

Please send our brave Warriors the Bibles they are pleading for . . .

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Dear Ms. Williams-Giersc.

They've left their families, given up the comforts of home and placed their very lives in danger — all for you and me. I'm talking about our American Troops — real-life heroes.

And while you and I spend time with loved ones . . . many of the bravest Americans you could ever hope to meet are still far from home.

Right now, worldwide tensions are increasing. Our men and women are quickly being deployed to South Korea, Afghanistan, Iraq and other dangerous areas. These men and women of our military are risking their lives and guarding our security in war zones and lonely outposts around the world. Many face fear, depression and terrible loneliness.

## These heroes need our help. That's why I had to write you.

American Bible Society needs your help to raise the \$1,450,000 needed to rush Bibles to our Troops. God's Word is the greatest blessing you can give them! In the Scriptures our Troops find strength to do their difficult jobs as they stand watch over our freedoms.

Please, will you send a gift today to provide them with Bibles?

Every \$5 you give will help place God's Word in the hands and heart of one of our lonely Troops.

Did you notice the enclosed Military Bible Delivery Tickets? Your gift of \$5 sent along with one of these tickets will help provide a Bible to our brave American Troops.

Your gift of \$10 with two tickets will help give the Word of God to two spiritually needy Service Members! Or maybe you can find it in your heart to return all four tickets with your gift of \$20 to help provide four Bibles. American Bible Society is blessed to be able to use 100% of your donation for ministry, thanks to the generosity of past donors.

Our Troops are yearning for God's Word. One Army Chaplain wrote us: "We have been out of Bibles for a while now, and the soldiers are starving for God's Word."

Another Chaplain writes, "I was overwhelmed at the demand . . . I gave away every Bible I had available and some of my Soldiers were asking for more."

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<u>Will you help give these Troops the Bibles they are asking for</u>? We receive requests just like these — for thousands of Bibles each month — from Chaplains, Troops and other Service Members.

So I write to you, praying you will respond.

When you provide a Bible to a brave American Warrior, you will become <u>part of an American spiritual tradition</u>.

You see, American Bible Society has been giving Bibles directly to Service Members since 1817. In fact, American Bible Society was formed in 1816 by many of the founders of our nation.

<u>These statesmen realized</u> — <u>as I trust you do</u> — <u>that America's survival and well-being depends on widespread Bible engagement among our citizens, including the military.</u> They believed the Scripture: "Human beings cannot live on bread alone, but need every word that God speaks" (Matthew 4:4b, GNT).

Today, American Bible Society provides *millions* of Bibles to people in every part of our nation and beyond, including thousands to our nation's Service Members! But we can <u>only</u> sustain these efforts with help from <u>more</u> Americans like you. Will you please help with your gift to send a Bible to our brave Troops?

The need is so immense that we must act now to raise \$1,450,000 to provide Bibles for our Troops. And please pray for the brave men and women who have responded to the call of duty for you and me. Thank you!

Yours in Christ.

Robert L. Briggs
Senior Vice President
American Bible Society

P.S. Our Service Members far from home face uncertainty, loneliness and fear every day. But you can help them by sending them God's Word! Please hurry. Thank you for blessing those who are serving us so faithfully!