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Providing the Precious Gift

It is easy to see that Fall is in the air and things are getting back on schedule after the summer holidays. Churches and schools are busy buying their Bibles for the upcoming school year. In August, our sales were up \$7000 from last year which helps to compensate for the slower summer months.

As well, we were privileged in August to provide a Cree Western New Testament to Sarah Harper with her name embossed on it. She is from Oxford House First Nation and she is claimed to be the oldest Manitoban as she celebrated her 111th birthday on August 24, 2017. Her community thought that God’s Word in her heart language would be a very meaningful gift for her.

With many evacuees from the north communities arriving here in Winnipeg because of forest fires, we have had many requests for the selections “New Life” and the “Father’s Love Letter” as local organizations here minister to these people. These two editions are also very popular with other immigrant ministries who do regular outreach using this medium. Situations like this encourage us to continue in the pursuit of spreading the Word to people in all walks of life and in the many circumstances they find themselves. As always, the staff and I are thrilled when we are able to assist someone in their purchase of a Bible that meets their specific needs, whether it be in another language or just simply the good old King James Version.

I am personally privileged to provide Bibles to several people from overseas, from the US and from Canada with their names engraved on the Bibles. I am involved with ESL program in Winnipeg and many are requesting Bibles in foreign languages like Mandarin, Arabic, Korean and also many Indian languages. The Immigrant population is eager to receive and read the Bible for the first time and I think it is our privilege to provide the precious gift of Word of God, the only hope in this hopeless world.

*Mathew Maniate,
CBS Manitoba Representative and Board of Governor member*



CBS Welcomes Brian Lise from Warman, Saskatchewan

Rev. Brian Lise considers it a true blessing to serve on the Board of Governors with the Canadian Bible Society.

Brian was born in Holland and moved to Canada with his parents at age 9. After graduation from Mohawk College, he married Rita and began his career working for ten years in the electrical engineering field, including managing a cable TV company in Saint John, New Brunswick.

In 1980, Brian began ministry as a fundraising representative with the Bible League in Toronto. He was then ordained in 1991 at Bradford Baptist Church and moved to British Columbia with his family to join Pacific Island Ministry. From 1995 to 2005, Brian accepted the position as Vice President of Development for Partners International in Brampton, Ontario. Then, from 2005 until 2012, he became Executive Director of Eurovangelism in Mississauga, Ontario.

Brian and Rita entered retirement in 2012, moving to Warman, Saskatchewan, where they enjoy their five daughters and eight grandchildren. They count it a joy to have travelled to over 50 countries and lead 21 work teams and vision trips over the years and to see and experience what the Lord is doing around the world.



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