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Dear Friend,

The excitement continues to build here at Bible Teaching Ministries for the Lord as the ministry grows larger. With each passing day we are blessed by the Lord and His Word that reveals to us the love He has for us. Christian love—the highest and best gift—“If I speak with the eloquence of men and of angels, but have no love, I become no more than blaring brass or crashing cymbal. If I have the gift of foretelling the future and hold in my mind not only all human knowledge but the very secrets of God, and if I also have that absolute faith which can move mountains, but have no love, I amount to nothing at all. If I dispose of all that I possess, yes, even if I give my own body to be burned, but have no love, I achieve precisely nothing.” (I Corinthians 13:1-3) JB Phillips

BTMI has been supporting pioneer mission efforts in Ethiopia. In May of 2012, a team of young adults accompanied by Virginia Reidhead Teitt, Pastor of Concord Presbyterian Church and Pastor Zegeye Hambissa, who serves an Ethiopian immigrant partner new church, went on a mission visioning trip to Ethiopia.

The people of Mekane Yesus Church of Ethiopia and the Concord Church of central Ohio understand that God is calling them to walk together to explore how church to church partnerships might be established. Currently plans are underway for a return to Ethiopia to lay the foundation for ongoing work together in developing opportunities for training and empowering churches to offer holistic outreach so that the abundant life described by Jesus might be realized in a country with such poverty and potential. Pastor Zegeye's son Samuel is now completing a degree in business and economics from Ohio State University and will be joining the other young adults in this pioneer mission work.

Recently, Virginia Teitt, BTMI's president, and Samuel Hambissa, Pastor Zegeye's son, attended a summit on African Leadership sponsored by Breakthrough Partners (breakthroughpartners.org), a mission consulting organization. Representatives from 14 African nations gathered in Addis Ababa to pray and network and share how God is using community based outreach/evangelism to transform the world one village at a time. This gathering which was held the first week of March was hosted by the Mekane Yesus Church in Ethiopia who are partners with Concord Presbyterian Church. Samuel Hambissa is certain that the opportunity to participate in this powerful experience will determine his future in using his education to contribute to the overcoming the poverty in under developed areas of the world for God's glory.

Back at BTMI, on February 4, Rick was let go from his job at Sears. With that stress burden lifted, Rick began fulltime ministry joining Wanda at Bible Teaching Ministries. The Lord is providing abundantly for the Collins, so that these two people can attend to the needs of the Ministry.

Our Web Master also has had a change in employment. He has been hired to work in the state of Maryland. What a surprise for us! He has been living in Washington State with his family. In the past 6 weeks we have met, shared meals, and generally getting to know each other in person. This is answered prayers. Rick and Wanda have been talking about taking a road trip to go out to meet them and the Lord brought them here to meet us. We serve an awesome God!

The Lord continues to answer prayers. We have been seeking the Lord's discernment for a new board member and we now have a God fearing individual. Pastor Stephen Woolverton has graciously accepted our invitation to join the Paris Reidhead Bible Teaching Ministries' Board.

Last time, we talked about 83 or more sermons that we were sending to Jason. These sermons are being organized, art work is being created, and our database updated. We've enclosed a new list of those titles available now for distribution.

We continue to match written/transcribed sermons to their audio counterpart. Praise the Lord we have matched 81 sermons! The wonderful part of matching written sermons to audio sermons is we now know when and where the sermons were preached.

This prayer letter has been printed on our brand new HP Laser printer, which was purchased in November, thanks to your generous support of this ministry. The printer has proven an invaluable tool to the Ministry, the proof of which you hold in your hands.

Since our last prayer letter the Board met in January for BTMI's annual meeting. We discussed the new book "A Paris Reidhead Reader: Three Classic Sermons" and it was felt that the title "Tongues – The Sign or a Gift" would not be included in the new book. We are making "Tongues – The Sign or a Gift" available as a written work of Paris Reidhead. The Ministry plans to publish The Reader combining three works into one publication.

Praises to the Lord for the following workers in Christ and letter received from them:

I received your package Monday and was so thrilled by your thoughtfulness... I know that my sisters will be so excited to receive these books. Thank you so much!!! I would like to request 3 sets of each of the books as I have two young girls that I am reaching out to and I know that these would be a great blessing to them. I would like to keep one 'on hand' as I have someone in my mind that I meet with who I know will greatly benefit from them, I just hope that she will be receptive. Again, thank you so much for your thoughtfulness. My sisters and I have been greatly encouraged and blessed by your love and work for the Lord. May the Lord's grace and peace be upon you. Amy-New York

Thank you very much. We sometimes listen all day to these messages!! I started "afresh" today to translate TEN SHEKELS sermon into Afrikaans. I realize it will be going slow with all the interruptions! But I don't care may God help me. My mind wants to be occupied with these things of God. God bless, Sophia-South Africa

*Greetings in the most precious name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ!
I'm glad to inform you that this afternoon; I received the two (2) packets of Christian literature that you have sent me. It contains four (4) copies of the Holy Bible (KJV/NIV), the booklets written by Pastor Paris Reidhead and some gospel tracts. Thank you so much for sending me this valuable Christian literature that I can also share/distribute with my fellow Christians here in our place of ministry. Thank you so much for your supporting us with Christian literature and interceding on our behalf for the success of the said activities. To God be the glory! Your brother and fellow-servant in Christ, Edgar-Philippines*

In closing, we ask for your prayers about the future of Paris Reidhead Bible Teaching Ministries as it continues to grow. "Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." (I Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Yours in His Service,

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