

About this newsletter format

Welcome! We created this special version of our God at Work newsletter to keep you up to date with all that is happening at the League, and the many resources available to you on our website. We'll highlight what's new and celebrate stories of people whose lives are changed through these simple acts of giving away God's Word.

Take the 21-Day Challenge

Looking for a way to make Bible reading easier and more effective for your life? Then the 21-Day Challenge is just what you've been looking for! In just three weeks you'll develop a habit that will help you grow while moving you closer to God. One of the best things about the program is that you can go through it at your own pace. Through the 21-Day Challenge you'll become familiar with every detail in the life of Jesus Christ. Using your pocket testament or your Bible to read one chapter of John each day for 21 days, you'll grow in your faith, your relationship with God, and your passion for reading God's Word. Each of the 21 challenge assignments is sent to you by E-mail and includes a short devotional and a suggested prayer for each chapter. Get started today!

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Dear Member:

Has the new year gotten old for you yet? Are you already getting used to writing 2009 and not 2008 on your checks? Have you stayed with those resolutions a little longer than in past years? It is our prayer that your enthusiasm to read and share God's Word is as strong as ever!

As Valentine's Day approaches, make a commitment to give away more gospels than ever, as you share how the pages inside that tiny book contain a message of love as big as God's heart.

In these first short weeks of the year, members have presented over 45,000 gospel messages to people all over the nation. Sponsors have underwritten more than 12,000 gospels for 442 members. In excess of 150 testimonies and stories have been posted on our website. Sharing the gospel has never been more needed as more and more people are turning to the everlasting, uplifting message of hope that God has placed into His Good News.

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As we move into the month of February and thoughts turn to Valentine's Day, think about God's message of love to the human race, expressed so clearly throughout the gospel of John. Make a commitment to give away more gospels than ever, as you share with people how the pages inside that tiny book contain a proclamation of love as big as God's heart.

In the final months of last year, more Bibles were purchased and more people turned to things of a spiritual nature than ever before. It seems that when times get challenging, the Bible gets people's attention in a powerful way. And we couldn't be happier.

I believe that 2009 will see more gospel presentations and more need for sponsors of those presentations than ever in our history. But this growth will need the combined efforts of you and I. You may be surprised to know that it's the small, regular monthly gifts from \$20 to \$30 that cover the expenses of the printing and distributing the



Story of the month

Marcia C. from Westerlo, NY shared this encouraging story in on our web site last month about the impact the 21-Day Challenge is having on her life:

“A friend of mine invited me to do the 21-Day Challenge and I am truly growing closer to Jesus Christ each and every day. I want to share my experience with others and want to share these 10 copies of the Gospel of John with friends and family during the holiday season so they too can become closer to Jesus Christ through his words of truth. Thank you.”

Support the ministry

There are many ways you can support the work of The Pocket Testament League. We need your help as we work to put the Word of God into the hands of the lost.

Through sponsorship you can help faithful evangelists receive gospels that they will give to others. Many of these members are full-time students or on fixed incomes and unable to contribute financially. Sponsors can choose to receive E-mail messages showing the impact they're having and even view a map of where they are changing lives. You can also order gospels on you own and make a donation to cover the cost.

gospel message. Think about sponsoring some of our most faithful evangelists with a small monthly gift.

I hope you enjoy this new monthly newsletter format that we created just for you. Let us know how you like it. And try the 21-Day Challenge. I think it will make a real difference in your New Year and in your life.

Mike Brickley, President

NEW VIDEO NOW ONLINE!

We created a powerful new video about the League that features real members talking about their sharing efforts and the blessings of being involved in giving out gospels of John to the lost. It takes just 8 minutes to view, perfect for watching while you sip a favorite beverage. You'll be inspired and motivated by the stories of these evangelists of all ages from different parts of the country. View it at www.pocketpower.org/alive/video_vision.php



GREAT WAYS TO SHARE

Some ways that real members have described how they share their faith are shown below. Learn more ways than you can ever imagine, but visiting 92 ways to share your faith in the Resources area on our web site.

#1 One young lady sets up a table on Venice Beach each week amidst the many tarot card readers, psychics, other promoters of false believes, offering the Gospel of John instead -- a source of true, lasting hope. She only gives these to people she has a conversation with.

#3 We have many students, both in high school and college, who introduce their Christian clubs to The Pocket Testament League and the ministry of giving out God's Word. What a great way to multiply your efforts!

DID YOU KNOW?

You can share more gospels of John with confidence, and even learn to naturally convert normal conversations to spiritual discussions, through our Evangelism Boot Camp, a free 7-part interactive course sent by E-mail. Learn more on our web site at www.pocketpower.org/resources/bc7.php