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March-April Report, 2022

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, family, and friends,

Thank you for your interest in our work in the kingdom of God. We continue in good health and regular activity. It has been a good period for the work. The significant family news concerns two deaths. Brandy Melvin, the niece mentioned in the previous report as having stayed with us for a while, on March 17 died from injuries received a few days earlier when struck while walking across a street. Family members and friends came to southern Illinois from as far away as Texas and Utah for the funeral on March 21. Sybil's nephew, Ray Barnes died unexpectedly in Alabama. We traveled April 7-9 for that funeral. We also spent the week of March 6 in Michigan caring for the grandchildren while their father was attending a work-related conference in Florida. With the return of the growing season we have spent more time at the farm cutting and trimming. Recently we have been there 2½ days per week.

CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS

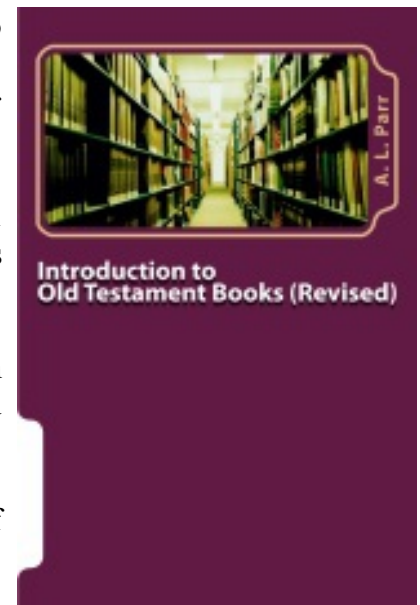
Lincoln. Sybil's class with the teen girls continues in Old Testament history. My Wednesday class in The Revelation continues with a large number of PowerPoint slides. As Doug Adams' doctor advises him occasionally to stay off his feet, Doug asked me to preach on March 27. I preached "You Don't Want to Go to Hell."

Krishna River Preacher-Training School. The students and their instructor requested in February that I use my March class time to teach the book of Nehemiah. The class is only an hour long because it's hard to hold the internet connection longer than that. I taught an introduction to the book on March 20, then scheduled a weekly class until we have studied through the entire book. With the exception of once when they had no electric power, we have met every week (Sunday 11:30 PM my time; Monday 9:00 AM their time) since that beginning.

LITERATURE

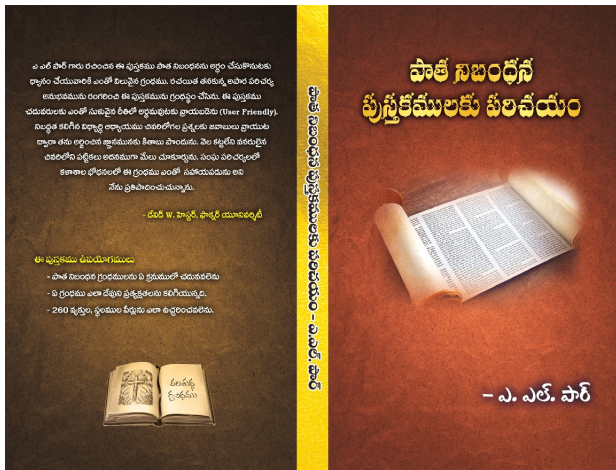
Tracts & Books. The 7-lesson, 146-page book, "Which Version of the Bible Do You Recommend?" is finished and is with three reviewers. I will give them as much time as they need to make suggested changes as they think appropriate. After I consider their suggestions, and make any necessary changes the book will go to the printer. This is my 16th book, including two song collections for special groups, and six VBS books. Some are out of print. Those still available are listed on SkywayPublishing.org/books. Watch that page and the Confirming the Churches Facebook page for the release of this new book.

The Telugu language version of Introduction to Old Testament Books has been distributed in at least two countries to very encouraging reviews. Preachers and preacher-training schools have received copies of the book in at least four states of in India. A quantity has also been sent to Indian preachers in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. T.V. Samson Raj, the translator, reports that he has distributed a total of 4,192 copies.



During the April 6 & 7th All India Churches of Christ Preachers Meeting at Nidamanore 405 preachers from four states received 1,500 copies. Brother Samson reports that:

1. brother Nehemiah Gootam, director of Kakinada School of Preaching at Kakinada, highly appreciated the author of the book, Cover Page, quality of paper, translation.
2. Brother Joshua Gootam, TV speaker and director for correspondence programs, requested us to give at least 100 books to send to his fellow preachers. The postage will be paid by him.
3. Brother G. Phillip works in Dubai and in Putrala, Andhra Pradesh. He directs schools of preaching in two countries, and works in several countries. He requested 60 Books for keeping in Libraries and uses them in teaching programs and distribution to preachers.
4. Brother L. Timothy was given 90 copies. This brother is working with 300 preachers in 7 states in India. He requested more copies but we could not give him more now.
5. Samson kept 90 copies for his work with International Bible Academe, International Bible Correspondence School, and India School of Preaching.



Brother Samson added to his report, “We thank especially the generous brethren at Lincoln Church of Christ for supporting brother Al Parr and India Evangelism works. There is a saying about India and Indians that ‘a printed paper will never touch the ground. It is read and kept with much respect as part of the word of God.’ I have been blessed to read this book so many times, since I have spent much time to study, understanding the contexts of the each book, characteristics of God’s mighty men in the past, as I was translating.”

Now also the Telugu translation of “A Teacher’s Commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews” is finished. That work is now with an editor who is coding it for digital printing. Samson has

begun translating “A Teacher’s Commentary on the Epistles to Timothy and Titus.”

ONLINE TEACHING

Confirming the Churches Bible Class. We began March with a series on the Son of God. The March 2 lesson showed Christ in Prophecy. On March 9 we studied the character and content of His teaching. The lesson on March considered His miracles. Finally, on the 23rd we considered the significance of His resurrection. On March 30 we began a study of the epistle to the Galatians. That study continued through all of April in our usual time on Facebook: 10:00 AM Wednesday, central time in the U.S. The classes run about 20 minutes each; we will surely not finish the study of this epistle in May

Web Sites. The project to upload video sermons and Bible classes to YouTube continued through March. There are still some to be uploaded, but April schedule didn’t permit time for that editing and uploading. Now that the latest book is completed we anticipate more time to work with the web sites.

Thank you again for your support. May God bless you every day.

In His service,

A. L. Parr

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