

Military Troops Request More Scripture in Afghanistan

Since October there has been an overwhelming demand from troops in Afghanistan for the Military BibleStick, an MP3 audio Bible with the entire New Testament preloaded from Faith Comes By Hearing (FCBH).

Military chaplains overseas have recently requested more than 20,000 audio Bibles for the troops. FCBH reports they will be able to meet about half of their need. "Our heart as a ministry is to provide the Scriptures in audio to anyone who asks," said Jon Wilke, spokesman for the Military BiblesStick project. "However, the demand for these devices – for God's Word in audio form—has just been overwhelming."

The Military BibleSticks are sent to military chaplains free of charge based on donations from churches and other organizations. The audio Bibles retail for \$25 and FCBH has distributed more than 70,000 BibleSticks to military troops overseas in Iraq, Kuwait, Kosovo and Afghanistan since 2008.

"If we can help these young men and women be grounded in the Bible, then God will help them fight off depression and walk through these difficult times," Wilke told The Christian Post. "And God will help them cope with losses in combat. We as a military need to be there to provide them with a Bible when they need it."

FCBH provides a reply card for the troops along with the BibleSticks to share how the audio Bibles have helped them during their deployment. The ministry reports that they have received letters of appreciation for the portability and small size along with the peace and encouragement they provide during difficult times.

"When you are deployed, you live in cramped quarters and you

don't have any private time really because everywhere you go you are surrounded by a bunch of other people," Wilke said. "As a former Marine and a guy who has been on many deployments, it would be nice to have something to put in your ears and close your eyes and you can distance yourself from what is going on around you."

Click [here](#) () for more information about Faith Comes By Hearing and how you can donate to supply more Military BibleSticks to troops overseas.