Adventist Heritage

Voice of Prophecy Update
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Alaska Responds!

Already more than 1,800 requests for Bible studies have arrived from Alaska–some days a hundred requests. The “faith goal” is to have a total of 2,000 Bible studies. We anticipate surpassing that goal very soon!

Besides mass mailings of enrollment cards to Alaskan homes, the project is greatly assisted by church members in Alaska, who are praying, studying the lessons themselves, inviting friends to study, and distributing enrollment cards personally. Kurt Johnson, director of our Bible School and coordinator for “Reach Alaska,” says, “If all 2,000 active Adventists in Alaska will participate, then God working through them will impact Alaska.” This part of the project is called “The Power of 2,000.”

Almost half of the studies have come in since the end of December. Because of the size of Alaska and the length of time it takes people to complete the study guides, many of the graduations will take place in local churches and will be spread out over months, as the students complete the course.

Rather than continual mass graduations like the one planned in Anchorage for June 9, smaller VOP Rallies/Graduation/Praise Services are on the agenda— one is already on the schedule for October.

Sometimes we get the idea that people will not respond in large numbers to study the Bible in North America. The response in Alaska suggests that Is NOT true!

— LATEST NEWS & EVENTS —
Only One VisionBuilders Weekend This Year

I know many regular VisionBuilders are missing our regional weekends this year. I hope you understand that we are putting a lot of additional financial resources into the Alaska project this year as we indicated at last year’s sessions we would do.

One VisionBuilders weekend is scheduled this year in Anchorage on June 8 and 9. You must provide your own transportation, but if you wish to come, for the usual minimum financial commitment, we will take care of your hotel accommodations.

This special weekend will be memorable as the first of many graduations of Discover Bible School graduates. You won’t want to miss the joy of this special weekend that will also feature a full-length Family Reunion Concert.

We would love for you to be a part of the experience! For more information, contact Rose Cabello at (805) 955-7763 or email Rose here.

Thank You for the Increasing Support

In January, the Ministry typically expects fewer receipts than in December. However, we are happy to report that this January saw a significant increase over past years. More than 800 additional receipts were generated in January 2012 over 2010 numbers. This is a significant increase in support, and we are most grateful!

From Our Listeners

- “A friend of VOP called in saying he was so thankful for Pastor Fred’s presentation today. He is so thankful for VOP.” – Call-taker at AIM, which answers our 800 number.
- “My hatred grew until one day I saw in the trash can your Voice of Prophecy address… I knew I could find the truth along with God’s Word, so I sent away for your Bible course.”
- “Thank you for spreading the good news because the ripple you made in California reaches me here in Indiana!”
- “Praise the Lord for the VOP app on my iPhone!”
- “I received this Discover study from a woman who works in the lab I go to for blood draws. I complemented her on getting me always on the first try and she said it was because she prayed first. Then she asked me about studying the Bible and I said yes.”
“Hello, friends at Voice of Prophecy! Continue doing the marvelous work that you’re doing. I'm especially enjoying the presentation done by Pastor Fred on the sower and the seed. God Bless you tremendously!”

Biblical Institute Provides Resources for NAD

The NAD Women's Ministry Department asked Elizabeth Talbot to create ten weekly group Bible studies for women based on her book *Surprised By Love*. The study kit will include ten videos by Pastor Talbot and a workbook with lessons and journaling. The kit with the DVDs and the written materials will be produced both in English and in Spanish, and it is designed for in-depth group Bible study and basic preparation for baptism. We are very excited to have the opportunity to offer this new bilingual Bible study resource for North America.

Support Comes in Interesting Ways

Financial support for the Voice of Prophecy has come from unique gifts through the years—stamps, watches, cars, etc. But recently a donor was having dental work done and a gold tooth needed to removed. The donor wanted the gold to be used for God’s work and gave it to the VOP. Quite a few Bible studies were paid for with the proceeds!

Serve Yourself While Serving Others

There are a few things in life we can do for ourselves that also benefit others. A **Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA)** is one of them. A CGA is a simple contract between you and Voice of Prophecy, where you agree to donate a sum of money to us. In return, we agree to pay you a fixed percentage of that amount every year for as long as you live.

Funding a CGA is simple.

We will provide you a detailed illustration showing:
- Your personal payment rate
- Your income tax deduction for this year
Your capital gains tax savings

You will receive payments every year, or every three months, whichever you choose. The payments continue at the fixed annual amount for life. The payment rate is based upon the funding amount and never changes. Contact Ada Swanson at (800) 348-5993 or email her here.

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