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Emmanuel Press

Bringing God's Written Word to You

As Your Words are taught, they give light; even the simple can understand them, O God
Psalm 119:130

If there is one verse that has coloured my thinking and praying this year, it is this: "Behold I am doing a New Thing... Do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." The prophet Isaiah penned these words from God; in effect He was saying, "forget the former wonders, I AM the God of new action and demonstration." God wants to fill our hearts with who He is and what He will do if we will believe Him. Here at The Press we love what He does and have an appetite for all that lies ahead and He will lead us into.

Encouragements

Although problems are still before us and don't seem to hurry away, yet we are encouraged:

We are encouraged by God's provision. We have a great team that loves The Lord and His Word. We have faithful donors wanting to help and offer their gifts and prayer support.

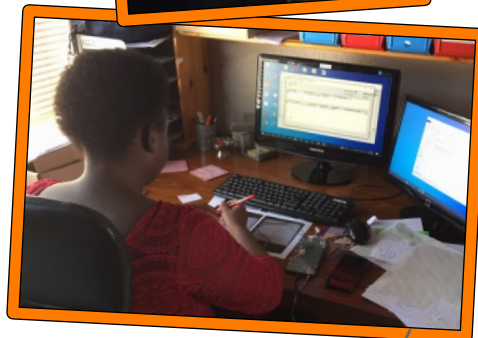
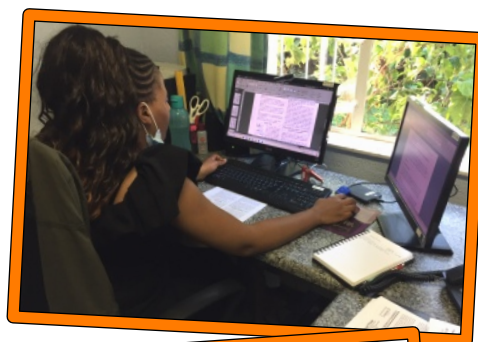
We are encouraged by new contacts and those who want to carry God's Word to their spheres of living.

We are encouraged to have new courses and new places to bring God's written Word, with simple teaching. We now have eight completed Bible Courses ready for students to engage with. This equates to over eighty individual lessons to equip new believers in understanding God's written Word.

We are encouraged to have continued good links with Hebron Theological College in Benoni, under their new principal. They print and supply our popular African hymn books.

We stand on the edge of a new schools' venture and believe that God will help us share Jesus with new young disciples.

As we look to new ways and the new things God will do, we believe that one of the key ways to reach and engage with hungry students is through the local church. In the New Testament it seems this was the avenue Paul and his contemporaries used to teach new converts. Evangelism was often two-by-two and teaching in larger groups of gathered disciples. I believe EP can work most effectively through churches so, with this in mind, we are aiming to forge fruitful links with church leaders.



Preparing, printing and marking lessons

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Each day we welcome visitors to buy a Bible or to bring their papers for marking. Sometimes it's a helpful moment for a question, counsel or just friendship. Our daily team devotions continue each morning in the office. We take turns to bring a verse or two, with a brief comment. Sometimes a song, but always thanksgiving for God's Word, His faithfulness and goodness.

Please Pray

The evangelistic cycle of students finding and bringing new students to sign up for lessons and courses was heavily interrupted by Covid closures, which brought distraction and widespread fear amongst ordinary people. Please pray with fervour and God-given faith for Emmanuel Press and for Each Paper going with Evangelistic Power for Every Person!

That God would send out His *WORKERS* into the harvest with a passion for Jesus. Matt.9:38

That God will make new believers *HUNGRY* for our teaching of Truth. Matt.5:6

That believers will discern the *TRUTH* as distinct from subtle heresies all around. Gal.1:6-7

That *CHURCHES* will use our free materials for their own disciple-making efforts Matt.28:18-20

That believers will know God's *POWER* & have spiritual wisdom to *KNOW* Him more. Eph.1:17

That we will have a God-given *ENDURANCE* and patience filled with joy. Colossians 1:11

That God will *BLESS* those who keep praying for us!

We thank you, dear supporters, and conclude with this great verse from Paul's letter: 2 Corinthians 1:11 "As you help us by your prayers, then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favour granted us in answer to the prayers of many."

On behalf of the whole team here,

Peter



Our Library of Lessons hot off the press.



EP students in Maputu, Mozambique



Ezekiah going up to higher places

When you pray, say:
"Our Father Let you Kingdom Come and may Your Name be glorified
as Your Word goes forth."

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