

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

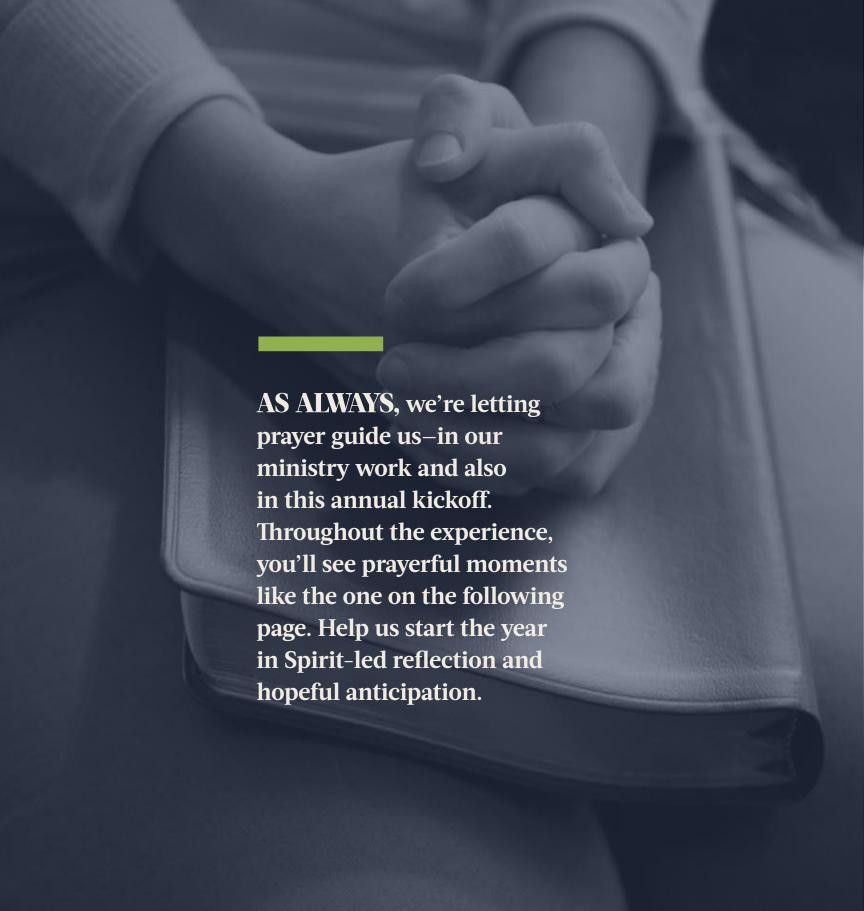
**PSALM 118:1 (NIV)** 

## GOD SO LOVED.

Three words that were at the heart of Dr. Stanley's life and ministry. Words that will forever be at the center of our efforts to make disciples around the world.

Another year means another 365 days to witness God's love at work—in our lives and yours. And the evidence of His love is overwhelming.

Join us in thanking God for all He's done, including the legacy of Dr. Stanley, and in prayerfully looking forward to the days ahead.





For nearly five decades, Lord, You have loved the world through this ministry. As a community of partners and staff members, we stand before You, humbled and grateful. Help us reach even more people in the days ahead so that the whole earth will know Your goodness.



# URGENT WORKWITH APEACEFUL SPIRIT EACH DAY, HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS

OF PEOPLE are born. And they all need a lifetime of spiritual support, from the time they're wandering in darkness until they feel Christ's embrace in eternity—and every moment in between.

### **LONELINESS EPIDEMIC**

Around 60% of the U.S. population reports experiencing loneliness. The U.S. Surgeon General recently advised that loneliness is "associated with a greater risk of cardiovascular disease, dementia, stroke, depression, anxiety, and premature death. The mortality impact of being socially disconnected is similar to that caused by smoking up to 15 cigarettes a day."

## **GLOBAL REFUGEE CRISIS**

There are now roughly 100 million refugees and displaced people worldwide, which is nearly equal to the populations of the United Kingdom and Canada combined. Right now, 41 million people are threatened by famine, and 339 million need humanitarian assistance. Far from their homelands, they also need encouraging discipleship resources.

## RISE IN SUBSTANCE ABUSE

There have been more than 700,000 drug overdose deaths in the U.S. since 2000, and more than 141,000 alcohol-related deaths every year. Drug use has risen sharply among people aged 50 and older due to an increase in the use of prescription drugs, many of them opioid-based.

## FALLING CHURCH ATTENDANCE

An estimated 3,500 people leave the church each day. That means more than 1.2 million people will leave the church in the next 12 months. Researchers predict that Christians will make up less than half of the U.S. population by the year 2070, compared with 64% in 2020 and 90% 50 years ago.





Our Reach



# A Mission Without Borders

JESUS WALKED THE ROCKY HILLS of the Middle East. But today, in the Holy Spirit, His presence is everywhere. He goes before us, preparing the way for God's Word. And we're following Him in obedience, trusting that no one anywhere in the world will remain unreached by the gospel message.

# CHILE Messengers distributed GUYANA Evangelism

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Christian community
development

HONDURAS Church-building

**PARAGUAY** Discipleship

**VENEZUELA**Messengers distributed



# Wisdom From a few on how to kee

**OUR STRATEGIC PARTNERS** with their insights into the spiritual life. Here's advice from a few on how to keep growing in Christ.



JP Sundararajan **Director of Global Mission/RCA** Michigan, USA

"Reading the Bible regularly is akin to hitting the gym—a healthy practice for your overall spiritual health for the rest of your life. Once a daily ritual of reading Scripture is established, the Word is amazing in how it lingers and resonates. Paying attention to it and seeing how it applies to your current situation is where the beauty lies. It is striking how fresh the Word can be daily."





**Leda Kumaraku Shelburne** Owner, Media 7 Tirana, Albania

"Keep praying. Prayer is communication with your loving Father.

There is nothing more precious in life. We have a proverb in Albania: 'Appetite comes by eating.' If you want a more fulfilling prayer life, pray more."



Dimitrios Athenosopolous CEO/Royal Agency TV Athens, Greece

"My wife and I recently lost our child. In our sorrow, we knew deep in our heart that God is with us and for us, and our only joy in this world is in His presence. In 2 Corinthians 7:4, Paul says, 'I am filled with comfort, I am exceedingly joyful in all our tribulation' (KJV). As Christians, we do not look for good or bad days—we look for the joy of the Lord that is beyond our understanding."



Major Olga Westfall Chaplain/Air Force Reserve Georgia, USA

"I work full-time as a chaplain with military veterans. Sometimes it's hard for them, who used to be strong and thought they were invincible, to accept the fact that now they are weak. But hope helps us to live, believe in a better future, and trust God to carry us through difficult times. Even in the midst of an incurable diagnosis, you can have peace in your heart if only you hold on to faith in Christ. With Him, you can't lose. He guarantees a better future in His heavenly kingdom, as long as we trust Him on our earthly journey."



Pam Foreman Hospital Chaplain Oklahoma, USA

"Jesus is always in our midst. As a hospital chaplain, when I don't know what to do, I hear Dr. Stanley in my mind saying to trust God with all the consequences. The Lord takes full responsibility for the doors He opens and the ones He closes. We may not understand, but if we ask Him to show us what to do, we begin to see things differently."



Will Hill Missionary Niigata, Japan

"Remember the grace of God towards us and extend that same grace towards others and even yourself. We can always look at the ways we've messed up or could've improved, but that often keeps us from appreciating what God has done for, through, and around us."

# You're Always on Our Prayer List.

to 460,000 phone calls from around the world, as well as 57,800 emails and letters. We were honored to answer every single one. Many were prayer requests, but a significant number were reports of how the Lord answered prayer. Each one reminds us of what a gracious, attentive God we serve.

My son finally reached out to me. I got to see my brother again. We were able to move into a better living situation. My granddaughter wants to live for Jesus. The biopsy came back negative. Our family is safe at last. I was about to commit suicide, but then I heard Dr. Stanley's sermon. My son finally went to rehab. I got the interview—and then the job! I've been able to sleep lately. My air conditioning works again. God healed my macular degeneration. I no longer need surgery. I found 10 quarters in the laundry machine. I survived—and so did my baby. My grandson can now breathe on his own. I no longer need a heart monitor. My son was a shooting victim-praise God he's fully recovered. I gave my life to Christ today. Our long-lost daughter came home. The Lord met me in my grief and has given me purpose. I have arthritis—today God helped me open the window without pain. My son became a Christian three months before he died. The mammogram was clear. My daughter forgave me.



Lord, the harvest is great. But Your love is greater.

Thank You for the blessing of sharing the Word of Christ. Please open hearts to Your truth, and empower us to carry it onward so that every person—and every community—will find peace in You.



# WHEREVER YOUGO, WE'RE WITH YOU

ALL OVER THE WORLD—in hospital beds and subway cars, in nursing homes and nurseries, on city streets and dirt roads—people are watching and listening. On TVs, radios, and streaming devices, they're learning how to know God more intimately each day.

Around the world, **3 billion** people listen to a radio each week. And they listen to an average of **90 minutes** of programming each day. That's the equivalent of roughly 700 sermons a year.

6.351 billion

people worldwide live in a household with a television. That's 79% of humankind. And the number is growing.

## AT HOME IN THE U.S.

In Touch With Dr. Charles Stanley is broadcast domestically on 650 radio stations (582 in English and 68 in Spanish) and 740 TV stations (729 English and 11 Spanish).

## AROUND THE WORLD

Our program is also available in 108 languages on radio and television stations across the globe.

# What we're excited about

God is always opening new doors.

We're now on an additional 14 national cable channels and have expanded our digital TV reach in Missouri,

Texas, Colorado, Wisconsin,

Georgia, and Arkansas.



**IN TOUCH+** 

# A Never-Ending Stream of Hope

**THOUGHTFUL PROGRAMMING? YES.** The latest in streaming technology? Check. With In Touch+, we're able to reach viewers with biblically faithful content anywhere there's an internet connection.

Visit intouch.org/plus for more about how to stream.

# What we're excited about

Streaming services increase their share of the media and entertainment industry by about 20% each year. It's a cost-effective and convenient way for people to access life-changing discipleship content—anywhere, anytime.



Lord, You are not only the God with cattle on a thousand hills—from Bluetooth and antennas to satellites and beyond, You are also sovereign over human technology. And we're grateful for every platform You provide to proclaim Your love.



## You walked closely with Dr. Stanley for 20 years. Was there a moment you remember above all the others?

So many moments come flooding into my mind. We've been to so many places and have spent so much time together. But the most striking impression Dr. Stanley left with me was how he always kneeled to pray. It didn't matter where we went—whether it was a rally, book tour, photography trip, or cruise. Regardless of what was going on, he always made time to get on his face before the Lord to seek His guidance. I remember one time when we had traveled all day for an event and were so tired. It was about 1:00 a.m., and he looked at me and said, "We have a big day tomorrow. We need to pray." And right there, he got on his knees and sought God. It was powerful. He truly lived what he preached.

# In Touch draws people together from many different backgrounds—denominational, political, educational, and financial. What is it about Dr. Stanley and the work we do that invites this unity?

Dr. Stanley and I talked about that a great deal. He always wanted the gospel to be available and accessible to everyone, regardless of their background. So he never aimed his message at a particular group or tried to impress anyone with what he knew. He just pointed to Jesus and made the principles of walking with Christ as simple as he could, so simple even a young child could comprehend. And God worked through that in an amazing way. I've met countless people who've said that Dr. Stanley made it easy for them to understand how to know and walk with Christ—and that it's made all the difference in the world to them.

### What excites you about the future of In Touch?

I thought at this point, after losing Dr. Stanley, it would be difficult to look toward the future with excitement. And in a sense, it is—he meant so much to all of us. But one of the continuing messages God has given me is that not even half of In Touch Ministries' story has been told. The Lord has given us Dr. Stanley's messages as a trust, and He isn't done with us yet. So, what excites me most is the way God is revealing Himself and His plan for us. He is working through Dr. Stanley's timeless content in ways we never expected—with the new Charles Stanley Institute currently in development, partnerships with global seminaries that are utilizing his messages as curriculum, and even the way the In Touch staff has taken up Dr. Stanley's mantle to proclaim the gospel through their giftedness. I miss Dr. Stanley terribly, but I'm incredibly motivated, inspired, and excited to carry on his calling in all the ways God reveals to us. It's truly beyond imagination how He keeps opening doors.

## Innovation is one of In Touch's core values. Why has that been significant?

The reliance on innovation goes back about five decades to a prayer retreat Dr. Stanley had in Tennessee with his staff. Dr. Stanley had the vision to get the message of the gospel beyond the four walls of the church and to the world, and this faithful group of believers got on their knees and asked God what to do. From that point, the Lord showed them technological tools they could use to carry the mission further. The most significant points of innovation have resulted from hurdles we've faced along the way and how God's directed us to overcome those obstacles. It's never been about using technology or innovation for the sake of being cutting-edge, though Dr. Stanley has certainly used groundbreaking methods throughout his ministry. Instead, innovation has been God's provision to us as we've continued to proclaim His message to the ends of the earth, just as He's called us to.

## As you pray for In Touch, what are you asking God to do?

It isn't so much what I'm asking the Lord to do, as what He is asking us to do in obedience to Him. He's shown me that I'm not to be limited by what I see but I'm to trust Him in all the open doors He provides for us. That means following Dr. Stanley's example of staying prayerful and in God's Word. So if there is anything I am asking, it's to help me to stay on His path for In Touch—loving God more and serving Him more effectively as we walk in obedience.

## If you could say one thing to the In Touch community, what would it be?

Thank you so much. Thank you for your prayers, support, and trust—and for continuing this awesome mission with us to the ends of the earth. Your outpouring of love and encouragement has been tremendous. And what we've heard from one partner after another is, "Keep going." So I want you to know that we're committed to teaching people throughout the earth to know and walk with Jesus, just as Dr. Stanley taught us to do. His calling remains our calling, and we're so very grateful it remains yours as well.

#### The In Touch Ministries

# Board of Directors

#### C. PHILLIP BOWEN

Phillip serves as the chief executive officer (CEO) and president of In Touch Ministries in Atlanta, Georgia. As CEO, he oversees more than 180 employees in the continuing operations of In Touch's U.S. office and affiliates in Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Israel, and the United Kingdom.

#### **GERALD WOLFE**

Gerald is a Christian singer, musician, and founding member of the award-winning trio Greater Vision. The founder of the Gospel Music Hymn Sing Foundation, Gerald serves as president of the National Quartet Convention and the Gospel Music Trust Fund.

#### **HOWARD BOWEN**

Since 1988, Howard has been president of American Star Development, which specializes in the planning and construction of shopping centers throughout the southeast. (No relation to Phillip.)

#### THOMAS L. JARRETT, M.D.

Tom is the Henry B. Tippie Professor at Emory University School of Medicine and a Rollins Senior Distinguished Clinician. He currently serves as the medical director of Access Emory and Emory International.

# You're the Reason We Keep Going.

Thanks to your faithful prayers and support,

- Preaching Christ and serving His people from Atlanta to Japan
- Ministering on the streets and in the trenches
- Partnering with ministries, missionaries, and churches worldwide
- Healing hearts through our prayer line
- Answering doctrinal questions by letter and email

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of every dollar went to...

- Providing hundreds of listening and viewing options
- Voicing Dr. Stanley's sermons in dozens of languages
- Giving a platform to biblically faithful preachers

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- Sharing God's Word by solar power
- Creating wireless discipleship experiences
- Equipping pastors with digital libraries
- Producing discipleship experiences in over 100 languages
- Training pastors without access to seminary

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- Empowering believers in their devotional life
- Producing inspiring books,Bible studies, and resources
- Meeting discipleship needs online 24/7
- Giving millions access to Dr. Stanley on YouTube
- Fostering community on Facebook

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and more.



# Testimonies of Dr. Stanley's Impact Continue to Roll In.

We're overwhelmed by the love and support you've expressed. And we're as excited as ever to continue in the calling he received: sharing God's love with the world.

"Dr. Stanley's calming voice is always reassuring when I watch his sermons on TV. The monthly devotional is always uplifting and inspiring. Thank you for continuing his world-reaching legacy!" —Susan B.

"Dr. Charles Stanley has touched my life in so many ways. Through his sermons and daily devotions, he changed the way I look at life and how to live for God." —Elaine N.

"It was Charles Stanley's radio show that inspired me to come to the cross and get saved in July of 2021. I am eternally grateful to him for that! I continue to listen to his show each and every day." —Paul M.

"One day, I was vacuuming with the television on when I first saw Dr. Stanley. Now, 27 years later, I still follow his teaching. I will continue to read the monthly devotional and listen to him on the radio and on my device. I will always love him." –Juanita K.

"Every day, Dr. Stanley and I take a walk together as I listen to his podcast, and it is the highlight of my day. I am exercising not only my body but also my mind and my spirit." —Amy K.

"In Touch Ministries, through Charles Stanley's leadership, came into my life when I was struggling as a newly divorced woman in her 50s. My life wouldn't be the same had I not found him and his ministry." —LaDonna L.

"I began watching Dr. Stanley on TV and reading the In Touch devotional in my 20s. By following his teachings, I began to understand my calling in life. Now I am almost 70. In Touch is wonderful, and I am glad that my husband and I have been a part of it over the years. We will continue to support the ministry." – Matilda P.

"In Touch has reached out to the entire world with the Word of God and made an enormous contribution to humanity. My wife and I have watched the broadcast for decades and are continually overjoyed by Dr. Stanley's exuberance and explanations of the Bible." —David M.





Lord, You are the Good Shepherd, and You never give up on those who are lost—people we couldn't reach without Your wisdom and direction. Nothing is impossible with You. We'll go where You guide us.

Show us the way.

**TRANSLATION** 

# The Languages of From the babbling of the babb FROM BIRTH THROUGH THOSE



a language that's deeply felt—a way of speaking that feels like

babbling first years, people learn

home. Later, when they hear lifechanging sermons in their native tongue, mountains move within.

Translation matters.

That's why we remain committed to producing discipleship resources in new languages every year. We pray that, similar to the day of Pentecost, everyone will hear the Word of God as the personal, intimate gift it is.

The Life Principles curriculum has

just been translated into Luganda, a

language with nearly 16 million native speakers, primarily in Uganda. Now

they can learn about Christ

in words that speak deeply

to their hearts.

Sermons from Dr. Stanley are currently being translated into 19 additional languages, for a total of 150. Here are just a few of the groups we'll soon be ministering to in their heart language:

(Ethiopia)

AMHARIC 32 million native speakers

**BHOJPURI** (India/Nepal)

**51 million** native speakers

(India)

CHHATTISGARHI 18 million native speakers

MAITHILI

**34 million** native speakers

(India/Nepal)

**26 million** native speakers

SARAIKI (Pakistan/India/Afghanistan)

**33 million** native speakers

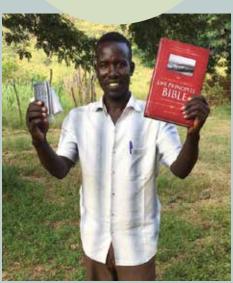
**SUDANESE ARABIC** (Sudan/South Sudan)

9 million native speakers

**TIGRINYA** (Eritrea)

7 million native speakers

**TUMBUKA** (Malawi/Tanzania/Zambia)





Lord, how kind You are. We're deeply moved by

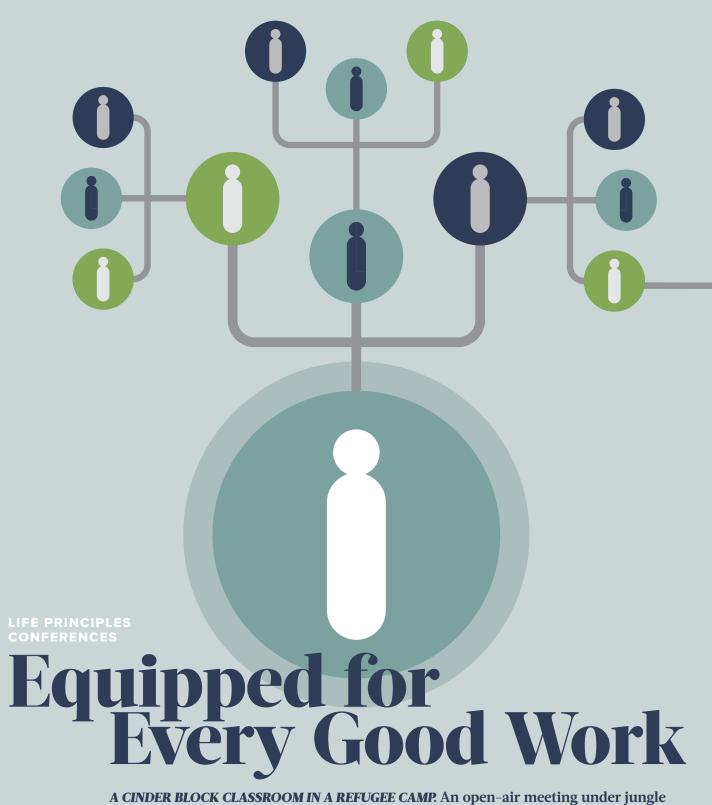
Your consideration for all the people of the earth.

Provide for us a way to reach listeners everywhere in a

language that speaks to their heart. Let us share with

them, at the deepest level, about salvation

and how to follow You.



A CINDER BLOCK CLASSROOM IN A REFUGEE CAMP. An open-air meeting under jungle trees. A church among skyscrapers. These are some of the places we disciple the "disciplers" by sharing wisdom and resources to encourage God's ministers around the world. Shepherds helping shepherds—that's God's church in action.

The average person impacts almost 3 others per day throughout a lifetime. Each pastor we help has the potential to impact 5, 10, or more lives every day.





Number of pastors we've trained to date worldwide using the Life Principles curriculum:

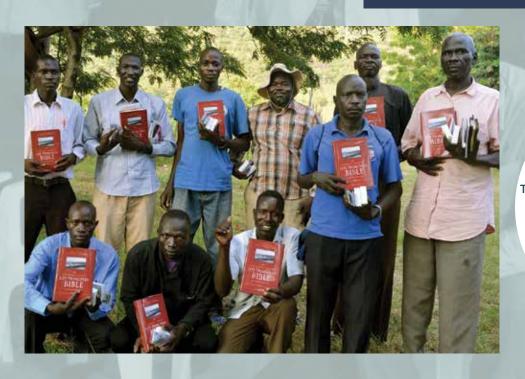
7,800

Number of people potentially influenced by 7,800 pastors:

5 YEARS **71,214,000** 

10 YEARS **142,428,000** 

20 YEARS 284,895,000



# What we're excited about

Today, local pastors in Africa are teaching all our Life Principles discipleship conferences themselves, using our curriculum. They now have at their disposal the newly translated Swahili version, which can reach 100 million speakers in Africa.

Global Initiatives

#### LIFE PRINCIPLES CONFERENCES

In the past 12 months, we've shared the Life Principles teachings of Dr. Charles Stanley with pastors, teachers, and missionaries in:



Jujuy, Argentina Salta, Argentina

Santiago, Chile

Corinto, Colombia San Carlos, Colombia Tierralata, Colombia

La Unión, Ecuador Milagro, Ecuador Misahuallí, Ecuador Pajan, Ecuador

Armenia, El Salvador San Salvador, El Salvador Tepecoyo, El Salvador

Chimaltenango, Guatemala

Matamoros, Mexico Mexico City, Mexico Chumani, Kenya
Kaimosi, Kenya
Karatina, Kenya
Kilifi, Kenya
Kisauni, Kenya
Kisumu, Kenya
Kitui, Kenya
Likoni, Kenya
Lunga, Kenya
Machakos, Kenya
Magongo, Kenya
Mbale, Kenya
Mombasa, Kenya
Mrima wa Ndege, Kenya
Mtwapa, Kenya
Mwatate, Kenya

Lugazi, Uganda

Mbale, Uganda

Lyantode, Uganda Mayuge, Uganda

Mubende, Uganda

Rukungiri, Uganda

Vihiga County, Kenya Vipingo, Kenya Voi, Kenya Blantyre, Malawi

Tiwi Village, Kenya

Nairobi, Kenya Sumanga, Kenya

Kasungu, Malawi Mzimba, Malawi

Lagos, Nigeria



Almighty God, how beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news. Show us what Your people need.

Help us disciple the pastors, mentors, and counselors You've called to service. As they sow the seed of the Word, may all who hear grow strong and healthy in You, nurtured in the embrace of Your church.



**BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS** 

# FAITHFUL TO THE TEXT

STILL HAVE AN OLD STUDY BIBLE with worn pages? Devotionals filled with notes? Dog-eared paperbacks? Like you, we value written resources rooted in eternal wisdom—accessible books and other materials with messages that transcend ink on paper. Our calling and passion are to bring you even more biblically based materials for many years to come.

From cuneiform tablets, papyrus scrolls, and illuminated manuscripts to modern typeset books, humans have always valued the printed word.



## People still love books.

[In 2022, 75% of Americans read at least one book.]

71,162

PARTNERS RECEIVED A

**COPY OF OUR 2023 FIELD** 

**GUIDE TO GOD'S PRESENCE** 

AS A FREE GIFT.

... IN ADDITION TO 3,858 COPIES SOLD



The average American spends about 16 minutes per day reading for leisure. It might not sound like much, but it adds up: That's 97 hours of reading per year, or about two dozen books. A pair of Bible studies each month? That's solid discipleship.

The number of free devotional magazines we send out every month:

1,091,399

**DIGITAL** 

# Anywhere You Need Us

WHEN YOU'RE WATERING THE PLANTS or ironing clothes, when you're waiting in the stands of the Little League game or picking up a prescription, we're here for you. In Touch Ministries is ready to help you connect with God moment by moment, seven days a week.





# 26 million people

VIEWED OUR ENGLISH CONTENT ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM THIS YEAR ... AND ANOTHER 7.7 MILLION VIEWED OUR SPANISH CONTENT.

That's about 8 times the population of the world's 50 smallest countries combined.

## **WALKING WITH YOU**

in devotion to God and in service to His kingdom is our great privilege.

Thank you for sharing your life with us—your role in the In Touch community is changing the world. And there's still work to do. We look forward to continuing our partnership in the days and years ahead.

Remember we're always here for you—ready with resources and encouragement to help you on your journey with God.

May the Lord Jesus guide you and strengthen you every step of the way.



Lord, it's a joy for us, Your people, to be fellow companions on this journey toward heaven. Thank You for keeping us connected. Help us provide tools that aid our Christian brothers and sisters—as well as those who are still searching for You.

In Jesus' name, amen.

Trusting
God means
looking
beyond
what we
can see to
what God
sees.





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