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“[The Message LifeLight](#)”, the Bible in contemporary language is now here!

Canadian [LifeLight](#) Ministries is delighted that their shipment of the long-awaited New Testament written in colloquial, contemporary language has arrived, and will be going into hotels shortly.

Some hotels have already distributed the Sports New Testaments provided by LifeLight. Here is a story about the impact it is having.

There was a special event in town and the hotel was full. Multi-Sport and Living LifeLight New Testaments had been put in each room a few weeks ago and these bibles were seen in many hands all during the weekend. The hallways of the hotel were alive with young people as they went back and forth between the rooms. There were many comments like “I have never seen a Bible like this before” and “Come and read what this says”, as, in the halls, there were young people gathered reading through Scripture passages.

The hotel manager said to someone, “It’s like some kind of wild church in the halls”, a sight he had not seen there before. The bibles were also put in a stack in the visitor’s area of the hotel and they disappeared quickly as there is a note in each of these bibles to feel free to take them home. How many lives will be changed by leaving these easy-to-read LifeLight Scriptures in each hotel room? Only God knows - but LifeLight will continue to replenish these rooms with scriptures as people continue to take them home.

LifeLight is looking for partners across Canada that would be willing to join in this effort of reaching the movers and the shakers of society in the hotel rooms of our nation.

“The Message” is copyrighted by Eugene Peterson, who did this translation as a working pastor. His earlier vocation was a seminary professor, familiar with the biblical languages of Hebrew and Greek. His aim was to “get the words of the Bible into heads and hearts, getting the message lived.” He has succeeded in “getting the language of the Bible into the language of Today.”

Mr. Peterson wants us to consider “The Message” a reading Bible, written in the words that we use “to gossip and tell stories, give directions, and do business, sing songs and talk to our children.” Here is an example of this, found in John 4, verse 9, when Jesus asks a Samaritan woman for a drink: “Jews in those days wouldn’t be caught dead talking to Samaritans.” Another quote, the second last verse in the New Testament, reads, “He who testifies to all these things says it again: “I’m on my way! I’ll be there soon.” “Yes! Come, Master Jesus!”

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