



# ICLD NEWSLETTER

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*"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."* ~ Romans 10:17

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## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Lately I've been thinking a lot about Dunkirk. 1940 was before my time, but I read a book about Dunkirk when I was a kid and also a recent magazine article about what Churchill called a "miracle of deliverance". Over 300,000 Allied troops were evacuated in a true drama which many attribute to the enemy's ineptitude and nine days of fog and British courage and ingenuity, but which many have also seen as God directly intervening in answer to His people's prayers. People always note that at Dunkirk big boats and little boats participated in the evacuation. One of the 15-foot fishing boats even made it into a British Wartime Museum. With all the thrill over those hundreds of thousands who were safely evacuated and the momentum caused by this achievement to the overall war effort and ultimate victory over Third Reich tyranny, little time is spent recalling the 500,000 Allied soldiers captured and imprisoned who did not make it into any boats.

The effort of rescuing the perishing for the Gospel and Christ undoubtedly appears gargantuan in each generation. Now 6.3 billion, or so, inhabit our planet – barely one-fifth somewhere in the Christian sphere. The historically Christian countries are largely secularized and post-modernized and "tolerant". If fervent, do-or-die, Holy Spirit-dependent Christianity

is thriving and burgeoning anywhere on earth, it is in those places where it is a matter of life and death to name the name of Jesus Christ. Rather than a comfortable life and a comfortable church and a comfortable pew and a menu of tailor-made programs synonymous to the Christian life, our brothers and sisters in the "10-40 Window" and the "Third World" face the sword, starvation, degradation, and death more often than not. These people are the ones we love to send new and used Bibles and Christian literature.

Your contributions of Bibles, commentaries, theology books and Sunday School materials, along with the \$5 or the \$500 for postage to send these overseas cost-free to the recipients are the "Little Boats" and the "Big Boats" which, by God's Spirit, help "rescue the perishing". This goal and focus inspires us to keep moving on, but in all the rescuing we never forget the untold masses who remain captured and imprisoned by the enemy and his minions. Please keep praying, too.

*"Whom have I in heaven but you? And being with you, I desire nothing on earth. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."* (Psalm 73:5-6)

John Stacknik

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
*A Christian organization spreading Gospel literature to the world.*

## ICLD NEWS & UPDATES

1. At our June 25th Annual Meeting Mike Ondov was unanimously voted to be President Emeritus of ICLD, though John Stacknik will be assuming more and more of the day-to-day operations as ICLD's new President.
2. We now have a fax machine – using the same number as our phone: 612-822-7065.
3. ICLD now receives requests for Bibles and books through e-mail (icld2@juno.com). By the way, our web site is [www.icld.org](http://www.icld.org).
4. Establishing "DEPOTS" in our main receiving countries is one attempt to keep shipping costs down. So far we have one Depot in Nigeria and are in conversation regarding three other countries. Issues of logistics, responsibility, and communication take time to iron out. Thanks for praying with us.
5. Trygg, our computer volunteer and advisor, recently ordered and installed much-needed equipment in our little

office. Praise the Lord for these upgrades. Does anyone remember Unix and Linux and dot-matrix with perforated paper?

6. You might notice a new face on our brochures, newsletter, and stationery. Thanks to our friends at Atlantic Press across the street.



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## LOOKING AHEAD:

Our South Minneapolis storefront warehouse building has served our purpose well at ICLD for a long time. Walking through an unheated garage from shipping to receiving, patching the old shag carpet with duct tape, taking interior doors off of hinges to save the “swinging” space, using an L-shaped area for meetings, old bathrooms, and the intimacy of 32-inch doorways in what was once a duplex home have all been quaint. Realistically, we are asking God to provide us with a more serviceable building in the next two years. If you follow the news, you know that four South Minneapolis murders in the last few months have been within roughly six blocks of our ICLD location. Some of us think, “*Where sin abounds, grace all the more abounds.*” (Romans 5:20); however, overall it is time to move on to a better building. As of now we have NO PROSPECTS. We are before the Lord in prayer and hope to see Him guide our every step in the matter. (Proverbs 16:9)



## WORLD SNAPSHOTS

**KENYA:** Dear Brother Mike Ondov: Greetings in Jesus' Name! Thanks so much for the books, Bible study materials, and Bibles which I received from your organization and partners. This is a great work and it will go a long way in being a blessing to my leadership who are involved in the teaching and preaching ministry.

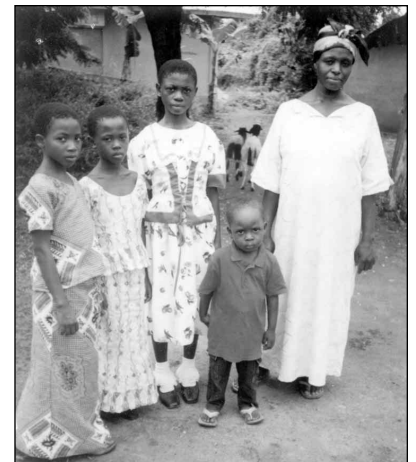
Felix Dahiambo

**NKAWKAW, GHANA:** The ministry is truly in appreciation to your outstanding contribution in form of Gospel tracts, books, cassette tapes and Christian booklets, thank you very very much for your love, care and concern. We truly love all that you've been sending us, especially from Sunday School books to the small booklets put in the box.

Thomas Ofosu, Pastor  
Calvary Evangelistic Fellowship

**GOASO, GHANA:** Please I would like to have the privilege to present my petition before you. I'm Grace Koumbol, 33 years old widow with four children. I am the wife of the late Koumbol P. Bartholomew who was a founder, leader and speaker of “Christ Our Example

Evangelistic Team”. My late husband got m a l i g n a n c y (Tomour) disease which took him for more than eight months before he died on the 27th of November, 2006. His aim was to use literature to spread the Gospel truth to the four corners in Ghana and even beyond especially the remote areas. But very unfortunate he dies at the age of 46. So I'm requesting you, in the name of our Almighty God, to assist me with any spare Bibles, literature, picture-rolls, etc., either old or used, to use to continue my late husbands work. I hope my humble request will meet your kindness in Jesus name.



GRACE KOUMBOL  
and Family

## What You Can Do:

1. Bring or send us new and used Bibles and Christian literature (commentaries, Bible dictionaries, theology books, Sunday School materials, discipleship and evangelism materials). Please do not send fiction, hymnals, magazines, or anything denominational. Think what a pastor's library or a Bible School library would look like.
2. Please set up a collection box in your church and ask people to bring in unused Bibles and Christian literature. Then arrange to bring or send to ICLD, or call us for a pick up (within reasonable distances).
3. If possible, contribute financially to help us meet our shipping costs. It takes approximately \$2.00 per pound to ship overseas using our consolidator. The Post Office is considerably more.
4. If you or someone you know is going overseas and has a pastor, missionary, or Bible School who could profit from Bibles and literature, consider being in touch with ICLD to obtain a collection of Bibles and Christian books which you can personally include in your own shipping and courier to needy recipients.
5. We have some specific office, computer, and promotional needs currently at ICLD. If you have some skills, enjoy interacting with people and have some time to contribute on a regular basis, please leave a message for John at ICLD to find out more. Thank you. (612-822-7065)

### SHIPPING REPORT

First Quarter 2008 8,696 lbs.  
Second Quarter 2008 10,321 lbs.

Our shipping volume is slowly increasing since the postal rate hikes of 2007. Your giving makes this possible. Thank you.

## WANTED

Bibles, Christian Books & Tapes,  
Sunday School and Study Materials

(Please no magazines, hymnals, fiction, or denominational)

Bring to: ICLD 3446 Chicago Ave.  
Minneapolis, MN 55407  
612.822.7065

(Wed. & Fri. mornings)

UPS: c/o Jim Nelson 1209 Selby Ave.  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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