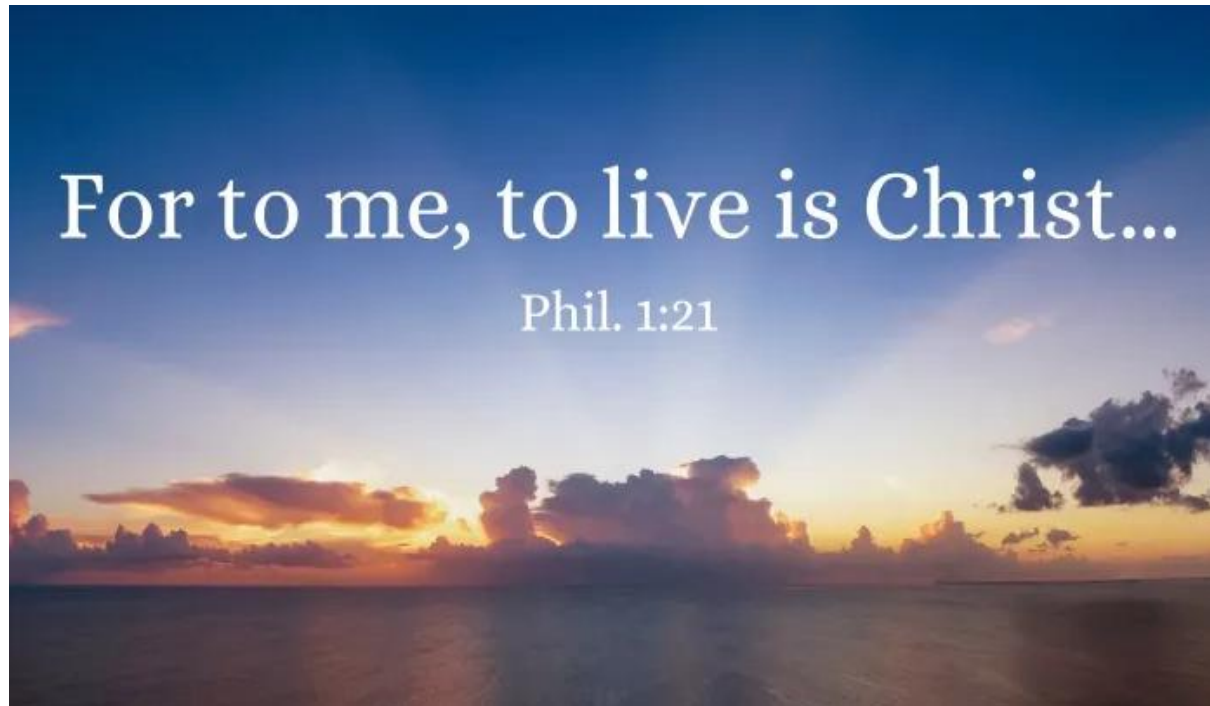


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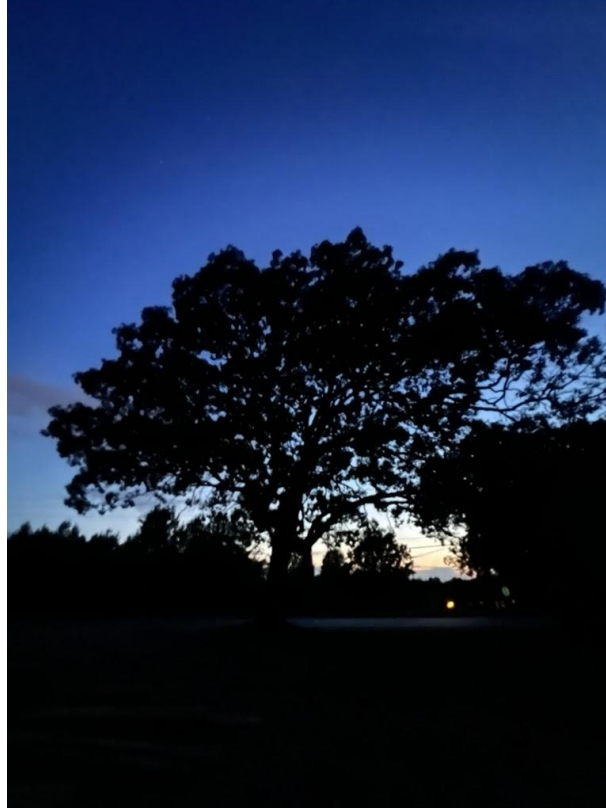
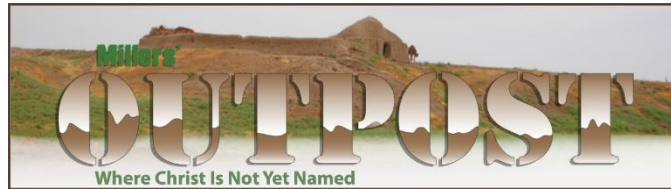
“LIVING THE GOSPEL” JUNE 2026

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***Just one of the many sights that bring us joy
and that also bring joy to the Creator
Who Himself is the source of all joy***

Weekly Praise & Prayer

- Praise God that we were able to check Psalm 147 and 150 in the Owala language this week. We now have completed all the Psalms that are planned in Phase 2 of the project. Absalom had many more opportunities to share Scripture with Owala speakers, including a group of 20 women. Bless the Lord!
- Please pray for our daughter Hope. On Monday, her landlord asked her and her two housemates to move out of the house two months before the lease ends. He will honor the lease if they can't, and he will discount them one month's rent if they can. Pray that she will find another place to live that is good for her and affordable. And pray that God will fill her with peace in the process. They felt disappointed because they had expected to renew the lease on this nice house that they really like, and now suddenly it isn't possible.

Joyfully,
David & Cathy

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MAY 2026

As you can imagine, this past month has been taken up with my own processing of my brother's celebration of life in the middle of the month. My supervisor wisely excused me from my teaching assignment at the Chapter Focus Week Mark Manuscript track. Honestly, I am still processing things and dealing with the reality that he is gone. We are very grateful for all of the many expressions of love, prayers, and concerns for our family. Thank you so much. Meanwhile, the Chapter Focus Week went well, and I have attached a picture which was taken at that event.

I have been spiritually energized and refreshed with a study in Romans 6 and 7 I am leading in the Adult Sunday School class in my church. I may be more impacted by it than the people who have been attending. I am also encouraged by plans for a children and youth conference in Savannah at the end of June. I plan to go with Veronica and two of my grandkids to it. Afterwards, we go to Cedine Bible Camp with them.

We are working with our committee to raise our legacy fund for ministry at HBCUs/PBIs in Georgia and Alabama. We need prayer for our work on this, and especially an event we are planning connected with it for Saturday, October 17, later this year.

Thank you so much for your love, prayers, and the many ways you show love to us. Feel free to give online through the link provided below.

https://givetoiv.org/Tony_Warner

Blessings,

Tony Warner and Family



May Highlights

Dear friends,

We hope you've had a wonderful May. It has been an encouraging month for us, and we'd love to share some recent highlights, along with a few prayer requests.



In May, Runa Simi held a Bible study in Choccepuquio, a Quechua farming community in the Apurímac region of Peru. Many women shared that, for the first time, they were able to truly understand God's Word because it was taught in their native Quechua language.

For many years, biblical teaching was primarily available in Spanish, leaving many Quechua-speaking women with limited access to Scripture in their heart language. As participants learn to read, they receive a Quechua Bible, fostering a deeper understanding of God's Word and a growing desire to study it.

Literacy not only strengthens their faith but also opens doors to education, healthcare, and economic opportunities while helping preserve the Quechua language and culture for future generations.



In May, we held Mother's Day celebrations in several settings. We honored the mothers of our local Quechua church. At our local school our kids gave special presentations to celebrate their mothers. We were also blessed to host a celebration for the mothers at our Runa Simi Center, sharing food, cake, and fellowship together. These activities were filled with joy and provided meaningful opportunities to honor mothers and strengthen family and community relationships.





When not traveling to communities to lead child evangelism outreaches and Sunday school teacher training workshops, Nemesio faithfully serves the children in our local church in the Quirio area.

Please pray for our team as we continually seek opportunities to support local churches that need help strengthening their children's and youth ministries. We are grateful for the doors God continues to open for ministry.

Recently, we have been supporting the church and community of Tupicocha, located about 2–3 hours from our town by car, as well as the community of Cocachacra, which is approximately one hour away.



This month, we also enjoyed a Murph workout together, followed by a birthday celebration for Pablo there and at the office. It was a wonderful time of fellowship, encouragement, and celebrating God's blessings.



Weekly discipleship through sports continues at our Runa Simi Center. In the picture, Alcira is leading a Bible devotional. We seek to incorporate God's Word into every opportunity we have throughout the week, using these activities to encourage spiritual growth and discipleship.

Prayer Requests:

- for the Peruvian presidential elections held tomorrow, Sunday.
- for the following Children's and youth ministry trips coming up this next weekend.
- SETE seminary by extension studies coming up in Chosica and Ayacucho this month.
- Please continue to pray for the health of our team members, especially Alfredo Fajardo and Bertha Ccoicca, who spend most of their time working remotely. Also, pray for Donna and the members of the US team.
- For ongoing weekly youth sports and events at the Chosica Runa Simi center.

**OUTPOST, GLOBAL
Miller**



Joy!

Weekly Praise & Prayer

Cathy is reading *The Divine Conspiracy* by Dallas Willard. She discovered a beautiful truth in it. God is a God of immeasurable joy. We humans, get joy from looking at fish in a little aquarium. But God gets to look at every single fish in the entire world all the time. He sees every sunrise and every sunset continually without stop. And billions of other things. He rejoices in all of it. He enjoys it. The joy just keeps spilling over. And on top of that, He Himself is the source that creates all the joy!!

We praise God for the chance to visit Grace Fellowship Church in North Carolina a week and a half ago. We have been blessed so deeply by them. Ask God to raise up and send out more workers into the fields of the world where people groups still don't have access to the Bible in their own languages yet. We praise God for Bible translation consultants who are experts at analyzing the passages and helping us to do accurate, natural, and clear translations.

Joyfully,

David & Cathy



May the Eastern Luma people sing praises to the Lord!

Weekly Praise & Prayer

Psalms

We continue to produce Psalms videos in the Eastern Luma language. They haven't reached as wide of an audience as we had hoped. So we are trying some new things. Please pray for new and better avenues of distribution.

Praise God that we were able to check more Psalms in the Owala language. We now have completed all the Psalms that are planned in Phase 2 of the project. Absalom had many more opportunities to share Scripture with Owala speakers, including a group of 20 women. One of the women is becoming a Bible storyteller herself, and she will be a mentor for all the others.

Barriers

Transferring money to local co-workers in Central Asia has become quite complicated. We try to provide the necessary finances on time, but the process both for them and for us is time-consuming, full of obstacles, and stressful. Please pray that the Lord will open ways for Bible translation project funds to flow steadily and smoothly into the country.

Churches

We give thanks to God for the churches that partner with us in ministry. We had the great joy of visiting Grace Fellowship Church in North Carolina at the end of May. We have worked together with them since 1997, taking the Good News to new places.

Owala Refugees

Many Owala speakers have been forced to become refugees due to a severe political and military crisis. They are currently without a permanent home, and they often end up as visitors in the home of an Owala family who shows Scripture videos to them. The family has a video projector, and they play the videos on a large wall in their guest room. God is turning the unfortunate difficulties into an avenue for good and His glory.

Joyfully,

David & Cathy Miller

Peter & Beatrice Rumbe, Kenya





Praise The Lord, my dear brother, Kurt ...I am truly humbled and very happy to report to you that Sis Beatrice has today, this afternoon, distributed the quality sanitary pads (napkins), underwear, and other hygienic products for June to the 221 young girls from poor families that DBC WOMEN helped bought for them.... What a huge blessing! What a Big help and relief from DBC Women to these young Girls!

The girls are so happy and very grateful, and please kindly receive their warm greetings and a word of thank you from them, and extend the same to all the DBC WOMEN and the entire DBC family.

Access to Sanitary pads remains a huge challenge for the girls from poor families in remote areas like here in Sindo...Lack of menstrual pads and underwear to change when they are on their periods often keeps them from class, church, and other public places because they feel ashamed or unclean...The use of unhygienic materials such as torn pieces of cloth, animal skin, leaves, etc. puts their health at risk....Through this huge support from DBC Women's ministry, these young girls no longer feel ashamed, dirty, and embarrassed when on their period...The use of unhygienic materials such as torn rags, animal skin, and leaves is now a thing of the past for these young girls, and that's what God can do...What a huge help and impact DBC WOMEN have made in the lives of these young girls! May the Lord continue to bless DBC Women for standing with these poor Girls in prayers and providing them with the sanitary pads, underwear, and hygienic materials every month.... Thanks a lot again, my dear brother Kurt, Sis Althea, and DBC WOMEN ministry for Caring!

Indian Governor Calls for 'Conversion Prevention Cells' in Colleges

June 15, 2026 | India



The governor of the North Indian state of Uttar Pradesh has directed all higher education universities in the state to establish “dharma-martan roktham cells,” or conversion-prevention cells, to address alleged unlawful religious conversion activities on campuses. The directive has been issued to all universities, medical colleges, dental colleges, and other higher educational institutions across the state and calls for counseling mechanisms, monitoring systems, reporting protocols, student welfare measures, and preventive safeguards.

The order follows recent investigations and controversies linked to alleged conversion-related cases in educational institutions, particularly in several medical colleges in Uttar Pradesh. According to media reports, the initiative to set up the cells comes amid growing concerns over reported conversion-related incidents and aligns with the state’s efforts to strengthen vigilance and awareness within higher educational institutions.

The governors of all states in India typically serve as the ex officio “chancellor” of public universities. State legislative acts grant this role and the authority to issue directives.

Campus Monitoring

The move to form the cells leverages the draconian Uttar Pradesh Prohibition of Unlawful Conversion of Religion Act, making campuses ground zero for preventing non-bailable, forced, or fraudulent conversions. Universities and colleges are directed to activate anti-radicalization units and enhance physical surveillance in areas such as student hostels to prevent conversion activities.

Institutions have now begun forming cells to host awareness campaigns on the legal frameworks governing religious conversion and individual rights. They are also required to examine complaints, closely monitor suspicious activities, and submit regular compliance reports to their governing universities.

Vigilance vs. Privacy

While proponents view these cells as necessary protective shields for students against coercion, critics and legal experts caution that overzealous surveillance may infringe upon individual liberties, personal choice, and legitimate social interactions. Rights advocates said the stated objective of preventing coercion, fraud, or undue influence in matters of religion may be legitimate. Still, the establishment of “anti-conversion cells” in educational institutions raises serious constitutional concerns.

One advocate wrote on social media that the cells could create an atmosphere of suspicion and surveillance that may disproportionately affect religious minorities. The formation of the cells, they said, could exceed the role of educational institutions by assigning them quasi-investigative functions without a clear statutory authority. Christian leaders are alarmed that these cells could be another way of harassing Christian students involved in conducting prayers and meetings on campuses with the support of para-church organizations working among them.

Political Polarization

The ruling Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) government backs the governor's directive as a vital safety measure for vulnerable students. In contrast, the opposition Samajwadi Party (SP) has strongly criticized the directive, arguing that it diverts attention from critical educational and infrastructural issues and contributes to communal polarization. Meanwhile, it is also argued that any policy implemented in educational institutions must uphold the constitutional values of liberty, equality, secularism, dignity, and religious freedom, which form part of the basic structure of India's constitution.

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FYI: For the safety and continued operations of Asian Christian Academy, we have been asked to cease publishing any content or materials regarding the ACA and its position on the Indian government. They have come under extreme pressure from the local, regional, and national authorities. The president of the organization has asked us to comply, and we will. We have taken down previous messages from the speakers from ACA from the internet. **DO NOT republish any information you have on ACA on the internet that can in any way be construed as anti-Indian government.**

Taking the Gospel to Seafarers Ketchikan Alaska

To the elders and saints at Decatur Bible Chapel,
Warmest greetings to you in the most precious name,
the exalted name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
I express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for your
prayer and continual monthly financial support.

Ketchikan Port in Alaska.

Ketchikan Port is a cruise port located in Southeast Alaska's inside the passage. During the cruise ship season, approximately twenty vessels call at the port each week, resulting in a consistently busy working harbour. I arrived in Ketchikan, Alaska, on the first of May to be involved with the cruise ship ministry. God willing, I will be in Alaska until August. I have visited on board many ships during the month of May.

Ships visited in the month of May.

In the month of May, I visited three different cruise lines. Mainly the Princess Cruise Lines, Royal Caribbean, and Silversea cruises. I was given a warm welcome on board all the ships. I distributed Bibles in English, Tagalog, and Spanish, Tract, books in a different language. I had conversations with several crew members, telling them about the love of God and God's way of salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Pray that God will use the materials to meet the spiritual need of the crew members

The first visit in Ketchikan this summer Was on board the Coral Princess. I entered the crew mess room and put the bibles and other materials on a table. The crew members started coming to the table for bibles, tract, and other materials. There was a hunger for Bibles. All English and Filipino Bibles were taken, as well as bookmarks and other materials. Pray that God will speak to the crew members through His word.



Man receive scripture text



Visit on board Discovery Princess.

I visited on board Discovery Princess. I brought Bibles in English, Spanish, and Tagalog, and all Bibles were taken by the crew members. Many of the crew members said to me, "Thank you for coming on board and bringing the word of God to us."

Visit on board Ruby Princess.

I visited on board the Ruby Princess. There was a hunger for Bibles. Nine English Bibles were taken, and also Spanish Bibles and Tagalog Bibles were taken by the crew members. Pray for the crew on board the Ruby Princess

Visit on board Grand Princess

I had a very good visit on board the ship. There is a Christian Fellowship Group on board. I met with the leader of the Christian Fellowship group who is from Kenya. I had a good conversation with him. Many Bibles were taken. The leader of the Christian Fellowship himself took a Bible. Pray that God will use His Word to awaken crew members to the need of salvation through Jesus Christ. Our Lord.

Thank You for your prayers and support!



Yours in the Master's Service

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