

## From the desk of JOHN BRADSHAW



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Dear Partner in ministry,

Finding Ray would be like finding a needle in a haystack. Ray had no faith background and had never been a church attender. But one day while he was flipping through the channels on TV, an It Is Written program caught his eye. He watched, called the phone number to receive the free offer, and accepted the offer of free Bible studies.

Days later, church members who went to Ray's address to deliver the Bible studies found that Ray lived in an enormous apartment complex—and they didn't know which apartment was his. Finding Ray would be like finding a needle in a haystack. But the couple felt prompted by God to enter the apartment complex, believing that, somehow, God would lead them to Ray.



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Before long they spotted someone sitting on an upstairs balcony. "Maybe he knows who Ray is," one of them said to the other. As slim as the chance was, they felt there was no harm in asking. As it was a cold day, the man on the balcony was the only person outside braving the temperatures.

"Excuse me," they called to the man on the balcony. "We're looking for a man named Ray Brown. You wouldn't happen to know where he lives, would you?" The man looked surprised. "Ray Brown<sup>1</sup>?" he asked. "I *am* Ray Brown!"

And so began a series of Bible studies. Ray and the couple from the church became fast friends. After several weeks, he accepted their invitation to attend church. And a few weeks ago, I had the privilege of baptizing him.

Name changed for privacy.



Ray proudly displays his It Is Written Bible School Certificate, which he received after completing 25 study guides.



Ray and I pose together after his baptism.

Ray told me that watching It Is Written on television sparked his interest in spiritual things and that the It Is Written Bible studies opened his heart up to God. Ray found Jesus, and Jesus changed his life. His adult children are now also studying the Bible. Ray hopes that one day they, too, will find the hope that he has found and commit their lives completely to God.

This is the life-changing power of media evangelism, made possible by your support of It Is Written. Every day, all around the world, in English, Spanish, and multiple other languages, people are meeting Jesus through It Is Written programming, whether on our full-time channel, It Is Written TV, on other television networks, or online.

How many more people like Ray are waiting to be reached with the gospel? Our world is becoming increasingly dark. Fewer people than ever are identifying as Christian, and greater numbers of people are living without the light of the gospel guiding their lives.

There is something you can do to provide people with hope beyond this failing world. Ray's story is a reminder that God is reaching people around the world through media and that there are many more people waiting to hear the good news God has given us.

Every day, all around the world...people are meeting Jesus through It Is Written programming. This month, as the end of the year approaches, I want to ask for your help in getting It Is Written before a wider audience than ever before. Just this morning I met with television network executives who are able to get It Is Written programming on new platforms and before a unique, broad audience. It pains me to think of people living in darkness when we have the light they need to experience heaven's peace and receive everlasting life. This is going to require an investment of around \$150,000 for the first year, but it will bring It Is Written programming to a new, international audience of potentially millions of people. Your gift of \$100 will enable us to deliver It Is Written TV to over 300 people. A gift of \$500 allows us to reach 1,500 new viewers with the



Many people committed their lives to Jesus during our mission trip to the Philippines in 2023.

message of the gospel, while \$1,000 will help more than 3,000 people discover the hope in the three angels' messages. I want to hear Ray's story told again and again, and I know you do too. Your help right now will make that a reality!

And I want to share a thrilling update with you. You might recall that last year, following the It Is Written mission trip to the Philippines, a Sunday-keeping pastor was baptized and joined the church. This man was so impressed by the teachings of the Bible that he immediately accepted the truth of the Bible. As a result, he lost his job.

As a leader in his former denomination, this man had several dozen pastors reporting to him. Since his baptism, four of those pastors have been baptized and are now sharing the three angels' messages! And the circle continues to grow, as more of their former colleagues are learning about God's end-time message for the first time. The pastor baptized last year is now attending seminary, preparing to minister and share present truth with all he possibly can. Four of those pastors have been baptized.... The circle continues to grow. This remarkable testimony is a witness to the moving of the Holy Spirit and a direct result of your support of It Is Written. Without your investment in It Is Written, the Philippines mission trip and the many evangelistic meetings that were held could not have happened. What an impact your gifts are making! By God's grace, we are going to see heaven move in even more powerful ways in the coming new year.

Thank you for your year-end support of It Is Written. Your generous gift now will make a major impact in growing the kingdom of God and bringing still more souls to faith in Jesus.

Sincerely,

Pastor John Bradshaw President, It Is Written

P.S. God leads in amazing ways. When a couple followed up on an It Is Written viewer, they happened upon the only man outside in a large apartment complex. It was the very man they had come to study with! A pastor who was baptized last year during our mission trip to the Philippines is now in seminary and has led four more pastors to Bible truth and to baptism. God is reaching people in new places through media ministry. We have an opportunity to reach a significant new, international audience with our full-time channel, at a cost of \$150,000 for the first year. Your support will help make this a reality. Thank you!

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