

The Voice in the Wilderness

Reaching



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- Thanksgiving/Christmas 2020 •
- Mini-Voice & Prayer Letter •
- Free Subscription •

Contending for American Freedom

Contending for Fundamental Christianity

*I bow my head and bend the knee
And lift my voice in praise to Thee,
On Thine altar I prostrate lay
This heart, this will, my all I pray.*

*My song of thanks with joy I sing
Surrendered heart, my all I bring.*

-RLW

Blessings to you and yours from our family,

Steve, Rebekah, AbiNoelle, AmiJoy, Terry & Ronnie

Have a Blessed
Thanksgiving
and
Merry Christmas



"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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by Ronnie Williamson
Proverbs 29:18

This has been a year of praise and thanksgiving for The Voice in the Wilderness. Amid challenging times, the promises and provision of our great and gracious God has been so obvious. I would also like to thank you for praying and giving to The Voice in the Wilderness ministries. The distribution of Scriptures and materials in Venezuela, Colombia, India and the jungle regions has proven fruitful. In times like these, some hunker down in survival mode. But we are thankful the Lord has allowed us to press forward in a time of great opportunity. As Caleb said to Joshua, "Give me this mountain," we have endeavored to meet the challenges with the promises of God.

God has proven Himself time and again when we keep our eyes on Him. Just remember:

- God is very interested in every person.
- God wants for us order not confusion.
- God is faithful, and we can trust Him.

The Voice in the Wilderness "Constitution Defender" book has truly been a timely resource. It is obvious America is under attack by the Devil. We have emphasized three areas for Christians to understand:

- Every Christian citizen is responsible to protect and defend the Constitution.
- Pastors and parents should teach that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life.
- We need to study and understand the events that led to the framing of our Constitution.

Greetings from the mountains in this season of thanks...



Now, that in no way supersedes our commitment to God's Word. Without HIS BOOK there would be no America or Constitution. Dr. Ben Carson said, "We have to resist this war [against] God, freedom of religion, and freedom of speech..." He also said, "As Christians, the Bible calls us to be salt and light to influence our culture."

Sadly, some say there is no place for politics and even The Pledge of Allegiance in the church. All the while the Bible speaks of government, laws, kings, nations and exhorts us to pray for such. How could we preach and pray in the church, but exclude politics and patriotism?

Where there is no vision the people perish. Do we have a holy vision—a vision seeing the eternal? These are perilous times. The fields are white unto harvest. And of all people, God's people must have vision and see the eternal.

In the midst of the storm season, brave souls had a vision. In November 1620, 400 years ago, those daring individuals aboard the *Mayflower* believed the impossible. They launched out by faith, had a vision of what God could do, and dared to give Him the Glory for it all. Such individuals have allowed us to enjoy the blessings and freedoms we have today.



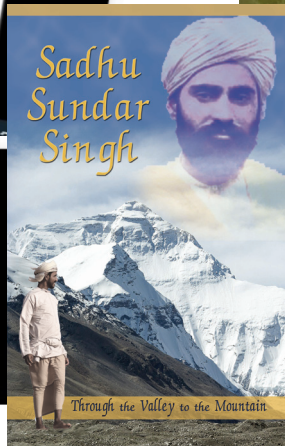
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Timely resources to share this season!
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Japanese, Hindi, English, and Spanish Virtual Tracts





THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND PARTNERSHIP!

PRAYER LETTER

(Detach this page, post, and pray!)

Update

On my desk, as I write this letter, are 19 requests for a contribution to various ministries and causes. Many of them mentioned COVID, Elections, and needs around the world. Some are worthy and I pray their needs are met. But you can only do so much. As we prepare this Newsletter, the 2020 Election is 30-days away. LORD, Thy will be done!

Almost 25 years ago, a preacher friend ask me, "How in the world do you survive? How does The Voice in the Wilderness do what it does?" I immediately told that brother, "It is only the Lord that supplies."

This year has been unusual, insane, prophetic and more. A number of ministries have shut down, some permanently. Praise the Lord, we were debt free at the start of 2020, and once again the Lord has provided. Shipments of Scriptures, resources, food and helps have gone out to the mission field. We have 25,000 John/Romans in three languages almost ready to go out. Take a look at our website www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org for additional projects and updates. God is able and He is worthy to be praised. Precious souls are being saved and ministries encouraged as a result of your support and prayers. Thank you so very much for the sacrifice and all you do to make this ministry possible. You are precious. God bless.

For Christ and souls,

Ronnie Williamson

Ronnie L. Williamson
Isa. 40:31
Happy Trails!



Pray for us!

- The shipment of 10,000 special edition Spanish John/Romans to Venezuela - These Scriptures have been printed exclusively for The Voice in the Wilderness to ship to Venezuela during a very critical time for not only the country of Venezuela, but precious church ministries in Venezuela. Pray much!
- *Mission @ Risk*, a special sermon booklet, will be printed soon in English and Spanish.
- *The Angel with a Bushy Beard* (story of Major Gardiner is being prepared in English, Spanish and Hindi)
- Our "Smiley" books are now posted in virtual format for English, Spanish, Hindi, and Japanese. Pray many souls will be saved through this small but powerful printed missionary.
- 2020 brought The US Constitution to the forefront. See the *Constitution Defender* book at our website. Every Christian family should have a copy and study through this great document. Pray for distribution.

More Updates



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We want to hear from you!

- ☐ I will pray for The Voice in the Wilderness
- ☐ Enclosed is a **SUSTAINING** gift for the ministry. \$ _____
- ☐ Enclosed is an offering for Resources \$ _____
(Complete other side)
- ☐ Please send email updates. My email is: _____
- ☐ Enclosed is an offering IN HONOR ☐ / IN MEMORY ☐
of: _____ (name of person)
Amount - \$ _____

We would like to pray with you.

List your special requests:

- ☐ Enclosed is an offering to help send a special Christmas box to a Venezuelan Pastor



\$ _____

- ☐ I will be a Constitution Defender \$ _____
- ☐ Send me a Softback Copy of *The Constitution Defender* ☐ Hardback Copy
- ☐ I will sponsor the printing of *The Constitution Defender* with a special offering.
- ☐ I am interested in multiple copies for a special event or group. My Phone # is _____

RESOURCES FOR YOU

BROCHURES

A Miracle in India & A Miracle in Venezuela - The testimony of Baba and the story of building a church in Venezuela

Suicide & Cremation - Biblical help

How to be a Prayer Partner & Suffer the Children - Praying effectively for missionaries & tips on child evangelism

Marriage, Divorce, & Remarriage - a trilogy series examining God's plan for marriage

Black Testimonies, Public Education, The Aged Years, To Spank or Not to Spank - Biblical truths for sensitive issues

Selflessness, Sacrifice, Duty, Honor - A Father's Testimony & the story of Butch O'Hare

BOOKLETS

Truth or Myth - Confederate Flag & Revival Camps

Biographies - Dr. Thomason, Sundar Singh, Major Dudley Gardiner

Sermon - Mission @ Risk

His Voice Shakes the Wilderness - A detailed account by Sophie Muller of her lifetime of missionary work in the Jungles of South America

Beyond Civilization - Further details of Sophie's ministry including her "Jungle Methods" used by Indian lay leaders in the jungle

Bible Memory AND YOUTH - Hall of Faith Card Sets - Tips, tools, & memory techniques to help in Bible memory

AGIFT

Smiley Booklet Tract - 2"x2" gospel message booklet tract - English

WITNESS TOOLS

Heritage Lapel Pin - Lapel pin picturing the Christian flag, US Flag, Star of David, Alpha & Omega, Bible, Eagle - beautifully displayed on a full-color description card

BOOKS

His Voice Shakes the Wilderness - A detailed account by Sophie Muller of her lifetime of missionary work in the Jungles of South America

Beyond Civilization - Further details of Sophie's ministry including her "Jungle Methods" used by Indian lay leaders in the jungle

Mini-brochure teaching series for children on Bible Memory, Death, Life & Creation

Five-Volume Study Set

The Book of Revelation - A verse-by-verse layman's study of The Book of Revelation by founder of *The Voice*, Dr. J. Royce Thomason. Each book includes study question sections along with illustrations to aid learning and understanding.

Response Form

Your offering is vital. Please use this response form to: submit your offering, request a resource gift listed below, and submit prayer requests to *The Voice in the Wilderness* (See other side)

Resource Request Form

<p><u>with a \$10 Offering</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> His Voice Shakes the Wilderness</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Beyond Civilization</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> More Precious Still-Marriage & Home</p> <p><u>with a \$2 offering</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Lapel Pin</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> KJB Lapel Pin <i>out-of-stock</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Smiley Booklet Tract-10/pk</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Joy Prayer Journal (Youth)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> MTA Devotional Book (Youth)</p>	<p><u>with an offering</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Miracle in Venezuela</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Selflessness, Sacrifice, Duty, Honor*</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Suffer the Little Children</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> How to be a Prayer Partner</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Public Education</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Suicide* <input type="checkbox"/> Cremation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> To Spank or Not to Spank</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Biblical Approach to the Aged Years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Marriage, Divorce, & Remarriage</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Black Testimonies* <input type="checkbox"/> Coconut Story</p>	<p><u>with a \$2 offering</u></p> <p>Hall of Faith Card Sets</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Commandment Card Set</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> KJB Hall of Faith Card Set</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Heroes of the Faith Card Set</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Unreached People Group Set</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Luke 2 Birth of Jesus Card Set</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Matthew 28 Resurrection Set</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PUP:Precept Upon Precept Series</p> <p>-Bible Memory, Death, Life, Creation Mini-Brochures</p>	<p><u>with a \$5 offering</u></p> <p>Booklets</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Truth or Myth: Confederate Flag</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> From Genesis to Transgender</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Dr. J. Royce Thomason Biography</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sadhu Sundar Singh Biography*</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Angel with the Bushy Beard Biography</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mission @ Risk*</p> <p><i>The Constitution Defender</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Soft Cover (\$8) <input type="checkbox"/> Hard Cover (\$15)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Book of Revelation Study Set (\$40)</p>
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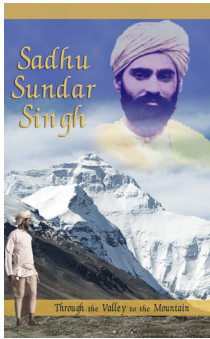
***Spanish Resources Available upon Request**

Witness in Hindi

The distant whistle of the train caused Sundar's heart to jump and suddenly his mind raced out of control. Life flashed before him with dizzying recollection. Out of this valley would emerge either Life or Death. In just a few moments, Sundar Singh would either know TRUTH or meet Damnation beneath the grinding steel of a speeding Train. No longer would he continue in this uncertainty, hopelessly groping through the dark maze of religion.

Follow the miraculous steps of Sundar Singh presented in a gripping novel-style certain to challenge your walk with Christ.

In 2020, some 20 years after Dr. Williamson was introduced to this powerful story in India, the Lord gave opportunity to translate into Spanish and Hindi this unique witness. Please pray as we print and distribute this testimony, and if you have never read the account, request your own copy today!



Mobile Bible Bag
RECEIVED!
Praise the LORD!
More is needed.
Will you help?

When we cannot GO
we SHIP!



Online post picturing Pastor Deivis, wife Edithmar, and son Zeziel



Testimony in Tragedy

THANK YOU!

Many of you read and responded to the Mobile Bible Bag project in memory of Edi and daughter Hailey. We praise the Lord for confirmation that the box arrived safely in Venezuela! Pastor Ramos received the material from the courier, texted us an immediate picture and words of gratitude and will soon place it into the hands of Pastor Deivis. For many decades we have worked with Pastor Ramos, and to announce the delivery, he set our prayer card picture on top of the newly arrived package. Please keep these dear friends and servants of our Saviour in prayer as they preach, witness, and train believers in Venezuela. The Bible Institute at the church of Pastor Ramos teaches 124 students. Their vigor for the Lord continues strong even through COVID and major economic oppression. More Mobile Bible Bags have been requested and will be immediately utilized in evangelism and training. \$500 will pack and ship a Mobile Bible Bag along with Scriptures, rice, beans, etc. What a special Christmas gift this would be for the Pastors in Venezuela!

Help send a Christmas box!

The Constitution Defender

Constitution Week 2020

Gift Idea!
Request a copy of
The
Constitution
Defender.



Constitution Defender Rally

Twenty-Pie joined by Mrs. Madison and The Defender Conductor, boarded the Defender Express and taught all seven articles of the Constitution during Constitution Week. The Daughters of the American Revolution enthusiastically joined in during a virtual rally (Lights, camera and a lot of action from our office "stage" - pictured left). Over 75 students from Temple Baptist School also became "Defenders" as they rode the rails and learned the Constitution (top picture).





Nuggets of Gold

Former slave Frederick Douglass said just after the "Civil War" ended "What must be done for the slaves? Do nothing with us! Your doing with us has already played the mischief with us. IF the Negro cannot stand on his own legs, let him fall. All I ask is, give him a chance to stand on his own legs!"

BIBLICAL ALERT Podcast



Listen each day to the Biblical Alert Podcast. Go to our website www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org for immediate access.

A recent Podcast issued the following Alert:

That's an idea! President and Mrs. Trump tested positive for COVID-19. No doubt, there are some ideas swirling around in the "District of Corruption" about that! Marx and Darwin had atheistic, supremacist ideas. Biden said in the debate that ANTIFA was an idea as if these rioting, murdering, anarchist can't hurt you. Sticks and stones may break my bones but words can never hurt you, yet words have started wars. In October of 1620, the *Mayflower* was bobbing up and down somewhere in the Atlantic Ocean, when pens took up to write the *Mayflower Compact*. What an idea! *For the glory of God and the advancement of the Christian faith...* The United States Declaration of Independence - what an idea! - says, *endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights*. October 1957, In God We Trust, was printed on our paper money - what an idea! Fast forward to the 2020 Democratic Convention where they remove God from their platform. Religious freedom, political freedom, economic freedom - are they just ideas - ideas that men and women have risked their lives to obtain. The Democrats are determined to change. Economic, cultural, moral ideas of change. Marx did say that capitalism does not give way without a fight. Are we going to stand up against this evil? Here is an idea - good versus evil. Think about it! That's an idea - think! Christians, today, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God because many false prophets are gone out into the world. What an idea...thinking. What you think is what you are. *For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he...* Pro. 23:7. What are your thoughts today? This is your Biblical Alert!

ORIGINAL INTENT

During the States debate on the proposed U.S. Constitution in 1788, this was said in regards to the religious test clause of the Constitution found in Article VI: "It is apprehended that Jews, Mahometans, Pagans, etc., may be elected to high offices under the government of the United States. Those who are Mahometans (or any others who are not professors of the Christian religion) can never be elected to the office of President or other high office but in one of two cases. First, if the people of America lay aside the Christian religion altogether, it may happen. Should this unfortunately take place, the people will choose such men as think as they do themselves. Another case is if any persons of such descriptions should, notwithstanding their religion, acquire the confidence and esteem of the people of America by their good conduct and practice of virtue, they may be chosen."-NC Governor Samuel Johnston. "I do not suppose an infidel, or any such person, will ever be chosen to any office unless the people themselves be of the same opinion." Richard Dobbs Spaight, Signer. "But it is never to be supposed that the people of America will trust their dearest rights to persons who have no religion at all, or a religion materially different from their own."- Supreme Court Justice James Iredell

NEWS BITS FROM HERE AND THERE

✿ We, the people of the United States, choose in November, elected representatives. Why is Election Day in November and why is it on a Tuesday? Our forefathers had both a religious and practical reason for this. The religious—so that people could go to church on Sunday, worship God, travel to the polling place on Monday and vote on Tuesday. The practical—most were farmers, and the harvest was completed by November giving them the opportunity to vote. Note God's election orders to Moses in Deuteronomy 1:13, "Take you wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you."

✿ 10 Mental Health Impacts of COVID-19

-Forbes

1. The economy is now a significant source of stress for 70% of Americans.
2. The government's response to the crisis is causing stress to 67% of Americans.
3. More than one-third of Americans have displayed clinical signs of anxiety, depression, or both since the coronavirus pandemic began.
4. Only 50% of employees are comfortable discussing mental health issues.
5. Nearly one-in-five Americans say they have had a physical reaction when thinking about the outbreak.
6. In a March Pew survey, 18% said they had experienced nervousness or anxiety most or all of the time during the past week.
7. Text messages to a federal disaster distress hotline increased more than 1000% last month.
8. Mental health is poorest among those unemployed for six months or more. (Gallup)
9. The long-term psychological consequences of collective traumas can last a decade or more.
10. Pandemic stress is significantly higher in young people.

The answer: Meditate on God's Word. Elias Boudinot (President of Congress, Signer of Peace Treaty to end American Revolution, Framers of the Bill of Rights, Director of the U.S. Mint) stated: *In short, were you to ask me to recommend the most valuable book in the world, I should fix on the Bible as the most instructive both to the wise and ignorant. Were you to ask me for one affording the most rational and pleasing entertainment to the inquiring mind, I should repeat, it is the Bible; and should you renew the inquiry for the best philosophy or the most interesting history, I should still urge you to look into your Bible. I would make it, in short, the Alpha and Omega of knowledge.*

30 Day Bible Checklist for Stressful Times

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Romans 12:2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 37:5 | <input type="checkbox"/> I Corinthians 16:13 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> John 14:27 | <input type="checkbox"/> Philippians 4:6-7 | <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 16:8 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Romans 16:20 | <input type="checkbox"/> Luke 21:34 | <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 56:3-4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proverbs 16:3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Romans 8:28 | <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 34:4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I Corinthians 3:11 | <input type="checkbox"/> Luke 6:48 | <input type="checkbox"/> John 16:33 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Luke 21:19 | <input type="checkbox"/> Revelation 14:13 | <input type="checkbox"/> John 14:27 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 118:5-6 | <input type="checkbox"/> II Corinthians 4:7-9 | <input type="checkbox"/> Psalm 94:19 |
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* Use this checklist and meditate on these verses. Return your completed checklist by Dec. 31, 2020 to our office and receive a free study brochure from The Voice in the Wilderness.

MARKING the MOMENTS.

Witness
on Capitol Hill
and
Constitution Defender
Distribution



Paying respect
on Memorial Day to
Veterans' Graves
(Just weeks later, this
soldier's monument was
shrouded and removal
date planned.)



38 Scripture and Aid
shipments packed,
shipped, and received in
Colombia, the Jungles,
and Venezuela



National
Guard
of Venezuela
receive Scriptures and
a witness from
Pastor Rafael
and family.

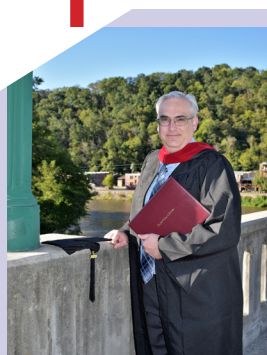


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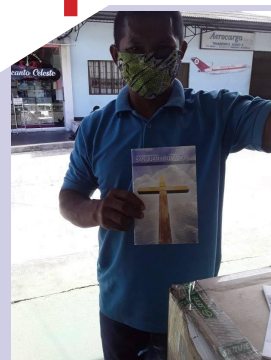
Travel,
packing,
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SCRIPTURES



2020 Graduate
Steve Lilly completed
the required study for
a Master of Theology
degree.



Jungle Scripture
Distribution



AmiJoy Lilly
turned three and
shared a special
recitation of
John 3:14-19 online to
nearly 2,000 viewers.



Rebekah and
AbiNoelle Lilly joined
thousands of others
virtually to ring bells at
4pm on Constitution
Day in remembrance of
the signing of the
U.S. Constitution.



COVID Quarantine
and
Sunday church in our
mountain office.



With Thanksgiving, we share with
you what God is doing through
The Voice in the Wilderness
because of your prayers and support.
Thank You!



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Send a Christmas Box to Venezuela!

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to help instruct nurture Christians
on these things



1620

Mayflower

2020

The ships were leaky and miserable. The trip took more than two months, many became ill, and the seas were rough and dangerous. So, why did hundreds brave the waves to come to an unknown wilderness? Some came for promised gold and glory. However, many filled the boats, as William Bradford wrote in his book *History of Plymouth Plantation*, because they had “committed themselves to the will of God.” [excerpt from *The Constitution Defender*] Struggling under persecution and state-ordered religion, these Pilgrims had fled England and tried creating a home in Holland, but after more than a decade, the secular culture’s influence upon their children forced them to continue the pilgrim journey. Their departure, depicting the utmost faith in God’s guidance is preserved through the painting, “Embarkation of the Pilgrims,” displayed in the Rotunda of the U.S. Capitol since its installation in 1843. Providential winds anchored them in 1620 along the shores of Massachusetts instead of the chartered Virginia Colony and birthed a new compact: *Having undertaken for the glory of God and advancement of the Christian faith, and the honor of our king and country, a voyage to plant the first colony...* Just a few years prior, the native people had tragically succumbed to disease, leaving the land uninhabited. The Plymouth Colony was eventually built upon land purchased from the Indians. Despite hardships and the death of over half of the first Pilgrims, a new life was established and thanksgiving offered to God for His provision. By 1636, a book of laws had been written patterning subsequent laws for the new nation and continuing the biblical foundations encompassed within the spirit of the Mayflower Compact. **Noah Webster, a descendant of Governor Bradford, noted in his 1828 Dictionary the meaning of Thanksgiving: A public celebration of Divine goodness; also, a day set apart for religious services, specially to acknowledge the goodness of God, either in any remarkable deliverance from calamities or danger, or in the ordinary dispensation of His bounties.** Today, for many this history has been erased, the Plymouth monuments desecrated, and a false narrative spread. It is the duty of Americans during this 400th anniversary Pilgrims’ landing to dedicate ourselves as they did, “In the Name of God, Amen!” So gather together this season and share their story of commitment - commitment to faith, family, and freedom.