

Warm greetings in the name of our Creator, Jesus Christ,

I pray this letter finds you well and rejoicing in the Lord's greatness. We certainly are! Why? Because the Lord's work is always exciting and full of 'highs', especially when He gives a 'first' in a ministry as small as ours.

Our largest shipment to date...

At the start of 2004, we asked the Lord to increase our output and His use of this ministry. That year, we were humbled when He allowed us to do our first shipment of 500,000 tracts.

In 2005, we arranged our first shipment of 1,000,000 tracts. I remember it as an exciting achievement for God's glory!

On the 7th of June 2006, through your prayers and support, Southland Baptist Press sent out the largest shipment of tracts in its brief history - 1.5 million tracts!

The hand of God was upon this shipment from the outset. If you recall from the previous edition of The Printing Post, I mentioned how the Lord divinely sent Pastor Michael



A human chain makes light work of loading heavy boxes onto the truck

Saka our way to explain how we could best distribute SBP tracts to the many churches in Papua New Guinea. As a result of that meeting, I proceeded to re-arrange some plans that had already been in place.

Several weeks after that visit, Pastor Dala Momo, another prominent national pastor visited SBP and said that he desperately needed tracts. As we discussed the logistics of getting a shipment to Madang, we determined that we could combine his consignment with the shipment for Pastor Saka.

170 boxes sitting on 4 large pallets on their way to the mission field



To cut a long story short, we increased our second missions project for the year from one million to 1,545,300 tracts, and saved at least \$500 in shipping costs.

By the way, Bro Ben Andrews has confirmed that the shipment we sent to Kimbe in April has arrived safely.

Half year report...

From 1 January to 30 June, 2,367,360 tracts were printed, of which 2,257,100 have been shipped out. Lord willing, we will focus on printing for the Philippines in the second half of this year.

Meet the SBP ministry team...

Every ministry needs a person who is able to put out spot fires quickly. In the print shop, that man is Reg. A mechanic by trade, retirement has not stopped Reg from keeping busy in the Lord's work.

Reg comes in a day or two every week and does the 'finishing' by operating the guillotine and the folding machines. Through Reg's sacrifice, he has personally saved the ministry many thousands of dollars by performing the required maintenance on our ageing machines.

Thank you, Reg, for your faithfulness - many would not have received a Gospel tract if it were not for your commitment!



Reg Vieritz

Featuring Ps Ruben Sulapas...

Pastor Ruben Sulapas is our distribution partner on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines. In addition to his pastoral calling, Pastor Ruben heads FREE Inc. (Filipino Resources for Evangelism and Edification), a translation and printing ministry that supports Cebuano-speaking Filipino churches.

Together with his ministry partners, Pastor Ruben is just a few books away from translating all of the English KJV Bible into Cebuano. When you visit Chick Publications at www.chick.com, the Cebuano tracts displayed are the work of FREE. By sacrificing their own limited resources, they have translated, printed and freely given Scripture portions to other pastors.

In March 2005, I visited Ps Ruben in Iligan to check out his ministry. That December, we sent him 1,000,000 tracts to support the FREE ministry. In less than four months, half of that shipment was distributed to over 200 churches! Praise God!



Southland Baptist Press was honoured to have Pastor Ruben visit us during Good Shepherd's Leadership Conference. His passage was sacrificially paid for by the many Filipino preachers who have benefitted from the FREE ministry.

If you wish to receive a video presentation on FREE, please send us \$3 to cover the cost. FREE is a vital ministry worthy of your support.

Thank you for praying...

In closing, please pray for us as we rush to put together a shipment of about 750,000 tracts for Ps Ruben - the container leaves early August. We can make it if you pray. Thank you for your faithful supplications!

Abounding in His glory,

Sylvester Chong

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