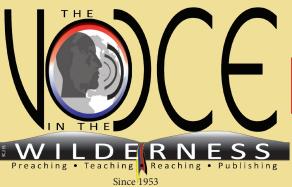
"The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make His paths straight." - Mark 1:3



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### MY PERSONAL MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

In this patriotic season, we've said, "Happy Birthday" to the good Ole' USA. 249 years ago, the founders of this great nation signed the Declaration of Independence. 56 men STOOD! They broke from tyranny tasting freedom with every stroke in their signature. Sentiments were not unanimous ... in fact, Ben Franklin's son opposed his father and the other patriots. Despite nay-sayers, it was a far-reaching decision, and 249 years later, we are enjoying the benefits. Their desire in 1789 was to create a Republic of Sovereign States. This idea sparked a unique form of government that continues to be the longest-lasting example in modern history.

In their spirit of vision and valor, The Voice in the Wilderness not only contends for these American freedoms but for the fundamental truths of God's Word. Foundations will forever be under attack. From Bunker Hill to today's transitioning churches, passionate, principled, Biblical people are being used by God to stand for truth. Like the watchman on the wall, we must understand the times and sound the warning. Last month, we delivered to you to a survey to facilitate your thinking on current issues Christians are facing. Many participated - thank you! If you haven't yet, would you take time to ponder these ideas, complete the survey and return it to our of-

fice? Years ago, we published an article entitled "Who Moved?" The movement is no longer subtle, but brash and bold, to take the church away from the authority of the King James Bible and into a world-centered compilation of self-need and self-help. The emergent church has come out of the closet. The new conservative is simply someone who is a little right of left, and as *left* shifts farther from the fixed foundational truths of God's Word, *right* follows along at an ever-increasing pace. The Bible is no longer the sure Word, worship competes with the worldly and good men do nothing. In this summer of patriotic spirit, remember **U.S.A**. We are all **Under Sovereign Authority**. Grace, mercy, and liberty are available to all those who live within HIS authority.

\*Praise the Lord for you who give! Children's Bible teaching materials and Scriptures are en route to Venezuela and Philippines.

\*20,000 GO250 booklets for the prison systems have been finalized are soon-to-be on the press. Another 100,000 are press-ready and assembly is being organized. Plans for 2026 distribution in D.C. are underway. Keep this timeline and details in prayer. Read more in the pages to follow. ★The Cherokee John/Romans booklets continue to be well-received and distributed. Pray for this witness. ★God has answered specific financial needs for the ministry - Amen! ★Our new website came under attack, but God is guiding - keep praying.

★YOUR partnership in prayer and giving is the difference!



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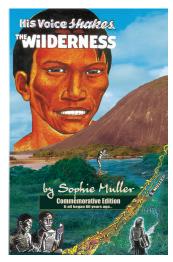
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## **EXCITING NEWS!**

# It is finally here! The commemorative edition of His Voice

Shakes the Wilderness marking 80 years since Missionary Sophie Muller first trekked through the jungles of South America to seek out those who had never heard that "Jesus Saves!" From poison soup to rubber bosses, Sophie survived 50 years of ministry to reach thousands of indigenous people with the Gospel. Through literacy training and Bible translation,



the Puinave, Piapoco, Guahibo and Curipaco tribes learned God's truth and continue today serving our great Saviour first introduced to them by Sophie. Request your copy and enjoy this beautiful edition, complete with Sophie's drawings, pictures and additional addendum material.

### **SMILEY TRACTS**

Everyone loves a smile! We were out and about doing errands and AmiJoy handed a lady one of our "Smiley Books." Her face just lit up and she said, "Thank you, I know Jesus and I hope you will keep on giving these out because more people need to know Him!" She went on to tell us that she was going to keep that little book as a reminder. Giving out these little smiles is one of the easiest ways to reach someone with the Gospel. Request a pack, keep some in your pocket, and give the Good News to someone - it just might change their eternity.

Smiley Book Tract 2"x2" Gospel Booklet



10/pack with your offering

## ARMY 250 PARADE

Did you hear about the 250th birthday of America's Army? We traveled to Washington D.C. for the celebration. While some went out across the country into liberal-infested towns chanting "No Kings," we were standing in front of the American History Museum and distributing a few of our GO250 Gospel booklets (sample proof copies). After waiting in a security line on the National Mall and listening to a handful of anti-Israel protestors, we entered the Army festival area. Awesome demonstrations of Army weaponry and vehicles were enough to inspire anyone to join up! It was Maga, muggy hot, but as we guzzled our bottled water, we enjoyed talking with the soldiers. One, who works at the Pentagon, was actually from the Philippines, immigrated, joined the armed forces and became a citizen legally. He said, "Thank you so much for coming...we were afraid no one would show up!" It brought tears to our eyes, to see how many of the soldiers really thought that no one cared. But wait!....then we continued through another secured checkpoint into the parade route, and the people, by the thousands, were crowding around for the showing of our American army down through 250 years of unmatched history. We passed the President's stage and moved on towards the beginning of the parade route. Finally finding an opening on the street, we stopped to wait. We passed out a few more GO250 booklets and began getting to know the parade onlookers around us. One young guy was former military and had come all the way from Oregon to cheer on his soldier buddies. The lady next to me said, "Ya'll look so nice! I decided not to wear my patriotic clothes and come incognito!" I guess we weren't trying to hide who we were, but were wearing plenty of red, white and blue. The display that rolled before us was mighty grand. At first, the soldiers' faces were pretty solemn, but as the folks around us began cheering, big grins broke across their faces. "Wow," they seemed to be saying. "People actually came....people actually appreciate the Army." Upon our exit, rock music was blaring and a group of protestors shouting vile words tried to impede our departure. The protestors will always be around. God's people shouldn't be in hiding but actively engaging because eternity is soon approaching. While in D.C. we made further contacts for getting the upcoming GO250 booklets into Congress and to the military. Will you join this effort? Through prayer, financial contribution and distribution commitment, you can make an eternal difference right in your own neighborhood. America needs the truth!

## GO250 GOSPEL THE U.S.A.

Answer to Prayer!



A printer-friend of The Voice in the Wilderness offered to help print 20,000 copies of the GO250 Gospel booklets to be distributed within the American prison system. For compliance, a slightly different cover design was needed to eliminate staples. This glue-bound booklet will soon be printed and ready for delivery to chaplains, local jails and other prison ministries. If you are a part of reaching prisoners, please contact us for the possibility of receiving this witness tool for your ministry.

#### ON AIR



What a privilege to share the GO250 Gospel Booklet Project with the Faith, Family and Freedom television audience. We are praying many will get involved in helping us reach America in 2026 through this unique tool. Thank you Bro. Andrew Phipps for the opportunity!

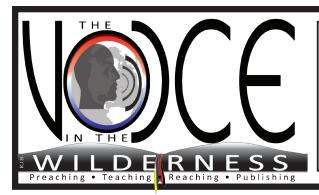
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# NEWS BITS

## FROM HERE AND THERE

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**CONTENDING for American Freedoms** 

Don't miss the opportunity to obtain your copy of the commemorative edition of *His Voice Shakes the Wilderness*, the challenging account of missions work in the tribal regions of Venezuela and Colombia. God truly had His protective and guiding hand upon Missionary Sophie Muller as thousands were reached for Christ over a 50 year span of ministry. Dr. J. Royce Thomason first introduced friends of the ministry to the work of Sophie some 50 years ago. In that time, The Voice in the Wilderness has been privileged to partner in Gospel ministry to reach into the jungles where Sophie walked with her Lord. Thousands of pounds of Scriptures have been shipped and distributed over the years, and now, many others continue this witness. Enjoy this excerpt from the book and be sure to request your own copy to read the complete account.

[From Chapter 12 - Sophie, along with Pablo and other helpers, had loaded a canoe with Gospel booklets and were traversing the waters of the Inirida River when they encountered evil doers who were intent upon stopping their mission.]

"Go ahead! Go, you devil!" shouted the man angrily, and, giving a nasty laugh, he fired his revolver at us. The bullet caused a spray in the water a few feet behind the canoe, which further invigorated the paddlers.

Night came on, but we didn't let up. The stars came out in all their calm, steadfast beauty, increasing our trust in the might of our Father and Creator. We fled all night and all the next day.

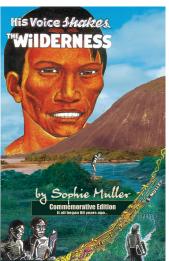
We had been in the canoe thirty-six hours without sleeping when we reached a Puinave cabin on a lagoon above Raudal Alto (High Falls) where we could spend the night. In the cabin, a man lay dying of cerebral malaria, the sickness which had taken many Indian lives in this swampy rubber section during the past two months. I had given the last of my antimalarial tablets to the paddlers, so I had no way to help him. I could only pray.

Just as I realized my supply was gone, I felt a nauseating tingle in my joints. By the next day, a sharp, penetrating pain shot from my eyes to the center of my brain. It persisted, and I wept in misery as I lay back on my duffle bag, hot with fever. The canoe shook with the violence of the chills and spasms which followed.

Toward evening, we found some old palm shelters and hung our hammocks. The pain in my head intensified, and rain poured down. There was a steady drip, drip, drip on my woolen blanket. I was too weak to do anything but lie there, soaked to the skin, shivering from cold and groaning with pain through the long night, calling on God for relief. The next few nights, too, were the most miserable I can ever recall. We slept at different Puinave villages on the way down the Inirida. Often I kept the Indians awake at night with my groans. My head pains were so intense that I made no attempt at silent suffering.

But in the midst of my woe, one thing made me happy: the Puinaves who accompanied me were keeping on with their chapter-a-day reading from the Gospel booklets as the Curipacos had taught them to do. They did not know how much they were comforting me while I was too weak to encourage them.

[To be continued... in *His Voice Shakes the Wilderness*]



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# FROM HERE AND THERE

**Leading them to transition -** For decades, The Voice in the Wilderness has partnered in Gospel outreach in Venezuela, The Philippines, India, Colombia and other areas. During one visit to Venezuela, Bro. Ronnie asked the pastor what he needed from the churches in the United States. The response was for the American churches to stay strong...we need your leadership.... your example. Fast forward to today and our example to them is clear, unmistakable and in the palm of their hand. Pastors are leaving "fundamentals" and actively transitioning their churches away from Biblical principles and into utter confusion. If the case was presented in a court of law, the evidence of "transition" would be undeniable. The internet is filled with articles, audio/ video sermons, and social media statements proving that they once stood on the King James Bible, for Biblical separation, and for doctrinally sound music that did not reflect the world. Yet today, their church services are in stark contrast to this preaching, and, in fact, they are verbally and boldly preaching for what they used to preach against! As a young boy, I heard the good news of salvation many times from the King James Bible; the King James Bible brought conviction; Praise God, one day, I accepted the truth found in the King James Bible and received Him as my Saviour; the King James Bible has brought correction; the King James Bible gives comfort; I have memorized the King James Bible; I have studied its Words; I was taught as a young college student the history of the King James Bible and why I can confidently say I have the preserved Word of God; I have even read the King James Bible to children, my own included, and led them to trust Christ as Saviour - hallelujah! To the friends of this ministry, - let me be clear - The Voice in the Wilderness will contend for Scripture, Song and Separation! To my friends overseas who are watching it all - My heart is grieved for the confusion our "example" brings to your ministries, but, now, I ask you, "Please stand strong, we need your example!"

Survey Complete - Last month, we asked you to complete a survey. Did you think on these things? From government control to Scripture readability, you were challenged to consider these relevant issues. Some responded that the King James Bible is "God's Word preserved for English-speaking people and is a beautiful timeless treasure," while others stated it was either difficult to read and understand or that they saw the advantage of consulting other "versions" during their private Bible study. Some believed that public schools were doing a good job, while others stated that parents held the ultimate responsibility of educating their children. Some trusted the government to take good care of their health; others insisted that government control of health be limited. And, in regards to missions outreach, everyone supported sharing the Gospel, but some felt that America has had its chance so we should focus more on foreign missions. For over 70 years, The Voice in the Wilderness has been preaching, teaching and publishing truth on these very topics - sounding the warning, providing Biblical helps for you, encouraging you in the Word of God. This Voice is needed even more in days to come.

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That's my music! - Does your Christian music come out of a modern perversion of the Bible? Composers and singers like Bethel, Hillsong, Elevation, Lauren Dagle, Casting Crowns, Mercy Me, For King and Country and even Kanye West are all toping the Billboard charts as "Christian" artists. The sad part is that there are those in the "fundamental" circles who are listening, mimicking and singing their songs. I've heard the arguments. "Many have been saved at their concerts." "The Lord really spoke to me through that song." "It's got great words to it." "Some of the members are youth pastors. They all met at church." While these thoughts may contain an element of truth....note this - Katie Perry used to sing for TBN. She was later quoted as saying that she sold her soul to the Devil for her current music career. Beware - This is *another* Jesus....the spirit of anti-Christ worketh.

The truth about liberty - Have you read Galatians 5? It starts out talking about our liberty in Christ. Christian liberty is a popular talking point. With my own eyes, I saw a pastor's response concerning his "transition" from preaching against worldly music to providing a rock concert on Friday nights for the youth - he said, "I will answer at the judgment seat of Christ." One of his church leaders on stage repeatedly yelled, "Freedom to worship." This new-Evangelical, mamby-pamby crowd loves their liberty. Have they forgotten that Paul called himself a bond servant? Yes...we do have liberty - liberty to follow the precepts found in God's Word. Worship means to adore; to pay divine honors to; to reverence with supreme respect and veneration.....I am not worthy and He is. Verse 9 tells us that a "little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." Leaven represents sin in Scripture. Just a little of it corrupts the whole. Remember that the Israelites were commanded to not have leaven in their bread the night of the Passover. By adding in a little of this from the world, the church is corrupting the next generation. A little won't hurt me is a lie from the pit of Hell. Verse 13, Paul tells us not to use our liberty for our flesh. Free to worship is all about me. What can God do for me? What can the church do for me? What can the preacher do for me? How about, what can I do for God, the church, the pastor? How









can I be a servant for Christ? Verse 24, Paul commands us to crucify our flesh and reminds us that within us dwells no good thing.

Why are you writing about all of this Bro. Steve? What is it to you? Just stay in your lane and it will be OK. No big deal. It doesn't affect us. That's their style. As long as we love Jesus and are going to Heaven - that's the "fundamentals" after all, right? As the book of Judges begins, we see the tragic failure of the second generation. They did not completely remove the wicked. The third generation fell prey to the evil ways that were all around them and they forsook the Lord God. The warning to us is clear. Remember your heritage and stick to the old paths Jeremiah 6:16.