### **MINISTRY UPDATE**

"Whatever the LORD pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps." (Psalm 135:6)

God's plans always work together for His glory and the good of His people (Eph. 1:11-12; Rom. 8:28). But God does more than add silver linings to dark clouds; He sovereignly controls every circumstance, masterfully orchestrating the events of life to accomplish things that are infinitely higher and better than we could imagine (Isa. 55:8-9). Perhaps no one was more qualified to speak on this subject than Job: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted" (Job 42:2).

Over the last several months, we've had the privilege of seeing God's plans unfold in exciting (and sometimes surprising) ways:

- God provided for one of our remote staff members, Hannah, to go from part-time to full-time ministry as SMF's Digital Media Specialist. Even more recently, God also opened the door for Hannah to relocate to Texas and work in our headquarters office.
- We recently welcomed a new staff member, Gloria, who will serve as SMF's part-time Office Assistant.
- Our annual week of Scripture Memory Camp was a tremendous success as 120 memorizers from across the country gathered in Ringgold, Louisiana, for a week centered around God's Word.
- Months of effort culminated in the launch of *Remember the Words*, our newest book on why and how to memorize Scripture (page 3). Please pray that God will use this resource to motivate and equip many new memorizers of Scripture.

God's plans cannot be thwarted, and yet He gives us the privilege of participating in His work in the world. As Paul writes, "we are God's fellow workers" (1 Cor. 3:9). Since SMF's inception in 1977, God's good purposes in this ministry have been accomplished through the faithful support and sacrificial giving of His people. Please join us in praising God for all that He has already accomplished and consider partnering with us in the work that lies ahead. "For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do" (Heb. 6:10).

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#### **MEMORIZER'S** TESTIMONY Christine L.

Like many parents, raising teenagers is a new experience for me. There are many reasons why I believe the enemy has specifically targeted the young of our current culture, and Christ alone is their only hope and cure. Enter Scripture memory. On many occasions, my teenage children have been too tired, too hungry, slightly grumpy, and disinterested when I call for our morning Scripture memory practice. The truth is, they too, struggle with being stiff-necked, stubborn, and rebellious. But as God would have it, so many countless and precious times, it is the slow meditation and contemplation of the Word that changes them. They do not end our Scripture memory practice the same as they started. His Word is active. His faithfulness proves true as He softens my children's hearts and attitudes, and He receives glory as we often end practice unified in joy or song. I truly believe it is the common and continued practice of Scripture memorization where Christ sets them free, and I am forever grateful that God uses His Word to change the hearts of men.



#### INDONESIA UPDATE

"...As indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth." (Col. 1:6)

> As a new school year begins, we overflow with thankfulness for the daily, positive reports from our co-workers and friends around the country. Most notable is Dian, our Indonesian helper, who brings Scripture memory to dozens of public schools in the NTT islands.

God willing, we hope to visit the Setia campus of Sulawesi Bible School soon. Many juniors at Setia are spreading a love of memorizing to others. Please ask the Lord to open a door for us to minister in person on this campus in the near future.

As always, we appreciate your continued partnership. Please pray for continued fruitfulness in Indonesia and new opportunities to share the gift of Bible memory in the region.





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