

## Catholicism's Happy Face Masks Same Old Bondage

Evangelicals who are enamored with the smiling face of the new Jesuit pope should perhaps take advantage of his new offer. Eager to bridge the technology gap with hip followers, Pope Francis I has decreed "time off purgatory" to anyone who follows the pope's tweets on Twitter. Anyone who cares to notice will see that Rome's web of spiritual bondage is still intact behind the new Vatican campaign for "unity."

If purgatory is real, where sins are paid

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**This old picture shows the Virgin Mary goddess comforting the writhing figures paying for their sins in the fires of purgatory. Pictures may change over time but unbiblical doctrine hasn't.**



## Street Witnessing Surprise

By Chaplain Dann Slator

I had to go downtown one day, so I parked and proceeded to talk to people on the street and give out Chick tracts. I saw a man leaning against a building and walked over to talk to him about the Lord. He interrupted me and said, "I'll save you some time to talk to someone else as I can tell you that I'm too stupid to ever understand that Jesus and Bible stuff."

I said, "If I can prove to you that nearly all people are stupid in some way, will you listen to me?"

He said, "Yes."

So I walked a few feet away, turned and yelled as loud as I could: "HEY STUPID!" For almost a block, every

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*"Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?" Galatians 4:16*

# Does Your Church Trust a Bible that Doesn't Exist?

By David W. Daniels

Have you looked at your church's statement of faith lately?

Is it possible it confesses faith in a Bible that does not, and never did, exist?

In *Did the Catholic Church Give Us the Bible*," I mentioned something called the "Original Autographs." Do you know what those are?

The first time a person writes something, it's called an "original autograph." So when Moses came down the mount, he had two tables of stone written with the finger of God (**Exodus 31; Deuteronomy 9**).

That was God's "original autograph" of the 10 commandments. What happened to them? Moses got angry at the people's idolatry and broke them at the foot of the mount (**Exodus 32**)! The **original autograph** of the 10 Commandments *is gone*. It's dust.

Then God had Moses cut out his own two tables (since he broke the ones God cut out). And God wrote on them the 1<sup>st</sup> *copy of the Ten Commandments* (**Exodus 34; Deuteronomy 10**). What happened to those? They got put in the ark of the covenant, and **no one** knows for sure where the ark of the covenant is. For all practical purposes, the 1<sup>st</sup> *copy* of the Ten Commandments *is gone* as well. And it doesn't matter if you call it the "1st copy" or the "2nd autograph." It's not available for us. End of story.

## So what did God do next?

God inspired 5 books, which Moses wrote on animal skins in a scroll format. That is called the Torah, or the Pentateuch.

What happened to the Torah Scroll? It was also placed with the ark of the covenant. Where is it now? For all practical purposes, that Torah Scroll *is gone*, too.

What about the **original autographs** of Joshua through Malachi? *They're gone, as well*. Do we detect a pattern here?

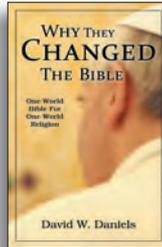
Is God concerned with "original autographs"? Or is God concerned with *preserving His words in copies*? In **2 Timothy 3:15-17** God inspired Paul to say to Timothy: "...**From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures**, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus... All scripture is given by inspiration of God..."

Timothy had no "original autographs." He had a **copy of a copy of a copy of a copy...** and on down. But God called **His copy** many generations later, "**scripture!**"

So face it: an "Original Autograph Bible" does not exist. God never intended it to exist. But don't despair. God promised to preserve His words: **Matthew 24:35**, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." (See also **Mark 13:31; Luke 21:33; Psalm 12:7** and **Psalm 119:160**.)

God takes it upon Himself to preserve His holy words. If He gives us copies and calls them **scripture**, we **must** trust a copy. I believe God kept His promise to preserve His words.

If your statement of faith for your church, Bible school, college, seminary or Bible club says it believes in the purity of the "original autographs" only, but doesn't state a **trust** in God's **providential preser-**



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# Same-Sex Mania

A judge in Australia has been reprimanded because he dared state what many have been thinking as we watch the progression of sexual sin in the world. He was temporarily suspended for suggesting that modern juries may be coming to the point where they could not see a problem with incest.

He cited the fact that in the 1950s a jury would have found it "...unnatural for a man to be interested in another man... Those things have gone."

He observed that the reason for incest laws was to prevent genetic abnormalities in children born to close relatives. The ease of contraception and abortion has eliminated this concern, he reasoned.

Because we are ignoring God's clear abhorrence for sexual perversion, the situation is getting more chaotic. In Houston, Texas, the lesbian mayor signed a law allowing "transgenders" to use whichever bathroom they wish. Some schools are also wrestling with this confusion.

This year the Southern Baptist Convention was forced to make a clear statement because a pastor at an SBC-member church performed a same sex marriage for his son. They resolved that God's design for gender did not include a "third way."

Many other groups are watching the

success of the homosexual steam roller, hoping to duplicate the public acceptance of their perversion. In Brooklyn, a 15-apartment complex dedicated to "polyamory" is almost full, says Leon Feingold, co-president of Open Love NY. In contrast to polygamy, (one man, many wives), polyamory is defined as "participation in multiple and simultaneous loving or sexual relationships."

The North American Man-Boy-Love Association web site continues to advocate for the elimination of the age-of-consent laws allowing adult sexual predators legal access to children.

Many colleges and universities from Bowdoin to Vanderbilt have instituted "non-discrimination" policies telling Christian campus clubs that they cannot bar homosexuals from leadership. While all sinners are welcome to attend meetings, leaders cannot be required to sign a pledge to abstain from unbiblical behavior.

Some voices of sanity are beginning to be heard. The British Royal College of Psychiatrists has come out with a statement that there is no proof that people are born homosexual. This undercuts the laws in some states against "reparative therapy" where professional counselors are forbidden



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## Tracting at Mardi Gras

By Tim Berends

It is often very difficult to get tracts to police, but we finally found a way using *It's the Law*. I tried using an approach like: "I appreciate what you do for the community and would like to give you this." When they saw the cover, several police squads

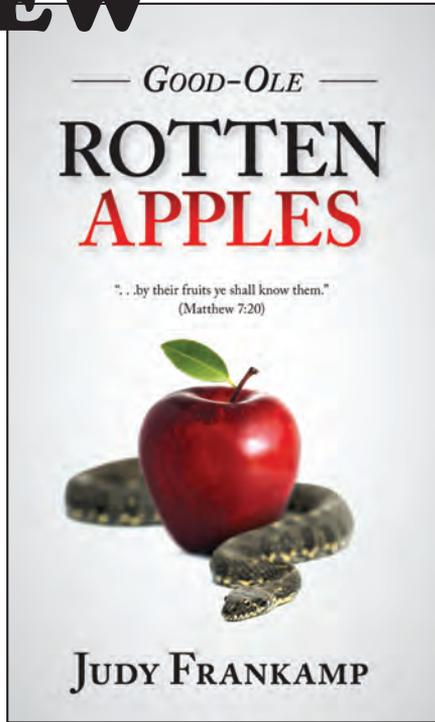
and mounted posse took it. That tract often works for law enforcement people.



**Tim Berends**  
 passing out tracts.

When we planned the trip to New Orleans for Mardi Gras, I wanted to reach two groups: homosexuals and Roman Catholics. I took *Home Alone* and *Uninvited* for homosexuals, and *Are Roman Catholics Christians?* and *Last Rites*.

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On several occasions, she writes from the point of view of Satan and his devils, scheming how to derail Christians. There are some things, like the Harry Potter craze, that we just "know" aren't right, but can't explain it. After reading Frankamp's story, you'll know how.

# Street Witnessing ...

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person on both sides of the street turned around, even people in cars looked out their windows.

He laughed and I said: "Now, will you take some tracts and listen to me?" We talked and I prayed in my spirit that he would get under conviction and receive Jesus as his Lord and Savior—and he did.

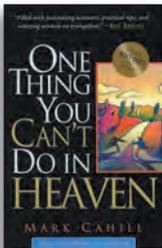
I gave my testimony at a church and mentioned the tract ministry and that I had over 50 different foreign language tracts. A man came up to me after the service and asked if I had any Vietnamese tracts because where he worked there were a lot of Vietnamese people. I went to my truck and found two packs (50 tracts) and asked if that was enough. He said, "Oh, yes!"

A couple of months later I was back at the church and he came and asked if I remembered giving him the Vietnamese tracts. He then told me that over 35 Vietnamese people had received the Lord and at break time they have a Bible study and some others had also received the Lord at the job.

We rejoiced together as we went to my truck to get more tracts for him. There is no limit to what God can do with Chick gospel tracts.

I noticed a man who would walk by my house to catch the bus on the corner. One day I stopped him and gave him a couple of Chick tracts. He wanted to talk more but saw his bus coming. He thanked me and said he would read the tracts on the bus.

Other days I would see him and give him more tracts but he was always in too big a hurry to talk. One day he came to my door and said that he had done exactly what it says on the last page



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**Chaplain Dann places a shoe box of tracts and Bible portions in the shelf of the shopping cart when he is in a store so he will have a good assortment to give to whoever he talks to.**

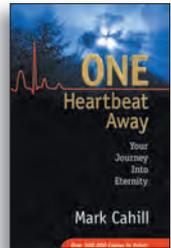
of the tracts. He tried to hand back all the tracts that I had given him. I prayed with him and told him to give the tracts to others on the bus. Later, he stopped by for more tracts and said that his whole family was now believers in Jesus Christ.

*Editor: Jesus portrayed the Word of God as seed sown, some on good ground, some not so good. But in the parable, the sower was not hesitant to throw the seed out there. He knew that some would not bear fruit, but he did it anyway. He knew—no sowing, no harvest!*

*When we sow gospel tracts we cannot know which heart will be touched. But none will be touched if the seed is not sown.*

*The Holy Spirit uses the gospel for two things: To draw open hearts to Jesus or leave the rebellious with no excuse at judgment day. When they stand before Jesus as Judge, they cannot claim that they did not know the way to eternal life.*

*Only a small part of what we sow will fall on good ground. We still have to plant as much as we can.*



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# Street Tips...

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When we arrived we called a cab, and the driver picked us up at the hotel. She asked why we were going to Bourbon street. I said, "I wanted to get these gospel tracts to the people in the gay bars because so many had been molested as children."

She responded that she was one. She admitted that she had been molested as a child by an uncle and that the only reason her dad did not do it was because he knew she "had a big mouth." I asked if she knew whether the people there had been molested as children and she said: "100%!"

She took the tracts and promised to read them. This story supports the point in the tract, supported also by some recent studies, that most homosexuals experienced early molestation.

In touring the bars, very few refused the tracts. We would go to the back of the room to start in case we were ushered out, we could hand out more tracts on the way. **Home Alone** was well received. Only one person was hostile. He crumpled the tract and threw it at me. We did a quick exit so as not to create a disturbance. I'm sure others' curiosity was raised by the incident and the other tracts we handed out got read for sure.

The other group that we wanted to reach at Mardi Gras was Roman Catholics so I took a variety of tracts for them. Getting people to take them was a challenge but in one instance

I approached a group of older ladies in the gay quarter just outside the gay

bar area. They were sitting on a porch near the street. I walked up and said, "This is for anyone who is an ex-nun." One of them reached for the tract and another said she was not an ex-nun but showed interest in the tract. I know that that tract got read.

We found a Catholic church that was just dismissing service so I got in position to give them a "hand-out," thanking them for coming. Soon a priest came and tried to tie me up in conversation to stop me. Most people thanked me for the tract.

For a long time I was hesitant to give tracts to children, but decided if they were old enough to go to hell, they were old enough to get a tract. However, when I give it, I will often suggest they show it to their parents.

Sometimes, when witnessing, I will wear one of the Chick T-shirts like the one on hell. People often react in horror but the "PLEASE" softens the blow so they can get the message.

When you "sow" several hundred tracts a day into a mission field like Mardi Gras, only eternity will show the results. But I know each time a tract is read it will either turn a searching heart toward Jesus or be rejected and witness against the person on judgment day. They cannot claim that they didn't know.

For more witnessing ideas or suggestions on which tract to use in specific situations, go to our web site at [www.chick.com](http://www.chick.com).



**"If children are old enough to go to hell, they are old enough to get a tract."**



# Missions Fund ‘Sowing’ is Accelerating

The amount of Gospel “seed” going out is accelerating. More and more missionaries are requesting Chick tracts for their ministries. Missionaries in many fields are discovering the effectiveness of gospel tract saturation of a community to start new churches and strengthen existing ministries.

Here are some Missions Fund projects underway right now:

## Philippines

70,000 Filipino tracts going to the Philippines to be distributed among students. They are very open, and Mike and Luisa Carey are taking advantage of the opportunity.

100,000 Filipino “Tiny Shoes” are just now arriving in the Philippines, en route

to churches across the country associated with Dr. Donnie Whitlock of Mass Media Outreach Ministries. These workers have used these tracts before and are excited to have more!

## Mexico

100,000 Spanish tracts were used in outreaches in Chihuahua and Juarez, Mexico. The workers reported that the outreaches went very well, and the teams are starting to go out into other cities of Mexico. The work is spreading.

## China

100,000 Chinese tracts have been requested by workers in China for distribution in a major city. We don’t provide

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# Happy Mask...

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for by personal suffering, then Catholicism has another “christ.” The Christ of the Bible “paid it all,” leaving us to only receive the free gift of salvation. Otherwise, if eternal life depends on our paying for it by our own suffering, it is no longer free. Catholicism’s christ is inadequate for justification by faith.

If purgatory is real, then John 3:16 is wrong, Ephesians 2:8-9 is wrong, Romans 6:23 is wrong, etc. Thus, Catholicism cannot claim to have the true gospel; it can only qualify under Paul’s definition of “another gospel.” (See Galatians 1.)

Once we lift this trap door into the dark tunnels of Roman Catholic bondage, where do we stop? If we explore the cavern of purgatory further, we find Martin Luther’s objection to the sale of “indulgences,” basically get-out-of-purgatory-free cards. Those who claim that Catholicism has

changed need to know that indulgences are still available for those who climb the Sacred Steps in Rome (reportedly brought from Pilate’s house after Jesus scaled them during His trial). Or, attendance at events like World Youth Day, can also get you time off purgatory.

Connected to the dark cave of purgatory is the tunnel of “auricular” confession. Here again, the Catholic christ needs a little help. Repentance before Jesus is replaced by “priest confessors,” who somehow have the power to forgive sin provided you make a “good confession.”

This leads to a bigger cavern of priestcraft. God ripped open the temple veil giving us direct contact to God through the priesthood of Jesus thus eliminating the need for human priests. Catholicism makes the bogus claim that the pope and

the hierarchy simply continues the Old Testament priesthood. Catholicism gains additional control by inserting the priests

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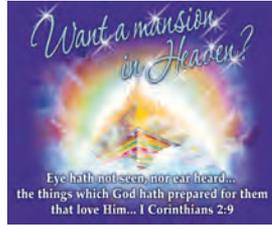
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## Tract 'Blitzes' Enlarge Mission in Trinidad

Missionary James Hoffmeister, in Trinidad, reports many saved in tract "blitzes" there and in neighboring Guyana. He reports that a missions group from a U.S. Bible college brought the tracts in their luggage: "We used them immediately in three major outreaches: a blitz on the downtown of our city, San Fernando, a missions trip to Guyana, South America, and an island-wide crusade that our church sponsored in March. All of the outreaches were helped by the tracts that you sent us."

Hoffmeister seeds his field with tracts for several weeks prior to island-wide crusades. In the mission to Guyana, he was also able to preach to the students in the public schools and included Chick tracts in packets of literature for them: "The Guyanese schools were a ripe field with a large amount of children making a profession of faith. Guyana is a much poorer country than Trinidad and the tracts that we gave to people there will be read and passed around for a long time!"

He reports that: "During our April island-wide Crusade in Trinidad, we gave every visitor a visitor's pack which included a Chick tract. We had over 400 first-time visitors during the week and 70 were saved. We also used the tracts in



**James Hoffmeister with map of the area to be "blitzed." Notice the stack of Chick tracts in the bottom left corner.**

the months before when we were inviting people to the Crusade and we passed them out to the crowds that were around the tents every night in the park."

In a summer Vacation Bible School week 255 children came the first day and "the count kept going up from there! We saw 98 children come to the Lord Jesus Christ after being dealt with personally. We used the tracts extensively in the weeks before and the week of the event. Also on the Sunday morning of VBS we had a church packed out with parents of the children and were able to give them all visitor packs which include Chick tracts.

Hoffmeister's mission also held "Teen Connection Week" with 131 teens showing up the first night. Attendance peaked at over 200 with 240 showing up on the concluding "parents day" on Sunday.

"In addition to these outreaches we have used your tracts in our weekly public school outreach, our hospital ministry, our visitor packs in church, as well as our day to day soul winning. We were also able to give some to other pastors and missionaries on the island for some of their needs. We find that they are very well read and we get a good response from people calling with questions about the Lord.

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**Man reading a Chick tract in Guyana.**

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- Thailand                              Guyana
- Dominican Republic              Puerto Rico

### Will you help?

**Below: Men reading Chick tracts after a tract "blitz" in Guyana by Missionary James Hoffmeister.**



**Above: Team member passing out Chick tracts during a tract "blitz" in Guyana.**



# Same-Sex Mania...

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to counsel anyone underage wishing help in converting to a normal lifestyle.

The “born-that-way” mantra of homosexuals was again called into question by a recent report from the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Citing a comprehensive scientific study of 400 homosexual men “...the researchers concluded that homosexuality cannot be traced to specific genes.”

While scientists still maintain that genetics can be a factor, they admit that: “Environmental factors, such as the absence of a father or an unhealthy domestic upbringing, might play significant roles.”

Studies of this sort help bring the discussion back to the biblical viewpoint, that homosexual behavior is a choice. While many “evangelicals” have bought the idea of a homosexual “orientation” which presumes born-that-way, other explanations are surfacing.

One study indicated that an overwhelming majority of those so “oriented” were molested as children.

This tends to support the view presented in the Chick tract, *Home Alone*, that demonic involvement is introduced early on. Bible believers must continue to present

God’s word on the subject: perversion of sexual activity outside His original plan of man and wife is sin. God, through Christ, provided a remedy for all sin, no matter how tenacious its hold on a person.

Further information on reaching those involved in this sin can be found in the Chick ebook, *Hot Topics*, along with other subjects such as pornography, Islam, persecution, Israel and demonism.

## Bible Trust...

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vation of His very words for us today in English, it is based upon a lie.

The “original autographs” are gone. **Only copies remain.** Believers in an “original autographs only” statement of faith can never hold a Bible in their hands and say, “This Book is the inspired words of God in my language.”

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I don’t think I miss a day thinking about Chick Publications or my tracts. I drive my car everyday and have a tract on my dash. It took only one Godly woman who gave me one tract (*Holy Joe*) to change my life forever. R. W., Facebook



intersections. When people walk past, I hand them the tract and say “This is for you.” About 90% of the time people will take them. C.D., Email

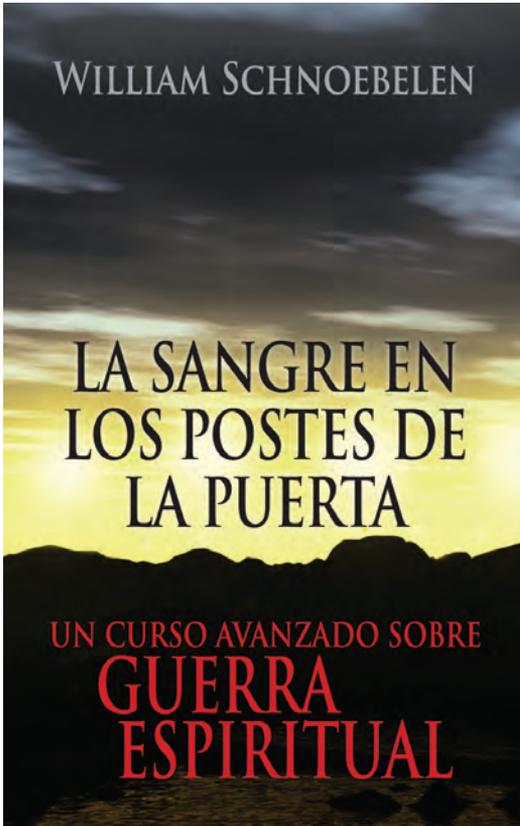
Going to the beach next week with a box full of Chick tracts. I love putting *Going Down* in elevators and putting tracts between the slats (fold in half) on boardwalk benches is a favorite too! (keeps the wind from blowing ‘em away...) D.W., Facebook

My idea is that I pass out gospel tracts on city sidewalks while holding large, sturdy gospel signs at

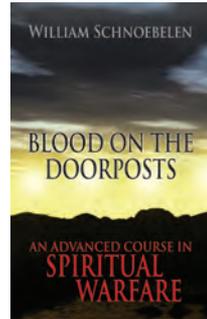
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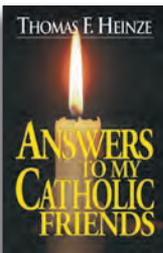
between God and the people.

Like all the other false religions, Roman Catholicism is all about bondage and control. Unscriptural infant baptism starts the process. Confirmation initiates loyalty to the church, not Jesus. Regular Mass attendance is essential to maintain favor with the wafer-god they call Jesus, without which, eternal life is in jeopardy. A marriage is void unless blessed by the "church" which includes pledging to raise children in the "church." Celibacy of priests and nuns denies them a family, leaving them no escape from the "church."

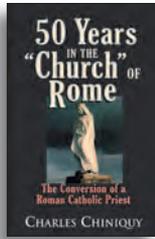
If a "good confession" (last rites) is not made just before death, any unforgiven sin must be paid for with torment in purgatory. However, only minor (venial) sins are "purged" there. So-called "mortal" sins consign one directly to hell.

Nowhere in this system is the poor Roman Catholic granted assurance of eternal life. Presuming so is actually a sin: the "sin of presumption." This is definitely not the "good news" John talked about in 1 John 5:13.

Bible believers, we must speak up against the lie that this Roman Catholic cult is just another "denomination," with a different worship



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style. We must help them see that they have a false gospel, a non-biblical Jesus, and "come out" of Rome's trap (Rev. 18:4).  
Chick Publications has many tracts and books to help you rescue these precious people and put the spotlight on the trap door of "unity."

## Sowing...

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names and locations for obvious reasons. Government persecution of Christians is actually increasing. But the Christians simply don't quit. Evangelism is producing so much fruit there that the government is starting to fear the influence of Christians.

### Ukraine

100,000 tracts are being printed in Ukraine. No one knows how events will play out in that region, so we felt that we needed to hurry and get as much Gospel as possible into the area. Shipping tracts into the country is both difficult and very expensive, so we are printing there. A number of missionaries have gotten together and created a "wish list" of the Chick tracts they want for their ministries.

At the time of this writing, we have made commitments to 26 different missions projects for which missionaries have requested Chick tracts. A total of 712,000 tracts are being produced for delivery.

Giving to the Chick Missions Fund has been increasing, and we are in a hurry to get the gospel into the foreign fields as quickly as possible. We have a real sense here that the time is growing short.

If you would like to help extend the hands of a missionary, please send your donation to: Chick Missions Fund, Chick Publications, PO Box 3500, Ontario, CA 91761. Unfortunately, we are not set up to issue tax deductible receipts but we do know how to get tracts to missionaries.



**This picture shows how popular Chick tracts are when "seeded" into the streets of Juaraz, Mexico**

## A MESSAGE FROM JACK CHICK...

Dear Ones in Christ:

Want to hear a great outreach idea? A family walks into a family restaurant and there's a little rack sitting on the counter with a sign on it saying "free take one." So dad takes one, so does mom, and the kids take a few. Now, the long wait at the table for dinner takes place and the family reads the gospel tracts until the plates come.... "Hey dad, that was fun! Let's come here next week," and sure enough that little rack is filled again with more tracts, so they're hooked and become regulars —to eat, read tracts. The restaurant is happy, so are the customers and everyone gets the gospel!

My friend, Dale, put out little racks in lots of businesses, and his church supplied the tracts. I almost fainted when I found out that over 800,000 tracts went out in five counties winning souls. He told us that it was rare to find anyone in the area who had not read at least one Chick tract.

What a great idea. Just ask permission to put a tract rack in a business, keep refilling those racks and you've got your own ministry. If you're afraid to pass out a tract, let the little rack do that for you! Believe me, you'll be thrilled with the results, and the Lord will give you a soul winner's crown.

Your brother in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jack". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



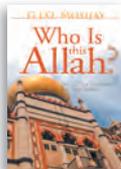
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