



BEAMS

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Rene' J. Freret, D.D., President

July, 2018, Prayer Letter

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

Freda and I would like to thank each of you for praying for her. She is recovering well from total hip replacement of both hips. She is getting better each day. Thank you for your prayers, calls, flowers, and cards.



René and Freda Freret

There are several ways you can help the BEAMS Bible ministry:

1. You can pray for us. Prayers are always welcome and needed.
2. Your church could take on BEAMS for monthly support.
3. Your church could send an offering for Bibles.
4. Your church could host a BEAMS Rally or Revival.
5. You can bring a group from your church to pack Bibles.
6. If you are a retiring pastor, you could consider becoming a missionary for BEAMS.
7. If you are a missionary in a foreign country receiving Bibles from BEAMS, you could share BEAMS with others.
8. You could make plans to attend our National Conference, February 25-26, 2019.
9. If you are a missionary coming off the field, you could consider becoming a BEAMS missionary and travel to present BEAMS in churches.

BEAMS Needs Missionaries

The BEAMS ministry has several states where we need missionaries to travel and present the need that missionaries on the foreign fields have for whole, hardback Bibles. If you are retiring as a pastor or a missionary coming off the mission field, you could consider traveling and presenting the need that missionaries on the foreign fields have for whole, hardback Bibles.

Brazil Distribution Center

We recently had a visit at the home office in Gulfport from Dr. Harold Gilmer. He is the Coordinator of the BEAMS Bible distribution center in Sao Paulo, Brazil. He reports that the distribution center is busy supplying Bibles to missionaries. This past year the center supplied 6,408 whole, hardback Portuguese Bibles to 66 missionaries.

It is a great cost-saving help to BEAMS to have Dr. Gilmer and his staff to pack and ship Bibles for BEAMS. In Brazil, it costs about \$69.00 to package and mail a box of six Bibles. Any help toward this cost would be deeply appreciated.



Dr. Freret and Dr. Gilmer

Needed: \$69.00 a month per missionary

Thank You

Thank you for praying and supporting the Freret family and the BEAMS Bible ministry. We love you folks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "René J. Freret".

René J. Freret



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June, 2018, Prayer Letter

Greetings to our Prayer Warriors and Supporters!

Our prayer is that you are doing well in serving our Lord. Thank you for praying for my wife, Freda. As many of you know, we are staying in Souderton, Pennsylvania, near three of our four children while Freda is healing from two total hip replacements. She had surgery on her right hip on April 10th and on her left hip on June 12th.

We thank God that she is doing well with her right hip and the left hip is recovering also. We thank each of you so much for your concern for Freda, for praying, for calling, for sending flowers and cards.

We also thank the Lord for Dr. Butch Lockard and the staff at the BEAMS headquarters in Gulfport for keeping the ministry going while my wife and I are in Pennsylvania.

21st Anniversary

On June 1, 1997, I resigned, after 24 years, as Pastor of Temple Baptist Church, a church I started in 1973, in Gulfport, Mississippi, to become Executive Director and President of the BEAMS Bible ministry. Dr. Julian Pope, who went home to be with the Lord in 1989, founded the ministry in 1972. In these 21 years, God has blessed our efforts so that we have distributed over 1,500,000 whole, hard-back Bibles to missionaries and national pastors in over 150 countries.

We thank the Lord for those who have surrendered as BEAMS missionaries to travel to churches and present the need that missionaries on foreign fields have for Bibles. The Lord has also supplied, through churches and individuals, the needed funds to purchase 4 ½ acres of land, an office building, a building with four guest rooms, a building with a "History of the Bible Museum" and conference center, a double-wide trailer for overnight guests, and a 50-foot x 210-foot warehouse building for receiving, storing, packing, and shipping Bibles. We praise the Lord that the land and buildings are completely paid for.

Thank You

Freda and I would like to thank each individual, church, and pastor for your faithful prayers and support for the Frerets and the BEAMS Bible ministry.



Dr. René and Freda Freret

Sincerely,

René J. Freret



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May, 2018, Prayer Letter

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

It is always a joy to report the work that is going on at BEAMS. In the first four months of 2018, we supplied 28,651 Bibles to missionaries in over 150 countries.

The added space in the BEAMS warehouse is allowing us to better organize shipments of Bibles. We are busy, along with our regular shipments, preparing to supply 5,000 Bibles to Missionary Mark Holmes in Nigeria.



Dr. René and Freda Freret

Please Pray for my Wife, Freda

Freda and I are in Pennsylvania, where Freda is recovering from hip surgery. We thank each of you who has prayed for her. God has heard your prayers. Freda is doing good in her recovery.

Bibles Needed in Papua, New Guinea

Bro. Matt Allen, Missionary to Papua, New Guinea, needs Bibles for a container. Would you pray about helping with this need? Thanks.

Missionary in Honduras Needs Bibles.

Bro. Ronnie Doss, Missionary to Honduras, writes, "We have 23 churches with their own trained pastors who need Bibles."

(Needed: 18 Bibles a month. \$144.00 a month will supply this need.)



Bro. and Mrs. Ronnie Doss

Missionary Leland Johnson Needs Prayer and Bibles in Brazil

Bro. Johnson has been a missionary in Brazil for nine months. Another missionary has asked Bro. Johnson to help with the main church, the seminary, a new church plant that is just getting off the ground, and to help the assistant pastor of the main church. He writes to us and has asked us to please pray for him as he serves the Lord in Brazil.

(Needed: 8 Bibles a month. \$64.00 a month will supply this need.)

Thank You

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April, 2018, Prayer Letter

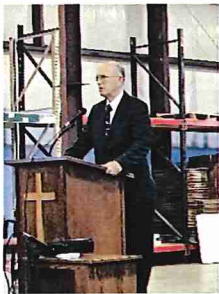
Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

In the last prayer letter, Dr. Freret shared the prayer request that Sis. Freret was in need of hip surgery. They travelled to Pennsylvania, where three of their children live, to consult with a surgeon on Wednesday, April 4. After the examination, the doctor was amazed that Sis. Freret was able to walk. Surgery was scheduled for Tuesday, April 10. We praise the Lord for His hand being on the surgeon and Sis. Freret. The surgery went well and she is recuperating. Thank you for all the prayers, calls, cards, and support you have extended to Dr. and Sis. Freret. Please continue to pray for the Frerets during her time of rehabilitation. At the time of writing this letter, she is transitioning from the walker to using a cane.



Dr. René and Freda Freret

BEAMS Missionary In-Service Training



Dr. René Freret

March 1-2 was the annual in-service training time for the BEAMS Missionaries at the BEAMS headquarters. There were 22 different sessions on a variety of subjects relating to missions and BEAMS. Dr. Freret invited 20 pastors and missionaries to speak. The in-service training was



In-Service Training

held in the newly expanded warehouse and was open to anyone that desired to attend. Plans are under way for next year's training.

Bibles for Missionary Mark Holmes

Thank you to all the churches who responded to our Bible Day project to provide 5,000 English Bibles to Missionary Mark Holmes. We praise the Lord we received the \$40,000 needed to provide the Bibles.

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On Behalf of Your Missionaries,

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March, 2018, Prayer Letter

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

I pray my Prayer Letter finds each of you doing well. Because of my Parkinson's, I am having speech therapy twice a week with daily home exercises to strengthen my voice. We see improvement. Please pray for my wife, Freda. She is under the care of a doctor for pain she is having in her hip and back.

Thank you for your prayers and support for the **National BEAMS Conference**. We had a great meeting. I am already looking forward to next year. It will be held on Monday and Tuesday, February 25-26, 2019. Please make plans to attend. Again, we will have a great line-up of speakers.



Rene' and Freda Freret



Mark Holmes Family

Missionary Mark Holmes Needs Bibles in Nigeria

BEAMS is partnering with Bro. Mark Holmes, missionary to Nigeria, to raise \$40,000.00 for 5,000 English Bibles. We thank all the churches who have given a Bible Day offering for this project. Nigeria is one of the poorest countries in Africa. The average income is about \$1.00 a day. When people get saved, missionaries need Bibles

to give to them. There is no way the people can afford to purchase a Bible. Thank you for helping on this project.



Mark Holmes' Church in Nigeria

Please Pray for Freda

We just learned that hip replacement surgery is recommended for my wife, Freda. For several weeks she has been in pain in her hip and back. We would really appreciate your prayers for wisdom and decisions, for the possible surgery, and for good recovery. Thank you.

Warehouse Addition Completed

May I take this opportunity to thank you for giving toward the 50-foot by 60-foot addition of our warehouse. A few weeks ago the city inspector approved our construction and issued the Certificate of Occupancy. This gave us space to rearrange the shelving and be better organized when we load Bibles and containers for the foreign field.

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February, 2018, Prayer Letter

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

Well, the **National BEAMS Conference** is just about here. It will be held on Monday and Tuesday, February 26-27, 2018. Please make plans to attend.

The conference begins on Monday afternoon from 4:30 to 6:00 with a southern catfish supper at the BEAMS Headquarters, 15444 Duckworth Road. Then, we drive over to Faith Baptist Church, 8467 Canal Road, to begin the conference.



René and Freda Freret

February 26 - 27, 2018

Monday Evening

7:00 Lynn Martin
8:00 Charles Hamilton
8:15 Joe Arthur

Tuesday Morning

8:55 Charles Hamilton
9:35 Mark Smith
10:25 Tom Wallace
11:25 Johnny Pope

Tuesday Evening

5:30 Supper
7:00 Charles Keen
8:00 Johnny Pope

Tuesday Afternoon

12:00 Lunch
1:00 Joe Asbury



Joe Asbury

At 1:00 on Tuesday afternoon, Bro. Joe Asbury will be presenting a seminar. For over 30 years, Bro. Asbury has been traveling across America to churches and conferences where he has been giving information to pastors and church members regarding wills, trusts, and powers of attorney. He will also be scheduling appointments with those interested in meeting with him from 2:00 to 4:30.

Missionary In-Service Training

Pastors and Missionaries are invited to attend **Missionary In-Service Training on Thursday and Friday, March 1-2**. We will have several pastors and missionaries speaking. The In-Service Training will be held at the BEAMS Headquarters; 15444 Duckworth Road; Gulfport, Mississippi.

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January, 2018, Prayer Letter

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

Freda and I would like to thank you for praying for us. We are traveling to update churches on the BEAMS ministry and give out airmail boxes of Bibles for people to mail. We really appreciate each one who has mailed a box of Bibles.

We are getting ready for our National BEAMS Conference, February 26-27, 2018. Please make your plans to come and be with us. As always, we will have a southern fried catfish supper from 4:30-5:30 on Monday at the BEAMS headquarters, 15444 Duckworth Road. At 7:00, the conference begins at Faith Baptist Church, 8467 Canal Road, with Dr. Lynn Martin and Dr. Joe Arthur preaching.

On Tuesday, February 27, we will have Bro. Charles Hamilton, Dr. Mark Smith, Dr. Tom Wallace, Dr. Johnny Pope, and Dr. Charles Keene preaching for us.



René and Freda Freret

Bibles Are Needed in Nigeria

The BEAMS ministry is preparing to ship a container of Bibles and literature to Bro. Mark Holmes, who has been a missionary to Nigeria for 15 years. During this time, the Lord has used Bro. Holmes to start 16 churches, a Bible College, pastor's conference, and nine mission projects with plans of starting more churches.

Please pray for Bro. Holmes, his family, and the pastors and members of the churches he has started. The Muslims predominantly control the northern part of Nigeria. Hundreds of Christians have been killed, but the situation seems to be changing. The newly elected President of the country is a Christian.

There are 470 different languages in Nigeria, but the main language is English. The missionaries and pastors need Bibles to give to people who get saved. The average income in Nigeria is \$280.00 a year. That is approximately \$5.40 per week. There is no way they could afford to purchase a hardback Bible. We are raising \$40,000.00 to cover the cost of supplying 5,000 whole, hardback Bibles. Please consider giving an offering for Bibles for Nigeria.



Mark Holmes & Family

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December, 2017, Prayer Letter

Dear Fellow Helpers in the Lord,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Freda and I would like to wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

As of December 1st, BEAMS has supplied 115,396 whole, hardback Bibles this year to over 3,000 missionaries and national pastors in over 150 foreign countries. Amen!

Thank you for supporting the BEAMS Bible ministry.



René and Freda Freret

National BEAMS Conference, February 26-27, 2018

Please let me invite you to attend our annual National BEAMS Conference.

Monday evening: Dr. Lynn Martin, Pastor and Evangelist

Dr. Joe Arthur, Pastor and Evangelist

Tuesday: Bro. Charles Hamilton, church planter in Greenville, Mississippi

Dr. Mark Smith, Pastor; Tacoma, Washington

Dr. Tom Wallace, Evangelist

Dr. Johnny Pope, Pastor and Evangelist

Bro. Joe Asbury, Estate Planning Session

Dr. Charles Keen, Founder of Bearing Precious Seed

Dr. Johnny Pope, Pastor and Evangelist



Dr. Joe Arthur



Dr. Johnny Pope

Missionary in Mexico Appreciates BEAMS Bibles



For over 50 years, Brother Jack Henderson has been a missionary to Mexico. Besides starting churches in Mexico and being involved in training Mexican preachers in a Bible Institute, he has been holding Mission Conferences in Mexican churches. Because of these Mission Conferences, many Mexican churches are now sending out young men to start churches.

Brother Henderson receives Bibles from BEAMS to give to these Mexican pastors. In a recent email he wrote, "Thank you BEAMS for supplying us with Bibles. We thank you that they are hardback. We know they cost more than paper back, but the cost is worth it because they will last much longer than a paperback. Thank you for providing Bibles for us."

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