

Why National Bible Publishing Month?

National Bible Publishing Month is a unique opportunity for local churches and believers just like you to be involved with Bible publishing at the ground level. With your involvement, sufficient amounts of paper will be provided in order to produce Bibles and New Testaments for missionaries serving in places where Bibles are difficult or impossible to obtain.

All funds raised during *National Bible Publishing Month* will be used for the purchase of paper to get the Precious Word of God around the world.



The cost of a roll of paper is \$800.00

One roll of paper will produce:
400 whole Bibles or
1,800 New Testaments



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CHILD LESSON 4

The Salvation of the Nations

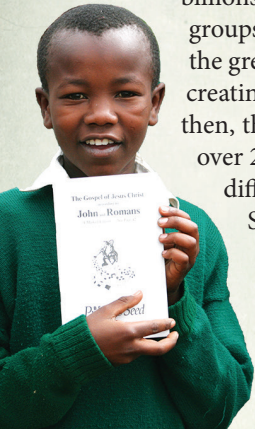


The Salvation of the Nations



By now, we have learned about the word nation and how it has very little to do with maps and everything to do with people groups. We discovered that a nation is formed by a people group having four things in common: Lineage, Language, Laws, and Land. God used Noah and his family to form all nations in the world. We have discussed the Tower of Babel and how one of Noah's grandsons, Nimrod, chose to build a big city instead of scatter out as God had commanded. We have discussed how God, ON PURPOSE, made all different types of people.

In the past 4,500 years or so of human history, there have been a lot of people born into our world ... billions and billions of them actually. All of the different people groups and nations started with Noah's family after the great flood. Later, God mixed up the nations by creating new languages at the Tower of Babel. Since then, the population of Earth has grown to include over 24,000 different people groups located in 200 different recognized political, geographic areas. Sadly, 6,000 of those people groups (which includes almost 3 billion people), have never heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



God never intended for all these people to be left out of His plan for their salvation. In fact, God wanted all of the people of the whole world to know about Him. That's why He created the special nation of Israel to be his chosen people and produce, through them, His message. **God chose the nation of Israel to introduce all nations to Himself**, and to, one day, introduce all nations to His Son, Jesus. Now that the nations are scattered all around the world, it is our job, as Christians who already know Jesus, to tell them all about His wonderful plan of salvation. But how can one Christian reach so many who have not heard?

- First, those people need something to hear. That's right. There are billions of people who do not yet have a copy of God's Word in their language. Christians need to be involved in translating and printing the Bible in order for it to go to those who have never had it. **They need the message.**
- Second, they need someone to take God's Word to them. That's right, they need missionaries, God's soldiers on the front lines of the battle for the souls of people all around the globe. **They need a messenger.**

There has to be a message (the Bible) and a messenger (the missionary), but the unreached people groups of the world will have neither if Christians don't go. A Christian's part is to either go or to give so that others may go.

Could God, one day, use you to help translate His Word into a new language? Would you be willing to travel around the globe to tell someone about His love? Would you at least promise to pray for these missionaries and give money so they might be able to go?

When God started His special nation of Israel through Abraham, He promised that all nations of the earth would be blessed through him (Genesis 22:18). God has kept His promise by giving us His Son Jesus and the gift of salvation. Now, how will God use you to bring about the Salvation of the Nations?

From the Bible:

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations..." Matthew 24:14

Words to Know:



Israel – a special nation from the line of Abraham that God used to give us the Messiah, Jesus

Message – the good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ that each nation needs to hear

Messenger – the person who takes the message of the Gospel to the people who have not heard

Translate – the work of putting God's Word, the message, into written form of the language of a particular nation

