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ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

Million Dollar Sunday Goal Reached & 2017 Book Distribution Total Breaks Record

As the end of 2017 approached rapidly, EEM was overwhelmed by the generous donations that allowed us to reach this year's Million Dollar Sunday (MDS) goal of \$2.3 million. You have played a direct role in placing God's Word into the hands of God's people. This year, our annual MDS campaign funded a number of projects that we were able to complete because of your faithful support. Your financial partnership funded 50,000 New Testaments in Slovenia, 130,000 books in Bulgaria, Bibles in more public schools in Ukraine, Croatia and Romania, and the translation of our Teen Bible into Arabic and Farsi. MDS has also funded Bibles in 2,200 libraries

across Ukraine and will support 16 upcoming Christian Ethics Teacher Training Seminars.

Concluding all of our 2017 MDS projects, EEM celebrated the distribution of nearly 1.2 million Bibles and Bible-based materials. This total represented a 57% increase over 2016. These unprecedented numbers are only achieved when God's power is at work. The love of God, as shown and shared in His Word, is transforming hearts and minds. Thank you for accepting the invitation to participate in God's work to advance the Kingdom in Eastern Europe. We look forward to what doors will be opened in 2018.

EEM Has Moved

We have moved our Dallas-based headquarters to Hurst, Texas. This move will allow us to reduce costs and give us a place where we can continue to grow and expand our operation.

Our toll-free phone number 800-486-1818 will remain the same, but our local phone number has changed to 817-849-2355.

NEW MAILING ADDRESS:

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STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Oleg Yakimenko
National Director in Russia

“I remember reading the Bible for the first time and how the Lord was calling me to follow Him. Providing the Bible to everyone is really fundamental to make that calling heard.”



Bart Rybinski

Vice President of European Operations

A Note From Bart

Over the last ten years, God has continued to open my eyes to how He is at work in this part of the world and how, despite deficiencies and human failings, so much good is done in the name of Jesus. For example, seeing so many people sacrifice what God blessed them with to help refugees of another faith has been a deeply transforming experience for me. Seeing many refugees respond to the Gospel and become followers of Christ has given me incredible joy and renewed confidence that God's Word is powerful and active. Knowing that EEM plays a small but vital role by supplying the Bibles is humbling. I am also amazed to see churches in Europe transformed positively through our work. We see a new sense of unity around the message of the Bible that goes back to the ideals of the Restoration Movement. Not all is perfect and much work remains to be done. However, we continue to faithfully serve our Lord and sow the seed of His Word.

Bart Rybinski
VP of European Operations.

Bart has played a vital role in our project workload increase over the past ten years. We are so grateful for his servant leadership and his tireless efforts to get the Bible into the hands of God's people.

TV Ministry Reaches Millions

Sasha Prokopchuk had a TV program in Donetsk, Ukraine for many years. After the Russian invasion, he was forced off the air and became a refugee as he moved his family to Kiev. However, in Kiev he now has access to TV and radio. He is seeing his viewership increase, as well as responses and requests for Bibles and Bible-based materials. He and his wife Vika run a book fulfillment operation with the TV ministry to send free EEM Bibles and Bible-based materials to listeners who request books.

Sasha said, "The best thing to give to a person is the Bible since it is the Truth...Once you open the book, God starts working on you."

Recently Sasha learned that his TV program was being canceled after the network was purchased by another organization. The organization did not want religious programming. Sasha prayed about this and put it into God's hands. Soon after, Sasha received a call from a larger, more popular national TV station owned by the president of Ukraine. Sasha signed a contract with the new station and secured prime time show spots on Saturday and Sunday. The new program has an audience of 3.8 million people which is 10% of the population of Ukraine. This station also covers Donetsk, allowing him to return to his original viewers.

Sasha rejoiced saying, "This new contract means that we have great opportunities to continue to tell people about our Lord Jesus Christ!"

A circular inset photograph showing Sasha Prokopchuk sitting at a desk in a television studio. He is wearing a dark suit and is smiling. In front of him is a professional video camera. To his right, a monitor displays his live broadcast. The background is a large screen with a colorful, abstract geometric pattern. A green circular callout with white text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

**Sasha
in the
TV studio**

A circular inset photograph of Nick Vujicic. He is a man with a beard, wearing a pink shirt and a dark jacket, smiling. He is standing in front of a dark background with some light spots. A green circular callout with white text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

Nick

Bibles in Belarus

During the second half of 2017, several events in Belarus were held nationwide to celebrate the 500-year anniversary of the Bible in the Belarusian language. Hundreds of Bibles and New Testaments provided by EEM were given to people for free at two significant events in Belarus.

In honor of the 500th anniversary, Belarusian preacher Taras Telkovsky ran 500 km (311 miles) in 5 days, calling the country's attention to the Bible as the living Word of God. Taras received a lot of attention from locals and the media for this racing event, allowing him the opportunity to speak openly to thousands about Jesus Christ.

Additionally, EEM provided Bibles for Nick Vujicic's speaking event in the city of Brest. Nick is the founder of the ministry Life Without Limbs. Born with no arms and no legs, Nick has overcome life's challenges through strength and hope found in Jesus Christ. Life Without Limbs is an organization focused on sharing that hope and love with people all over the globe.

Nick said, "If God can use a man without arms and legs to be His hands and feet, then He will certainly use any willing heart! My greatest joy in this life is to introduce Jesus to those I meet and tell them of His great desire to get to know them personally by allowing Him to become their Lord and Savior. That's what Life Without Limbs is all about."

Your support of EEM makes providing Bibles for these events possible. EEM was thrilled to have the opportunity to partner with two great ambassadors for Christ who have been fearlessly sharing the Good News with the people of Belarus.

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New Churches Form After Bible Distribution

In 2016, EEM's Coordinator in Greece, Dimitrios Argyropoulos, traveled to visit and preach to Romanians who were working in the vineyards near the city of Nafplio in southern Greece. While on this trip, Dimitrios distributed adult and children's Bibles to the workers in their native tongue.

At the end of 2017, Dimitrios went back to visit those he had previously met. Upon arriving, he learned that two new churches (home gatherings) were created after Bibles were distributed during his last trip. The first church is located in a village called Agia Triada near Nafplion, where 25-30 Romanians attend the new church.

The workers welcomed Dimitrios again with great joy; the joy experienced when greeting an old friend after a long time apart. Dimitrios was deeply moved by the heart of these people and how God's Spirit was at work.

Dimitrios then visited and preached at the second new church in a village called Argoliko whose members were from Moldova. He left in awe, saying, "It is unbelievable that last year's book distributions have brought this much fruit."

This beautifully illustrates the power of God working in the people of these areas through His Word. Apart from God, we can do nothing; with Him and with

your support, this ministry can continue to bear fruit for the Kingdom of God.



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It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. GAL 5:1

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- 4/19/18** Belton, TX
- 4/23/18** Lubbock, TX
- 4/24/18** Amarillo, TX
- 9/11/18** Nashville, TN
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Newsletters

Newsletters are available in digital or print format. If you know of a friend or church that would like to receive one, please contact us at 800-486-1818 or email newsletter@eem.org.

We have updated our website!
Check out eem.org

Leave a Legacy

The Hensley Legacy Society (HLS) was created as a tribute to the mission and vision of EEM co-founder Gwen Hensley.

HLS honors individuals who support EEM through one or more estate gift arrangements.

A gift must be documented by EEM for membership. Estate gifts include: documented bequests, trusts, gift annuities, remainder interests in a residence or farm, life insurance, retirement accounts and more.

Each member will be presented with a special-edition Hensley Legacy Society Bible. These treasured keepsakes are a representation of the original Bibles that were printed and smuggled behind the Iron Curtain.

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