

# God@Work

MAY 2009

## New Gospel cover

In April, the League partnered with Stonecroft Ministries, an organization dedicated to helping women connect with God, each other and their communities,



to launch a new cover design for women. Featuring coffee cups, a common theme for women who want to connect, the headline is simply the word “connecting,” meant to evoke the idea of touching base with the things that really matter. We pray that this new cover will lead to lots of spiritual discussions and will bring many women to Christ.

## Story of the month

**Tammy T.** from Niagara Falls, NY shared this story on our web site:

“I am very thankful there are sponsors for the ministry God gave me to reach recovering drug addicts, the homeless, women with children who are trying to get their lives back together. This ministry that God gave me is run on donations. On holidays I make bags and send them to the drug rehabs, shelters or wherever the need is. These bags include the gospel of John, a little gift that I make, bookmarks, a personal letter, and directions on how to start over. One Mother’s Day a girl called me after receiving her bag at a local rehab. She was in tears



Dear Member:

**L**et’s face it, there are many great organizations doing wonderful things for the cause of Christ. So you might be asking yourself what makes one different from another. What are the qualities that make some ministries align more closely with your passions than others?

One thing which sets us apart is our unique and highly efficient operating structure.

The League is a very effective virtual organization. We have no headquarters building. We have no warehouse of our own. We use professional Christian firms to provide services to you, our members. By reducing overhead in this way, we can weather economic changes effectively and put more funds towards the production of gospels and other resources that help you share your faith.

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We use a firm of Certified Public Accountants to open our mail, send donation receipts, pay the bills, prepare the cash reports, and prepare financial statements. Our system is digital to maximize efficiency. Once a week the bills needing to be paid are scanned and emailed for approval. I still chuckle at the time I was traveling in the Middle East, approving the week’s bills, as I watched a camel walking by! This firm reports directly to the Finance Committee of our Board, and provides sophisticated ongoing information to the management and Board of Trustees, accurate information we use to manage the ministry wisely.

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because she was alone with no family. She felt guilty, hopeless, and that her life had no meaning. As we were talking, I realized the tears were happy tears, she realized she was loved and cared for. She then gave her life to Jesus. She had meaning in her life and is on the road to recovery through her new relationship with God. Thank you again and God Bless You.”

## Great ways to share

Some ways that real members have described how they share their faith are shown below. Learn more ways by visiting [Resources > How to Share > 92 ways to share](#) on our web site.

**#10** A lady owns a women's fitness center with over 400 members and gives out Gospels of John there. Because of this, two Bible studies have sprung up!

**#51** One gentleman told us that his brother had recently passed away. He took a number of the Gospels to the church where they had the funeral. The pastor invited people to take one and none were left when the service was finished. A friend of the brother who died read the Gospel and accepted Christ.

## Current ministry needs

We are developing training materials and Bible studies so that small groups and churches can focus on sharing their faith with others using God's Word. Many people will be saved through these initiatives.

When we have our annual independent audit, our auditors always tell us how much they enjoy auditing the League, since the financial records are in such good and professional shape. As a result, we pay much less for our audit than other organizations do. This financial setup allows us to be good stewards of the gifts you make to the League. We know that you give sacrificially, and we want to serve you and our God with excellence.



Mike Brickley, President

## NEW FOCUSED SPONSORSHIP

**We've just made big improvements** to how our sponsorship system works. With these changes, you can now focus your sponsorship funds, to align your gracious gifts with those who share your passions as closely as possible.

You may now sponsor with the following emphasis:

### ► Members with a focus that matches yours.

When someone requests sponsorship, we now ask them to tell us if they have an area of ministry focus. For example, they may have a passion for reaching the homeless. If you select one or more areas of focus, your funds will be matched with sponsorship requests that align closely with your own areas of interest.

► **Someone you know.** Perhaps it's a member of your family, or an enthusiastic young person from your church. For security reasons, you'll need to know their member ID.

► **Your church.** You may now choose to sponsor members in your church who are sharing their faith and don't have the funds to order gospels. Only churches which are in our database may be sponsored. If the church you want to help isn't listed, send us the information using our online feedback form and we'll add it to the database.

► **Members from your city or state.** You may choose to sponsor members located in your own geographical area.

In return, you'll receive stories from these members to encourage you. With these new enhancements, our prayer is that they'll be even more meaningful because they'll match your ministry focus more closely. Every sponsorship gift of \$20 enables another member to receive a 30-day supply of Gospels.

Sponsor someone right now at [www.pocketpower.org/sponsor](http://www.pocketpower.org/sponsor)



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