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Dear Friends and Supporters of SCA International:

## *Spread The WORD™ .....*

*"So shall My Word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return void, But it shall accomplish what I please ..."* Isaiah 55:11

My wife Lyndie and I were in Austin, Texas over the weekend with John (SCA Board member) and Cindy Beaton, visiting their son Matt and his family. We spent a very enjoyable Saturday cruising on the Colorado River.

Austin, a city of over 900,000 people was the subject of an article I read several years ago in World Net Daily. It was the story that prompted our SCA board to initiate our latest project Spread The WORD™, a plan to distribute the Gospel to friends and neighbours across Canada. By God's grace this plan will eventually impact every household in the country.

The story was about an anonymous, 95-year-old Austinite who wrote a cheque to facilitate the distribution of the *Gospel of John* to every resident of his city.

The headline in WND read:

### **THANKS TO A 95-YEAR-OLD CHRISTIAN, EVERY RESIDENT IN AUSTIN TO GET THE GOSPEL OF JOHN**

What caught my attention was that every single home in the entire city was reached due to the heart's desire of a single generous donor.

You likely won't find what I am about to tell you too difficult to believe. With a fairly long list of things to do, we as board members of SCA don't very often dust off the archives to take a look into its origin. So when we brought the idea to our SCA Board about setting a goal to get the Gospel of John into all 14.1 million households in Canada, imagine the confirmation we received and to our absolute delight, when Floyd Coggins, SCA Treasurer and long-time board member pointed out to us that "distribution of the Bible" was an original tenet in our founding statement of purpose. That is, when the mission was established over 100 years ago, Oswald J Smith and William Henderson made certain Bible distribution came right after preaching the gospel to the isolated and the Board hadn't really seen that happening for some time.

It reminded me in a way, of the story of King Josiah's rediscovery of the Bible in 2 Kings 23:2. *And the king went up into the house of the Lord, and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people, both small and great: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant which was found in the house of the Lord.*

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So, the board decided unanimously to invest in the first 100,000 gospels as a pilot project, making sure we are hearing what God wants us to do. The Gospel of John booklet is entitled *Can Anything Last Forever?* You will be receiving a copy in the mail soon. In it you will see that we not only invite the reader to give their life to Christ, we also offer them an opportunity to receive a complete Bible and/or to speak with us if they have more questions.



We also made a decision to invite local churches to partner with us. In some larger communities this may mean partnering with several churches. The idea behind partnering is to provide a place for people to connect with Bible believing churches if that's what they want to do.

In the past month, we have approached churches in both Aurora and Orillia about our Project **Spread The WORD™** and they have expressed a positive desire to partner with us. The Pastors of these two Churches were excited to get involved, one which jumped at the opportunity quite readily to commence distribution this Fall and the other in the New Year.

They will take on the responsibility for distribution and putting a label on the back cover identifying their church. We are excited to report that each of these communities will require nearly 20,000 copies of these booklets to distribute to every home.

Our plan will be to systematically approach more churches in communities across Canada, as the idea takes hold and of course, as the Lord supplies the resources.

In Ephesians 2:10 the Apostle Paul writes: *"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do the good works He prepared in advance for us to do"*. The Greek word "poiema" which is translated "workmanship", is where we get our word poem from. So God has creatively written the "poem" of our lives if you like, so that each one of us can be part of His plan of doing "good works". Do you know what it is He has planned for you?

I would like to challenge each one of you to consider what part God may have you play if any, in the distribution of the Gospel of John booklet throughout Canada. For starters we have estimated that to cover our cost of design, printing and handling of the Gospel of John booklet it will be about one dollar per book. This will also help to facilitate getting the program started in additional communities.

Could God's plan for your life include covering the cost of 100 booklets or perhaps 1000 or maybe even 10 or 20,000?

In addition to our **Spread The WORD™** Project, we have a number of other old and new ministry ideas underway such as: **Send a Child to Camp, GraceStream and Daniels' Den** that we are working hard to drive forward. We will be telling you more about these as well as other great ministries of SCA in the days ahead.

Most importantly, you need to know that in the tradition of Henderson and Smith the "original Shantymen", your SCA board is committed to doing God's work God's way. We would really appreciate hearing from you.

With heartfelt gratitude from the entire team of SCA, thank you for all your support.

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If you have any questions or comments please feel free to contact me at my email address: [bruce@ravenhillgroup.com](mailto:bruce@ravenhillgroup.com) or call me Toll Free at: [1-888-447-5910 Ext 727](tel:1-888-447-5910).

With Kind Regards,

Bruce

Bruce Malcolm, SCA Chairman

*P.S.*

**1) TELE-PRAYER TUESDAYS:**

We thank God for the faithful partners of this Mission who support us prayerfully and financially which enable this Mission to continue for 111 years. We celebrate His goodness often with a weekly corporate thanksgiving and prayer-time by telephone, every Tuesday @ 1:00 P.M. EST. You may join us if you can by calling the office at: 905-868-8004 or Toll Free at: 1-877-474-2689 to receive the Free **Tele-Prayer** Numbers to connect with us from right where you are, to join in for this prayer time, OR please call our office if this time does not work for you to set up another time when we can pray together OR continue to pray for the Mission of SCA in your own time. Thank you.

**2) YEAR-END Donation Reminder:**

As we approach the end of 2017 I would like to give you an early year-end reminder, should you require a **2017 Official Income Tax Receipt**.

If you are making a donation:

**a) By CHEQUE :**

Please make your cheque payable to: **SCA INTERNATIONAL**. You may indicate on the memo line if you have a preferred suggested use. **IMPORTANT: If you require a 2017 Income Tax Receipt, your donation envelope MUST be post-marked no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.**

**b) By CREDIT CARD :**

Call our office and supply us your Credit Card information with instructions for deduction at: 905-868-8004 or Toll Free at: 1-877-474-2689 anytime Monday to Friday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. EST OR no later than **December 29<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 3:00 P.M. EST** and will re-open on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. EST.

**c) DONATE ONLINE at: <http://scainternational.org/donate/> through Canada Helps. Canada helps will issue your Income Tax Receipt immediately.**

- d) **US\$ Donations** – Official Income Tax Receipts Available – Cheques ONLY. Please know that we accept US\$ donations but Cheques Only and we will issue you an official US\$ Income Tax receipt. Should you desire a 2017 US Tax Receipt, your envelope that contains your cheque ***MUST be post-marked no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.***  
Feel Free to encourage your US friends and relatives to participate in this worthy cause and assist in enabling us to move the Mission forward for God's Glory.

Thank you so much for all your financial support and prayers for our mission. We look forward to your continued support as we desire to move the Mission forward and to accomplish greater things for God in the days ahead.. Together we can accomplish much in this great mission field, right here in Canada.

May God Bless you and your family abundantly, in all you endeavor to do for Him!