

## June 2019 UK, Guatemala, Australia, USA, Sri Lanka

The *Bible Companion* readings for this Sunday include Revelation 19 and there is an MP3 file about this at <http://www.christadelphia.net/audio/rev19.mp3>

You can see the archives of our MP3 files at <http://christadelphia.net/audio.htm> and on iTunes at <https://itunes.apple.com/ca/podcast/christadelphian-bible-talks/id987163468>

Download the *NEV Bible* with commentary and *Bible Companion* bookmarks at <http://n-e-v.info/NEVBIBLE.pdf>

Helps for the *Bible Companion* readings this week:

**1 Samuel** <http://n-e-v.info/1samcomm.pdf>

**Isaiah** <http://n-e-v.info/NEVIsaiah.pdf>

**Revelation** <http://n-e-v.info/NEVRevelationCommentary.pdf>

Our news this week all rather has the theme of '*cast your bread upon the waters, and you will find it after many days*'. There are hundreds of thousands of copies of *Bible Basics* and *NEV Bibles* 'out there', thanks to your generous support over the decades; and the fruit keeps coming in from it.

### UK

It was five years ago that TOM received an *NEV Bible* as a result of distribution of them in **Croydon**. He subsequently got *Bible Basics* and answered all the questions by correspondence. He works in Croydon and we've met him several times. So last Sunday we drove down to Brighton beach together and baptized Tom there on the famous beach front. Brighton beach is pebbles, not sand; and despite the warm weather the water was quite cool. So there were masses of people on the beach front, including tourists from many nations, sitting on the pebble beach looking out to sea.

So it was a great opportunity for public witness. We wore the "**FREE BIBLES**" high visibility vests, turning our back to the crowd as much as possible to display the message; and with probably at least 100 people watching, baptized Tom and afterward distributed *NEV New Testaments*. The pebbles were very sharp and likely the difficulty of the immersion [as Tom didn't have sandals] attracted more attention:



Tom had become disillusioned with Pentecostal claims, and stopped attending such churches years ago. He searched for spirituality rather than the noise of religion and showmanship, and has come to peace in Christ.

We earlier reported the baptisms of several very sincere folks in South Wales at the end of January. We visited with them this week, and what a joy it was to be with such solid, spiritual and totally sincere brethren. We're also happy to report the baptisms of JOHN PAM, who read *Bible Basics* many years ago and have been carefully pondering the things of the Truth for years.

Marcus has produced a *Creation Calendar* for 2020, with different text and photographs to the 2019 one; they've just arrived in his garage and we'll let you know soon, Lord willing, about ordering details.

## USA

Continuing the theme of finding bread after many days, we had this lovely message from brother Larry in California:

*"I read Bible Basics about 20 years ago and had a long journey to the truth since then. I finally accepted the truth and was baptized about 2 months ago at age 40. Best decision I've ever made. My wife was baptized a month after and we are now raising our kids in the truth. This is of course an abbreviated version of my experience, but I just wanted to share it and thank you for all your efforts in spreading the Gospel".*

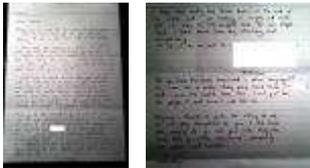
## GUATEMALA

For many years, ARMANDO has been studying our beliefs through *Bible Basics* and more recently the Spanish version of *The Real Devil*. He has been on a very long journey, beginning with HW Armstrong, whose teaching led him to reject the Trinity, and then through a long search for truth. He found not only the truths of the Gospel, but specifically the personal "truth" of assurance of the love of the Lord Jesus. He's been greatly helped by correspondence and guidance from our Hispanic brother Ben in California USA, and last week Armando was baptized in his own back yard:



## AUSTRALIA

The distribution of the 2019 *Creation Calendars* in Australian prisons led to requests for *NEV Bibles*, and as you can see from this letter, some heart warmingly sincere requests to now learn the true Gospel in more detail- and to spread that knowledge to family members. Please do pray for our outreach to Australian prisoners:



And some pretty inspiring news from **Taree, NSW**.

Sister Lilian writes:

*"I'm thinking of getting a couple of sisters together and setting up a table beside the Taree Service centre exit road, we have a 94 years old sister that has talked about giving Bibles to strangers".*

Surely we can all get out there on the streets with God's word.

## SRI LANKA

Brother Shahzad, whom we baptized in Pakistan in 2002, is zealously preaching the Gospel through Urdu *Bible Basics* to very many people in Sri Lanka. He has suggested we can teach and fellowship with the group by WhatsApp or other online conferencing, and we have already been doing this. Perhaps as things progress we can provide them a projector so that they can cast from their cell phones onto a screen or sheet, and the whole group can thus have some connection with the teaching. We are praying for wisdom in how to appropriately help them all.

**PRAYER POINTS:**

- For our outreach to Australian prisoners
- For those recently baptized
- For the work with our Pakistani refugee brethren in Sri Lanka
- For Cindy's women and kids conference she's running in Latvia this weekend

**With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks**