## MONTHLYNEWSLETTER



# INVEST WISELY, DO NOT WEAR YOURSELF OUT TO GET RICH. By Jay Younts

The major investment firms are frequent visitors in your home. No, they aren't invited guests. They attach themselves to the popular television shows and sporting events. So, just after your team scores, the President of one of these companies shows up on the screen encouraging you to make wise investments using his brokerage firm. Just after he says goodbye, the owner of another firm flies by in his helicopter to let you know how his firm makes investing affordable. These visits are then followed by a commercial for a luxury sports sedan. The message is clear: security and peace of mind come from making wise investments and making your money grow. These things provide access to comfort and stability. While it is good to save and plan for the future, your security lies elsewhere.

Here are some thoughts of the Holy Spirit on investing;

"Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have the wisdom to show restraint. Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle." Proverbs 23:4-5

The above passage from Proverbs gives very different advice than your friendly investment broker —Solo-

mon reminds you that the future is not as secure as you are led to believe. Luke 12:13-34 also talks about making wise investments. Christ urges his hearers to invest in things that will not wear out.

This warning from Proverbs is a reality check. The vivid language evokes startling mental images—imagine your 401K account [RRSP] suddenly sprouting wings and flying off into the sunset! (It has happened more than once!) These Proverbs are not warning against wise saving and investments (see Prov. 13:11); what they are warning against is trusting in savings or investments to be your security. Many folks have strong portfolios but are relationally and spiritually bankrupt.

These proverbs say, don't spend your energy to become rich!!! Or, don't wear yourself out for financial security. The balance here is to identify what you are investing yourself in. Men often think in the long-term. So we justify not investing time with our wives and children because we are building for the future—for their future. The warning is that all of our efforts can fly off in a heartbeat. The greatest and most secure gift that you can give your wife and your children is taking the time to show them the love of Christ in the middle of your busy, hectic life.

Jesus said to invest in things that will never wear out. What are you wearing yourself out for?

http://www.shepherdpress.com/invest-wiselydo-not-wear-yourself-out-to-get-rich/ Shared on Kirk Cameron's Blog



### SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL AWARDS

Thank you to all the teachers and volunteers that helped to make the Summer Sunday School program possible. We want to also thank the parents for bringing their children and working with them on their verses at home.

There were eight verses and one bonus theme verse that the children could learn.

We want to recognize the efforts of the children who memorized all eight verses and those who memorized all nine.

PHOTO IN PRINTED COPY JAMES B

said all 9 verses.

PHOTO IN PRINTED COPY CLAIRE M said 8 verses.

PHOTO IN PRINTED COPY **ESTHER V** said all 9 verses.

#### **NEW CONTACT INFORMATION**

Josh & Kara Poole SEE PRINTED COPY Shirley Robbins
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#### NO BORDER IS CLOSED TO GOD'S WORD

To own one can mean imprisonment or even execution. In some places, tourists are not allowed to bring them in to the country. In others, all importation, production or distribution is banned. And if you were a user, you would never, ever be seen carrying one or using it in public.

We could be talking about weapons or drugs, but this is something far more threatening. This is the Bible. The most powerful, most challenging, most dangerous book in the world.

North Korea, Somalia, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Maldives, Pakistan, Iran, Yemen.

These are the ten most difficult places in the world to be a Christian. In many of these places, anyone owning or reading a Bible faces extreme punishment or retribution. In the Maldives - a country with 1,200 islands but not a single church - there is no way to officially import Bibles or Christian literature.

Even tourists visiting this 'island paradise' have encountered trouble if they bring their Bible with them. Likewise, the strict Islamic regime of Saudi Arabia prohibits any Bibles from being shipped to the country.

And yet, despite extreme persecution, the church is still alive in these places. Elsewhere, it is even growing. In Iran, for example, almost all Christian activity is illegal, especially when it occurs in Persian languages - from evangelism, to Bible training, to publishing Scripture and Christian books. Yet the number of Muslims coming to Christ is accelerating. Precise numbers are hard to come by, but according to Open Doors sources, the growth is 'explosive'; they even speak of a revival.

About 40 years ago, approximately 200 Christians from Muslim backgrounds were living in Iran;

today conservative estimates claim an astonishing 370,000, perhaps many more.

One Iranian who became a Christian while studying in Europe started telling his family about Jesus after returning home. Within a month 50 of them had come to faith in Christ. A yearlater his house church had grown to 250. The government has reacted strongly against such growth, often speaking openly against the growth of house churches.

Therefore many have split into smaller groups. Where they might have had 15 members, now, for security reasons, they only have five or six.

House churches are dividing like cells. And, if there is one thing cells are good at, it is multiplying.

In a Middle Eastern country, a house church was praying. Having become Christians through radio programs, they were desperate for Bibles, so they decided to fast and pray for seven days. It was only on the seventh day, when there was a knock at the door. They were overjoyed to see visitors from Open Doors with a delivery. Bibles!

When Open Doors began, nearly 40 years ago, Bibles were only available in print. Since then things have changed. In countries where it is illegal to print, import or distribute Christian literature, believers can receive the scriptures in other ways.

Bibles come in all shapes and sizes. Open Doors is investing in innovative ways to distribute the Word of God to believers in closed countries through digital media -effectively hiding the Bible in plain sight.

In Somalia, persecution is so intense that believers cannot meet openly or own a Bible. But the scriptures can make their way through the internet - yet even that has its dangers. In 2010 after a campaign of violence and intimidation



A vehicle used to smuggle Bibles into Eastern Europe during the Cold War. In border crossings its precious cargo was never discovered. The picture shows

where the Bibles were hidden: beaneath the floor with the only access being by moving the cupboard.

against Christians, Islamic extremists burned a house in Mogadishu because they found a Bible inside, a Bible which had been downloaded from the internet.

Nothing comes close to holding a real, physical Bible in your hand. Today, Open Doors is devoted to supporting the church in the places that are most hostile to Christianity. Persecuted Christians need training and support. They need our prayers. And they need Bibles.

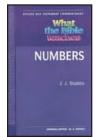
Open Doors began with Bible smuggling and we remain committed to that task. These stories, these fragments from the world's harshest countries for Christians, show just how important the Bible is in the lives of persecuted believers.

This is what we are doing through the work of Open Doors. In 2012 alone Open Doors delivered over 2.4 million Bibles, training materials and other Christian materials. Significantly, the Middle East saw an increase of distribution, almost doubling the amount of materials delivered in 2011.

Please continue to pray for opportunities to get Bibles into the places where faith costs the most. Places where the Bible is banned or hidden or burned. And yet, places where the Bible ~ continues to be read and the church continues to grow.

Taken from Open Doors "Front Line Faith", June 2014 Newsletter

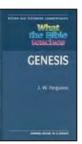
#### FEATURED ITEMS FROM THE CHAPEL LIBRARY - Submitted by Bill Mooney



### What the Bible Teaches Commentary Series

What the Bible Teaches is a series of commentaries published with a view to opening up in a clear concise manner the teaching of the Bible. The contributors are well known Bible expositors, having ministered the Word and con-

ducted Bible Readings in many of the English speaking countries of the world. The style is both expository and



practical. Each commentary has been written specifically for the series, and has not been taken from tapes or culled from other publications. To the enquiring mind, the volumes in the series are a storehouse of divine truth, being the outcome of many years of study and experience (gospelfolio.com).

The chapel library has commentaries in this series on the entire New Testament and most books of the Old Testament.



#### **LATEST ACQUISITIONS:**

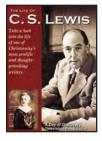
**Genesis** by J.W. Ferguson – Call Number: G64.1

#### Numbers

by J.J. Stubbs – Call Number: G64.4

#### **1-2 Chronicles**

by J. Hay and W. Gustafson – Call Number: G64.9



#### The Life of C.S. Lewis

- Call Number: DVD.C12

In this revealing look at the life of C. S. Lewis, go behind the scenes to see the sites he knew so well, and to meet those who knew Lewis personally.

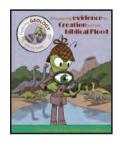
C. S. Lewis is remembered as a scholar, teacher, and writer. He's also

been called one of the most influential spokesmen for the Christian faith in the 20th century.

During his 30 years at Oxford University, Lewis produced a number of bestselling books that are still widely read today including The Chronicles of Narnia, and Mere Christianity.

This 4-part video from Day of Discovery, The Life of C. S. Lewis, explores how Lewis changed from an outspoken opponent of Christianity to one of its most powerful defenders.

Trace the depth of spirit and the breadth of mind that led to his worldwide influence and see what new challenges and changes came during the last decade of his life (dhp.org).



### Exploring Geology with Mr Hibb

by Michael Oard et al.

- Call Number: D55

Impressionable young people usually develop their worldview by age 12, and most are exposed to the secular interpretation of geology. The millions of years view is

the major culprit behind evolutionary thinking and the doubts that are created about biblical origins.

This wonderfully illustrated, full-color book provides a biblical view of geology for elementary/primary school ages. It follows the entertaining adventures of the curious grasshopper Mr Hibb as he makes the learning of geology delightful and faith building.

Chapters discuss how rocks were formed at creation, and how sedimentary rocks and fossils formed during the Flood. It describes how the earth was shaped using evidence for Flood runoff from the continents, how the Ice Age fits with the Bible, and how the world's geology does not make sense assuming present secular ideas. Geological challenges are answered, such as dinosaur graveyards, tracks, and eggs; the origin of coal; metamorphic rocks; and the origin of caves and their deposits.

The book comes with observations, definitions, and hands-on activities. It's just great fun! (creation.com).

### SUMMERSIDE LADIES' CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 20, 2014

SPEAKERS

KATHIE ALEXANDER

SHELLEY CANFIELD

LAURENA TAYLOR

GLORIA MacDOUGALL

TESTIMONIES NORMA MURRAY KIM THOMAS RUTH BARLOW

Registration: 8:45 AM – 9:30 AM Conference: 9:30 AM – 6:00 PM

Cost \$20.00 Lunch and Supper will be catered NO Babysitting provided. Any ladies who would like to donate to Angola "Feed the Children" Mission may do so by bringing two (2) used Christian books for a Book Sale

#### <u>Please Pre-Register</u> before September 8,

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### September 2014

Birthdays 📥 Anniversaries 🎔

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		9:00am Ladies Prayer Meeting	7pm Prayer & Bible Study		Emmanuel Bible Camp MEN'S RETREAT September 5-7	
7 AM - Brian Taylor PM - Mark Palmer Regular Sunday School Begins	8 Men's Business Meeting 7:30pm	9 9:00am Ladies Prayer Meeting	10 7pm Prayer & Bible Study	11	12	13
14 AM - Leonard Van- denBerg PM - Bill Mooney	15	9:00am Ladies Prayer Meeting	17  7pm Prayer & Ministry: Louis Voyer	18	19	SUMMERSIDE LADIES CONFERENCE 9:30am-6pm
21 AM - Sid Halsband PM - Sid Halsband	22	9:00am Ladies Prayer Meeting	24 7pm Prayer & Bible Study	25	26	27
28 AM - Dan Frew PM - David Clarke	29	30 9:00am Ladies Prayer Meeting				- Le