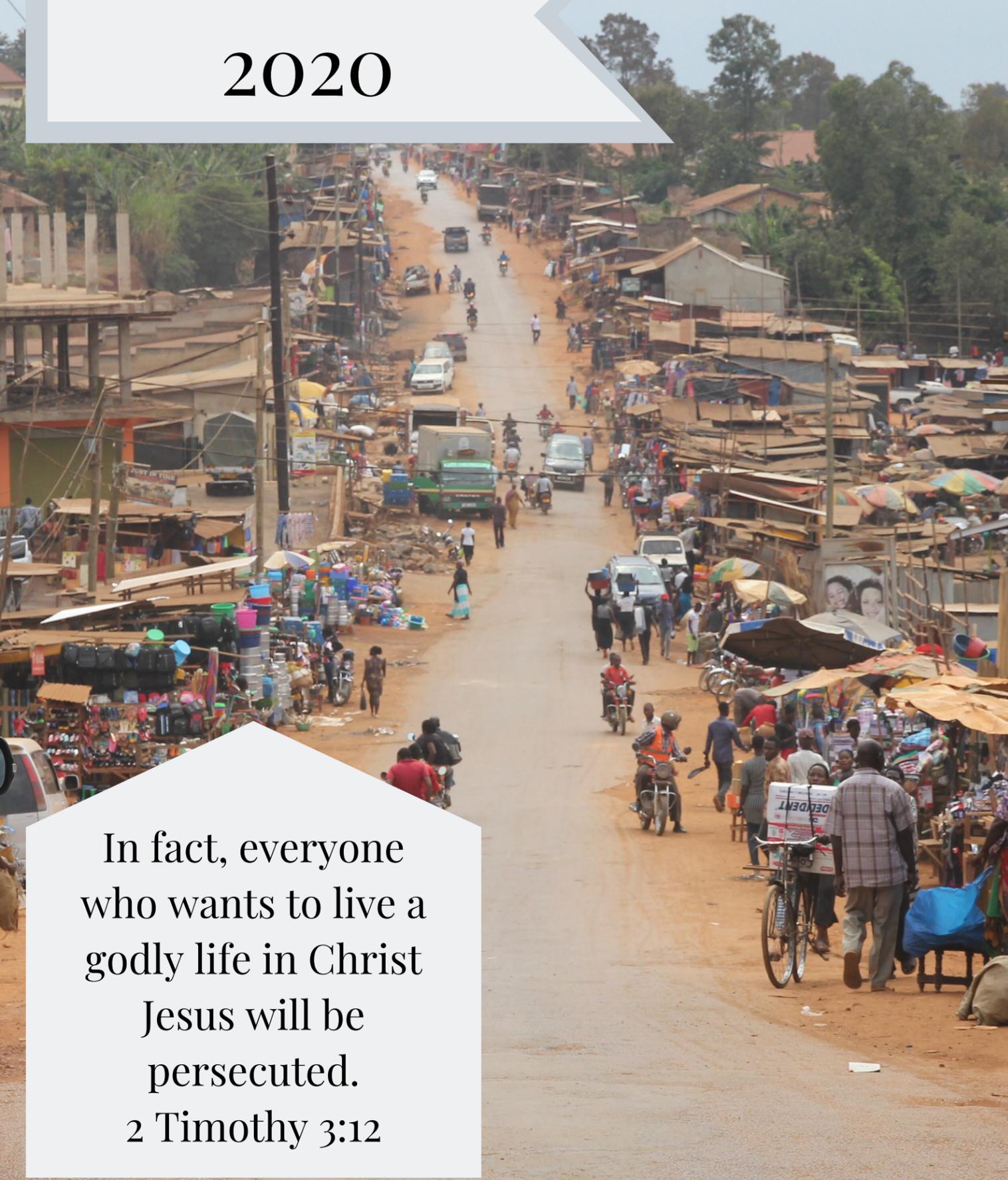


# March 2020



In fact, everyone  
who wants to live a  
godly life in Christ  
Jesus will be  
persecuted.  
2 Timothy 3:12



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## 2019 Overview

**189,607  
Bibles**

**152  
Missionaries**

**708  
Children  
Sponsored**

**231  
Pastors  
Sponsored**

**62,151  
Pounds of  
Materials**

## 2020 Goals

**1  
Million  
Bibles**

**225  
Missionaries**

**51  
Remaining  
Children  
sponsored**

**63  
remaining  
Pastors  
Sponsored**

**80,000  
Pounds of  
Material**

# Vision Beyond Borders



## Persecution

A trip into SE Asia reported that they carried 468 Bibles, two boxes of MP3 players and five flannel graphs to the pastor in a village. The pastor shared a testimony of being in another province sharing the gospel and that he was reported to the police. He was brought in for questioning and he just denied everything. He said, "We denied and denied and denied and after about three or four hours they let us go. If we had admitted to sharing the gospel or been found guilty, it would have been fifteen years in prison."

In certain parts of SE Asia soldiers and police officers are not allowed to attend church. If they were to be discovered attending a church they would lose everything. We pray that God continues working among the government officials here and that church would be available to everyone. Today there are many pastors in this closed country and the church totals 200,000 members and 250 believers are being baptized daily. Pastors in this area must be very careful where they share the gospel and who they share it with.

In one village the church leaders knew that the police were looking for the pastor that was going to come train them, but they didn't tell the pastor. When the pastor found out he asked why they didn't tell him and the church leader said, "We were afraid you wouldn't come if we told you earlier." These villages are so hungry for God's word they could not risk this pastor not visiting them.

Another traveler in SE Asia sent a story to us about the police in a closed country. After a couple of days of travelling they were caught by the police and taken in for questioning. On the way to the police station the two officers travelling with him asked about the book he was reading. The traveler was shocked because the officers spoke English and didn't know what the Bible was. The traveler explained some events in scripture and the police told him that they would read the Bible even though that is was they were arresting him for. The traveler asked the officers if he could pray for them and they accepted! Once getting to the station the traveler convinced 10 more officers to read the Bible! Praise God that in trials of persecution He still gives us opportunities to share His glory to others! We pray that God would draw these officers to Him and that they would be a light in the darkness in their villages.



*Even though I walk through  
the darkest valley, I will  
fear no evil, for you are  
with me; your rod and your  
staff, they comfort me.*

*Psalm 23:4*

Our travelers into SE Asia have blessed the villages and pastors with their hard work and hearts for Christ carrying many supplies over. One team took:

- 16 Travelers
- 216 Villages visited
- 340 Bibles to villages
- 1,998 Bibles to pastors
- 6,500 Tracts delivered
- 1,100 MP3 Players delivered
- 100+ Miles on motorbikes