADS PRINTED

The Kwangali people of western Namibia believe that it is not necessary to leave old traditions and ancestral beliefs behind when converting to Christianity. The two beliefs fit together, and cultural beliefs are seen as traditional religion. One such belief is in the power of traditional healers and diviners who are still very much respected and valued among the Kwangali people. Whilst having access to modern medical facilities, they are not convinced that the "white man's healing system" is better that the traditional one. The



superstition of not wanting to anger the ancestors could also be an influence in keeping their traditional beliefs, as the ancestors may punish them by not acting as mediator between them and their traditional god Nyambi. This could result in serious problems like drought, loss of livestock, and illness or even death. A police chaplain working in this area saw the need that the Kwangali people have to be completely free from the superstitions and beliefs related to their traditional religion. He asked to translate our "Two Roads" tract into Kwangali and said "the literature will help the members of the police force to bring people on the wrong road to the true God". And now this tract has been translated and printed and distributed to the Kwangali people with some very good results being reported by the police, pastors and other Christian workers using this Gospel message! We pray that this tract will make á difference among the Kwangali people, like the young boy in the photo who will still have to adhere to their old traditional beliefs and practices as expected by his elders, if they continue to think that their traditional beliefs and Christianity fit together.



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!

Your gifts earmarked "for the Mission staff over Christmas", and your greetings and letters which we received over this period, were a great encouragement and joy to us all here at A.N.G.P.! What an inspiration this has been to us, to give ourselves whole-heartedly to the service of the Lord, knowing that so many people are remembering us in prayer, and standing with us in faith.

**Every morning** we all start the day together with a time of prayer and Bible study, and we always pray very specially for **each one** who is involved with us in this work, mentioning many of your names before the Lord. And so we thank God that whatever this new year may bring, none of us are facing the future alone. We are **united** with one another in prayer, in faith, in our service for the Lord, and above all – in the **love of God** which will not leave us or forsake us in the hour of need (Hebrews 13:5,6)!

The Gschwend family together with all the co-workers and staff of ALL NATIONS GOSPEL PUBLISHERS

# **ALL NATIONS GOSPEL PUBLISHERS**

#### **ORIGIN**

A Swiss soldier by the name of J.R. Gschwend fell into the hands of German forces in the 1st World War, was accused of espionage, and sentenced to death. In his death-cell he experienced an extraordinary spiritual awakening, and found God in a remarkable way. When the German forces released him without explanation, he dedicated his life to the service of God, qualified as a minister of religion, and left by ship for Africa in 1921 where he eventually established this Gospel Literature Mission in 1935. His son Manasseh and eventually his grandson Eugene, both qualified ministers of religion, continued the work, resulting in today's world-wide Gospel Literature Mission of 88 years standing, growth and experience.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

Since its establishment in 1935, the objective has been to **translate** the Gospel message into the unreached languages of the world's more isolated communities, to **print** these Gospel booklets, and to **distribute** them free of charge in these more isolated and even unreached communities. Today, approximately 1 700 tribal **languages** are still without any part of the Bible in print, and over 6 474 more isolated **tribes** have still not been effectively penetrated by the Gospel message, involving no less than **1 630 million people** who are still registered today as completely **unreached** with the Gospel!

## **ANNUAL OUTREACH**

**New translations** of the Gospel message: We complete and print from 6 to 12 new translations every year for isolated tribes and unreached languages.

**Printing:** We print just on 6.4 million copies of the Gospel message each year at our own Mission Press, and in Germany, as well as in some other countries.

**Distributing** of Gospel literature free of charge: We sort, pack and distribute an average of 222 parcels of free Gospel literature every week world-wide.

Languages and Countries reached: At present we print and distribute in exactly 573 tribal languages, with free distribution campaigns in 114 third-world countries.

#### ON THE INTERNET:

All our literature in over 500 languages and animated Heart Books can also be downloaded free from the internet on www.angp-hb.co.za

#### **MESSAGE**

Our free Gospel literature is of a very **basic nature**, designed to present the **simple Gospel message** to those who know nothing about the Christian faith in the world's more isolated and even unreached communities. We therefore avoid as far as possible any contentious **doctrinal issues** related to specific church organizations, and **specially design** the message to relate in a practical way to the particular culture, customs and idiom of each specific tribal community.

#### **RESULTS**

The **testimonies** we receive in the letters reaching us daily from 114 third-world countries, prove that many people in those more isolated non-Christian communities, are being **led to Christ** through this free Gospel literature by God's grace (see pages 3 to 6)! And in the process, we are also with God's help reaching **new languages** with the message of salvation in Christ!

#### **FINANCING**

Since 1935, this mission has operated **in faith**, trusting God to supply financially in the form of donations made to this work by children of the Lord who feel led to make their own **personal contribution** towards bringing the Gospel to the world's more isolated and even unreached communities. This mission therefore relies solely on the donations **being received** to finance its operation. **The miracle** is that although it is not our policy to ask for finances or to make our needs known to the public even for special projects, somehow, every month, God lays this matter on people's hearts, and **God honours the faith of His children!** 

#### **CONTROL**

The A.N.G.P. Mission in South Africa is accountable to its head-office in Switzerland, from where this work was established in 1935, and registered in South Africa as an "Association not for gain". In accordance with South African law, the Mission's books are audited annually by a firm of registered auditors, reports are lodged locally and at our head-office in Switzerland, and the Mission is operated in South Africa under the control of a member of the Swiss A.N.G.P. Mission Board — Rev. Eugene Gschwend, a qualified and ordained minister of religion of 47 years standing.

#### YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Your own personal involvement **does make a difference**, as you help directly to make this work and these results possible by:

- PRAYING earnestly with us for the salvation of precious souls.
- GIVING financially to make God's Word available to isolated communities.
- INFORMING others about this outreach for wider prayer support.
- MAKING USE of our free Gospel literature to witness to others.

# WHAT WILL A PERSON GAIN IF HE WINS THE WHOLE WORLD, BUT LOSES HIMSELF?

Luke 9:25







**Should God lay it on your heart** to contribute directly yourself, to place the Gospel message in the hands of people in non-Christian communities in the world's more isolated regions, you can do so by making a deposit directly into the Bank account of A.N.G.P., which funds are used directly and exclusively for the translation, printing and free distribution in 114 third-world countries, of this Gospel literature now in exactly 573 of these more isolated tribal languages.

#### Bank details:

Account Name: All Nations Gospel Publishers, Standard Bank, Pretoria Branch, Branch no. 010045, Account no. 010002057. Swift Code SBZAZAJJ.

**N.B. Please include your surname and telephone number** on your deposit to the Bank, so that we can receipt your deposit! If you are not a regular contributor, it would be a great help if you could send us the details of your deposit by E-Mail or WhatsApp, which would enable us to receipt your deposit correctly. Please send your E-Mail to info@angp.co.za, or your WhatsApp to 0835323495. Thank you!

God will not forget what you have done for Him, or the love you have shown Him!

Hebrews 6:10