

OCTOBER 2008

Rolling Stone Ministries

A Message from John Stewart



Laurie and I are blessed to be laborers in the Lord's field, both here in the U.S. or in the far corners of the earth. We are finding many open doors of opportunity for service, and are excited about the possibilities.

First, we have been invited to teach at the Hindustan Bible Institute and College (HBI) in Chennai, India (formerly Madras) in January. HBI is the leading organization in India that seeks to train pastors, church planters and evangelists to reach every part of India with the Gospel. The goal of HBI is to have a church for every thousand people in the country. That means planting one million churches! HBI and its partners have already trained thousands of pastors and church planters, and have planted thousands of churches. They have invited us to assist them in leadership training, and we are humbled by this opportunity.



Next, we will be leading a tour of Israel and Jordan March 9-21. We still have some openings for this tour, so if you are interested, we encourage you to get a brochure from us and sign up quickly. We will be visiting Mt. Nebo and the Rock City of Petra in Jordan, as well as all of the sites of the Holy Land. If you join us, I promise you'll be speaking some Hebrew before the trip is over.

In April we return to Kenya, where we will be ministering in the churches and teaching at Manna Bible Institute outside Nairobi. We have also been approached to work with Nairobi Evangelical School of Theology ("NEGST") while we are in Africa. RSM financially supports several students at Manna, and one student at NEGST.



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We are also in discussions with a homeschool organization in Iowa that wants me to be their keynote speaker at their convention.

Back at the home front, I serve as local counsel in two cases that involve religious freedom. The first is a Christian high school that was sued for expelling two students who engaged in inappropriate same-sex behavior. We are trying to insure that Christian schools continue to have the freedom to enforce standards of conduct of students in accordance with the school's biblical understanding. The second case involves Christian clubs on state university campuses that were denied full recognition by the associated student body because of their standards of faith and practice. In short, the students are being discriminated against because of their religious views, which violates First Amendment freedoms of speech, association and religion.



Finally, on the home front, we are actively involved in promoting California Proposition 8, which would restore the definition of marriage as being between a man and a woman.



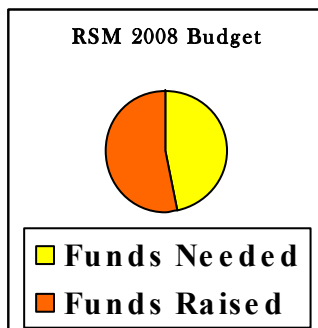
Laurie was recommended by the Alliance Defense Fund to appear in a documentary on the marriage issue, and a few weeks ago she flew up to Oakland to appear in the documentary. Here is the current situation: California law defined marriage in the traditional way until May 15, 2008,

when four judges of the State Supreme Court redefined marriage to include same-sex couples. Proposition 8 would amend the California Constitution so that no court could again change the definition. We urge you to vote "Yes" on Proposition 8.

Bwana asifiwe ("Praise the Lord")

John

Rolling Stone Ministries Financial Report



RSM's budget for 2008, its first full year, is only \$82,000 to cover missions, programs, charitable giving, and operational costs (not including fund raising for special projects). So far RSM has reached a little over half of its projected budget for the year. Our plans for next year exceed this year. We believe the Lord will provide and help RSM reach its goals.

Consider making an annual charitable donation or become a *Treasure Builder* (a monthly partner with RSM). All gifts enable RSM to continue living out The Great Commission to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

Matthew 28:19-20

JANUARY ~ John spoke in Auburn, Washington on "Election 2008 and the New Atheism: Two Great Challenges to Christianity".

JANUARY-MARCH ~ Laurie lead a teen girls study on *Every Young Woman's Battle* at her home church CPC.

JANUARY-JUNE ~ John teaches "The Cutting Edge" adult class Sunday mornings at 10:30am at CPC.

APRIL ~ John & Laurie traveled to Kenya for their 2nd African mission trip where John taught courses at Manna Bible Institute and at a local church. John answered Bible questions for an hour on HOPE FM radio in Nairobi. Laurie was a guest speaker at a local women's conference.

APRIL ~ The Bible Explorer became a weekly television program on Family Net on Sunday evenings.

APRIL ~ John spoke at a men's retreat for Bethany Bible Fellowship in So. Cal., speaking on "Band of Brothers."

APRIL ~ John & Laurie spoke at CPC's Kirk Night about their trip to Kenya and shared the evening with the musical group Mile who engaged the congregation with live Kenyan worship.

MAY ~ Laurie accompanied youth group SOMA to Acquire the Fire teen conference in San Diego.

JUNE ~ Laurie lead a Bible study for teen girls at CPC.

JUNE-AUGUST ~ Writing sabbatical. John preached at Faith Bible Church in Panora, Iowa.

JULY ~ RSM provided Manna Bible Institute with books to start a new school library.

AUGUST ~ RSM provided Manna Bible Institute with four student scholarships and a salary for a new school librarian.

SEPTEMBER ~ Laurie participated in a short documentary film regarding marriage in California, soon to be released. She gave an interview regarding recent CA Supreme Court opinion which found a new "constitutional right" for same-sex couples to "marry."

OCTOBER ~ John was a guest speaker at a Proposition 8 Townhall meeting for Orange County held at CPC.

JANUARY 2009 ~ John & Laurie plan their first trip to India where they will teach at Hindustan Bible Institute.

MARCH 2009 ~ John & Laurie lead a trip to Israel/Jordan through Camp Berachah.

APRIL 2009 ~ John & Laurie travel to Kenya for their 3rd teaching mission trip to Africa.



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MANNA LIBRARY BOOKS WISHLIST

Books are precious and too expensive for most Kenyans. From the contributions of RSM supporters like you, this summer RSM sent books to Manna Bible Institute located just outside Nairobi, Kenya to help start a school library on campus. Principal/Pastor George Muguro, whom many of you had the pleasure of meeting on his visit to California in June this year, sends his heartfelt thanks and appreciation. RSM was also able to provide salary for the library's first librarian. We asked George to send us his "wish list" for the next shipment of books for Manna's library. That list is below. *If you would like to contribute to growing Manna's library, please send a check to RSM along with a note regarding which books you are choosing to donate. During our next visit to Manna in April, we will apply a label inside each book with the name of the donor. Thanks for being a part of this great project!*



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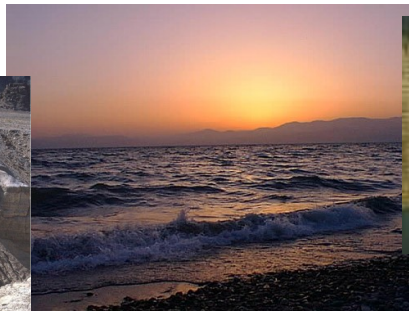
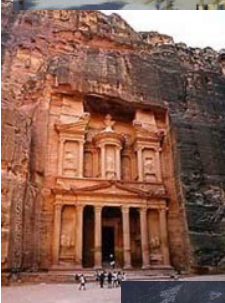
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Blessings.

Steve Altick

Camp Berachah Ministries

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GRACE OF GIVING

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. Now about the collection for God's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. Then, when I arrive, I will give letters of introduction to the men you approve and send them with your gift to Jerusalem. If it seems advisable to me to go also, they will accompany me.

I Corinthians 15:52-16:4

And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will. So we urged Titus, since he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. But just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. And here is my advice about what is best for you in this matter: Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means. For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what he does not have.

II Corinthians 8:1-12

