

中國:一般人都有能力購買聖經,但很多鄉間的窮人卻 付不起五美元來買一本。某機構在這些地區,正派送1萬 本聖經,並與國內伙伴合作,每送一本,國內伙伴也送 一本。

<Bibles For China, www.biblesforchina.org, 8/20/14>

津巴布韋:某機構福音隊在一鄉村發現,鄉民有遠象要 興建社區中心來作技能訓練、識字班、社區發展及會議 場所。福音隊聯同村民發動一次五公里長跑,每有一位 參加者即捐助五美元。結果共有549不同年齡和階層的人 參與,鄉長也來參加,並於賽後頒獎。雖有些鄉民只能 捐出幾分錢,最後共籌得3,000美元。

<Operation Mobilization, www.omusa.org, 8/13/14>

印度:2009年,一機構地區主任與當地同工到一美景山 區退修會的前一天,一同派發了1,000個聆聽版聖經(這是 他們最大規模的分發工作)。分發工作完成後,同工多謝 為他們駕駛的兩位計程車司機,多謝他們在婉轉曲折的 山路如此謹慎,並且耐心地多次為暈車者停歇等。一位 司機回答說:「先生,從來沒有人如此善待我們。你們 邀請我們共餐,又參與你們的活動。」最後,司機問能 否給他一個聆聽版聖經。這地區主任一直不能忘懷,因 為沒有聖經送給這司機。回到美國後,他在一教會講述 這事件,一位年長婦人給他70元,讓他準備兩個聆聽版 聖經,以備在同樣情況下使用。最近,他回到同一城市 開會,竟然重遇那位計程車司機,彼此驚喜相認後,將 五年來一直隨身帶著的聖經送給了他。在這幅員廣大的 印度,加上計程車司機的高度流動性,這事件發生的可 能性真是微乎其微。

<Audio Scripture Ministries of Holland, www.asmtoday, 9/2/14>

美國: Z世代的學生正開始進入全國各大學,他們是在 911事件發生後長大的,對這事件本身沒有任何記憶,但 非常清楚這事件帶來的沈痛後果:恐怖事件、戰爭、普 世經濟不景。他們精通科技,注意集中時期短暫,最易 從圖像、電腦、符號接受外界信息,而非文件。所以, 我們不能期望與他們花一小時研讀聖經,而要用他們的 語言、圖像、藝術等傳遞福音信息。

<InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, www.intervarsity.org, 9/8/14> **緬甸**:三個月前政府考慮「改教法案」,凡企圖使人改 教者要面對最高兩年監禁的刑期。近期政治的改革,並 未改善人民的宗教自由,或減少針對伊斯蘭教及基督教 少數人口的暴行。在這佛教徒佔極大多數的國家,成為 基督徒幾乎會失去一切,但最近在一鄉村有25人信主並 受了洗。

<World Mission, www.worldmission.org, 9/1/14>

希臘:1938年通過的法案,限制人民的宗教自由,不准 使人改變信仰,除非歸信希臘正教。就是說,沒有其他 宗派在法律上可與希臘正教同等。法例也要求任何人建 立教會,必須先得政府及當地主教許可,但他們很少優 待福音派。近日宗教局制定新法案,讓福音派信仰有同 等地位,除去許多障礙。

<AMG International, www.amginternational.org, 8/25/14>

中東:近日「伊期蘭國」恐怖分子的暴行,殺害許多不 與他們有絕對相同信仰的人,並使幾百萬人流離失所。 這種令人髮指的暴行除令那些「文化基督徒」審察他們 的根本信仰,也使穆斯林懷疑他們的信仰。當地的福音 工人,支援他們物質上的需要,也發現他們很開放,有 興趣知道耶穌是誰和對他們有何意義。

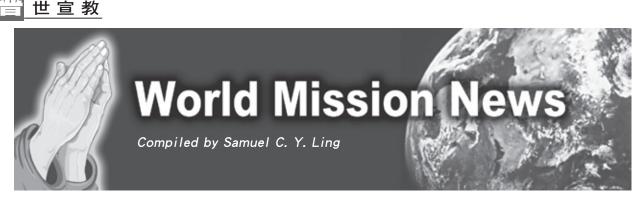
<Christian Aid Mission, www.christianaid.org 9/2/14>

烏克蘭:8月底,聯合國的報告指,東部的戰區有2,500 人死亡,26萬人逃亡。當地教會收留這些難民,彰顯基 督的愛,供應他們衣、食、住等,更有許多機會與他們 一同研討聖經,分享福音信息,許多人首次聽到福音。

<Send International, www.gfa.org, 9/4/14>

亞洲國家:2010年的洛桑福音會議,一亞洲國家的代表 團顯著地缺席。2012年,某機構的總裁會見約100位該 國的教會領袖。這些領袖透露一個異象:要差派2萬名 宣教士,在2030年完成普世福音的大使命。這位總裁在 較早前會見這批人中少數的人,用了一星期禱告,商討 策略。他們先在「10/40之窗」各處建立2,000教會,然 後與普世福音派信眾合作,裝備並動員這些教會向外發 展。

<Asian Access, www.asuanaccess.org, 9/9/14>



China: Though Bibles are available generally, in many rural areas the poor cannot afford to use \$5 to buy a Bible. An agency is distributing 10,000 Bibles in some of these areas. And they have an in-country partner that will match them Bible for Bible.

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Zimbabwe: An agency's outreach team visiting a village heard about their vision of building a community center for skills training, literacy classes, agricultural development, and community meetings. They joined the villagers to start a 5K run and gave \$5 for everyone who ran. 549 persons of all ages and all walks of life ran including the chief who presented trophies to the winners. Adding giving of the villagers, some of whom can give only a few cents, they raised \$3,000.

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India: A regional director of an agency joined his local staff one day in 2009 distributing 1,000 audio Bibles (the biggest distribution they had ever done) before taking them to a beautiful hill for a retreat. At the end of the whole event, he thanked the two cab drivers, who had been with them throughout, for their kindness and patience in driving safely up and down the switchback-filled mountain road, stopping often for car-sick members of the team. etc. One driver said. "Sir, no one had ever taken care of us as you did, invited us to eat with you, and joined in your activities." And then he asked for one of the Bibles. The director was haunted ever since because he had no more audio Bible to give him. He told this story to a church back in USA. An older lady gave him \$70 for 2 Bibles for the same situation. Recently, he went for a meeting, coincidentally, in the same town. He and the taxi driver recognized each other. And he gave him the Bible that he had carried with him last 5 years. The odds of this happening are astronomical given the size of the nation and how transient taxi drivers are.

<Audio Scripture Ministries of Holland, www.asmtoday, 9/2/14>

USA: Students from generation Z began to enter college and university campuses all across the nation. This is the generation that grew up after 911 that has no recollection of the event itself, but knows all too well its results: a world filled with terrorism, war, and collapsing economics. They are savvy with technology, have very short attention span, and converse best through images, icons, symbols rather than text reading. So instead of asking them to spend an hour in Bible study, we need to communicate to them the gospel message in their language of images, artwork, etc.

<InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, www.intervarsity.org, 9/8/14> **Myanmar**: 3 months ago, the nation was considering a "Religious Conversion Law," that people applying for conversion, with the intent of insulting or destroying a religion, can face imprisonment up to 2 years. Political reform have not improved legal protections for religious freedom or curtailed anti-ethnic Muslim and anti-ethnic Christian violence. In the predominantly Buddhist population, becoming a Christian means literally losing almost everything. Yet, 25 people have come to Christ recently in a village and baptized.

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Greece: In 1938, laws were passed restricting freedom of religion. Proselytizing is illegal unless it is to convert one to Greek Orthodoxy meaning no other group has same standing in the law. The laws also require anyone wishing to build a church to get 2 permits: one from a government agency, the other from the local bishop of the Greek Orthodox Church. They are rarely granted to evangelicals. Now the Ministry of Religion has proposed a new law to grant legal standing to evangelical churches removing a lot of existing barriers.

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Middle East: The ISIS reign of terror has caused much human suffering and millions of people displaced. It also forced many cultural Christians to examine their core belief and Muslims to wonder about their faith. Local gospel workers, in addition to tending to their physical needs, have found them to be very open and interested in knowing who Jesus is and what He means to them.

<Christian Aid Mission, www.christianaid.org 9/2/14>

Ukraine: An UN crisis report at the end of August showed that over 2,500 killed and 260,000 fled from the battle zone. Local churches reported that as they hosted the refugees and showing them Christ's love in the form of food, shelter, clothing, etc., they also get opportunities to study the Bible, and share the gospel with them. Many heard the gospel for the first time.

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Asian Nation: At the 2010 Lausanne Congress, one Asian national delegation was notably absent. The president of an agency met some 100 top leaders from that nation in 2012, when they disclose the vision of sending 20,000 missionaries to help finish the world evangelization task by 2030. This summer he met a smaller number of the same group, where they strategized and prayed together for a week. They first will plant 2,000 churches all across the 10/40 window. Then, equip and mobilize these churches to branch out in full cooperation with worldwide evangelical community.

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