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Dear Friends: 110

Please indulge me a time of celebration as well as thanksgiving for the wonderful opportunities and divine provision during my ten years of ministry with The Voice in the Wilderness. It has been a joy to drive across this country and share in local churches where souls are being saved and our Lord glorified through Biblical ministry. Then what a privilege to travel around the world and take part with some of the choicest servants in God's Kingdom work.

Thousands each month read this little "voice" and many join us in prayer as well as financial support to cry out the message of hope. What a joy to be a part of the sweet rather than the bitter - to share in building rather than tearing down. Thank you so very much for the partnership we have as labourers together in Christ. Mr. Spurgeon stated: "A magazine which is not outspoken and is destitute of principle, is a literary

nuisance." Contending for the faith without seeming contentious is difficult at times. However, it was Jesus in the temple with whip in hand when He said, "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!" Note that Jesus called these religious leaders hypocrites, fools, and other non-complimentary judgments. Then do you recall the rich ruler who heard the words of Jesus and went away sorrowful? No. Jesus did not call this rich ruler back saying, "I love you." Yes, Jesus loved the soul of this lost individual enslaved by the material things of this world. Nevertheless, truth was truth, and HIS love could not be compromised.

We too must stand on the truth of God's Word. Contend for the faith and compromise not. Paul denounced those individuals who turned away. The Apostle John said he would remember the deeds of Diotrephes. Those prating, malicious words meant to hinder and harm the work of God were condemned by the

apostle. Destructive individuals who bitterly attack God's work position themselves in a perilous place. It is not pleasant to rebuke and warn, but thank God for *The Voice in the Wilderness* and the clear message consistently "Contending for the Faith."

Nehemiah was concerned about the broken walls. The boundaries must be drawn and separation maintained. This publication simply presents biblically drawn lines. Some church folk do not like that. Specific preaching, naming sin, and a call to holy living are not popular. Many call it legalism. Salvation is by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone and salvation will produce fruit unto holiness (Romans 6:22). I wrote these notes in the margin of my Bible from a sermon preached by a fellow pastor:

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IS GOD'S WORK IN YOUR WILL?

A bequest in your Will to Voice in the Wilderness can assure that the outreach of this ministry at home and abroad will continue after you have gone to your eternal reward. Prayerfully consider us in your Estate Planning.

Thank you!

The Voice in the Wilderness is a nonprofit, independent incorporation, founded by Rev. Dr. J. Royce Thomason D.P.D. Ph.D., evangelist and medical missionary. The organization is dedicated to the spreading of the whole gospel to the world, especially in foreign lands. The program consists of building mission stations, supporting American missionaries and native pastors by partnering with the local church in various areas of ministry and preaching Christ to the lost. We are supported by the gifts of those who care. Contributions to The Voice in the Wilderness for projects or to support the ministry of a missionary will be used as indicated by the donor following approved policies and procedures. Gifts are tax deductible and should be made out to The Voice in the Wilderness. The Voice in the Wilderness Magazine is a fundamental publication, published each month in behalf of the work of the Lord and preservation of the liberties of our United States. Printed material from other sources does not necessarily imply an endorsement from this ministry. There is no subscription charge; all interested people of good will may have a copy sent regularly to their address simply by requesting it. Address all correspondence to: The Voice in the Wilderness, PO Box 7037, Asheville, NC 28802.

Missionary Program

A Few of the Many Ways that

The Voice In The Wilderness

Has Used Your Contributions - To Make a Difference for Christ!



- In 2006, The Voice in the Wilderness has printed, mailed, and distributed around the world over 2,080,000 pages of Christ honoring, biblicallybased, literature (Contending for Fundamental Christianity).
- 2 In 2006, Pastors, churches, missionaries and lay people in all 50 states, 6 provinces, and 20 countries are ministered to monthly by *The Voice in the Wilderness*.
- In 2006, preaching, teaching and "Local Church Helps Ministry" such as APM has reached from America to Venezuela to India strengthening the brethren and reaching the lost.
- 4 In 2006, monthly financial support for 31 missionaries and ministries went out to 8 countries.
- 5 In 2006, CrossVue School of Missions was launched.
- **6** In 2006, The Voice in the Wilderness has mailed each US Senator copies of The Voice in the Wilderness, written letters, e-mails, made phone calls and attended functions to stand and Contend for American Freedoms.
- 7 In 2006, this ministry has continued to press toward the mark (Phil. 3:14) moving forward, standing firm on the KJB, biblical separation, Pastoral authority, and strong local church ministry, against hostile opposition that daily raises attack toward God's work



Sophie Muller's Passport Photo

SOPHIE

On October 20, 1995, Missionary Sophie Muller went home to be with her Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ after long and fruitful service in the jungles of Colombia and Venezuela. It was my privilege to visit the jungle Bible Institute and meet possibly the first Curipaco convert. her desk where she worked many hours on various projects. Praise many lives. the Lord for His faithful servants and those continuing the support of that historic, pioneer jungle

work. Watch next month for a special article on Sophie Muller "His Voice Shakes the Wilderness."

DR. AND MRS. JACOB -**BOTH WITH THE LORD**

Mrs. A.W. Jacob went to be with the Lord on June 27, 2006. She had served alongside her late husband, Dr. A.W. Jacob as director of Good Samaritan Orphanage (GSO) since its inception. It has been a joy for Bro. Williamson to know Mrs. Jacob over the past 10 years as The Voice in the Wilderness has ministered through GSO. Dr. Jacob passed away in November 2004 after a lengthy illness. On behalf of The Voice in the Wilderness and the faithful supporters of GSO, we extended our deepest sympathy and prayers to the Jacob family and all at Good Samaritan Orphanage. What a joy to sit in Sophie's hut at This is a sad time in the history of a ministry that has touched so very

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Traise the Lord for the \$23,196.39 received toward this year-end mountain.

A "HELPS" Ministry

One year ago this summer, The Voice in the Wilderness expanded and welcomed staff missionaries Steve and Rebekah Lilly and The Aquila/ Priscilla Ministry (APM). From Asheville office correspondence and managing financial records to local church service, children's ministries, and foreign travel teaching ventures, APM has truly become missionaries to the world as they help pastors, missionaries and lay people in their service for the Lord. Praise the Lord for precious servants who have partnered directly with APM to reach souls and uplift saints for HIS GLORY.

APM DIARY

In the last edition of The Voice in the Wilderness, we invited you to board our "plane" of printed words and participate in a mission's journey of APM. This teaching/training service continues, in this special edition, with Steve and Rebekah Lilly in the midst of their fourth week in Caracas, Venezuela. Once again, we ask you to "dust off those shoes" and participate as partners in the Lord with APM.

6/9/06 - This morning our arrival to the seminary was over an hour late due to road blocks and traffic. It seems the city bus drivers were on strike and blocking the way because one of their own was shot last night. They are hoping to obtain more police security, but that is unlikely according to Pastor. Our students did very well learning the new words and practicing the story of the wisemen. We are praying for the two new girls from the community who have joined our classes that they will not only learn English but understand the gospel message and be saved.



6/10/06 - Most of today was filled with climbing throughout Baruta on visitation. Steve was able to find Enrique, the man living in the dumpster, and give him two English tracts to read. "Lord, convict his heart through those paper sermons!" In the evening we participated in the youth meeting as well as practiced music for tomorrow's services.

6/11/06 - After two Spirit led services with several coming to Christ and being baptized, the seminario invited us to the kitchen for a special sing time. It was late when the singing began due to many being involved in one-on-one discipleship after church. (What a blessing and teaching time it is for us to observe the faithful discipleship of each new convert and church goer. No wonder they all seem to work in such unity – they have all been individually taught the doctrines of the Bible and how to walk the straight and narrow!) The singing was tremendous and we enjoyed joining in on the songs that we knew - until it was 11 o'clock and we were tired and hungry. Back at the motel we praised the Lord for such a blessed day.

6/12/06 - Thankfully, this morning the seminary did not have classes so we had time to rest and prepare for our week of classes. Steve was also grateful that we were near our bathroom since he had to make frequent use of it. The "BLIGHT OF

Ministry Advisory MISSIONS" apparently visited him today! He did make it through our evening classes, but his roll of toilet paper was nearby just in case. The class is coming along very well in telling the wisemen story. They all have great personalities and it shows in their storytelling. After class, the Paez's took us to the Farmacia to get Steve some medicine since we are out of immodium. Earlier today, we tried to find something on our own, but the store near our motel misunderstood and directed us toward the laxatives!

6/13/06 - In our class today, we found out that one of the new boys that has been coming to our sessions is experimenting in the homosexual lifestyle. Since he has started English class, he has been visiting church as well. We are trusting the Lord to speak to his heart and that he will turn from this life of sin.

6/14/06 - Breakfast – American style - this morning was a special treat from Mrs. Paez. Ham, eggs, sausage, toast, and orange juice left us patting our bellies and smiling silly. Praise the Lord – another new girl from the community has joined our classes. She has difficulty with pronunciation, but is an enthusiastic worker.

6/15/06 - Can you believe it? – Even on the mission field people have excuses. As teachers, we have not readily accepted their excuses, which has been a shock to some of our students. Most are doing very well, but some, as in any class, need to apply themselves a little more. Many are extremely nervous about learning the Gospel ABC's in English. Daily we voice our confidence in them, and we are looking forward to hearing the

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Study The Word with CrossVue School Of Missions

Through CrossVue School of Missions, The Voice in the Wilderness is assisting Pastors and Missionaries around the world with training and discipleship in the local church. This has been a 10 year vision in the making. Praise the Lord for His provision and enablement as details have come together. Many opportunities are before us and your prayers are so vital to this preaching and teaching aspect of The Voice in the Wilderness.

Someone has said, "The world at its worst needs the church at its best." If we can help your local church ministry with teaching, training and discipleship, please contact The Voice in the Wilderness, PO Box 7037, Asheville, NC 28802, or phone at 828-649-1043. Presently, we are involved in our local church teaching ministry and a community outreach to young people from public schools. Through these experiences and work on the foreign field, the Lord has equipped us to pass valuable tools on to Pastors and churches. We anticipate great things from this churches around the world. ministry.



CrossVue is a teaching and preaching ministry of The Voice in the Wilderness. The Williamsons and Lillys will minister in local churches assisting pastors in training layworkers. From youth to adults, The Voice in the Wilderness desires to be a help and blessing to







For ten years, Bro. Williamson has taken thousands of pounds of Bibles, books and teaching materials to the mission field for students and churches. From India to the jungles of Venezuela, it has been a joy for The Voice in the Wilderness to share in our Lord's work.

To date, one of the largest single projects The Voice in the Wilderness has been involved in was the printing of Bibles for Sophie's work in the jungles.



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TRUTH than united by error.

- 2. It is better to speak the TRUTH that hurts and then heals than a lie that comforts and then kills.
- 3. It is better to hear tough or even rough TRUTH than tender or polished lies.
- 4. It is better to be hated for telling the TRUTH than loved for telling a lie
- 5. It is better to stand alone for the TRUTH than stand with a crowd in a lie.

I pray The Voice in the Wilderness paper and The Voice in the Wilderness ministry will always take a stand on the TRUTH – popular or not.

Your prayers and gifts enable the printing and missionary efforts of The Voice in the Wilderness to continue.

It has been a joy over the years to partner with God's saints around the world. Your gifts go a long way in making an eternal difference. Thanks again for your faithfulness to our wonderful Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

For Christ and Souls,

Bro. Ronnie Isa. 40:31



ON THE LIGHT SIDE

A minister told his congregation, "Next week I plan to preach about the sin of lying. To help you understand my sermon, I want you all to read Mark 17."

The following Sunday, as he prepared to deliver his sermon, the minister asked for a show of hands. He wanted to know how many had read Mark 17. Every hand went up. The minister smiled and said. "Mark has only sixteen chapters. I will now proceed with my sermon on the sin of lying."

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salvation plan in English from our students for their final exam.

6/17/06 - Visitation, Father/Son outing for Steve and his newly adopted father, Pastor Paez, and Father's Day gift shopping for Beka filled our Saturday. The open air street markets were an experience. The masses of people selling their wares were a distraction for serious shopping. Nevertheless, a special token gift for each father present in tomorrow's service was found, and the subway brought us back to the motel by dark.



6/21/06 - A couple of students were absent from the seminary class. If they fall behind it will be difficult for them to catch up. Thursday is the exam we'll see how they do. The night class on T/TH work very hard. Many are older and really struggle with pronunciation, but they are very excited about learning. Yamilet has great difficulty with the ending sounds of many words, but she never stops practicing. Tonight she brought Rebekah a precious little gift to show her appreciation. We also finished printing the completion and participation certificates. Our excitement grows daily in anticipation of handing each student his award. Tonight we taught the last story to the MWF class. It was a blessing to see their faces shine as they said, "He is risen!"

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Praise the lord! Praise the Lord! Read All About It!

Each month, The Voice in the Wilderness, passes through the USPS and is delivered to thousands across the globe. This printed missionary is also available online at www. thevoiceinthewilderness. org where readers can enjoy viewing the current issue as well as past issues, current prayer requests, pictures, and APM updates. In the midst of this tenth anniversary month for The Williamsons, the Lord continues to expand the influence of this ministry, with the creation of a new arm of The Voice in the Wilderness. Beginning the week of October 29, 2006, The Weekly Voice will be sent via e-mail to all interested subscribers. This new opportunity will allow partners of The Voice in the Wilderness to receive specific weekly prayer requests, "Rejoice with The Voice" notes, ministry updates, and a weekly nugget of gold, all sent in a half-page e-mail message. To become a more active participant in The Voice in the Wilderness ministries, please subscribe to *The Weekly* Voice by sending your e-mail address to membersnp@ thevoiceinthewilderness.org and to receive the first e-mail edition, all addresses must be received by Oct. 23.

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NEWS BITS

FROM HERE AND THERE

THE BEST DEFENSE?- At his trial for theft in Colberg, Germany, a man did not learn his lesson. Somehow during the trial, the man stole the judge's keys, but then later realized the error of his ways. According to the police spokesman, "He told them he realized how suspicious his story would sound and that he had therefore hidden the keys under a toilet brush. He had been stealing all his life so it was probably just an intuitive act." World 7/29/06 (A sin problem!!)

AN UNTOLD STORY-We have seen in the news recently of the conflict between the Israelis and Hezbollah in southern Lebanon. On June 9, the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) fired several rockets into Gaza. That same day, a family that was at the beach, died of what appeared to be the Israeli attack. This death was covered extensively by the New York Times and CBS News; but they did not get the full story. The IDF investigated the incident and came to the conclusion that the people died not of Israel's arms but of either a Palestinian mine or an unexploded bomb from earlier skirmishes. Still the Israelis came out looking like the bad guys in all of this. Let us recount what had happened before all of the conflict. Since Israel has withdrawn from Gaza, approximately 1,000 missiles have been fired at her. In May of this year alone, over 30 Oassam rockets have been fired at Israel from Gaza. On April 17, a suicide bomber killed 11 and wounded more than 70 when he exploded his bombs in a Tel Aviv cafe. The Berean Call 8/15/06

MYTHS AND JUNK-Human Events (7/31/06) gives us the "Top 10 Junk Science Scams of the last Decade." Here is that list with a brief description of each. 1) Global Warming: Even though there has been proof that the Earth goes through cycles of warm and cold times - "Global warmers admit that the drastic and impossible step of halting all greenhouse gas emissions would have no impact on climate." 2) Dioxin: A man-made chemical called "the most toxic man-made chemical" by some - This chemical is a byproduct of natural and industrial combustion and Agent Orange of Vietnam-era fame.

Billions of dollars have been thrown at this chemical, but "debunking the scare cost only a few thousand dollars." 3) "Hormone Hysterics": - In 1996, researchers from Tulane University published an article stating that the "combinations of man-made chemicals disrupted hormonal processes, causing cancer, infertility, and attention deficit disorder." Federal investigators reported this as a fraud in October of 2001. 4) EPA's Secret Science: "The EPA claimed soot in ambient air caused tens of thousands of premature deaths every year." When Congress asked the EPA for the scientific data backing up this claim, they refused to present it. 5) Milk Makes Felons: PETA has claims that children that commit acts of animal cruelty, such as drinking milk, will, as adults, become felons. 6) Potato Chips: Scientist in Sweden claimed in April 2002 that chips cooked in high-carbohydrates form acrylamide which has been linked to cancer in lab rats. The average person. in order to get this cancer, would have to eat 35,000 or 62.5 pounds of potato chips each day for life. 7) Obesity: In 2004 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention stated that obesity kills 400,000 people annually. The next year, the CDC corrected their estimation down to 25,814, a 93% reduction. 8) Biotech Scare: On October 11, 1999, the New York Times published an article attacking genetic engineering. A picture of a lab rat was shown with what looked like a human ear attached to its back. The ear was not real, and "had nothing to do with genetic engineering." 9) Power line Cancer: In 1978, there was a scare that electric and magnetic fields created by power lines caused cancer. In 1996, this was disproved by the National Academy of Sciences. 10) Cell phone Cancer: In 1993 "Larry King Live" ran a story of a man suing a cell phone maker claiming that the battery caused his wife to get cancer and die. Another lawsuit about the same issue came up in Maryland in 2002. This case was dismissed because of lack of evidence.

LET'S VOTE A REVERSE- Many of you may remember that in 2004, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts courts

allowed for same-sex unions. Since that time, over 170,000 signatures were gathered for a petition for an amendment to change that state's laws. The amendment will be voted on in the November election. Pro-homosexual groups have tried to stop the amendment by going to court saying that "state Attorney General Tom Reilly incorrectly certified the amendment." The president of Massachusetts Family Institute Kris Mineau said, "As we have said all along, VoteOnMarriage.org had complete confidence in the integrity and constitutionality of the amendment." Director of the Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD) Lee Swislow stated, "We aimed to stop the ballot measure with this lawsuit, but the legislature can still do the right thing and allow marriage equality to continue in Massachusetts." Even if the amendment is passed, it will not change the homosexual unions that occurred in 2004. The Washington Times (7/17/2006)

BUYING FOR MINORS- In Berks County, Pennsylvania, Judge Jeffrey K. Sprecher decided that a man who bought beer for minors was not guilty. The judge said that the prosecution "failed to prove Miller Genuine Draft is actually beer." The case went to a superior court where Judge Sprecher's decision was overturned. *World* (8/19/06)

PLEASE PUT YOUR SHIRT ON-

Also in that same edition of World, we read of the heat wave that is worldwide Men around the world have decided to cope with the heat by taking off their shirts. British lawmakers have addressed the issue by passing an ordinance stating that a man without a shirt on is considered indecent exposure. "There is a problem. In my part of the country, we are tying to revitalize the main shopping precinct. But one of the things that is depressing for anyone going shopping is the numbers of shaven-headed men, mainly in their 30s and 40s, who seem to think people want to see their torsos," said British lawmaker Nicholas Bennett. {Editor: If the secular government can get it right, why can't we as Christians?}

RELIGIOUS NEWS

Religious News

AND COMMENTS

PLEASE BE QUIET!- In Norway, the Jewish community has been warned not to speak Hebrew loudly on the streets or wear Jewish emblems. This warning came from the Mosaic Religious Community after a Jewish man was attacked in Oslo for wearing a kippah, or yarmulke. Religious persecution of Jews is up in other countries such as Spain as well. - TheBereancall.org 8/4/06

WORLD OPINION- Also from *The* Berean Call (8/4/06) we read about the "world's opinion." Let's document what has happened to the Jews over the past few centuries: 1.5 million were massacred by the Ottoman Turks; 6 million were killed by Stalin; 6 million were slaughtered by Hitler during the Holocaust. Let's also look at the other atrocities committed by Stalin (10 million plus enslaved or executed), Mao (60 million purged), and Brezhnev (1 million plus Afghans murdered). So, what are the atrocities we hear about today? - the United States abuse of the prisoners at Abeu Ghraib prison, and the defense of Israel against the attacks of Hezbollah. Why are the terrorist not held accountable? "World opinion" is against the United States and her allies. Let us ignore this "world opinion."

WHY DOUBT IT?- I don't know why people doubt the Bible when it is proven true over and over again. The latest proof is about the Edomites. Recently, archaeologists have radiocarbon dates that prove the tribes of Edom were a united society as early as the 12th century B.C. At Khirbat en-Nahas, which means "ruins of copper" in Arabic. Dr. Thomas E. Levy discovered buildings and grounds that covered over 24 acres as well as fortifications that enclosed an area of 240 ft. by 240 ft. Dr. Levy said, "Only a complex society such as a paramount chiefdom or primitive kingdom would have the organizational know-how to produce copper metal on such an industrial scale." He also went on to write, "The biblical references to the

David and subsequent Judahite kings, garner a new plausibility." The Berean Call 8/8/06

LOOK AT THE CHANGE- An editorial written in The Washington Times (7/17/06) by Jeffery Kuhner describes the change that has taken place in Western Europe. The absence of Christianity in countries has led to "sexual liberation, homosexual rights, abortion rights, pornography, soft drugs, and euthanasia." Mr. Kuhner describes this as a "Playboy philosophy" whose phrase is "If it feels good do it." He takes a closer look at Holland. This once very Christian country has now embraced a perverse lifestyle. A new political party called the Charity, Freedom, and Diversity party is advocating that the legal age for sex be lowered from 16 to 12, and for child pornography and bestiality be legalized. Ad van den Berg, a founder of the party, said that "A ban just makes children curious." The children in Holland and such other countries are being taught that sex is the ultimate and only real purpose in life. Children are being given condoms by the public schools as young as 12 and 13 years old. All of these problems are based on two philosophies-atheism and personal liberation.

SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE- Recently the IRS has announced that it will "crack down" on churches who "engage in improper political campaigning." The ultimate result will be that churches and non-profit organizations could lose their tax-exempt status. In 2004, the IRS investigated more than 200 organizations, issued 59 letters of warning, and striped 3 of their non-profit status (none of these were churches). Currently there are 100 cases under consideration of which 40 are churches. World 7/5/06

TO STAY OR NOT - In the last Voice, we printed a letter from Pacific Justice Institute informing you about

Edomites, especially their conflicts with the aggressiveness of the homosexuals and agenda of public education. Here is an update on that issue. The Sacramento Bee wrote in their paper the following comments: "They can send these bigots back to Russia on the first leaky boat. If these people want to be Americans, they need to learn what that means. It means accepting us queers. They should be deported to some place like Vietnam, Venezuela, or China where people havn't [sic] forgotten how to handle insane people who embrace ideas from the Dark Ages. . . Hate mongering is not protected speech." There were several other comments directed at the Slavic community and pastors. Brad Dacus, president of PJI, said, "The hatred and intolerance toward these Slavic Christians for expressing their biblical beliefs are shocking. Every Bible-believing individual and member of the clergy should note these intimidating tactics and realize they are next." Remember the Bible's warning to "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:" I Peter 5:8.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

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Nuggets of Gold

- 1. It is when we forget ourselves that we do things that are most likely to be remembered.
- 2. It is not what you do, but also what you don't do, for which you are accountable.
- 3. If it were as easy to arouse enthusiasm as it is suspicion, just think what could be accomplished.
- 4. Thinking will get us to the foot of the mountain; faith will get us to the top of the mountain.
- 5. The tongue was intended to be a divine organ, but Satan often plays upon it.

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In evil long I took delight Unawed by shame or fear, Till a new object struck my sight And stopped my wild career.

I saw One hanging on a tree, In agonies and blood, Who fixed His languid eyes on me, As near His cross I stood.

-John Newton