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Romans 10:17

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“Marvelous in our Sight”

Psalm 118:23 *“It is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our sight.”* This incredible verse which is nestled between two better-known verses of Scripture – v. 22, referring to Jesus as the Chief Cornerstone and v.24, reminding us to rejoice in every day that the Lord has made – has become **the go-to verse for many of us to describe just how the Lord “shows up” way beyond anything we could ask or imagine.** Here are two examples which overwhelmed us very recently.

Last November ICLD sent out its biggest load ever; namely, 6400+ lbs. of Bibles and Christian books to Uganda. By late March we learned that the shipment made it as far as Nairobi, Kenya, but was being held up by some combination of businessmen, warehousemen, and government bureaucracy, in brief, until we came up with thousands of dollars more. **We were heart-broken, but reconciled to ourselves that this entire shipment and all the cost involved would need to be abandoned;** a first-ever major loss of this sort. Happy ending; those holding the shipment amazingly agreed to a much-reduced payment, and **the shipment is now in the hands of a partner network of pastors in western Kenya,** who, by God’s grace, will try to get all this treasure of materials to Uganda in the next couple of years. **“Marvelous”**

Since ICLD has needed to find private Container shippers a few years ago, **we have not had any opportunity to send to Malawi, a poor, landlocked country in SW Africa.** At the beginning of the year, ICLD tapped into our friends at Love Packages in Illinois to see if we could piggyback onto one of their containers to Malawi, which they graciously accepted. So, we put together **about 3800+ lbs. of Bibles, variety Christian books, and Sunday School materials for a network of pastors and chaplains** connected to Christ’s Footprints in Africa, and found out that all the materials arrived safely, minus one box which disappeared. The incredible piece is that simultaneous to this shipment, **we learned that another group, Time to Revive, at the invitation and with the support of the Malawi President, is holding a month-long evangelism campaign throughout Malawi this coming month (June).** To think that little ICLD has its materials in place in this barely known country just in time for their momentous gospel proclamation is truly **“marvelous”**

Some news can sometimes be very good indeed.



From a Pastor in Malawi: *We are bottomly saying this deeply our hearts that may good Lord grant you an abundant life so that your mission must be accomplished by reaching many souls is this world.*

From another Pastor in Malawi: *Thanks very much for the literature which you posted to us recently. I really appreciate for your help to let us know more about the Creator and for the Literature to be available in the community. I believe the knowledge will be increased among the believers because the books will help them to gain more knowledge.*

From a Pastor in Kenya: ...and I want to thank you for the spiritual support from your office which has helped us here in our areas in Kenya. Our people are reading books and Bibles as to reach their spiritual levels.

From a Pastor in the Solomon Islands: You have been a great blessing to me. To God be the glory. I have been strained for many years where to find any assistance to help me in my ministry. However, God make it possible in another way around that I manage to find your address. And it is my prayer that may you continue to support me with some materials. (P.S. ICLD needs to find Container shippers to Pacific & Asian countries.)



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Shipping Report: Spring Quarter 2023

Cameroons	17 boxes	575 lbs.
Nigeria	19 boxes	417 lbs.
Kenya	7 boxes	247 lbs.
South Sudan	3 barrels	675 lbs.
Philippines	4 b-boxes	540 lbs.
<u>Love Packages</u>	24 boxes	677 lbs.
Total weight:		3,431 lbs.



Three-legged stool

To stay afloat, ICLD needs Bibles and quality Christian books and children's materials; also, funds for shipping and capable volunteer workers. Materials keep showing up. Funds are lower this past year than maybe ever before; but no surprise after the major shipments of the last 18 months. Volunteers; we could use some capable and committed able-bodied workers: tech, admin, public relations, shipping, trusteeship. It has been the Lord's ministry these last 62 years, and we trust Him.