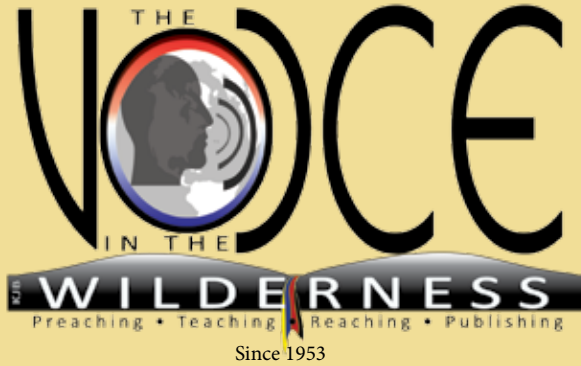


"The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight." - Mark 1:3



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MY PERSONAL MESSAGE

As we sit down to write this newsletter to you, our hearts are filled with the goodness of what the Lord has done for us in this ministry over the past month, and yet burdened for our country and the world as we face some great challenges. In real-time, we have seen President Trump take a bullet for America. We've watched the news reports of Israeli children being murdered on a soccer field, and 9/11 masterminds accepting plea deals. Personal notes and updates are flooding in from friends in Venezuela as the violence and chaos ensues from a fraudulent election process. Then we saw the blasphemous opening of the Paris Olympics. These pages before you truly are a "Prayer Letter" as we summarize the praise and prayer needs around us.



The Cherokee/Navajo project for John is nearing a point to which the missionaries and pastors on the reservations will be receiving the Scriptures and distributing them. Praise the Lord that the funds have been received for the shipping of these Gospel booklets to the western States. Please pray as the final logistics of this project are completed.

We are excited about two new Scripture projects, one for Colombia and the other for the United States, that we will begin to prepare and organize for 2025.

A new resource is coming off the press just in time for this voting season. Be sure to request the "Why Vote?" brochure, which addresses voter apathy, gives both civic and Christian duty challenges, details low voter turnout impacts, and lists practical ways to guide voting and be a patriotic American. This short read gives you a simple way to engage your church, friends, co-workers during this fall election cycle.

We are preparing for several scheduled opportunities to teach on the Constitution during September. (Constitution Week is September 17-22). Many will learn our U.S. Constitution for the first time and be challenged in their thinking. Pray that **The Constitution Defender** will be a mighty tool for the Lord!

On a personal note—homeschooling has resumed. AbiNoelle is an 8th grader and AmiJoy is in 2nd grade. Also, while at family camp (see that update on the next page), we celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary. What a great blessing to serve the Lord together these years.

As we finish this message, can I ask you to be in prayer for some of the following items? We are still in need of new financial partners to shore up monthly expenses and supply funds for printing and mission projects. A person who is apt in creating web pages that could donate their time is needed as we look to update our website (www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org). Remember our health (there have been some recent needs) and travel safety, as well as all the printing projects, missions works and other needs of the ministry.

We are thankful to join with you in Gospel outreach!



*Standing, Striving,
and Serving -
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Goal Need

Additional \$2,000/mo support

5 Mobile Bible Bags Overseas

100,000 Cherokee Scriptures
Funds Recv'd- Transport Remaining

100,000 Navajo Scriptures
Funds Recv'd- Transport Remaining

Website and Online Upgrades

Out-of-Stock Resources Reprinted

12,000 Mail Pieces Shipped

5 New Resources Printed

350 Podcasts Produced

Spanish Scripture Shipments

REMEMBER INDIA

Mission at Risk translation into Hindi has been completed. Now the cover work, printing, and distribution remains. This will be a great teaching resource for the churches in India. Please pray for those dear brothers and sisters in the Lord who serve and witness in the midst of threats and persecution. Your giving and prayers truly make an eternal impact.

CHEROKEE SCRIPTURES

More Cherokee Scriptures were distributed during the first week of July. Praise the Lord for the many business owners and church folks who are willing to continuously distribute the Scripture booklets. Pray that this gospel tool will bring people to Christ in Cherokee, NC.



The remainder of the 200,000 Navajo and Cherokee Scriptures have been assembled and gathered at one location where they will be boxed and placed on pallets for transport to western States for distribution.

HAPPY 248TH!

We had the special blessing of attending camp as a family during the week of America's 248th birthday! What a time of refreshment and spiritual encouragement! Serving the Lord together in ministry includes many unique opportunities and blessings. Our girls experience untold miles, people and places that are only dreams by others. But with that, come different burdens that perhaps others may not encounter. A few days a part, yet alongside like-minded families who are striving to live for the Lord can be renewing like no other. We were blessed to make many new friends. Pastor Jeff Fugate and his wife's kindness to our family did not go unnoticed. He gave a sound endorsement for *The Constitution Defender*, and we were happy to share it with the campers.



TAKE NOTE

by Ronnie Williamson

- Praise and prayer is again in order. The LORD has continued to bless the Cherokee and Navajo Project. Distribution in Western North Carolina has been received well with many more open doors. Then shipping to Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma is coming together. Pray for all the Pastors and Missionaries involved.
- Another "Voice" book has been translated into Hindi. Pray as Pastor Mani finalizes details for printing. This will be a help for the brethren in India. Also I pray we can use this tool here among Hindi people in the states.
- A new Church plant in Colombia, South America is scheduled for January 2025. The Voice in the Wilderness will help with printing and finances as the Lord provides. Pray for wisdom and provision for Brother Juan Guillermo and family as they prepare and work in this new mission field.
- Elsewhere in this letter you are called upon to pray for great opportunities and needs. Thank you for your faithfulness.

VENEZUELA FRAUD

Continue to pray for our many friends in Venezuela in the wake of fraudulent elections. We have heard from several who all are greatly concerned. Thousands of Venezuelans who had fled the socialistic/communist regime of Nicolas Maduro attempted to return to their home country to vote for the opposing candidate. Most were blocked, but some did make it across waterways. Nonetheless, once the unprecedented masses began flooding the voting stations, Maduro's military was sent to close the polling places. Clear evidence shows that an overwhelming 8 million votes were cast on paper ballots for the opposition, yet Maduro has claimed the victory. At this writing, top military officials are rejecting Maduro's claims. Cities are full of protests. Some gangs have been armed by the regime, while others fight for the people. Opposition supporters are being arrested. BEWARE! The same "smartmatic" company whose machines were used in the U.S. 2020 election, control the Venezuelan election process. While we pray for Venezuela's freedom and the people's voice and vote to count, we also are burdened for what remains in the country. While the opposition promises a return to conservative economics and rejects the socialistic machine, they also support anti-Biblical homosexual relationships and other leftist social agendas. Pray for Venezuela! Gospel witness continues. A pastor-friend regularly meets and teaches through the book of John, giving each national guardsman a copy of the Scriptures. The specialized cover that we designed says "Jesus loves Venezuela." Even in the midst of what might seem insurmountable Evil, God still is doing a work in the lives of Venezuelans.



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Security Breaches—So the news has been full of it. AT&T data breaches extend beyond its own customers. IBM reports that the average healthcare data breach will cost \$4.88 million dollars to contain. *Newsweek* reported that in 2023 a whopping 133 million healthcare records were breached. Artificial intelligence programmers promise greater security. All while reportedly, Secret Service, FBI, and local intelligence massively failed and allowed a former President to be shot in Butler, Pennsylvania. A security breach, they say. A person who had bad intentions climbed to the top of a building, performed an evil act and lost his life for it. Details are still coming out about the breach and the assassin. But what you may not know is that on that following Sunday night, there was another security breach. Argentina played Colombia (that is with an O and not a U) in the Copa America final in Miami. The match was supposed to have started at 8 but was delayed till well after 9 due to the flood of those trying to enter the stadium. Finally, the decision was made to allow all access to the stands; some poured in through the doors, while others chose to climb through the vents (there is photographic proof of this) all to watch the match. The game finally got underway, but that was not the end for those who entered the stands illegally. During the game, security went through the stands asking for those who entered to show the tickets that they had purchased to watch the match live. It was obvious from the TV coverage that there were many in attendance who should not have been there. Security removed those who had obtained illegal access. The United States has always been a country welcoming those from other countries. On the base of the Statue of Liberty, it states “Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.” This is not an advertisement for open border policy, but a request for those who long to live in a country that grants all the ability to be free from tyranny and to better themselves and their families. The United States has always been a land of opportunity. To enter this country is to enter a nation that expects one to follow the laws of the land. Without the proper documentation, those who enter illegally should be removed. “Illegal alien” according to Webster’s 1828 Dictionary is “A foreigner; one born in, or belonging to, another country; one who is not a denizen, or entitled to the privileges of a citizen.” You are an illegal alien whether you be caught without proper permission in a country not your own, in a soccer stadium without a ticket, or in a voting booth without having citizenship. A preacher said, “In order to get to Heaven, you must get a ticket. A ticket will mean a changed life. If you didn’t get a changed life, you didn’t get a ticket.” For one to obtain passage to live with God, the ticket must be obtained HIS way. The ticket process includes a simple process...All we need to know is our ABCs. A—Admit you are a sinner (Romans 3:23). B—Believe in Jesus (Acts 16:31) and C—Call upon the Lord (Romans 10:9-13). Heaven will not have any security breaches. Secure your passage to Heaven today.

CONTENDING FOR AMERICAN FREEDOM—The Between Philosophy—Between capitalism and communism lies socialism. It has a wide definition since many groups throughout history have claimed to be socialistic. A succinct definition would be that the community and not individuals should own and manage property and natural resources. Socialism is just the stopping point on the way to communism. Personally, I have seen socialism at work. In Venezuela, some 20 years ago, we witnessed a busy country full of working people. The exchange rate from the Bolivar to USD was low. Then we started to see the progression. First it was the exchange rate.

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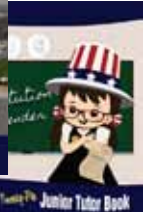
With their devalued money, the government’s remedy was to drop 0’s off the end of dollar amounts. The exchange rate continued higher. In fact, on one of our many missions trips to the country, we found out a need of the pastors there - motobikes for transportation. The Voice friends gave enough funds for two motobikes; however, when we returned, due to the exchange rate changing and price fixing, we were able to purchase three motobikes *and* leave money for repairs. Soon, we saw the lines growing around the grocery stores, with certain aisles only open on specific days. Eventually, the store shelves were empty of basic necessities (does this sound familiar? -

NEWS BITS FROM HERE AND THERE

think about the U.S. plandemic and no toilet paper!). At this point, people stopped working, began relying on the government to provide for them. One business-owner friend had to close down his custom clothing shop because people did not want to work. Even those in his church did not want to work for him as they were reliant on the government. Here in the U.S., we were founded as a republic - a federal republic and a constitutional republic. We the people give our consent to be governed by those elected to Congress; however, from both sides of the aisle we hear the word democracy. The founders never intended for our nation to be a democracy (ruled by a mob of people). This is a slippery slope to socialism, which is one step away from communism. Even those who have been elected to Congress are desiring for the U.S. to be even more socialistic. Bernie Sanders explains Democratic Socialism as "a government that works for all and not just a few." That sounds good, until you realize that the government is not created to work for us. According to the Constitution, our government was established to ensure life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It then further defined those in the seven articles that were signed nearly 250 years ago. Our ancestors knew the purpose of federal, state and local government. Read the story of Davy Crockett and the farmer. Crockett and those in Congress appropriated \$20,000 to those who had lost their homes in Georgetown after a fire had swept through the community. When campaigning at home the next year, a farmer asked Crockett, "Where do you find in the Constitution any authority to give away the public money in charity?" A great question that we should ask today. The Constitution is to be the supreme law of the land. When you prepare to enter the election booth this fall, analyze the issues in light of Biblical principles and vote for those (federal, state and local) who most closely align with the Bible and the Constitution, as it was originally intended.

CONTENDING FOR FUNDAMENTAL CHRISTIANITY - "I pity any politician who has acquired his office dishonestly; it is best to have God with us and to know that we are on the right side." Do you know who said that? - D.L. Moody. That was certainly said a while ago, but still so applicable today! *Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud ...* There is fraud all around us - Businesses operate by fraud, loopholes, and lies. Dishonesty is everywhere in our culture today. In the height of Covid, nurses and doctors knew that if they prescribed hydroxychloroquine and ivermectin, their licenses would be revoked. Yet, hydroxychloroquine is in the family of anti-malarials and used regularly. We, at The Voice in the Wilderness, have had personal usage experience with the drug when traveling to mosquito infested mission zones. Prior, during and after traveling to these malaria risk areas, the drug was taken with no problems. Then

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- Truth or Myth - book
- Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - book
- The Constitution Defender - book
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came Covid and pharmaceutical strongholds and deceptions. Without much discernment, one knew there was fraud all over the China virus. Churches and Christians were lied to and called non-essential. You could not go to the nursing home, hospitals or even have funeral gatherings. Now, in the evangelical, fundamentalist movement, fraudsters have crept in and are turning the grace of God into lasciviousness. Preachers that have for decades watched for souls are called legalist by a movement in churches that has replaced what was once called sin with what they preach as liberty and Godly. Sensual music of the 70s is now a steady diet in youth groups and fills the "worship platform" in the sanctuary. These that deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ have as their *lord* the world, the flesh, and the devil. Just as liberals, socialists, baby-murders, sodomites, and anarchists say that they are going to save democracy, our constitution and freedoms --- in this same fraudulent spirit, these that have crept into the church claim that they will save us from legalism. They preach freedom from the King James Bible, freedom from hymn books, freedom from old-fashioned preaching, rules and standards.

For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. Jude 4

Christian, be alert -- be aware! Fraud has crept into the church!

Constitution Week - Get Prepared!— In 2004, federal law H.R. 4818, section 111(b) was passed, saying: *Each educational institution that receives Federal funds for a fiscal year shall hold an educational program on the United States Constitution on September 17 of such year for the students served by the educational institution.* Have you read and studied the Constitution? Does your church, homeschool, or Christian school teach the Constitution and specifically emphasize constitutional studies during Constitution Week in September? Resources are available for you at www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org.



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