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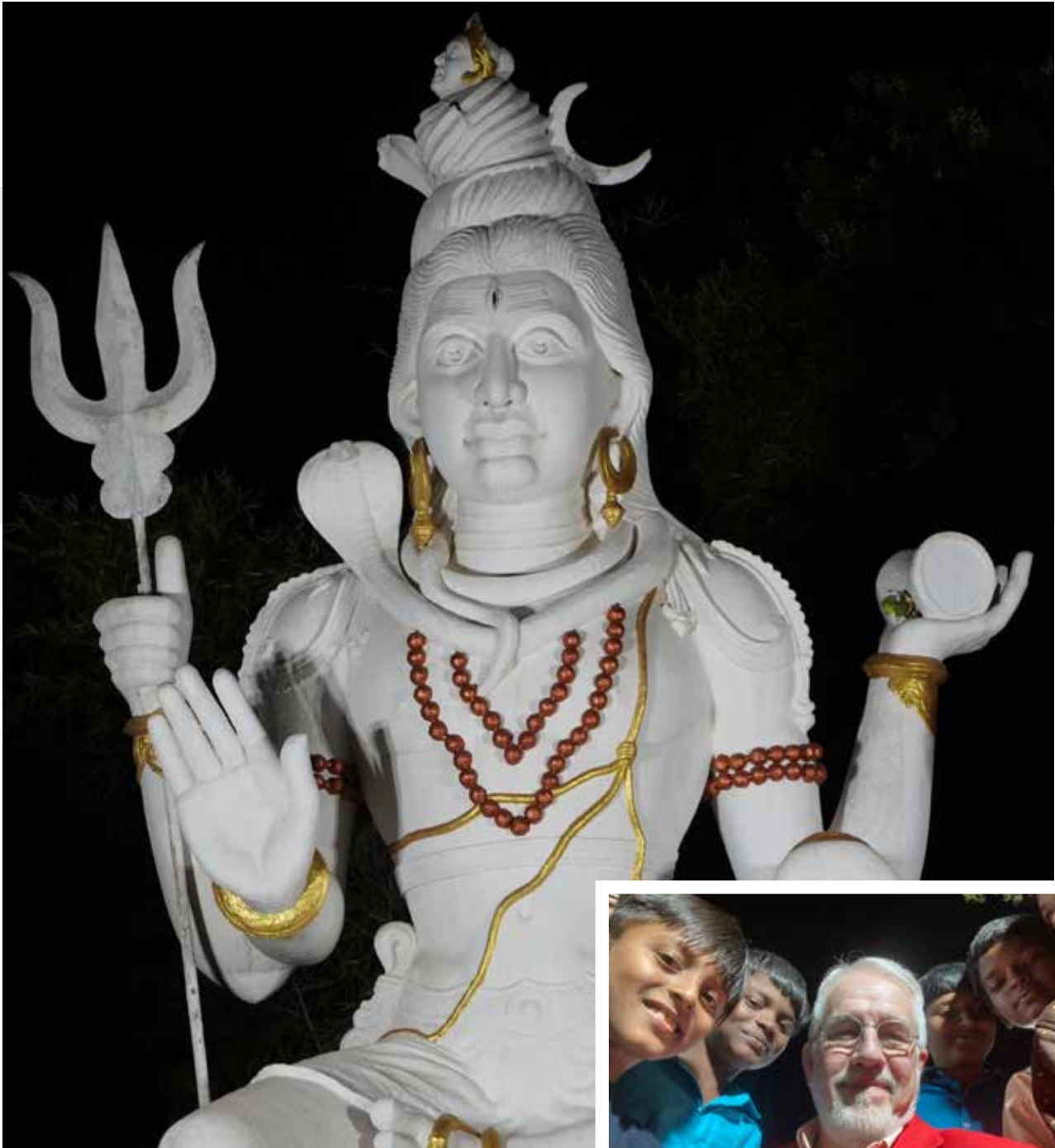
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MENTORING

IN EDIFICATION

EDIFYING THE CHURCH IN INDIA



**Too many young people growing up
in the darkness of idolatry!**





Sondra and I traveled through the great subcontinent of India during January. I worked with my uncle, Wayne Davis, in 1995 in a series of Gospel meetings with young church

plants. In the early years of World Bible School, many of our West Coast Christian / WBS leaders focused great energy on India. Great leaders of the church in India like Brother Chandrapaul in Vijayawada and Brother Ranganathan in Chennai have translated and printed WBS courses in their evangelism over the years to great effect for the Kingdom of Christ!

New WBS tool users, like Brother Anil Kumar, are embracing our new digital tools while still using the power of the printed word. Even others like my dear friend Brother Saha Vanga in Tadepalligudem and my new friends Brothers N.V. Dass and P. David from Vijayawada, and many others, who are considering WBS tools for the first time, showed us great love and hospitality during our visit.

The purpose of our visit was twofold:

1. To reconnect with our great relationships in India from our first 50 years of WBS.
2. To hear how WBS is currently being used and how WBS can better serve the church and the lost in this important nation, the most populous nation on earth with 1.46 billion citizens.

The church leaders in turn asked for three things that would **edify** the churches as they seek the lost:

1. They requested better communication of WBS tools and activities within India.
2. They requested advanced Bible courses in their local languages.
3. And they requested help in becoming Study Helpers, so they can experience the growth that comes from the great evangelism tools of WBS.

WBS is working hard to make significant inroads for these requests!

1. **Communication:** WBS is in the process of developing ACTION! Magazine digital platforms for all of our major Student recruitment regions on earth. These platforms will become communities for sharing what is happening and what is working in these regions. Very shortly, I am envisioning the development of ACTION! India or perhaps ACTION! Asia. Also ideas have surfaced of an ACTION! Nigeria, ACTION! Africa, ACTION! Español and ACTION! Português. Be looking for updates on these things in our monthly ACTION! Newsletter emails. Subscribe today at worldbibleschool.net/action.
2. **WBS Library:** WBS will be releasing 10 advanced Bible courses on our new WBS Library in English and Telegu. In some cases, the Tamil translation will also be available. Check out the WBS Library, at wbslibrary.org for the latest releases and their associated languages.
3. **Study Helper Participation of the churches of Christ in India:** This is a two-prong endeavor that includes:
 - a) Printing the WBS Master Series in India and pairing those courses with congregations who want to evangelize with these tools.
 - b) Developing the WBS Lite App in Telegu. This of course is a much larger future project that will have to be considered in light of resources and timing. We estimate a project of this significance to cost around \$250,000.

A family has already offered a matching gift of \$100,000 to WBS. What a challenge! Would you participate and double your gift?

If you are interested in helping us edify the church in India, along with many other Christians and seekers from around the globe, you can give at worldbibleschool.net/give, call 512-345-8190 or contact George Barlow at gb@worldbibleschool.net.



This issue's cover is a picture from the South East church of Christ in Chilakaluripet, India. Nothing speaks to edification more than the sharing of the Lord's Supper with one's brothers and sisters!



Brian listening to church leaders in Vijayawada as we discuss brotherhood needs and how WBS tools may be able to help. Brother Anil Kumar, who organized this gathering, shares his story.



Worshiping our Lord in the vibrant colors of Tadepalligudem, India.



Brian and Sondra greeted with lots of flowers in Chilakaluripet, India.



Brian meeting one of the young men, Brother Dayakar, who works with Gospel Chariot and Gospel Share Ministries.



Brother Saha Vanga, who Brian worked with in 1995, prays for WBS efforts. He and his family hosted Brian and Sondra in their home in Tadepalligudem, India.



WHAT WE DO TOGETHER!



BY TRAVENA ROGAN

MT JULIET, TENNESSEE - WBS SUPPORT

Recently, WBS Support received a call from one of our dear Study Helpers, Barbara Cloninger. She was asking how to help her WBS Lite App Student retrieve her course certificates. We were able to find a solution for her Student, then I told Barbara, "Thank you for being a Study Helper for WBS, we appreciate all that you do."

She replied, "I enjoy being a Study Helper so very much!"

I asked her, "Why?" and she said, "I am 87 years old and cannot get around like I used to. My recliner is my seat for much of the day. Being a Study Helper allows me to correspond with people from all over the world who want to learn about Jesus and often become baptized. I like that many of my Students stick with me until they finish their courses. I can continue to encourage and correspond with them. It is very rewarding, because you are helping others know about God."

I also asked Barbara, "What advice would you give to other Study Helpers?"

She quickly replied, "If some of the Students you adopt drop off, for whatever reason, just keep adopting more. You must stick with it and eventually you'll get those who want to learn about God."

I told her its like casting your net wide, like Peter did, to catch fish. Except Jesus invites us to catch souls searching for the truth. She replied, "**Yes, that is what we do together!**"

Side note: Some of our international WBS Lite App Students are struggling to download their course certificates. Some Students are facing limitations on their mobile devices; others have difficulty accessing stable internet. Our team is currently researching new ways to help Students gain access to their certificates.

If your Student is having trouble, we are here to help at help@worldbibleschool.net or call 512-345-8190. God Bless!

United IN CHRIST



A NEW WBS COURSE
COMING SOON

**Edifying the church through quality Bible curriculum.
Browse our courses at worldbibleschool.net/resources.**

BY JOHN REESE | PRESIDENT EMERITUS



World Bible School is pleased to announce the upcoming release of its newest course, “United in Christ”. For many Christians, unity is a difficult subject. In the world, they see wars and deep political divisions. In Christendom, they see thousands of competing denominations. They see Satan continually tempting the church with division. Reading Jesus’ promises of peace and His prayer for unity (John 14, 16, 17), it is easy to wonder, “Was Jesus being overly optimistic? What happened to His plan and prayer?”

This course is based on John 17 and the seven “one’s” of Ephesians 4. It explores Scripture’s answers which still affirm, “Yes, Jesus delivered peace! Yes, the Father fulfilled Jesus’ prayer for unity! Still today, the Father gives perfect unity to His people!” Along the way, the course shines Scripture’s light on current challenges from without and within the church. “United in Christ” is a must-study for your congregation, your class, your small group, your family, your mentees and your Students. In today’s climate, the relevance of biblically-defined unity cannot be overstated. For a taste of United in Christ, consider the following summarized excerpts.

Excerpt on John 14

In John 14:23, Jesus makes a solemn promise based on a condition: “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him.” We cannot change the promise, but we can fulfill or fail to fulfill the condition. If we let our love grow cold, if we choose not to follow the one Lord, then we lose the sweet fellowship we once had with Him and His Father (Hebrews 6:4; 10:26-31). They never promise to make their home with the disobedient. It is as “we walk in the light” that “we have fellowship with one another” (1 John 1:7). Fellowship is never promised to those who insist on walking in darkness.

Excerpt on John 17

In John 17, Jesus prays for a

unity of relationship between Himself, His Father and each believer. Jesus is not praying for a man-made achievement, for alliances, for a potential unity that might or might not work. Jesus’ prayer is rooted in divinely established reality. The Father dwells in the Son. The Son dwells in the Father. The Son also dwells in His followers. That is the nature of the unity of John 17. Divine relationships make believers “perfectly one” (John 17:23). Such complete oneness is quite different from unions that attempt to patch together the factions of Christendom. Jesus’ prayer is not about getting denominations to improve their attitudes, to war less and to cooperate more. His prayer is about real unity at the deepest level.

Excerpt on Short Cuts

Vital truths can be surrendered by focusing on just a few verses, such as 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, as a shortcut to “one faith.” The same problem arises with similar solutions such as, “We can all unite on ...

- ... belief that there is one God.” Unfortunately, that might unite us with demons who have the same belief (James 2:19).
- ... the confession that ‘Jesus is Lord’ or ‘Jesus is the Son of God’.” Unfortunately, that might unite us with unclean spirits and with believers whom Jesus has never known (Mark 3:11; Matthew 7:21-23).
- ... adopting an official statement such as the Creed of Nicaea.” Can mere

men define the “one faith” with better words than God used in His inspired Scriptures? Quite apart from its lack of divine authority, the Nicene Creed addressed issues that were pressing then. But it could not anticipate other issues critical for unity today.

- ... depending on ecumenical councils.” While well-intentioned, such councils endorse the major divisions represented by their members. Their “unity” initiatives, therefore, are more about mutual acceptance and improved cooperation.

Such efforts fall far short of the unity Jesus envisioned, that believers “may be one even as We are one, I in them and You in Me, that they may become perfectly one” (John 17:22-23). Jesus did not merely want factions to get along, giving a better impression to the world. He looked to the Father for maximal unity that faithfully reflected Deity’s perfection. Modern efforts go in the opposite direction, looking for minimal unions. For human alliances to work they must be based on the lowest common denominators on which humans can agree. Jesus holds us to the much higher standard—His own “one faith”—that truly honors His Father.

For updates on the release date for “United in Christ” and other exciting news from WBS, subscribe to our monthly emails, ACTION! Newsletter, at worldbibleschool.net/action.



Escuela Biblica Mundial - Julieth signed up for WBS in Pereira, Columbia and began studying the **Master Series courses in Spanish**. Seeking more, Julieth asked her Study Helper if they could meet for an in-person Bible study, where she brought her husband, Juan, their three children and nine elderly individuals who lived in a nursing home next door to their house. Julieth and Juan had also been searching for church with "good doctrine". After further in-person studies, Julieth and Juan were baptized into Christ, surrounded by their new church family.

World Bible School is committed to **renewing the church** as we are **reconciling the lost** to Christ!
This is the joy of mentoring in edification!



Many congregations have found an **effective method for Follow-up** by partnering with their missionaries or mission points to host a WBS Seminar or Campaign near many of their Students. Study Helpers will invite their Students to participate, connecting them to the local church. This three day seminar in Uyo, Nigeria **concluded with eight baptisms**.

Pictured here is **Brother Mojima Etokudo** with one of our new brothers in Christ.





LIBRARY



WBS COMMENTARY IN BASIC ENGLISH MATTHEW

ACTION! Magazine recently reported the launch of its new WBS Library to make Bible study resources available digitally to Christians and seekers in multiple languages worldwide. Our latest release is a commentary on Matthew, the first installment of the “WBS Commentary in Basic English,” edited by Van Tate and Brian Rex Davis.

Van and his wife Jean, with Ted and Martha Ogle, were the first American missionaries for the churches of Christ to Kenya, East Africa (1965). Those whom Van taught were eager learners. But, for most of them, English was a second or third language. Existing study resources were unsuitable for them. By working toward a solution with experienced fellow missionaries, Van compiled a commentary based on the Simple English Bible translation - a translation produced within our brotherhood.

After clarifying key terms, the introduction to Matthew says, in part, “*The Book of Matthew forms a bridge between the Old and New Testaments. Much of Matthew’s writing deals with Old Testament prophecy and how Jesus fulfilled prophecy. Matthew wanted his Jewish readers to know that Jesus was the promised Messiah and to understand the kingdom of God.*” This commentary’s simplicity and faithfulness to New Testament Christianity continues to make it a valuable resource.

WBS Commentary in Basic English is edited and compiled using the following perspectives.

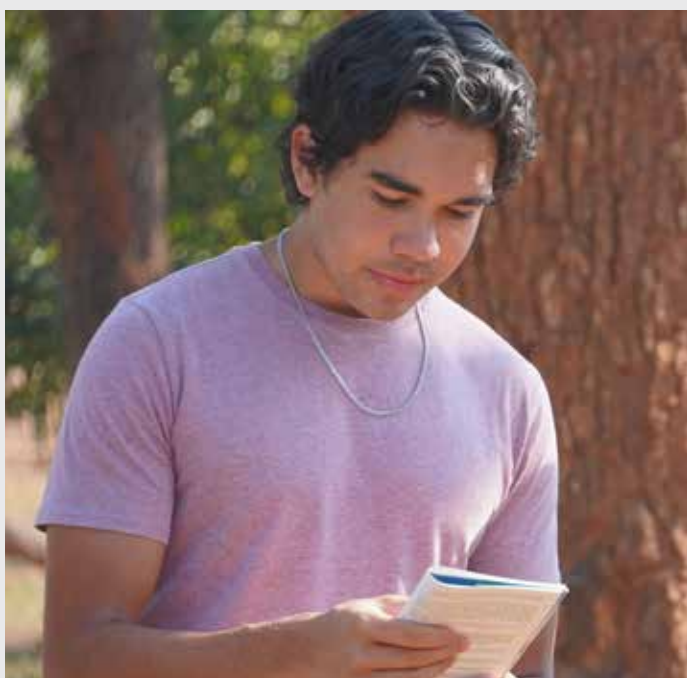
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2. The Bible establishes the New Testament as the Christian’s only rule of faith under the Kingship of Christ.
3. The Bible preserves the pattern of New Testament Christianity for all ages as Christ desires for the unity of His Body, the church.

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EDIFYING YOUTH TO SHARE JESUS

PHILLIP & NATHANAEL - JOHN 1:44



BY JERRY ELDER | YOUTH MINISTER, SPRING HILL, TN

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

John 1:43-51 (ESV)

The story is simple. Philip encounters Jesus, a man in the region that has mystified a generation like none other - the Messiah. Not self-proclaimed but through the works seen and heard, Philip becomes a disciple, a follower.

Excited about this, he can't wait to share this "Good News" with a friend, Nathaniel. As would any good Jewish man, Nathaniel has questions. "Where is he from?" "Nazareth!" "What good comes from there?"

Philip's answer was so simple. "Come and See!" The heart of Philip was not going to be

torn down. He knew! He knew that this was the one that was promised - the one spoken of from the prophets. And now he wanted his friend to experience this same message, this same love. He wanted him to meet Jesus.

The message of "Come and See" is what we need to be sharing with all people today, especially our young people.

In a world of doubt and unbelief, we often shy away from spreading the news of Jesus, God's only Son (John 3:16). It must be talked about, discussed, YOU should have that fire in your bones to share this message!

But how? We are really good at telling someone what they should do, but lack helping them to know how! Let's talk about three quick ways to make this happen:

1. GO! There was a book years ago titled "Go Ye Means Go Me" The premise of the book was in the title. Jesus, sent out workers to spread this Good News of salvation through Him. There was no "I will wait until tomorrow" attitude! Our young people need to know that they have a Savior. They need to know the story. In order to tell the story, YOU need to know the story. Bible study and prayer are essential in making this happen. Don't be afraid, to GO to your friends, family and to those you will build relationships with and share the greatest story in the world. GO!

2. Don't be afraid to tell YOUR story. Tell how Jesus changed your life, saved your soul. The conversion story of Paul is told three times in the books of Acts (Acts 9, 22, 26). It's more than the "I got baptized story". Tell what led

to it. Parents, tell your children WHY you are a follower of Jesus. What led to your baptism that SAVED you from your sins? All stories are remarkable in how Jesus changed the lives of ALL of us! Young people need to know that HE can CHANGE their life too!

3. Share your PASSION! If you are not passionate about Jesus and His love, grace and mercy, how will others see HIM in you? "From the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, the NAME of the LORD shall be praised" (Psalm 113:3). Philip couldn't wait! His passion was seen in his actions and he wanted Nathaniel to know about it so he too could gain a passion for the Lord. Share your passion wherever you go - in your job, school, social media. As the old song says, "Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me."

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Colossians 3:1-4 (ESV)

Our passion is Christ! Our LIFE is Christ! When others see it, it becomes contagious!

Oh, the doubters - even Nathaniel had doubt. But when he met Jesus and SAW the great things, he proclaimed, "YOU are the Son of God."

When young people SEE the lives we live for the Savior EVERYDAY, they too will tell this story and lives will change for eternity.



Brother Ben Little has been ministering to congregations in Benoni, South Africa, empowering them to share Jesus with their young people and local communities.



“COME GO WITH ME”

EMPOWERING THE CHURCH MEMBER TO SHARE JESUS

BY BEN LITTLE | BENONI, SOUTH AFRICA - WBS BOARD MEMBER

I will never forget the first time I was asked to accompany a preacher to a home Bible study. I was initially nervous and excited at the same time – nervous in part because what if I was asked to say something or answer a question that I could not answer? I was excited to “learn the ropes,” as it were, from a seasoned evangelist. He simply asked me to accompany him, with no pressure. I had no idea that I would enjoy it so much. The indelible impact of going on these home visits and Bible studies has remained with me for my entire life and has only increased over time.

Why Evangelism Matters

Evangelism reminds us that life is temporary, but eternity is forever. Every person we meet has an eternal destiny and God has chosen the church to be the pillar and ground of the Truth and to make known the manifold wisdom of God (Ephesians 3:10).

Luke 15:7 tells us there is great rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents. Evangelism is not just about duty; it's about delight—ours and God's. In Matthew 4:19 Jesus, the Son of God invites Simon Peter and Andrew: "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." This may be restated as, "Come go with me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Please allow me to use some "homiletic license" as we explore the passage of Scripture (Acts 16:3a) where Paul takes a young Timothy along on his travels, preaching the Gospel from city to city. The text simply says, "Paul wanted Timothy to accompany him, and he took him." I have thought deeply about this passage for a very long time and have often wondered how that conversation must have played out. It is obvious that Paul saw something in Timothy in addition to the good reports that he had heard (Acts 16:1-2). How did this dynamic apostle convince a timid disciple to "come go with me"? Was Paul his usual forceful self and just simply refused to take "no" for an answer? Or did he use gentle persuasion to convince his newfound protégé that he could make a difference in the world by following in the footsteps of his new mentor?

Regardless of how the conversation went, we know the outcome – Paul was successful in getting Timothy to go along with him to take the Gospel to the world. This was one of the hallmarks of Paul's life, his ability to take co-workers along with him to maximize their collective efforts to spread the Gospel, to the glory of God. In Romans 16:21-23, Paul ends his epistle with final greetings from the following companions. Notice the variety of relationships.

Timothy: Paul's fellow worker.

Lucius: A kinsman of Paul.

Jason: A kinsman of Paul.

Sosipater: A kinsman of Paul.

Tertius: The one who wrote the letter (Paul's scribe).

Gaius: Paul's host and the host of the church.

Erastus: The city treasurer.

Quartus: A brother in Christ.

Practical Steps

Life is relational – we share life with others, and by showing genuine care and interest, we create opportunities for the Gospel to be shared. Brother Tex Williams once shared how during his early years of missionary work in South Africa,

after struggling for two years to convert anyone, he noticed that his neighbor was busy building his house. Brother Williams told this story one time at a lectureship [Benoni 1983], about how he shared the Gospel while helping Dr. Ian Fair complete his house. One day, Brother Fair said, "As soon as we get this roof done, we can go down and you can tell me more about what you have been telling me." Not long after that, Ian and June Fair were baptized, and thus began a quest to reach an entire family which would resonate down several generations later and continues to resonate both in the US, South Africa and other parts of the world. Several preachers, elders and ministers would come from this sowing of the seed.

Be Ready to Share: Be prepared to explain the Gospel simply and clearly (1 Peter 3:15).

Pray for Opportunities: Ask God to open doors for you to share His message of love – The Gospel! "Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best [possible] use of the time" (Colossians 4:5).

Challenges and Encouragement

Yes, evangelism can be challenging. Not everyone will respond positively. But remember, our role is to sow the seed. God provides the growth (1 Corinthians 3:6). Success is not measured by the number of converts but by our faithfulness in regularly sharing the Gospel. How will you respond to the clarion call to, "Come go with me?"

Henry Crocker authored this poem: [adapted]

*"Give us a watchword for the hour,
a thrilling word, a word of power*

*A battle cry, a flaming breath,
that calls to conquest or to death*

*A word to rouse the church from rest,
to meet the Master's high behest*

*The call is given, army of God arise!
Our watchword is Evangelize!*

*The glad tidings of the Gospel now proclaim,
Through all the earth in Jesus' Name.*

*This word is ringing through the skies,
Evangelize, Evangelize!*

*To dying men, a fallen race,
make known the gift of Gospel grace*

*The world that now in darkness lies,
Evangelize, Evangelize"*

NEW FACES AT WBS



BY KELSEY TAYLOR | WBS COMPTROLLER

We are excited about the many plans that are in place as we work toward the goals set for ACTION! - some of which, such as the addition of ACTION! Podcasts, are highlighted in this issue. To drive these efforts forward WBS has launched a new department, the Department of ACTION! Media. **Jeff Hussey**, of Round Rock, TX, has been tapped to head up this new department as the

ACTION! Media and Marketing Manager.

Jeff has a wealth of experience in technology, media and operations. He previously worked for Apple, before becoming the COO of an international contact center. He oversees the adult education curriculum and technology at his local congregation; and is in charge of operations for Artisan Leaders, a new personal, spiritual and professional development program which launched at the beginning of this year. Artisan Leaders was featured in ACTION! Magazine's winter issue.

Jeff writes, "A few years ago, I decided I wanted to work 100% of the time in the Kingdom. Since making that decision, God has blessed me with two wonderful opportunities, first with Artisan Leaders and now WBS. I am both humbled and excited to work with the WBS team to reach the far corners of the world and proclaim the Good News!"

With the launch of this new department and the addition of Jeff to manage it, we are looking forward to seeing what God will accomplish throughout this new chapter!

WANT TO JOIN THE WBS TEAM?

We are currently seeking new positions in Finance, Advancement, Church Relations and Graphic Design. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our team, please send your resume and a short letter sharing why you would like to work with us to help@worldbibleschool.net.

EDIFY ONE ANOTHER

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

As **ACTION! Magazine** has been **growing in circulation** in both new printed and digital formats, our readers have begun to engage with our articles. Jimmie Lovell loved this aspect of ACTION!. Real interaction with the brotherhood both frank and constructive.

We are working hard to provide this aspect to ACTION! Magazine in our paper, digital and now podcast formats. When brothers and sisters of good will - even in



occasional disagreement - interact in good faith, iron sharpens iron, even if some sparks fly. Your participation makes ACTION! stronger.

This year, ACTION! Magazine is publishing more deep Bible articles for the edification of the body of Christ. These matters touch on critical concerns for the Lord's church. These articles should produce strong feelings that provoke us to ACTION for the cause of Christ!

ACTION! MAILBAG



Letter from Georgia (paraphrased)



Your Fall issue of 2024 included a stock photo representing Jesus with unruly hair. He looks like a wild man, out of his mind. I think Jesus was more dignified and should be portrayed as such!

Editor's Response

I don't know of any particular verse that addresses Jesus' grooming habits. But upon reflection of your cited verses, I can see the implications of Jesus commanding respect and imparting an aura of peace and strength. So - on a personal scruple basis - I agree!



Going forward, we will try and choose stock photos representing Jesus in a manner commensurate to this view. Of course, I will reserve the right to use a slightly disheveled image should we try to illustrate

his chasing of the money changers from the temple. And of course, I cannot make any promises when it comes to stock photos representing John the Baptist. Among those born of women there is none greater (Matthew 11:11), but he lived rough!

Letter from Arkansas

"Congratulations on another, perhaps even better, edition of Action! The 2025 theme is forward looking and very needed. The Great Commission is truly exciting in its scope, its challenge and its God-given solutions!"

Editor's Response

Thank you for your encouragement! Your input helps us know when we are on track.

Call from Tennessee (paraphrased)

Three paragraphs in the middle of page 9 in your article on Mentoring in Christian Business (Winter 2025) struck me as being critical of the role of the church and its corporate studies. Is this the stance of WBS?

Editor's Response

Absolutely and categorically not! WBS believes the church is the pillar and buttress of the truth (1 Timothy 3:15), and its ministry is vital to the

integration of Christian principles within the daily lives of businessmen and women.

Having checked with the author who serves as a deacon where I serve as an elder, we are of the same mind! Sometimes our non-inspired writings can come across to others in ways we never intended. The author's intent was to call for a full integration of the Christian life into the daily lives of every businessman and woman. In my editing role, every reread I made of this article before publishing, I understood the writer's intent in the context of the previous paragraph about "Compartmentalization," the heading of the paragraphs in question of "Integration," and his last sentence on "a retreat into compartmentalization." Our apologies if our efforts in communication came across in any other way. We have tried to make that crystal clear in our edited digital publication. Thank you for this input! So important.

Letter from North Carolina

"I just submitted my first Student to Follow-up for baptism this year. Wow! I think there has been quite an improvement. Rather than turnaround measured in weeks or moons, it was almost instantaneous. My compliments to the team."

Editor's Response

We have been working really hard at this. But when things happen this fast, all thanks go to God!

Send Your Feedback to the Editor

Want to share your own feedback to the Editor? Email action@worldbibleschool.net. We look forward to hearing your constructive feedback. God Bless!



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PODCASTS

TOGETHER IN MISSION

A GLOBAL CHAT WITH WBS FRIENDS

TOGETHER IN MISSION with Brian Rex Davis

A Global Chat with WBS Friends - World Bible School is made up of thousands of volunteers sharing Christ, TOGETHER. How do we stay unified in our efforts with so many different people and cultures involved? We share the same MISSION and Jesus is our King. It is His mission, and He invites us into it. He blesses us with unity in His Spirit, and together, we maintain that unity while pursuing His mission. Our "Together in Mission" podcast will have monthly episodes discussing our shared values, priorities, and the Biblical mission principles that empower our every effort.

Our first episodes will study the Values of WBS:

- #1 We follow and teach God's inspired Word.
- #2 We depend upon God through prayer.
- #3 We strive to be effective in mission.
- #4 We serve the church; the church does not serve us.
- #5 We practice good stewardship.
- #6 We live sacrificially alongside the church.

Along with these mission principles, we will look at the latest WBS tools and initiatives. We will be joined by the men and women who make our WBS tools, the volunteers who use these tools in their congregational outreach and those courageous teams that make WBS happen in different countries around the globe!

Join us for – as John Reese always says – the most exciting mission on earth!

The first episode will be released June 2nd.



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PODCASTS



ONE MORE CHAPTER

with Brian Rex Davis

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Ancient Wisdom for Today's Challenges - **Our first episode is NOW available** on YouTube and in all your favorite podcast platforms. Tune in to be encouraged by stories of how God is changing lives and how His ancient wisdom can equip each of us for today's challenges in life! Here's a list of our first three episodes.

Episode 1: The Nature of Wisdom

Episode 2: Wisdom from Within vs Wisdom from Without

Episode 3: How is the Next Generation Seeking Wisdom? with Special Guest: Joseph Morris

We recently hired Seon Media, a video production company owned by Joseph Morris to produce the next Mathetis Originals course designed for those who have fallen away.



LIBRARY

We are looking to launch the following courses over the next year. Subscribe to ACTION! for updates on each new release.

WBS Commentary in Basic English | Acts, Romans

WBS Master Series | Swahili, Indonesian, Spanish, Portuguese, French, Russian

WBS Bible Curriculum | Unity in Christ, Understanding the Bible, Covenant Series, History of God's People



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Pray for Open Hearts in India



This young man, Mahesh, recently completed the WBS Master Series. Brian had the pleasure of handing him his certificate of completion along with some gifts - a pen and a Bible provided by the local congregation nearest him. Though seriously considering surrendering his life to Jesus, this young man is still struggling to come to a place of faith so that he can obey the Gospel, being baptized into Christ. This decision for one growing up in a Hindu society is difficult.

The shop pictured to the right is indicative of the challenge. Jesus, fully recognized as a deity in India, is placed alongside all of the myriads of other gods in the Hindu pantheon. In fact, this young man as he has been wrestling with eternal concepts became so discouraged, he initially turned to atheism. Finding only hopelessness there, he has turned to the Bible and Jesus Christ for answers.

Please join us in lifting up this young Student in prayer, as we do for so many of our Students, and pray God will bless him with the teachers and mentors who will ultimately help him cross the threshold of obedient faith!



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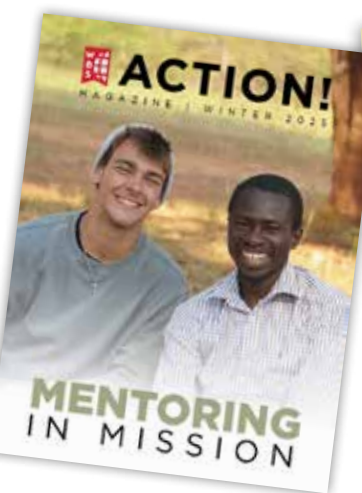
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