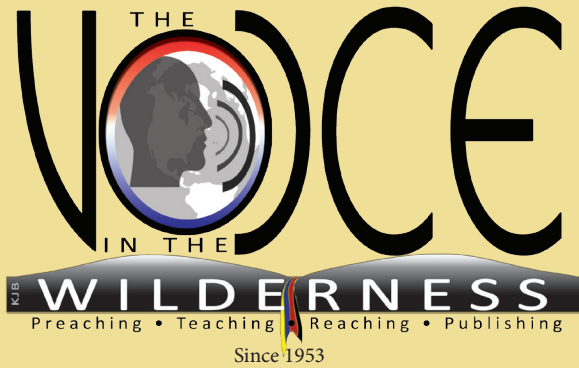


"The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight." - Mark 1:3



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MY PERSONAL MESSAGE

Psalms 126:3, "The Lord hath done **great things** for us; whereof we are glad." At the start of this year, we can certainly agree with this verse. God has and will continue to do **great things** for us. Say "Amen," right there! **Great things** are happening around the world in the Lord's work.

During the month of February, the Lord gave us safety as we traveled visiting a church that we had not been to in several years. **Great things** happened as the Lilly family reacquainted the church with the ministry during the Sunday school hour and presented The Constitution Defender Rally. Bro. Ronnie preached powerful messages for both of the Sunday services concerning the prayers of Daniel, the wickedness of the times, and the angel Michael coming "for thy words." We praise the Lord for His moving in the services and the presentation of The Voice ministry and resources, and we trust it will continue to be a blessing to the folks there. What **great things** to fellowship and renew friendships with like-minded believers.

The printing of the 100,000 Cherokee/KJB John and 100,000 Navajo/KJB John have been completed! - What **great things**! By the time you receive this letter, 5,000 should have been assembled and packed for transport to the Gathering of the Nations during April in New Mexico. Please pray for the Williamsons as they plan to go there and be a part of this Gospel witness to the Native Americans. Please also pray for the remaining final funds to come in for this project.

The Constitution Defender Rally will be at Faith Christian Academy soon as well. The seven articles of the U.S. Constitution are **great things** and we are excited to teach the young people. Would you please pray for safety as we travel and for the children to be receptive to the teaching of the true history of the United States and gain a patriotic spirit and interest in being a Constitution Defender?

Opportunities abound as we work towards scheduling future church services, acquainting new folks with the ministry of The Voice and gaining additional monthly support to sustain the needs of the work. Resources need to be reprinted and several are being sent to the printer as we write this. In March, The Voice has been invited to a men's meeting that will be attended by nearly 700 pastors and laymen. Please pray for a mighty work in the lives of those men! In the Philippines, remember the Jardeleza family as they minister in their churches as well as with the Police in their area. The works in Venezuela and Colombia are continuing to go forward for Christ; and in India, the Pastors and believers are sharing the Gospel, even under the constant and increased threat of persecution. God **IS** and **great things** will be done.

We cannot end this summary without a personal "thanks" to you. To those who sent notes to us this past month, YOU have encouraged us greatly. Thank you for committing to giving, praying and contending with us in Gospel ministry. Contending for Fundamental Christianity and American Freedoms has been the theme of this ministry for over 70 years. Those are **great things** and we are committed to go with God and **BELIEVE MORE IN '24!**

*Standing, Striving,
and Serving -
Steve & Rebekah Lilly*



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PHILIPPINES

Bibles and Literature are being distributed daily in the Philippines. What a blessing to receive constant communication of soul-winning and discipleship efforts. Pastor Jardeleza continues to make great use of the E-bike for weekly visitation and preaching moments. Souls are being saved and people are growing in the Lord. Thank you for praying and giving. The needs are great. More shipments of tracts and Bibles are needed.

VENEZUELA

Regularly we are sent communications from precious Pastors and their families serving the Lord in their own country of Venezuela. The challenges are apparent. The infiltration by China and other communist/socialist regimes keeps the people reliant on the government for their daily needs and make ministry efforts difficult. Many need to purchase buildings to meet in for their churches and Bible materials and supplies are not easy to obtain. The shipper that we typically use has now discontinued services to Venezuela due to the rising costs. Most have resorted to just sending funds in hopes that they can buy what is needed in country. Please pray as we seek a way forward to help the Pastors and churches.

ON THE ROAD

We were on shouting ground at Glory Land Baptist Church in February. The church folks learned all seven articles of the Constitution during the Sunday School hour with The Lilly family, received a ministry update, we sang as a family, AbiNoelle enjoyed joining in with her violin as we lifted our voices in hymns and Bro. Ronnie brought two soul-stirring messages from the book of Daniel. Thank you, Pastor Watson!

NAVAJO SCRIPTURES



As we write this update, we are preparing to depart for Gospel of John assembly - PRAISE the LORD! 5,000 copies will be completed in one day, with the remaining copies of the 100,000 EACH for Navajo and Cherokee being finished and transported over the next

few months. This initial supply will be driven by ministry friends (thank the Lord for good friends!) to New Mexico for distribution. We are also making plans to travel there for Gospel witness at the Gathering of Nations in April which promises an attendance of over 100,000. Pray for this effort and give as you are able.

THANK YOU

In ministry, encouragement comes in many forms. Many times, gifts, acts of kindness, or days of appreciation honor and refresh the spirits of those in ministry. For us, 70 years of ministry history prove that the Lord most often sends encouragement to us by way of USPS ☺ This past month our hearts were uplifted while reading your special notes and receiving extra and/or increased support. From this letter, you can see that projects and needs abound. Thank you for choosing to be a part of what God is doing through The Voice in the Wilderness. By faith, "believing more in 24," we move forward to accomplish much, not that we might receive praise, but that HE will get the glory and "much fruit may abound to your account."

NEW PROJECT

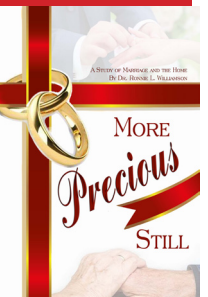
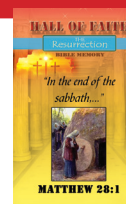
One new opportunity presented to us for further reach and gospel expansion is by way of online and digital messaging. Some 15 years ago, The Voice in the Wilderness partnered with another ministry and launched our very first ministry website. In the technology world, "15 years ago" is nearly inoperable and, let's just say ready to be "put out to pasture!" For several years we have searched for a way to refresh or upgrade the ministry website. It must be mobile-friendly and able to host all our resources and provide visitors with ease of access. Many of The Voice in the Wilderness resources currently sit in storage waiting for an appropriate online home and regularly we remove and/or lose resources due to our current antiquated website. A brother in Christ can convert our old website set-up to a new format that will allow us to expand online in future days. Viewers will have seamless access to 70 years of solid Bible teaching and preaching, videos and other media, articles, and podcasts. Communication to supporters via text, email and other options will also be available. Investing in this digital missions tool will allow us to increase our Gospel reach exponentially. Will you help us move forward and reach this goal? **NEED: \$2500**

RESOURCE HIGHLIGHTS

Bible Memory -
Matt. 28:1-20
Resurrection Set

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier -
The U.S. entered
WWI on April 6, 1917. Renew your
patriotism and learn key facts with this resource.

More Precious Still - A Biblical study of marriage: the home, fathers, mothers and children.



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Washington started the Civil War - You might say, “that doesn’t sound right..OK....but let’s think carefully. Contrary to popular opinion and what is currently being taught in the public indoctrination centers (public schools), our founders were not all entitled white slaveholders who hated the black man. In 1774, Ben Franklin and Benjamin Rush founded the Abolition Society of Pennsylvania. John Jay (first Supreme Court Chief Justice) did the same in New York. John Adams and James Madison frequently spoke against slavery. George Washington supported the freeing of slaves in the Continental Army and supported a plan for abolition. Thomas Jefferson who wrote the Declaration of Independence included language such as “all men are created equal” showing the tendencies of abolition by the founders. However, these men knew that they could not pass the Constitution (written by James Madison a Virginian) with the original language that prohibited slavery. The founders decided to tolerate slavery where it already existed. They never sanctioned slavery nor even used the word “slave” in the Constitution. By the time the Constitution was drafted, nearly every state in the Union had some legislation against slavery. In the mid 1800s, Stephen Douglas emphasized this position during his many debates with Abraham Lincoln. The Northwest Ordinance of 1787 (current Ohio, Indiana and Illinois) slavery was not allowed. By 1808, slave trade had ended in the United States. This converted slavery from a national institution to a Southern institution. This allowed slavery to grow south of the Mason/Dixon line as the institution transitioned from being a market to generational. The founders knew that if they addressed the slavery issue, it would cause a Civil War. Because of this decision to let it alone, Washington and the other fathers of this country let the future generations hash out the issue. We all know that nearly a half century later, the prolonging of their decision came to a head and the Civil War was fought. Slave or States?

Give Me My Money—Recently, Yale University issued a formal apology for ties that some of their founders had to slavery and announced several new initiatives for researching Yale history and making amends. The University, founded in 1701 for the training of preachers in Connecticut, boasts an endowment valued at \$42.3 billion dollars. Among the alumni of Yale are 5 US Presidents, 10 Founding Fathers, 19 Supreme Court justices, many heads of state, cabinet members and governors. However, after the George Floyd murder in 2020, there was a 4 year long project entitled the Yale and Slavery Research Project. It was determined that nearly 200 people were held as slaves by the university’s founders and early leaders. Yale is not the only Ivy League University that is wanting to make amends for its “extensive entanglements with slavery.” Harvard and Brown Universities have dedicated millions of dollars to research and amends to descendants of enslaved people. Many have taken to social media to express their views on the subject...some for and some against. However, one person summed it up best by saying, “No actual slave holders said

anything. And no actual slaves heard them say it.” Just think about it....in keeping this philosophy, perhaps Egypt owes Israel reparations money for enslaving their people for nearly 400 years?

SBC and Not Me—The Trustees of the Southern Baptist Convention met recently and expelled four churches from their denomination. Each church was designated as “being out of friendly cooperation” with the group. Two were removed for their alleged mismanagement of sexual abuse, one hired a woman as the senior pastor, while the last had failed to give to the SBC’s common fund for nearly 5 years. Perhaps in efforts of holding on to a conservative appearance, they are considering an amendment to their constitution that would bar churches that have hired a woman having a title of pastor, no matter their role at the church (for clarity, this would prohibit a woman for being called the Children’s Pastor). This is a follow up from what the Executive Committee for the SBC did last February when they expelled five churches, the most notable being Rick Warren’s Saddleback Church. Who knows? Maybe now they will consider Biblical principles for music, dress, and alcohol. Dr. Carol Swain, an SBC member, a black woman and legal scholar whose works recently came to the forefront after having been plagiarized by Harvard President, Claudine Gay, has repeatedly stated that she is tired of the Southern Baptist constantly apologizing to the black community...she accepts their apology...and wants them to just move on from the topic. Confusion abounds...if only they could get the right Bible, then The Way would be clear.

Which continent are you watching? - The eyes of the world are on the Middle East. Of course where there is instability, the Chinese Government would love to step in. According to Gordon Chang, Xi Jinping is hoping that Iran will disrupt the world, with Chinese diplomats in the Middle East telling the Arabs that the US can’t protect the Red Sea. Their only hope is China. In fact, Iranian ships sought protection in the Chinese naval base a Djibouti during the recent counterstriking by the US in response to the deaths of 3 US service members during a recent Iranian drone attack. The US and Britain attacked 36 Houthi targets in Yemen, Iraq and Syria. Various Tehran-backed terror groups have entered the conflict in support for the Palestinians. Hezbollah is attacking on the Lebanese-Israeli border....Iraqi militias have fired on US forces in Iraq and Syria.....Houthis are at sea firing on vessels in the Red Sea and even at Israel. By the way....China is doing the same thing in South America with the instability in Venezuela, Colombia and even Brazil. They are trying to subvert US influence around the world. The Chinese government has lent billions of dollars to the governments of South America (all of which have renounced their recognition of the Taiwanese government and only recognized the communist government in Beijing). US Congress has recognized the growing influence of China in this hemisphere and have passed measures to strengthen

NEWS BITS FROM HERE AND THERE

multilateral security cooperation, counter-narcotics efforts and create permanent trade partnerships to encourage the “reshoring” of supply chains from China to countries closer to home. That’s news to me.

Lincoln, The Great Emancipator? - Here’s truth, in Fact---about Abraham Lincoln....He wasn’t an abolitionist...a person who not only wanted the elimination of slavery, but also the incorporation of freed enslaved people into society as equal members. In contrast, Lincoln’s speeches and writings stated that he really didn’t know what to do with the black person. In his debates with Stephen Douglas, Lincoln stated that black people should not have the same rights as white people. His position held that the South had slaves and that was a fact. He opposed voting rights for Black people and their right to serve on juries, hold office or intermarry with whites. He thought that colonization in Africa or South America was the solution for ending slavery. The Great Emancipator’s Proclamation in 1862 was a military policy....which only applied to slaves of the Confederacy, and that being, only if the Northern States won the Civil War. Lincoln believed that this political move was providing a way for the slaves of the South to rise up in rebellion against their masters. Union States that were south of the Mason/Dixon line did not free their slaves till well after the Civil War was over. In truth, it was the 13th Amendment in 1865 that ended slavery but not all States immediately ratified it. It wasn’t until 1870 that every citizen was given the right to vote no matter race and in 1920, suffrage was given to the female. Facts can certainly bring truth into clear view.

Contending for American Freedoms - Amendment 14 Section 3 says: *No person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any State, who, having previously taken an oath, as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may by a vote of two-thirds of each House, remove such disability.* That is in the Constitution. Think about it! - As far as J6, the Capitol riot, and all that liberal, leftist, extremists have said about the insurrection. Videos and witnesses have not been allowed to come forward to speak about the riot, i.e. the Ashley Babbitt murder and the lawsuit. That information has not been publicly disclosed. What about the embedded agitators, etc., that stirred up the riot on J6. And Mr. Trump has not been tried and convicted for insurrection. We DO know that the criminal squatter in the White House is not a legitimate, elected President of the U.S. and is not even capable of carrying on that office. And what about that statement of giving aid or comfort to the enemies of this Unit-

ed States of America. What about all the actions, executive orders, and money that has been sent out to our enemies? Daniel said, “Oh Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face...All this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God that we might turn from our iniquities and understand thy truth.”

CONTENDING FOR FUNDAMENTAL CHRISTIANITY - Your loved one just died and the doctor comes in and says, “The surgery went well, and we only made three or four critical mistakes but you can be comforted that there were a possible one hundred mistakes and we only made three or four of them.” Now, that would not be a comfort and you would scream Malpractice! Many preachers have flip-flopped on Bible authority, Bible versions, Biblical separation and church music. The words they use are culturally-shaped - about like a *poly-ticks* words in D.C. Multiple Bible versions are used in their sermons. Words have changed to fit this trans-advanced, purpose-driven modernistic church movement. They talk Biblical Worldview, but if it is up to the multitude of ministries and ministers to pick and choose from dozens of Bibles with different words and different definitions for different changing times and situations - well, what kind of “Biblical” Worldview will that sinking sand produce? North Carolina now requires voter photo ID. Instructions state: *Voters who vote by mail may be asked to include a photocopy of their ID when returning their ballot...All voters will be allowed to vote with or without a photo ID. Voters who do not have a photo ID when they vote can make sure that their vote counts by either 1) filling out a form explaining why they are unable to show ID or 2) showing their ID at their county Board of Elections office by 5pm on March 14th, the ninth day after the election.* God is not the author of confusion nor is He the author of a “Biblical” Worldview that rejects Scriptural preservation, inspiration and the absolute authority of God’s Word.

Don’t Forget - Request these Resources today!

Marriage and the Home - Packed full of wit, humor, illustrations, and important Scriptures, key Biblical elements of a Godly marriage and home are unfolded in this study book, which spans from the duties of mothers and fathers and practical discipline guidelines to answering difficult questions regarding divorce and remarriage. Using the Bible as his foundation and over 50 years of marriage and ministry, Dr. Ronnie Williamson encourages and exhorts Christians to study and apply God’s Word so that they too can say it is “More Precious Still.”

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier - Experience each personal moment with Ellie during WWI while awaiting news of her soldier-brother on the battlefield of France. You will walk the steps to the Memorial Amphitheater with her and glimpse the honor given to one who gave all for freedom and homeland. Then join Tweety-Pie for a unique pictorial tour of Arlington National Cemetery and the history surrounding the Unknown Soldier and his burial.

Bible Memory - Prepare for Resurrection Day with the Matt. 28 Bible Memory set. Baseball size cards have one verse, key words, tidbits from history and tips to help you remember truths found in God’s Word. Memorize and collect all 20 cards. Great for individual study or family devotions.



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