

4WRD News and Highlights 2015

2015 Countries & States we've served:

Argentina
Czech Republic
China, Estonia, Fiji
France, Guam, Haiti
Hong Kong
India, Ivory Coast
Jamaica, Kenya
Lebanon, Mexico
Norway
Ontario Canada
Philippines
Pohnpei FM
Puerto Rico, Scotland
Singapore, Slovakia
Somalia, Sri Lanka
South Africa
The Bahamas
Tanzania, Thailand
Turks & Caicos Islands
Togo

States: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, ND, NJ, NM, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, TN, TX, VA, WV, WA, WI

NEW WORLD RECORD IN THE MAKING—I confess, I read the *Guinness Book of Superlatives* from cover to cover as a kid. I tried to figure out which category would allow me to break a world record. Then I learned the word “specificity”.

4WRD will break its own record under the category—*Number of books shipped overseas in a single year by 4WRD!* So let's take a look at the details.

- 📖 January: Tanzania 6,000; Kenya 22,000
- 📖 February: Liberia 2,025
- 📖 March: Democratic Republic of Congo 1,200 Bibles; Finland 600+
- 📖 May: Togo 3,000
- 📖 June: Myanmar 1,500 Sri Lanka: 250

The above doesn't include the 180 or so orders that requested a case of Bibles to Ghana or a 50 pound box of the latest Pentecostal items for a school in the Philippines. We can add another 2,000 books from those orders and another dozen countries (Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Guyana, Malaysia, Singapore, India, Latvia, Turkey, South Africa, Ivory Coast, Tonga, Costa Rica, Cameroon).

We use our new drive-in pallet rack shelving to the fullest. Pallets with about 16,000 boxed books await shipment. Another 2,500 are ready for packing. Many thanks to **Lynn Anderson** and his faithfulness in packing and counting the vast majority of these 1,000's of books.

AUGUST, 2015



Left: Former student from APTS **Arun Sarkar**, President of Buntain Theological College Calcutta, India. **Right:** WEDDING!! On March 29th our daughter **Bianca** married **Victor Udoewa**, pictured with GJ, Glenna, Gary and Ruth Flokstra. It was a grand celebration!



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INDIA TRIP—During the first week of June, Glenna and I traveled to **New Delhi, India** for the AGATESA meeting. What a joy to meet with representatives from 25 Bible schools. (I also enjoyed the mixed pickle each morning). The meetings provided us the opportunity to meet with people that distribute the Graduate Book Sets that 4WRD ships with the help of Christian Book Distributors. The program was founded by Rev. John Siebold and Craig Stoll in 2007. 4WRD helped provide some materials in the early years and piggy-backed books for Bible school libraries almost every year. Over the course of the program 25,000 books for graduates and 26,000 books for libraries shipped.

We were able to answer questions and let each school know that we are continuing the Graduate Book Sets and help for Bible school libraries on an annual basis. The container ships out of CBD each September. Last year we sent out 310 Graduate Book Sets and over 5,000 books for libraries.

4WRD is fulfilling (Lynn is boxing) books for 2 libraries that requested books since our meeting in June to be shipped in September. Very exciting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

♦ A trip to **Kitengela, Kenya in August** and **Libreville, Gabon in September**, this will be our first to Gabon which is one of the least developed in the world. It also has some of the greatest expanses of tropical forests and wild areas according to National Geographic. Glenna and I hope to supervise the setting up of a library in a brand new building for a brand new school. This trip is not cheap. **Your help is needed.** Please consider giving a special one-time offering and help us invest in a new country (for us anyway). We are trying to finalize plans ASAP.

♦ Also planned is a trip to **Antalya, Turkey** in November for the ICETE Consultation and then a stop in **Lomé, Togo, West Africa** for a library project. We appreciate your generosity.

Thanks again for your support!

Gary & Glenna

WAYS TO GIVE:

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