



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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# PRAYER LETTER

## Update - SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Your faithful prayers and friendship are so vital and appreciated as we serve in this unique ministry, now continuing into its 70th year - To God be the Glory! Bro. Ronnie and the team safely returned from their Mission to Colombia and we are excited to follow-up with more Scripture and Bible Study shipments for those serving in the city as well as jungle areas. Further in this newsletter, you will read of Bible and aid shipments to the Philippines and preaching and teaching in the U.S.A. Our home office has also been buzzing, producing reprints of needful resources, preparing for the Cherokee/English Book of John distribution, and critical website updates. On that note, please take time to go to [www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org](http://www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org) for the ALL NEW free insider access to The Voice in the Wilderness Archives. Over 70 years of key sermons, articles, teaching materials and more are being uploaded in a simple online format that is easily searchable. We are weekly adding dynamic, fundamental, King James Bible content that has been printed and shared with thousands worldwide, and we trust that this will be a great tool for Christian growth.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:** Bro. Ronnie and Sis. Terry Williamson will celebrate 50 years of marriage May 6, 2023. For 50 years, they have served side-by-side in local church ministry, Christian education, and, for 27 of those years, with The Voice in the Wilderness missionary ministry. No doubt, you have heard of faith promise giving. Well, most of those 50 precious years, the Williamsons have committed to faith promise living as they served each day in ministries that could not afford to pay regular salaries, offer typical benefit packages with retirement or health insurance plans, or even lighten the load through appreciation or gift-giving days. Amazingly, when the financial numbers on paper called for concern, the good Lord always provided. As we approach May, would you consider sending a personal card to the Williamsons? Perhaps you have been recipient of their ministry over the years. It would be such a blessing for them to hear from YOU! All correspondence may be sent directly to the Williamsons at our office address - (BRO. RONNIE checks the mail daily 😊)

Striving to Serve,  
Steve & Rebekah Lilly

Isa. 40:8



## Nuggets of Gold

A man was going down a street in Chicago when in a store window he saw a very beautiful picture of the Crucifixion. As he gazed, spellbound at the vividly pictured story, he suddenly became conscious that at his side stood a street child. The boy, too, was gazing at the picture and his tense expression made the man realize that "The Crucifixion" had really gripped the eager little soul. Touching the boy on the shoulder, the man said, "Sonny, what does it mean?"

"Doncha know?" his face full of marvel at the man's ignorance. "That there is Jesus, an' them other is Roman soldiers, an' the woman that's cryin' is His mother, an'- they killed 'im!"

The man was loathe to leave the window, but he could not tarry longer at such a tragic scene, so he turned away and walked down the street. In a few moments he heard pattering footsteps, and there came rushing up the little street child.

"Say, Mister," he exclaimed breathlessly, "I forgot to tell you, but He's Alive! HE ROSE AGAIN!"



## Philippines Witness

As you read this update, our shipment to the Philippines should be pulling into port. Please pray as these supplies are unloaded and delivered to the pastors. Bibles, resources, and aid will be such a help and encouragement to those serving and sharing the gospel with their community. THANK YOU for your financial support that makes these shipments possible!

As offerings are given, we are thrilled to be able to come alongside the Filipino pastors and "hold the rope" by helping with needed items. Many times, food items, supplies for the children's ministry, KJV Bibles and Scripture portions are unavailable in their location and WHAT a BLESSING it is for them to receive boxes filled with such needed items. Large print KJV Bibles have been requested. Pastors also have transportation needs as they travel to various communities for Bible study, witness, and discipleship. Perhaps, in the future, we will be able to help save a few shoe soles and tired feet with the purchase of a covered electric tricycle (\$1,000.00). For over 70 years, The Voice in the Wilderness, through friends like you, has been able to be a special blessing to indigenous works like these in the Philippines. Thank you for being a part of what God is doing.





**Pray for :**

Health and Travel Safety, Financial Needs, Missions Opportunities

Multiple downed trees blocked the driveway as we returned from travels. Praise the Lord, no structures were damaged.



The *Constitution Defender* and, now, the *Tomb of the Unknown Soldier* book have opened many doors of ministry, the latest being homeschool conferences. In South Carolina, there was standing-room only (and not much of that!) for our session "Raising Defender Kids in a Destructive World."



Rebekah, AbiNoelle, and AmiJoy enthusiastically shared TRUTH and taught practical techniques for being a biblical defender in today's world. Following the session, we spent three days, speaking with homeschool families and sharing resources from The Voice in the Wilderness. A neurologist, who has continued working amidst COVID challenges all while homeschooling her three children, shared that her heart had been stirred in the session, and she had been challenged to incorporate more Bible memorization and historical document memorization into their homeschool routine. Another family expressed that they too had been inspired to pursue more intense study and memorization of TRUTH. A mom shared a burden for her young adult daughter who had recently graduated from Christian college, but had somehow adopted an anti-America philosophy. Many others also conveyed similar situations and burdens. AND, one naysayer said that she was truly "offended" and hoped she could "offend" us in the same way. The world is searching for truth. Someone has said that the greatest gift we can share is to speak TRUTH without fear of offending somebody. THANK YOU for partnering with us in printing resources filled with TRUTH!

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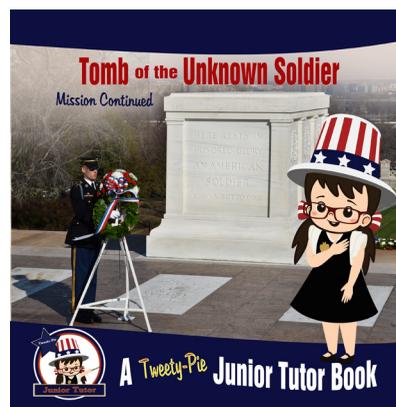
What was the motive? Will they say the murders at a Nashville Christian school was a hate crime against Christians perpetrated by a Transgender woman undergoing radical drugs to change to a man? Instead they blame guns and the Constitution. City leaders asked if their areas are safe, but do they ask if they are to blame for the rise in crime- looting, panhandlers, drug dealers, BLM and antifa riots - and defund the police movements? Principalities, rulers of the darkness, spiritual wickedness in high places. Our own city of Asheville ranks first overall for the number of breweries per 100,000 residents- best beer city. Yet, they still complain about opioid epidemics. Corrupt socialist policies and crime go together. The god of this world has blinded the minds of people who believe not. The King James Bible calls him Lucifer, while the NIV and ESV call Lucifer, the *Daystar* and *Morning Star*. Does your "Bible" call the devil, Jesus? Too many churches have left the Bible and are not preaching on hell, LGBTQ, worldly dress, music, piercings, and tattoos and carnival cruise-like lifestyles. The devil is devouring deceived people through lies, left-wing propaganda and agenda, and mind and body altering drugs. The murder of babies in the womb and in school is heart-wrenching. The answer is the truth of God, and the remedy is total reconciliation with Him.



**Preaching the WORD**



It is always a privilege to travel and visit churches, sharing what God is doing through The Voice in the Wilderness. Sadly, as we recently fellowshiped with a like-minded ministry, they lamented that pastors were "just not interested" unless you had a big name and big influence to offer. We praise the Lord for 70 years of friends who have stood with The Voice in the Wilderness as we "Contend for Fundamental Christianity and American Freedoms."



**Available NOW!  
Memorial Day Resource**

*My giggles were smothered in his hugs, but the day he left, it was all tearful good-byes... Then it came. Papa got the newspaper and read the headline...*

Experience each personal moment with Ellie as she lives through World War I while awaiting news of her soldier-brother on the battlefield in France. Read key facts and little known details surrounding the Tomb of the Unknown and be challenged in your own life through lessons found in this study.

We are excited to announce that this new resource is hot-off-the-press! Request your copy today! Go to our website for more information on this and other resources offered by The Voice in the Wilderness