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From the desk of
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Dear It Is Written friend,

At a Partnership weekend this fall I met a man whose story touched my heart.

Brent spent his early years living in the Bronx as the son of a successful businessman. He and his siblings loved their life until their father moved them upstate, started investigating evolution, and turned from God as his business took off. Brent attributes the loss of his childhood, the breakup of his family, and many tear-stained pillows to his father turning away from the Lord. “I hated my father. I wished him dead,” Brent shared.

In search of belonging and a loving father, Brent joined the military and served in Vietnam. **He did whatever he could to feel good**, “Drugs did that. Alcohol did that. Immorality did that,” Brent said. One day he and some friends went to Los Angeles in search of a feel-good-time. An elderly lady at a market gave Brent her personal Bible, telling him he would need it as he journeyed onwards.

That Bible was the turning point for Brent. He began to believe that something more was possible. He left the military, left his life of alcohol and drugs, and ran a successful business in the Northeast. As the years passed, Brent still desired more. He started watching religious programs on television, and

It Is Written caught his attention. He was fascinated by the programs about the heroes of the Dark Ages—Martin Luther, the Waldensians, and the Huguenots. Brent has

Huguenot ancestors and he was touched by the stories of his family’s commitment to their principles despite persecution. He realized that he was a part of this family of principled people. He heard me talk about the Sabbath, **and he found a group of people in his area who worshipped on Saturday.**

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Brent, a professional farmer, became a Partner because of the impact It Is Written had on his life.

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Today, Brent is active in a local church, and he has become an It Is Written Partner. **“Because of the influence of It Is Written, I have become a Partner,”** Brent says. “I give to that Partnership because I want what happened to me to happen to everyone.” As 2019 comes to a close, would you consider joining Brent and helping what happened to him to happen to hundreds more people in the coming year?

Brent’s story is what It Is Written is all about. When we filmed the programs about the Reformation, I had no idea that Brent would be listening or that the program about his ancestors would turn his attention to search the Bible and seek out a local church. But God did, and He planted seeds throughout Brent’s life to bring him to the exact place he is today. I was honored to shake Brent’s hand at our Partnership event in Gettysburg and praise the Lord with him for what God has done in his life. **It felt like every sacrifice our team has made, every sacrifice you have made to support these programs and this ministry was 100 percent worth it.**

I never know what portion of a program God is going to use. Right now, we are in the midst of upping our game in television production. We have built a new studio, and we are designing sets for the many different series we produce. We are also developing new

on-location series. While we write and plan, the Holy Spirit directs and orchestrates so that just the right shot or phrase is used, just the right story is told that will touch the hearts of hundreds of thousands of different Brents around the world.

An on-location program series costs an average of \$75,000 to produce—not including sets, airtime, or equipment. Over a year, that works out to about \$205 per day, per series. **Would you consider funding a day of life-changing programming?** Perhaps you could fund two days, or even more? It mattered dearly to Brent that someone funded the program about the Huguenots, and it changed his life. I hear from people wherever I go that our on-location programs are high-impact programs that change lives. In the last few days, two different



Brent visits with the lay pastor and his wife of the church where he attends.

people have told me personally that they are in the church today because of watching *It Is Written* programs. This is what God is doing through your support of *It Is Written*.

As you prayerfully consider your year-end gift, please remember Brent. Consider making a gift of \$205 or more for the production of life-changing television programs. Sixty-three years ago, George Vandeman recorded the first television program with the intention to draw people to local evangelistic meetings. Today, that is still happening. People see our programs and come to *It Is Written* evangelistic meetings. They see a program and request a Bible study. They see a program and seek out a local church. **They see an *It Is Written* television program and look for Jesus Christ. And they find Him.**

That's what I have dedicated my life to, and I'm asking you to join me again in that commitment to proclaim truth and change lives. *It Is Written* television programs are aired in over 98 percent of the world. Now, through *It Is Written* TV on Roku®, Apple TV®, Amazon Fire TV®, and online at itiswritten.tv, they are available 24/7. Our viewers are watching thousands of hours of *It Is Written* programming, and those numbers keep climbing. They are watching and making decisions for eternity as a result. Any amount given will be used by God to change lives. \$205 will cover the cost of one day of program production. \$410 will cover the cost of two days' production. More will enable us to expand our production even further.

Years after Brent found Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior, his father, who had hurt Brent so deeply as a young man, reunited with his son. His father had seen the change in Brent's life, and he wanted to experience that for himself. "I want to be like you," he told Brent. The Savior who saved Brent wanted to heal his entire family. The lives changed by Jesus Christ go on to reach countless others.

Thank you for joining me in proclaiming truth and changing lives for eternity.

Your friend in ministry,



Pastor John Bradshaw
President, It Is Written

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P.S. Brent is actively involved in church today because God brought him face to face with his ancestors through an *It Is Written* program. Inspired by their principled commitment to honor truth, he sought truth for himself and is now an It Is Written Partner. He wants others to experience what he has experienced. God is going to powerfully use the television series we have planned to reach people like He reached Brent. As you plan your year-end gifts, please consider funding a day or more of It Is Written programming. Brent and I thank you.

To hear Brent tell his story
in his own words, watch the video
at itiswritten.com/blog.

