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May-June Report, 2022

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

It is a pleasure to report to you some details of our lives and the work of Confirming the Churches. Thanks be to Almighty God, Sybil and I still have no health issues to curtail our energy and labor.

We have been able to see significant progress on the farm project. You may remember that we sold the tree farm in 2018, and then re-acquired it in 2021 after the buyer defaulted on the mortgage. Three years of neglect allowed invasive plant growth to destroy at least half a dozen full-grown evergreens, and threaten most of the remainder of the trees on nearly 19 acres. As most of the time it is only the two of us working on it, we are facing a major task clearing out and catching up. However, we are more than half-way through the clearing, and are keeping up with the regular preventative maintenance.

On May 26 we had the joy of attending the high school graduation ceremony of our granddaughter, Paris, in Goodrich, Michigan.

With regard to the mission dear to our hearts we have the following to report.

CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS

Lincoln. Sybil has brought the teen girls through the book of Exodus to chapter 19. My Wednesday class in The Revelation concluded the study of chapter 12 on June 29. I preached on May 8 "Thou Art the Christ." Doug Adams is still required to stay off his feet when possible due to complications of deep vein thrombosis. On June 12 I preached "Rely Upon God," a lesson from the experiences of king Asa as recorded in II Chronicles 14-16. That afternoon I preached "Count Your Many Blessings." Debi Tibbs' grandchildren were flying into Chicago on June 14, and Debi needed someone to drive her to the airport to meet them. Sybil and I were pleased to do so, and enjoyed the day with her and them.



Ibrahimpatnam. One hundred copies of *Introduction to Old Testament Books* in the Telugu language had been sent to the church. On May 25 there was a lectureship there during which those books were distributed to preachers in that area. I spoke via Skype to describe the book and how I thought it would be useful in their study and teaching. It was a noon Thursday meeting in Ibrahimpatnam; 11:30 PM Wednesday here in Lincoln.

Krishna River Preacher-Training School. On May 15 I finished the class on the book of Nehemiah. Our next class was scheduled for June 30, at which time I taught from the lesson notes on reliance upon God. It was a confidence-building lesson for the preachers and students, who showed their appreciation.

LITERATURE

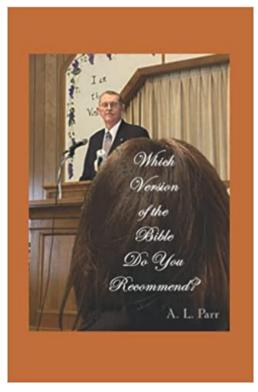
Tracts & Books. Which Version of the Bible Do You Recommend? is now available for purchase on Amazon (see the link at the end of this report), or directly from me. It is 7 chapters in 146 pages. Keith Cozort and Gary Hutchens reviewed it before printing. Both spoke highly of the book's value in answering the question, and especially of its content regarding the ancient manuscripts and the history of translating.

Samson has finished the translation of the commentary on the letters to *Timothy and Titus*. He hopes to be able to print those about the same time he prints that on *Hebrews*.

ONLINE TEACHING

Confirming the Churches Bible Class. The series on the epistle to the Galatians continues at 10:00 AM Wednesday, central time. Viewership has nearly doubled over the past three weeks.

Web Sites. A few more videos have been uploaded to YouTube. This is a slow process, as older videos have to be converted to a compatible format, and the hundreds of videos already uploaded are being organized into playlists. My goal is to make it easier to promote video lessons on particular texts or topics, and hopefully to improve their usefulness to Bible students. Your suggestions and comments are welcome in that regard.



May God bless you every day for your support of this and other efforts to evangelize the world and edify the church.

In His service,

A. L. Parr

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