

Roy Hession Book Trust

The Charity is all about the Lord Jesus Christ - and sharing HIS message to the entire world

SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER



Dear Praying Friends of RHBT,

It's with much joy that I can announce the new name of the *Roy Hession Book Trust*:

'The Verwer/Hession Trust'

As many of you know, I felt led to ask the 'RHBT' Trustees to become the legal owners of all the books I have written and for all my other media.

This is part of the transition into the post-George Verwer era. The Trustees are fully committed to the expansion and distribution of my books.

We pray that we will see an increase in giving to 'The Verwer/Hession Trust', especially as we prepare for the closure of 'Special Projects'.

It is always good to hear from you.

In His grip,

George Verwer – Founding Trustee

ANOTHER ONE OF OUR RHBT BOARD MEMBERS:

Lizzie Francis originally comes from Wiltshire in South West England, but has lived in South London for the past 10 years.

Lizzie works as legal counsel for a Christian international legal organisation, and has served on many short-term mission trips in her spare time.

In November, Lizzie spent some time on OM's LOGOS HOPE while it was in Montenegro (close to Greece) and helped out at the book fair – this is the world's largest floating bookstore that has over 5,000 titles.

Lizzie said that it was a privilege to get to know people from 60 nations who are serving on the OM Ship and to pray with them for God to open

opportunities to talk to the visitors to the ship about Christ.



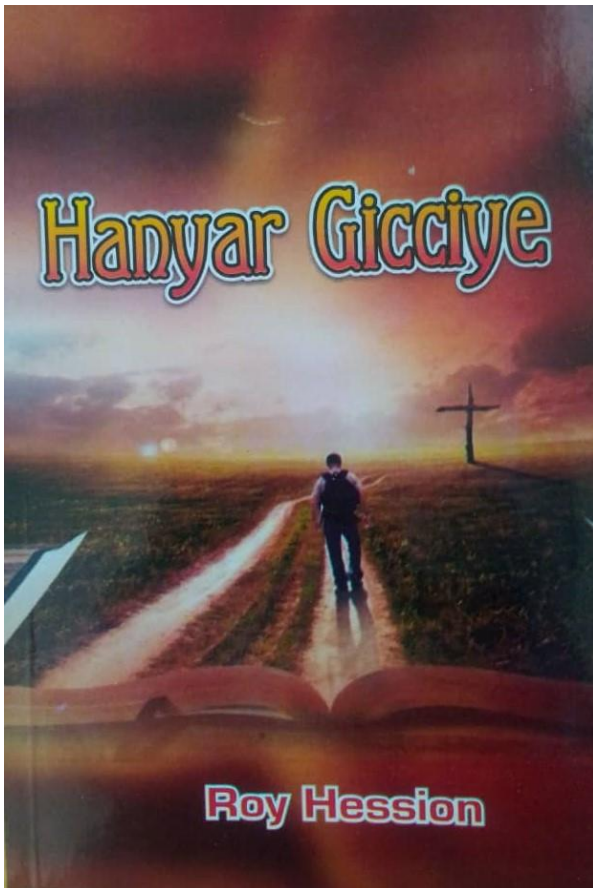
Lizzie also got to ask some of the OM-ers what they thought about '**Calvary Road**' (Roy Hession): *'One young man from Zambia said that reading the book was the reason why he decided to sign up to the ship for two years; the book had such a transformative effect in his life because it helped to reveal the beauty of Christ in a completely new way, and also spur him into Christian ministry. His name is Daniel and he helps run the book fair team – please pray that God will continue to guide and lead him for further ministry in his home country when he leaves the ship'.*

NEW Printing of 'Calvary Road' in NIGERIA

Kennedy Olugbami of 'Christian Literatures' in Nigeria says, *'One of my visions in Publishing is to make available sound and life changing books, and also some old books written long ago, but not available to Nigerian Languages including Yoruba, Hausa and Ibo to Pastors, Christian workers and the Body of Christ.*

In my search for books to translate, the book or books must minister directly to me first as the Lord will lead me.

*I first got in touch with the book '**CALVARY ROAD**' written by Roy Hession. This book spoke to me deeply as I noticed that the Church of today have left the most important stage of Christianity, and need to be reminded of this. That is the main purpose of the book. We saw the need to share this new discovery with my country. I love the things I discovered in 'Calvary Road'.*



I read other books by Roy Hession and translated them. We translated others like 'BE FILLED NOW' and 'WE WOULD SEE JESUS'.

The 'CALVARY ROAD' became the best book among all my translated books. Many years ago, Oasis Literature distribution held a programme for Pastors, titled 'Pastor Book Aid' and requested for 10,000 copies of the books which was given to Hausa speaking pastors.

We in 'Christian Literatures' in Nigeria has printed thousands of copies too. What a blessed thing to do! I also have seen thousands of copies distributed in the English language. I will personally recommend this book to anyone who have not read the book before.

FROM OPEN DOORS - WORLD WATCH LIST 2023:

NIGERIA has risen once more on *Open Doors' World Watch List* and is now at **No. 6**.

Once again, it is noteworthy that, if the *Open Doors World Watch List* only registered the number of recorded deaths and violent incidents, Nigeria would be at the top of the list.

Of the **5,621 Christians** killed for their faith during the reporting period for the *Open Doors World Watch List*, **5,014 or 89 per cent were killed in Nigeria** (rising from 4,650 or 79 per cent in 2022).

Most violence in Nigeria against civilians, especially Christians, has occurred in the north and the Middle Belt and is perpetrated by Fulani militants, Boko Haram, the Islamic State in West Africa Province (ISWAP) and other armed 'bandits'.

As the agendas of these groups overlap and converge, the violence has now also spread to the south of the country.

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GIFT AID: We are happy to announce that the Trust is registered for *Gift Aid*. This allows RHBT to claim back from the HM Customs and Revenue, 25p on every £1 donated under *Gift Aid* (**Note:** this applies to **UK donations** only).

If you are NOT in the UK, please send your gifts via:

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If you are in North America, you can also give to the *Roy Hession Book Trust* via **OM Special Projects**.

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