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Voice in the Wilderness



SCRIPTURES IN THE JUNGLE

The Curipaco, Guahibo, Puinave, and Piapoco people along the jungle rivers of Colombia and Venezuela THANK YOU for giving.

700,000 Scriptures have been printed for Colombia, Venezuela and the Jungle. In September we traveled to villages for preaching and Scripture Distribution. Much more is needed! Will you help?



Boating to Sunday Church



Scripture Distribution



Village Church Recently Flooded



The Curipaco People



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





by Steve Lilly

Mark 16:15-16, 20

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

2,211 MILES! As only God could orchestrate, we departed Asheville, NC on September 9 and landed south of the Caribbean in Bogota, Colombia where over seventy years ago Missionary Sophie Muller also arrived to begin a gospel witness that would forever impact the jungle regions along the Colombia and Venezuela border rivers. Along with the heritage of my own parents' missionary work in South America, these footsteps of Sophie that we traced from city to jungle brought into focus a miraculous mission reaching thousands in tribes and along tributaries. From Sophie's printer of gospel literature to the thatched roof churches, the sounds of the jungle sang out to me - COURAGE, CALL, COMMITMENT! Listen! Can you hear the sounds?

THE COURAGE TO GO. In her book *His Voice Shakes the Wilderness*, Sophie describes her desire to leave New York City and go to an unreached people. Landing in Bogota, Colombia she met established missionaries in that large city, and her desire to find a group of people who had never heard of Jesus only deepened. Courageously, she ventured into the remote jungle regions to reach the Indian groups. Her work began with a life-threatening test that she passed under the miraculous guidance and protection of God. Doors to those jungle huts opened to Sophie all along the river as she followed the command to "Go." (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8). Our steps led us incredibly to the very door of the original printer, still in operation today, who worked alongside Sophie, trained workers and subsequently printed Sophie's Bible translations and other teaching material still currently in use in the jungle churches. The sounds of first-hand testimonies along with the whirl of printing machines reminded us of the impact of years of gospel witness and showed the way for further influence through printing.

THE CALL TO COME. It was not only Sophie's courage that rang in our ears, but her CALL. It was first a call to come to Christ. Wherever Sophie went, she taught **Jesus**. It was Jesus that could transform the jungle. When we arrived in the jungle, we entered many of the same churches started as a result of Sophie's witness. My Christian College Spanish Professor



and challenging the Indians to read God's Word. In the villages, schools were established to teach the children through a Christian teacher. The Indians, with her help, established a Bible Institute in the Venezuelan jungle (it continues today). Her artistic skills were greatly utilized as she drew teaching material for the Bible and reading lessons. In her tenacity for Biblical truth, Sophie also gave a CALL to separation - a separation from the world that so subtly and unrelentingly sought to control the Indians. From the government's bribes, the cargo of alcohol and drugs to the pictures of sports stars on the hut walls, she warned them of the sounds of the world and the devil's devices to distract them from God's Word. Sophie penned numerous lessons and manuals that are still being used today to strengthen the believer. With our own eyes, we saw some of these worn and torn booklets, many of which have not been reprinted since the 1970s. Can you hear Sophie's call---the call to salvation, education and separation?

COMMITMENT TO COMPLETE. Even in her dying days, Sophie was committed to the work that God had given to her. Not feeling well in her jungle home, she visited the doctors in Puerto Inirida. The doctors there, sensing that it was more serious, advised a visit to a larger city. She left and went to Villavicencio only to hear the same. Back in Bogota, Sophie thought that she could receive treatment for the diagnosed cancer and soon return to the jungle, but it was not to be. Within a month of her leaving the jungle and returning to the United States, Sophie went home to be with the Lord. Yet during that short time before her death, she remained committed to completing the translation of the Bible into the native dialects. With an increasingly swollen stomach and other results of the cancer, she wrote to a fellow missionary friend what would in fact become her last will and testament where she detailed the location of translation materials in the jungle, the Book of Luke translation that she held in her possession and worked on until her last days, and the suggestion that one of her indigenous helpers take up the mantle and finish the translation. Sophie knew that the COMMITMENT must go beyond her own life in the jungle.



Have the sounds of the jungle ministry died? NO! We heard them and we come to you now for your help. The sounds are still very clear! The COURAGE is needed for some to go. Please pray for God to send more workers to this region. The CALL to salvation and separation is still relevant today. More printed Bibles and Bible-teaching material is greatly needed. The Lord has provided access to Sophie's original Colombian printer. Translators are waiting. But the sound of COMMITMENT continues to echo. Will you commit financially? You can have a part of this awesome legacy of witness. As we stood in the jungle, the pastors and leaders asked for help...help for written material in their own native dialects. The need for Sophie's materials to be reprinted is without doubt. We are ready to print teaching brochures, booklets, and many of Sophie's lessons and manuals. But even with the cooperation of God's people, NOTHING IS FREE! \$.35 will print a teaching brochure, a few dollars will print a booklet or Bible. Multiply that by thousands needed and the investment is significant. In faith, we present this NEED to you as we prepare and move forward knowing that God's people have this money. Would you be one used by God to help continue the commitment that Sophie so dedicated her life to? In Philippians 4:16-17, the Apostle Paul commends the church by writing, "...Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account." The fruit that can be obtained on your account through the investment of printing gospel materials will be treasures abounding to your Heavenly account. I am writing you asking, for those who cannot, to hear the sounds of the jungle - the courage, call and commitment of Sophie Muller - and partner with us to continue the work of the LORD.

1,000 Attended Bible Conference



stepped into uncharted territory, yet we made the CALL for salvation in each service. We asked: "How many of you knew Sister Sophie? How many of you were saved because of Sister Sophie? How many of you worked with Sister Sophie?" Praise the Lord! Each time, multiple hands went up saying that they knew her, were saved because of her witness, or worked with Sister Sophie. Even walking in the streets and talking with business people, they knew Sophie and her testimony. But her CALL did not end at salvation. She repeated an insistent CALL to learn. After devising a written alphabet for the four main Indian groups (Curipaco, Piapoco, Puinave and Guahibo), Sophie began translating the Scripture

Pray for us!

- Puinave/Guahibo Scriptures are printed and many have been delivered to jungle
- Excellent trip to jungle for Preaching, Teaching, and Scripture Distribution
- *The Constitution Defender* is complete and located in homeschools, Christian schools and libraries.

Consider a Year-end Gift!

To continue the mission, we need:

\$75/box to Colombia & \$150/box to Venezuela of 500 Scriptures and personal aid.



\$650 for the mailing of a pallet of Puinave and Guahibo Scriptures to the jungle.



\$580 for translation and printing of Sophie Muller's Jungle Methods for 20 churches in the jungle.



\$645 for translation and printing of 4 teaching brochures for 40 churches in Venezuela and Colombia



\$4000 for Office expenses, equipment, postage, supplies

\$5000 for Missions Printing & Production of Resources

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FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON

PRAYER LETTER**Thanksgiving & Christmas Greeting**

God gave us a safe and successful trip to Colombia. The visit to the jungle, preaching and distribution of the Puinave/Guahibo Scriptures was an amazing experience. As always we had several objectives in going to the mission field. On this trip we met with the printer in Bogota, flew to Inirida to purchase a boat motor for the jungle ministry and preach in the Churches and Jungle Bible Conference. Thank you Brother Marcos and Pastor Orlando for your help. The photos highlight these special accomplishments. The need is great both for these mission points and our home office expenses. Please consider the year-end gift ideas on this page and give as the Lord blesses. We do not have thousands of supporters, making every gift so vital! Your investment, no matter the amount, will touch a life and make an eternal difference. May I extend a blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas greeting to you at this time. Praise the Lord for the great things HE has done.



Printer(top)

Village Church

Boat Motor & New hymn book for Pastor Orlando's wife

For Christ and souls,

Ronnie L. Williamson

Isa. 40:31

Happy Trails!



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We want to hear from you!
☐ I will pray for The Voice in the Wilderness

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of: _____

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- Scripture boxes to Venezuela/Colombia
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- ☐
- Translation/Printing of Jungle Methods
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- ☐
- Office Expenses

- ☐
- Pallet of Scriptures to Jungle
-
- ☐
- Translation/Printing of Teaching Brochures for Churches
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- ☐
- Missions Printing & Production of Resources

We would like to pray with you.
List your special requests:



RESOURCES FOR YOU

BROCHURES



A Miracle in India & 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



Packed full of wit, humor, illustrations, and important Scriptures, key Biblical elements of a Godly marriage and home are unfolded in this study book by Dr. Ronnie Williamson.



With a simple overview of all seven Articles of the Constitution and history surrounding the writing, you will be challenged in faith, duty and patriotism. Be a Constitution Defender! Soft or Hard Cover

BOOKLETS



BIBLE MEMORY AND YOUTH

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



WITNESS TOOLS

Heritage Lapel Pin

A uniquely designed lapel pin picturing the Christian flag, US Flag, Star of David, Alpha & Omega, Bible, Eagle - beautifully displayed on a full-color description card

KJB Anniversary Lapel Pin

Featuring the Bible with salvation colored ribbons & 400th anniversary dates
Smiley Booklet Tract - 2"x2" gospel message booklet tract

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

BOOKS



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



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

with a \$10 Offering

- ☐ His Voice Shakes the Wilderness
- ☐ Beyond Civilization
- ☐ More Precious Still-Marriage & Home

with a \$2 offering

- ☐ Heritage Lapel Pin
- ☐ KJB Lapel Pin *out-of-stock*
- ☐ Smiley Booklet Tract-10/pk
- ☐ Joy Prayer Journal (Youth)
- ☐ MTA Devotional Book (Youth)

with an offering

- ☐ Miracle in Venezuela
- ☐ India
- ☐ Selflessness, Sacrifice, Duty, Honor
- ☐ Suffer the Little Children
- ☐ How to be a Prayer Partner
- ☐ Public Education
- ☐ Suicide
- ☐ Cremation
- ☐ To Spank or Not to Spank
- ☐ Biblical Approach to the Aged Years
- ☐ Marriage, Divorce, & Remarriage
- ☐ Black Testimonies

with a \$2 offering

- Hall of Faith Card Sets**
- ☐ Commandment Card Set
- ☐ KJB Hall of Faith Card Set
- ☐ Heroes of the Faith Card Set
- ☐ Unreached People Group Set
- ☐ Luke 2 Birth of Jesus Card Set
- ☐ Matthew 28 Resurrection Set
- ☐ PUP:Precept Upon Precept Series
- Bible Memory, Death, Life, Creation Mini-Brochures

with a \$5 offering

Booklets

- ☐ Truth or Myth: Confederate Flag
- ☐ From Genesis to Transgender
- ☐ Dr. J. Royce Thomason Biography
- ☐ Sadhu Sundar Singh Biography

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- ☐ Soft Cover (\$8)
- ☐ Hard Cover (\$15)

with a \$40 offering

- ☐ Book of Revelation Study Set

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NEWS BITS FROM HERE AND THERE

☛ **Medical Marijuana?** - Colorado and Washington became the first states in 2012 to legalize marijuana. The state publicizes the move as a success story based on the billion dollars in tax revenue collected as a result of sales. Dr. Karen Randall, emergency room physician and certified in "cannabis science and medicine," sounds the warning of its devastating effects in her state along with White House drug czar John Walters. "The average joint in Colorado contains 10 milligrams of THC, 10 times as much as the average joint at Woodstock." Randall cites increased cannabis-related medical problems in her ER, detailing that patients report taking several grams a day because the industry says that it is good for everything. Even some proponents encourage pregnant women and autistic children to use it despite proven debilitating results such as infant weight loss and loss of neurological functions. - *W/P*

☛ **Hemp for Christians** - Tennessee Pastor Adam Swanson whose family owns the church supply company "Swanson Christian Products" has added hemp to his farm products. Christians are again joining in on the latest craze, CBD oil, which is the non-intoxicating chemical component in marijuana that doesn't get users high like THC. Swanson packages his product as "Gen.1:29 Love God," selling the idea that God has given every herb for your good. Christians have accepted its use under the guise of naturopathic medicine as a non-narcotic pain killer. GodsGreenery.com launched in 2018 as an online Christian community to teach and train God's people in the use of CBD and its potential benefits from a faith-centric viewpoint.

☛ **Biblical Liberty with Alcohol** - "Social Drinking" continues invading the church. A LifeWay Research Study found 68% of Protestant pastors believed that alcohol consumption was a Biblical liberty. Over 40% of pastors admit to consuming alcohol in social settings. Many continue to abstain, not because of a Biblical reason, but in deference to personal opinions or as a result of alcohol abuse in their family.

☛ **Dance with Jesus** - The Well Church offers "The 'Karar' Dance Ministry ... to provide worship to God through all biblical forms of dance. At The Well we consider dance to be an expression unto God that can be utilized for worship." From praise dance teams on stage to cutesy-named classes like In His Steps, many Baptist churches now offer this form of entertainment or activity. Note that the New Testament does not record Jesus dancing, no New Testament command to dance is given, nor is one example shown of the first church participating in dance.

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:

Thank God for missionaries, pastors and elder saints with spiritual maturity and discernment. Six or seven decades ago, as the mission Bible and Church conferences were organized, the missionary saw a need for security and protection against violent individuals. On Sunday, during our recent jungle ministry trip, where 1,000 precious brothers and sisters gathered, I was preparing to preach as the security team was introduced on the platform to those hundreds of believers gathered for the conference. Yes, the wooden-carved long guns could not shoot you but could beat the devil out of you! Decades ago, they were sober and vigilant against any evil plots to disrupt their meetings. God gave them that wisdom. An indigenous brother I met some 20 years ago expressed that same type of wisdom among the tribes. He said that he would not hear of it! Hear of what, you say? Listen to his quote: "I'm not going to give my children over to unbelievers," he said. "We all built this school as a Christian school, and we want only Christian teachers. I'll get some teachers for this school, Lord willing, I said. So I went to the Capitol and brought back two very dedicated girls from the Bible Institute, and they began to teach there in that school." But there were rumbles of threats and accusations against the missionary and some of the tribal leaders. Where did the rumble come from? It came from the Capitol - the government. The government sent out those little enticements to entangle them in legalities. The missionary then said, "but I was in for one more collision with the authorities." Beware the devil is subtle. He is alive and he is doing everything he can do to trick and entrap God's people. Thank God, as I was in the jungle, I could see wisdom that came from the missionary and the elders in the tribes. The wisdom to foresee the entrapments of the devil. It wasn't just coming from the Capitol and the government. It was coming from the devil himself to destroy what God was doing. Be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. God help us!



Nuggets of Gold

- Friends last longer the less they are used.
- Even the darkest hour in your life only lasts 60 minutes.
- Things that once brought disgrace now bring a book, a movie, or a TV contract.
- At Bethlehem, God became what He was not before, but did not cease being what He always was.
- The man who rolls up his sleeves seldom loses his shirt.
- Your conscience cannot keep you from doing wrong but it can do a lot to keep you from enjoying it.

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Where is Patriotism?

Is the United States the greatest nation in the world? A survey of Millennials reported that a mere 32% agreed with that idea while 62% believed that America's success was due to its "ability to change" rather than its "reliance on long-standing principles." In 2016 fewer than half of Americans knew what the Bill of Rights is according to The American Council of Trustees and Alumni. Rewritten standardized tests and college entrance exams, favoring a leftist viewpoint of history with a liberal emphasis on ethnicity, gender, and race, overwhelm the grade schools with their agenda, leaving no time for substantive historical facts. A lack of care and knowledge of our past heritage has lessened interest in historical sites and museums such as Colonial Williamsburg. In 2012, only 24% of Americans over 18 years old visited a historical site. Along with rewritten tests and lack of interest comes twisted tales such as the 1619 Project sponsored by the New York Times. It proposes that the true foundation and source of greatness for America lies in slavery. Its mission is to change America's birthday from 1776 to 1619 when the supposed first slaves were brought to Jamestown.

"Where is PATRIOTISM?" "Is it lost?" one might asked. After the Kaepernick and NIKE collusion the media would have you believe that America is not the greatest, but a place full of regrets in need of great change. Yet Rush Limbaugh's fans took a \$3 million stand for Betsy and the flag and the DAR, whose motto is built around patriotism and preservation welcomed its one millionth member. The fight is real. The battle is here. You must know and be ready to defend your history, heritage, and Biblical foundation. Take time to read, study and pray for America!

2020 is the year of *The Constitution Defender*. Will you help us distribute this resource? It is already a part of homeschools, Christian schools, and libraries. Compliments have been written by Dr. David Gibbs and others including: "Your book leaves me speechless. It is an absolutely clear and fundamental explanation of an often complicated document (DAR Registrar)." Visit www.thevoiceinthewilderness.org for more details and request copies today!

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