

I recently spent time reflecting on the Lord's faithfulness through the 42 years of ministry for Challenge Literature Fellowship. The ministry started in the lounge room of its founder, Eric Evans, with the Lord's promise from Habakkuk 2:2-3 *"The Lord answered me and said, Record the vision and inscribe it on tablets that the one who reads it may run. For the vision is yet for the appointed time. It hastens toward the goal, and it will not fail. Though it tarries, wait for it, for it will certainly come, it will not delay."* From the humble surroundings of a lounge room God has greatly enlarged our borders and continues to grow this ministry around the world. I want to say thank you to all you precious people who have been praying so hard for the work of Challenge. I want to encourage you to keep praying this year as things continue on at an exciting rate. It is my firm belief that we will see God doing a special work not only in Australia but also around the world.

AUSTRALIA - Another busy year (2021) in terms of promotion and development with visits to South Australia, Tasmania, and within Western Australia to towns from Broome all the way down to Esperance. We continue to sit at a print run of 30,000 each month, and praying for a doubling of the distribution in God's appointed time.

Pray for a full-time editor to oversee the Australian and international editions being produced. Pray that as a team we will be unified in our direction for the paper. Pray for wisdom and direction for Challenge Board as they prioritise 2022

U.S.A. Director – Andrew & Karen Trezona. Three different editions (Main, Prison, Hispanic)

It has been encouraging to see that the prison edition continues to print 25,000 copies per edition. At present we are getting into around 400 prisons but with some 10,000 prisons in the USA it's a huge task. This means we have to be producing enough papers to do that successfully, and also have the necessary funding to enable that to happen. The prison edition draws constant request letters from prison chaplains wanting to use the Challenge paper for the purpose of evangelism.

The Hispanic (and occasional Creole) edition is used in Mexico, Cuba, Haiti, Guatemala as well as the USA. We continue to work with a couple of ministries (*Caring Partners International* and *A Child's Hope International*) who use these editions in conjunction with their own ministry brief.

Pray for Andrew and Karen as they have a huge task in promoting Challenge. Pray for churches and individuals to see the importance of this ministry, and will begin supporting particularly the prison edition. Pray for the growth of the paper into churches and that the paper will be well used. Pray for the continued growth of the Hispanic edition.

SOUTH AFRICA Director – Cobus & Christa Britz (Main, Prison)

South Africa has managed to hold its own and we are grateful that through the disruption of Covid there has been minimal impact regarding distribution of the Challenge newspaper into South Africa and other countries on that continent. Cobus and Christa continue to promote and develop the work of Challenge, as well as run the Challenge office with all that requires. We have had a few set-backs with a couple of ministries who use the paper (Jabulani Mudenda/Zimbabwe and Trevor Vosloo/Malawi – gone home to Glory), and we have been working to get these editions back into production. Pray for Cobus and Christa as they do all the promotion as well as office duties which is a huge responsibility. Pray for re-commencement of Zimbabwe and Malawi main editions as we work with the new directors in those countries. Pray for the good health of Cobus and Christa who have both recovered from Covid.

Other countries in Africa – We continue to have some papers going into Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland, Malawi and Kenya from our South African hub.

MILITARY - We continue to work with Peter Louwrens from South Africa Christian Military Fellowship distributing the Challenge newspaper into some 12 countries with a specific Military edition. Our newest addition which commenced 2021 is a Portuguese edition. This edition gives us access to countries like Mozambique, Angola, São Tomé and Príncipe (a small island nation off west Africa), Brazil and Portugal. Pray for Peter and his team as they work amongst the military in the capacity of chaplains. Pray for the continued growth and effectiveness of these edition

NEW PROJECTS We commenced a new project into the Philippines January 2022. We will be working with a ministry organization called *ATIN* headed up by Cecilia Artates in the Philippines and Kevin Taffurelli who resides in Perth. This project will be our first fully funded bi-lingual edition. The ministry of Atin works in conjunction with around 150 pastors. We are so thankful to the Lord for a generous gift received to assist in the setting up of this project. Pray with us for the ongoing development and success of the Philippines edition. Pray for Cecilia and her team as they put all the necessary follow up and discipleship material in place

U.K. - Director – Andrew & Mandy Hallway. Covid has created a few distribution problems. Pray for them and promotion Manager Andy Godfrey as they endeavour to get back to 75,000 distribution per month. Pray that this year God would bless with an increase in production to 100,000 per month.

Thanks for partnering with us in prayer.

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