

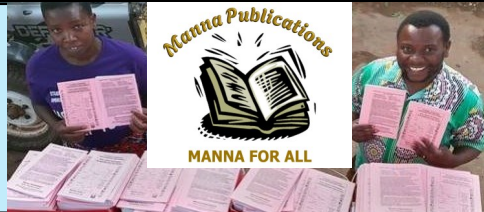
Manna Publications (UK)

Bible teaching commentaries by Fred Morris for printing overseas
Typically 40 pages, low-cost, easy to read and translate into other languages

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MANNA BOOKS IN CENTRAL AMERICA

MEXICO: In our previous newsletter, we thanked God for those who prayed for our distributor in Mexico, **Carlos López**, during his grieving over the death of his mother and then for his cancer surgery. For the first time in over a year, Carlos is printing 300 copies of Spanish Manna Bible teaching commentary Genesis part 1 in the city of Oaxaca, in the far south of Mexico. The books are for distribution by **Pablo Méndez** at a local prison fellowship and at a nearby rehabilitation centre.

In the poorest countries of the world, on average 70% of the Manna books are given away free. However, we also encourage a donation by adding the words "Price where sold" at the bottom. This helps to fund reprints. See front cover of one of Pablo's books, opposite. It has a suggested selling price of 15 Peso (£0.60/\$0.80).



KENYA: **Ezra Mugambi** continues his work among the young people. They are taught English at school and are happy to study Manna Bible teaching commentaries written in easy-to-read Worldwide English. They are holding up Genesis part 1 "Beginnings" Chapters 1 to 11. Our other distributor in Kenya, **Peter Ibui**, runs the Word of Life Theological College in Meru, where Ezra was trained and gained his qualifications. Peter says, "Along with training, there are two other outreaches that impress my heart. Literature evangelism and church planting. My whole heart seems to be in those two."



MALAWI: In our last newsletter we spoke about Manna supporter **Steven Chikolosa** who had distributed some of his 1000 Manna Bible commentaries in the prison fellowships in the Blantyre area. Since then, he has also taken some of the books to the rehabilitation "Halfway House" in Balaka (above). In addition to developing the skills of ex-prisoners in industry and farming, they are offered spiritual counselling and mentoring. He told us, "Both inmates and officers like the commentaries in their simplicity. It's a right material to use for a deeper understanding of the Bible. Many are the times we read the Bible but find it difficult to understand, hence preaching out of context. But the commentaries help a person to understand and have a clear picture of the scriptures." **Fred Morris**, author of the Manna Bible teaching commentaries, requested his editor before he died, "Record how the Old Testament is relevant to the New Testament and how the New Testament refers to the Old. Then interpret how both Old and New Testaments are relevant for today."

BURKINA FASO: Bruno Zoungrana tells us, "We continue to bless people with the Manna books. Recently I shared the word of God in a military camp and many welcome the books. Many students in our Bible schools where I'm teaching [young and old alike] receive regularly the newly printed books." (See above photo.)



"One amazing thing is that the picture you posted [on the Manna website], where we can see a young man and a girl in the front line taken many years ago (below)... they were engaged 3 weeks ago. Praise the Lord!



These are some of the 500 copies of Romans part 1 in French printed for Bruno.

MYANMAR: This photo shows young Bible students in Myanmar reading Manna Bible teaching commentary Genesis part 1 in the Falam Chin language. **Pastor Elijah** told us, "They are really encouraged when they study the books of Manna. Genesis part two is requested to be printed in Mizo and Hakha Chin in January as they request me. I therefore humbly would like you to pray for the book of Genesis part 2 to be printed in these languages. God bless you. In Christ. Elijah."



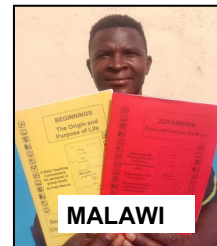
Elijah told us in November, "Falam Revival Baptist Church's building was destroyed by jet fighter." (This is one of 75 church buildings that have been destroyed by the militia in the past 3 years – *Barnabas Aid*.) "They all fled to my place for safety. If some people can offer the funds for them, this will be very helpful. [Please do pray for them, so that God will provide for them.](#) God bless you. In Christ. Elijah."

ARMENIA: Michael and Perouz Harrison print and distribute the Manna Bible teaching commentaries. The Trinitarian Bible Society has sent a shipment of Russian Bibles for them to distribute among the 120,000 Christian refugees who fled from neighbouring Azerbaijan in 2023. [Please pray that we will be able to engage a translator for the Manna Bible teaching commentaries for these Russian-speaking Armenians.](#)

ZAMBIA: Yolambu Banda told us he wanted to share the profound impact Manna has had on the lives of countless individuals. "Manna Bible study helped me understand the Bible in a way I never thought possible" (Madalitso N.). "I was struggling with doubt and fear, but Manna Books helped me find peace... through the book of Mark." (Janipher M.) Yolambu says, "Manna Books has also equipped believers to share the Gospel effectively. I am so grateful for the vision and dedication of Manna author, editors, and staff. Your labour of love has changed lives."

Deborah Phiri told us, "Many expressed gratitude for the eye-opening insights from the books. The group Bible studies gave an opportunity to respond to questions and, for the first time, in their native language."

MALAWI: Manna distributors **Timothy and Ivy Munyonga** say their new strategy of "serving the least served" took them to the Dzeleka refugee camp north of Lilongwe. It has 50,000 refugees in a space intended for 14,000! "Our local church is praising God to serve the refugees." Timothy requested 1000 Manna books (Genesis part 1 in English & Chichewa, see photo). "Our mission is to serve those in need, regardless of background. We want to... reassure them that God is still there for them in their troubled times. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel."



Maxwell Chinkhadzula of the Mobile Police Service tells us of the incredible impact police believers are making in spreading the Gospel. They have used 1000 Manna books so far.



MANNA PUBLICATIONS UK 24th ANNUAL MEETING, November 16th 2024

The AGM was held via zoom link. Both income and expenditure were up for our literature ministry in 12 countries in Africa and Asia. 32,000 books were printed by our 35 volunteers to distribute. Website online readers have also increased. Our secretary, **Angela Russell**, has had to resign due to ill health and we need an extra UK administrator for **Bill Russell** to share the approving and arranging of overseas printing of commentaries. Seven new potential distributors are in the queue awaiting approval to join our 35 existing overseas distributors. Manna USA is also seeking an administrator to promote the Spanish Manna Bible teaching commentaries in Central and South America. [Please pray for our ageing team of volunteers in the UK and USA and the new volunteers we need to support our overseas distributors who have great ministry opportunities in fulfilling Fred's vision.](#)

MOZAMBIQUE: Manna distributor **Chris Hemborough** told us of the political demonstrations due to doubts over the fairness of recent elections. This has caused strikes, deaths and emigration to Malawi. [Please pray for Mozambique's ongoing political situation and the need for more Bible teaching books in local languages.](#)

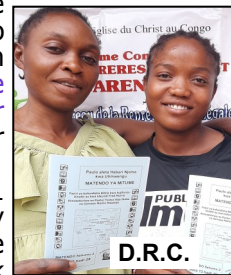
Dem. Rep. CONGO: **Umba Kazadi** says "Acts part 2 Swahili and French were distributed free to the Bethel Orphanage. Kumbula & Mbuya renewed their relationship with Jesus Christ. Jephaniah said, "When I am old, I will be a missionary like Paul." At the Brethren Bible Convention, Manna books were sold cheaply. Louise & Majita (photo) said, "It is a joy for us to work through them. We decided to renew our relationship with Christ." Umba asks, ["Please pray for these people and for the copies still in the hands of readers, that God may touch their lives."](#) Umba thanked us for praying for his wife. Also for Umba's colleague **Kalala Kiofwe**, now recovered from Malaria.

WEBSITE STATISTICS: In 2024, our website received 8831 visitors from 135 countries. December had the highest monthly visitors ever (1075) downloading 190 million words of Bible teaching!

The most popular book was Mark part 2 chapters 9-16, 17,000 words.

THANKS: to anonymous donors including Des Byrne's funeral donations. Des was a co-founder of Manna UK in the year 2000 along with his now widowed wife Penny.

PHOTO: Some of the 1000 books printed by **Yolambu Banda** in Zambia in English and Chichewa. See page 3.



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