## **COORDINATOR'S CORNER**

December 2021





As we go through this holiday season, our thoughts often turn to family and friends, of memories from the year that's ending, and of plans for the year ahead. At World Bible School, we certainly have these same thoughts. We are so very thankful for you, our WBS family and friends, for your willingness to allow us to partner with you in spreading the Gospel, and for your love of Jesus and his church. We remember both the huge challenges and wonderful victories of 2021, and look forward with much excitement to the great opportunities God will put before us in 2022. As we make plans to begin another new year in God's service, let's all be encouraged by God's words in Philippians 4:6-7: "...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." To all of you, thanks again

for your partnership and your love. May the holidays be a great time for all of us to reflect on our blessings and on the assurance that we can have the peace of God in our lives.

### **WBS INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING IS HERE!**

As we reported last month, Alpha Mailing Solutions is going out of business the end of this month. That means that WBS Study Helpers and congregations can no longer use Alpha to ship their printed lessons to overseas students. To provide continued, uninterrupted international shipping service, WBS is taking this service in-house, assuming the role that Alpha has filled so capably for almost 20 years. For those who want to make use of this new WBS service, little will change from what you've been used to with Alpha. Continue to mail your packages to the same address...simply change the addressee line to read "WBS International Shipping". For more detailed information about how this service works, please read pages 3 & 4 of this edition of Coordinator's Corner.

## LAST MINUTE HOLIDAY PURCHASES? DON'T FORGET... AMAZON SMILE HELPS WBS!

The holiday season is just around the corner, and with it comes gift shopping. As you shop this year, there is a free way for your purchases to benefit the good work of WBS. When you make purchases on *Amazon.com*, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase amount to WBS. This program, called AmazonSmile, is a simple



and automatic way for you to support WBS every time you shop at Amazon, <u>at no cost to you!</u> To support WBS using AmazonSmile, do the following:

1. Go to <a href="http://smile.amazon.com/ch/74-2254797">http://smile.amazon.com/ch/74-2254797</a> and log in to your Amazon account. This will designate WBS as the charitable organization you want to benefit from your Amazon purchases.

2. Then every time you shop at Amazon, log into smile.amazon.com instead of amazon.com. (It's the same Amazon site...same products, same prices, same service.) When you shop here, Amazon will donate .5% of the price of your purchases to WBS.

It's as simple as that, and when hundreds of people do this, it really adds up. (In the most recent three month period, Amazon donated \$570.15 to WBS. Since the Smile program began, they have donated a total of \$9,191.78 to WBS. Your purchases can make a big difference...enroll today!)

#### REMINDERS

- The **2021 Austin Benefit Dinner** held November 9th was a tremendous success! Over 160 people attended in person, with more joining us online. The messages brought by Truitt Adair, John Reese and Brian Davis were inspiring, and total gifts received have topped \$100,000! If you would like to watch the event online, go to <a href="https://www.worldbibleschool.net/austin2021">www.worldbibleschool.net/austin2021</a>
- Mathetis now offers 12 different study courses on a wide variety of topics. Go to <u>www.mathetis.org/preview</u> to view the courses, then form a study group with your friends and enjoy your study together.
- Is WBS visiting a congregation near you soon? Go to <a href="www.worldbibleschool.net/events">www.worldbibleschool.net/events</a> to find out. If we are, come join us...we'd love to see you. If we're not coming to your area soon, invite us to visit your congregation!
- **Did you know...??** You can adopt WBS postal students from the WBS teaching website (<u>www.worldbibleschool.org</u>). Typically, postal students are available from a variety of countries. Check it out to see if there are students from a country you have a particular interest in.
- WBS Study Edition Bibles make great Christmas gifts.
   Offerings include the English Standard Version, the New King James Version, and French language Bibles. All include comprehensive study helps which pair perfectly with the WBS Master Series courses. Prices are so affordable, from \$5 for our compact ESV Bibles to only \$14.95 (plus shipping) for our leather, large print, ESV Presentation Bible. To order WBS Bibles go to www.worldbibleschool.net/shop or call 877-393-0211.



#### HAVE QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, IDEAS?

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You. Sharing Jesus.



Some of the 268 WBS students who recently celebrated their graduation from the WBS study course in Monrovia, Liberia. God's word is powerful and is reaching around the world!!

January 2022

## Announcing



WBS postal Study Helpers know that caring, prompt interaction is key to keeping students engaged in their Bible studies. WBS postal teaching depends on timely, reliable and affordable international shipping. Our new **WBS International Shipping** service works with the United States Postal Service (USPS) to consolidate international mail for highly discounted air shipping rates—much lower than normal USPS, FedEx, UPS and DHL rates.

(For current pricing, go to worldbibleschool.net/internationalshipping)

## Important Tips for International Shipping

- **1.** WBS International Shipping ships only media/ printed material, primarily WBS lessons and Bibles (no clothing, church supplies, household items, etc.).
- 2. We cannot deliver domestic U.S. mail.
- **3.** We cannot track individual packages.
- **4.** There are generally only three reasons why a package does not reach a WBS student:
  - a. It is "undeliverable", due to an incorrect/incomplete/illegible mailing address.
  - b. The student does not pick up their package at the local post office.
  - c. Someone fraudulently takes it. (Nigeria and lately Kenya are particularly notorious for this.)
- **5.** For large shipments to a key contact person, be sure to let them know in advance. Let them know 2-3 weeks after you ship your materials to WBS. Tell them to inform their local post office that they are expecting a package and to continue checking with the post office until it arrives.
- **6.** WBS International Shipping delivers mail to the designated USPS injection point for that

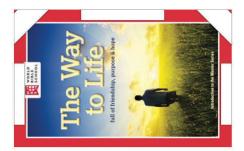
- country. From that point the country's internal postal system is responsible for delivering to the student's address. Postal inefficiencies and disruptions in a country can delay the delivery.
- **7.** WBS International Shipping does not serve countries to which USPS is not shipping mail. (To find current USPS information search online: "USPS international service alerts".)
- **8.** If you send WBS International Shipping a package that requires repackaging, label creation, etc., a small handling fee will be applied.
- **9.** WBS International Shipping will invoice you for each shipment as a customer of World Bible School.

# If you have been a customer of Alpha Mailing Solutions

the process will not change much. Just send your international mail to "WBS International Shipping" at the address listed at the bottom of this document.

If you are new to international shipping follow the above Tips and the following instructions.

- Prepare mail in accordance with guidance provided in the WBS Postal Program Guide (available at worldbibleschool.net/ppguide).
- **2.** Legibly and accurately write the student's name and complete mailing address with the country name in CAPITAL LETTERS on each piece/envelope.
- 3. Include a U.S. return mail address in the upper left corner of each piece/envelope. This address may be different from the address your student mails their answer sheets to, depending on the country they are in. If possible, use the P.O. Box number or mailing address for your congregation, not your home address. Also print your congregation's WBS code number under your U.S return address (important for shipping/billing purposes. If you don't have a WBS code number, call us at 877-393-0211 to get one.)
- **4.** Secure each piece/package as follows:
  - a. *The Way to Life* introduction lesson does not need an envelope. Address it and



tape each corner and along the three page sides in accordance with the Postal Program Guide as shown here.

- b. For all other lessons/materials, secure envelope with packing tape. Scotch tape, envelope flap brads and seals are not adequate. Also securely tape every corner.
- **5.** Do not use staples.
- **6.** Sort individual pieces/envelopes into bundles by country.
- 7. Place your individual pieces/envelopes into an envelope or box, and send to WBS International Shipping at the address listed below. Mail it using USPS (usually the cheapest option) or ship it via UPS or FedEx.

### **Mailing WBS Bibles**

Order WBS Study Bibles and we will ship them to your students for you.

- 1. Send us:
  - a mailing label with each student's name and address, with the country in CAPITAL LETTERS;
  - b. a mailing label with your U.S. return mail address (including your WBS Code number).
- **2.** Or email us the above information and we will create labels for you.
- **3.** We will ship the WBS ESV Study Bible (while supplies last) and then the WBS NKJV Study Bible. We will invoice you for the purchase and shipping.

Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel with WBS! Let's continue working together to share Jesus with a lost world. **WBS International Shipping can help!** 

Send your packages to: WBS International Shipping #150

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