

Believers Bookshelf USA

2019 2nd Quarter Report

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

“Thus far the LORD has helped us” (1 Samuel 7:12).

How thankful we are for the Lord’s help as we look back at the past few months and look toward the future.

Thank you for your caring interest in the ministry of Believers Bookshelf.

Activities:

Amazon Smile:

We are now registered on Amazon Smile. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to the charity of your choice (including us). The link is: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-6448672>

Free distribution:

Books and Bibles are sent free or at greatly subsidized price for prison ministry, work on various mission fields, at young peoples’ conferences and at EBC. Tracts, books and calendars have been sent free or at cost to assemblies and individuals for their outreach work. Many of the Bibles distributed were through Maximum Security Prison Ministries.

Items sent this past quarter: 28 Bibles and 106 calendars with a total \$233 cost value; We received \$3650 in donations, while sending out \$233 in materials. Currently there is \$5876 in the Free Distribution fund, with \$1000 earmarked for the Nepali printing.

An important part of our ministry is the free distribution of Bibles and literature to those in need. Over the last few years, we have been able to send material we had on hand and worked on a few joint-projects with Believers Bookshelf Canada. Needed funds were covered by the Lord’s people.

The inventory of Bibles used for this work is running low and we seek the mind of the Lord as to whether we should print custom Bibles for this need. This is an expensive endeavor. We have found some less expensive Bibles, and are looking to see if these will work for the needs of those who receive them.

Please pray for this important aspect of the work. We only can continue this free distribution work through

the prayerful support of individuals and assemblies

Conferences:

This past quarter Larry Rosen has taken a book display to the Springfield, MA; Wayne, NJ; NYC, NY; and Clark, NJ Conferences. Glen Balsiger took books to the California Spring Conference and the Northwest Bible Conference and Al Groth took books to the Bluefield, VA Conference.

Planned Initiatives:

Volunteers:

We seek volunteers to help at Believers Bookshelf. The needs are many and diverse, including all aspects of book preproduction; proofreading, editing, page layout, cover design, data entry, web upgrades, and small projects as they arise. Some of these needs can be fulfilled from a saint’s home, like proofreading and editing.

We are thankful to those who came and helped with the physical inventory.

Audio Books:

We plan to begin publishing audio books and are looking for **(a)** individuals interested in auditioning to narrate, and **(b)** suggestions for proposed titles. Please submit responses to larry@bbusa.org.

Over the past 14 years since Larry has managed Believers Bookshelf, at least 10 people from the US and Europe have come here to help, plus those who have done work from their homes.

Qualified would-be helpers may contact us at: Believers Bookshelf

By email: email@bbusa.org

By phone: (570) 672-2134

Please Pray:

Pray for the work and workers, and for the Lord’s guidance in every aspect of Believers Bookshelf’s service to Him and His saints. Pray too that the Lord may raise up authors, especially younger brethren, to write and help produce edifying books!

Website:

Several volunteers, council members and staff have helped develop and maintain this website (www.bbusa.org) and are constantly trying to make it better.

The ministry receives requests for literature from all over the world through the website. If you see something that needs attention, please let us know.

New Publications:

The following is a taste of what we are considering:

Inspiration of the Scriptures by Snell.

1 John by Crain;

God’s Evangel by FWG;

Miscellaneous Writings of FWG I, II and III;

Advent to Advent (Luke), Tracings from John, by Stuart;

Psalms 84 by Miller; *Pasture for the Flock* by Snell;

Gospel of John, Philipians by Evans.

And these books are currently in production:

Tracts and books translated into Nepali

The Offerings by Steve Labelle

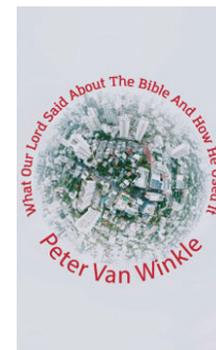
2 Samuel by Paul Palmer

The Bible Proves Itself by R. L. Daniel

Coming Soon!



Christ in Isaiah
by H. J. Vine



What the Lord Said About the Bible and How He Used It.
by P. Van Winkle

Now In Stock!



Take Heart Again



The Government of this World and Other Ministry from 1868

The Workers:

Larry Rosen, our full time manager, is paid a salary. Karen Nassem works part time and is paid an hourly rate. Additionally they receive gifts which are directed to them as serving the Lord in this ministry. The council of volunteers who guide the ministry (Paul Palmer, president; Phil Hanna, vice president; Roger Daniel, secretary; Bill Kulkens treasurer; Al Groth; Tom Senn; Jean-Luc Coquerel and Larry Rosen) meet annually and also participate in bi-monthly conference calls. Glen Balsiger represents us on the West Coast, while Al Groth represents us in the Midwest. Several additional brothers and sisters donate time to maintain day-by-day accountability, to have a continuing supply of newer books, and further streamline the operation.

Financials:

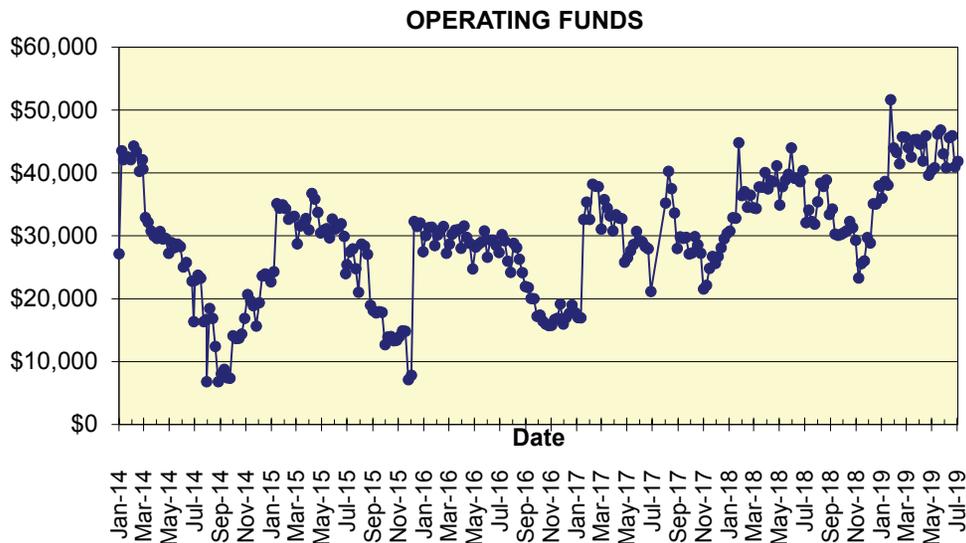
We are very thankful for the donations the Lord has led the brethren to give this past quarter. Please keep us in prayer.

Our Annual average weekly cost is \$2800.

We are grateful to the Lord for sales and are thankful to Him for gifts given this past quarter.

Historically, sales account for about half of our costs and we depend on the Lord for the remaining funds.

Last quarter our average weekly cost was \$2242 and ended with about \$45,000 in our checking account.



Ministry and History:

Believers Bookshelf is 53 years old, having received its nonprofit status January 24, 1966. Believers Bookshelf USA was formed with the exercise to keep in print, and make available selected writings of “early brethren” as well as writings of contemporary authors who follow the same truths of Scripture taught by these earlier writers.

While Believers Bookshelf USA is a registered not-for-profit corporation, it is a **ministry operating in a businesslike manner**. It seeks to keep the cost of books published affordable and below the normal retail price for similar books in bookstores, and make them as easy to read as practical for younger readers and readers for whom English is not their first language, while maintaining the scriptural truth presented.

“Give attention to reading...” (1 Timothy 4:13)

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