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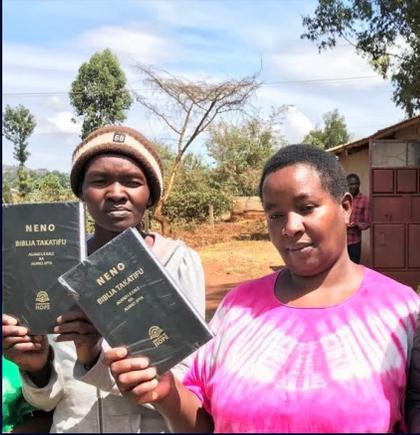
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HOPE Bibles

Meet the Recipients | Kenya



“May the Lord bless and grant you strength to keep airing your program on the radio. My prayer is that God will bless you. Please send me some Christian materials and a Bible as I am a new listener.”

“Praise the Lord! We received 120 Bibles for training in our church. Thank you for making our training successful. We send our prayers and blessings. May the Almighty God richly bless you as you continue to carry out the vision.”

“I am happy to hear you. I listen to Radio East Africa, and your teaching is very powerful. Please send me a Bible.”



Bibles for Inmates

Pastor Joe continues to distribute Bibles and literature during prison ministry in Kenya. (The photo on the right shows HOH *The Choice is Yours* tracts being distributed.)

Last December, Pastor Joe reported: “We recently held two powerful prison ministry times. 206 Swahili Bibles were given to inmates and 200+ people gave their lives to Jesus Christ! Amen.”



Hear more stories and get updates by following our blog and social media!

From the Director's Desk

Events, Meetings, and Travel

The last few weeks have been full of events, meetings, and travel. Here's a snapshot of what's been happening around the office.

Many of you have commented on our redesigned newsletter, thank you for responding! We now outsource the printing and mailing of the newsletter and are pleasantly surprised at the cost savings. We plan to see about \$4,000 per year in savings compared to doing it ourselves.

On March 8-9, Jeremy Sensenig and I attended an Anabaptist Financial Human Resources workshop. It was an encouraging time learning to grow in caring for our staff.

In our last newsletter, I mentioned a need for a motor home to use for a PR trip. That need is filled; thank you!

March 23-25, the HOH Team attended the

REACH event (hosted by Faith Builders). I was privileged to attend the Leader-to-Leader pre-conference and then the main event. It was exciting to meet with many who share the love of Jesus. Blessings to all who stopped by our booth to chat.

Recently, our administrative team sat down to discuss plans for the future. A current need is to add another person. Are you interested in using media (YouTube, podcasts, radio, print, etc.) to make disciples of Jesus? If so, please contact me at tony@heraldsofhope.org.



Blessings,

Anthony High,
Executive Director

Listen to Broadcasts

In our next issue:

We will highlight a Domestic Radio broadcast in your area or somewhere in North America.

HOPE FOR TODAY

98.7

Israel | Sunday, 11:15 PM

A complete list of the USA and international radio stations that air our *Voice of Hope* and *Hope for Today* broadcasts is available on our website: heraldsofhope.org/listen



Radio Responses

Meet Hausa-Speaking Listeners



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In northern Nigeria and surrounding areas, nearly 40 million people speak the Hausa language. Persecution of Christ-followers is intense in this region. Each of our twice-weekly broadcasts receive hundreds of responses.

“We will continue to support what you are doing. May the Gospel of God’s grace continue to save many and bring them into God’s Kingdom. You are our source of getting spiritual blessings on the air. We cannot thank you enough!”

“Thank you for the teachings in the book of 1 Peter. May God continue blessing you. We are listening to your program all the time! **Our country needs Christ more than ever before.** Continue in our Master’s service.”

“I am a Muslim but Heralds of Hope teachings are good, please pray for me. I will keep calling with questions.”

“I am enjoying the Heralds of Hope teachings, they are short but mighty. Thank you so much.”

“Heralds of Hope program has explained very well the Person of Christ Jesus. **You explained all that we needed to know about Jesus.** He is really the Lamb of God.”

“I am delighted with the teachings in the book of 1 Peter. Thank you for the messages of hope.”

Our Hausa-language programs are not fully-funded.
To help send the Gospel to Hausa-speakers, please designate your gift for “Hausa Radio.”





Read-A-Thon Recap

Reading for Hope

Marco is from Uganda. He grew up playing with sticks and a ball made from plastic bags knotted together. His family isn't rich, but they are blessed. How does he know? His daddy told him, "We have ONE PAGE of the Holy Scriptures. That is much more than our neighbors have." Marco was glad his family could read Matthew 5. But really, they didn't need that page anymore, they knew every word by heart!

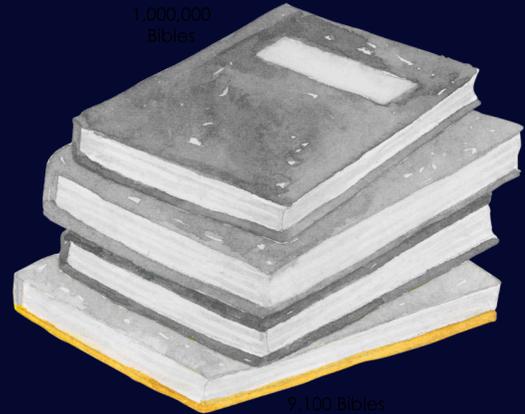
THE GOAL OF HOH

Here, at Heralds of Hope, **our goal is to give one million Bibles to Christians around the world** in situations like Marco's family. Can you imagine how beneficial it would be for Marco's family to be able to read the WHOLE Bible?

Without people like you, we are unable to accomplish this large task. That is why we host the Read-A-Thon! Children and youth find people (often grandparents and family friends) to sponsor their reading.

THE 2021 READ-A-THON EFFECT

In December 2021, we hosted the first annual Read-A-Thon! Over 50 readers, from fifteen churches participated in this



event. Many hours were spent, noses in books, pages turned, and pennies turned into dollars. **82,000 pages were read collectively and \$48,111.93 raised for Bibles** for families like Marco's! That's over 9,000 Bibles. To help you visualize it, the yellow section of the book graph represents 9,000+ of 1,000,000 Bibles.

We are grateful to each of the readers and their sponsors who made this Read-a-thon a success! We pray the knowledge you gleaned from the pages you read would push you further into the calling the Father has placed on your lives.

Because of Jesus, Luronda





Giving for Hope

VBS Offering Opportunity

The HOH Team is now offering VBS posters to churches who wish to raise funds for Bibles or radio programs. If you're interested in this opportunity, please contact us!

MEDITATE AND PRAY - NEW LOOK

A few people have questioned where our "Meditate and Pray" prayer guide has gone. It is still being mailed with our newsletter! The name and layout has simply changed.



You're Invited!

Join Us at an Event

April 24 | 9:30 AM

Meadville Mennonite Chapel
312 Baldwin St.
Meadville, PA 16335

May 15 | 10:00 AM

Riverside Christian Church
29360 Abraham Dr.
Shedd, OR 97377

May 22 | 10:00 AM

Clark Fork Fellowship
31 Thompson River Rd.
Thompson Falls, MT 59873

April 24 | 6:30 PM

Zion Christian Fellowship
15474 Georgia Rd.
Middlefield, OH 44062

May 15 | 6:00 PM

Sheridan Mennonite Church
240 SW Madison St.
Sheridan, OR 97378

May 22 | 6:00 PM

Kootenai Valley Mennonite
782 Moonshadow Rd.
Bonners Ferry, ID 83805

May 1 | 9:30 AM

Faith Christian Fellowship
3005 Dumfries Rd.
Catlett, VA 20119

May 18 | 7:30 PM

Brownsville Mennonite
34795 Hwy 228
Brownsville, OR 97327

May 25 | 7:30 PM

Elk Creek Mennonite
290 N Hepler Ave.
Simms, MT 59477

May 1 | 6:00 PM

Calvary Mennonite
6083 Mt. Clinton Pike
Harrisonburg, VA 22802

*All events are on our website: heraldsofhope.org/events.
Would you like us to give a program at your church?
Contact us to set up a presentation!*

A Word from the Bible Teacher

Biblical Exposition

A core value of Heralds of Hope is “a focus on the expository teaching of Scripture.” I’ve discovered that not many people know what expository Bible teaching is.

I’ve heard people say, “it’s going through the Bible chapter by chapter and verse by verse.” I’ve listened to some teaching like that, and it definitely wasn’t expository. It was more like a random series of comments about seemingly unrelated verses.

The heart of expository preaching and teaching is a commitment to preaching the text. It is rooted in the biblical assertion of II Timothy 3:16 that “all Scripture is God-breathed and is profitable for teaching, for correction, for reproof, and for training in righteousness.” So, the pastor/teacher who wants to speak for God must use God’s Word as the basis for his teaching.

It can be difficult to reach a consensus on what expository preaching and teaching look like. But here are some key ideas.

“The communication of a biblical concept, derived from and transmitted through a historical, grammatical, and literary study

of a passage in its context, which the Holy Spirit first applies to the personality and experience of the preacher, then through him to the hearers.”¹

“The main idea of the sermon (the topic), the divisions of that idea (the main points), and the development of those divisions (the sub-points), all come from truths the text itself contains. No significant portion of the text is ignored.”²

Here are some questions to help you know if a sermon is expository. Is the text accurately interpreted, with consideration given to its immediate and broader biblical contexts? Is the main point of the sermon and its sub-points derived from the text? Does the sermon’s application come from the text and is the text being brought to bear on the audience?

You see, an expositor doesn’t merely preach from a text or on a text. They preach the text. These three essentials mark an expository sermon, and these three questions will let you know when, in fact, the Word has been preached.

¹ Haddon Robinson ² Bryan Chapell



In the HOPE of the Gospel,

J. Mark Horst
Bible Teacher



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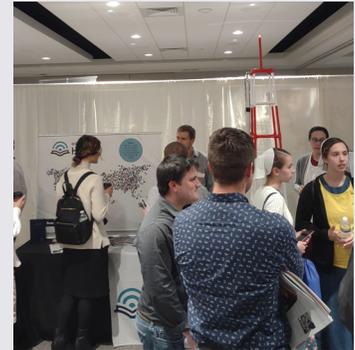
HOH AT REACH 2022

In March, the entire HOH staff team attended REACH 2022 in Lancaster, PA. Our team had several meetings in preparation for this event as we were one of the 54 ministries registered to have a display and presentation at REACH. This bi-annual event, hosted by Faith Builders, has become a two-day conference that draws around 2,500 people active or interested in Anabaptist-based missions.

As a team, we enjoyed taking turns at our display booth, meeting people, and getting the opportunity to share about HOH with them. We were blessed and encouraged by many meaningful interactions. In the right middle photo, you can see a family enjoying the chance to listen to multi-language samples of our Bible teaching. Our red and white "radio tower" with its flashing red light increased curiosity about the mission of HOH.

Away from the display booth, our staff individually participated in general, breakout, and ministry focus sessions. You never know which old or new friend you may bump into at REACH! It's a great place to reconnect with people who share a love for Jesus and for spreading the Good News.

HOH had the privilege of holding two ministry focus sessions where we engaged with smaller groups of people. This time allowed us to present what God is doing and has done, plans for the future, and how people can be involved in partnering with us in our vision and mission.



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