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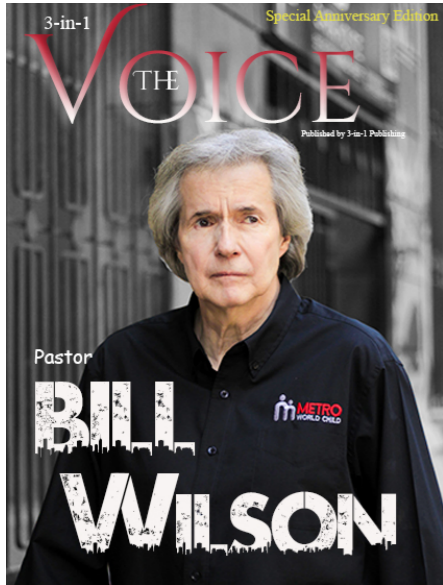
# THE VOICE

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**BILL  
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METRO WORLD CHILD

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# Meet Pastor Bill Wilson

World Renowned Humanitarian, Ministry Leader & Author

## Introduction

To say that Pastor Bill Wilson is determined, passionate, a straight talker and inspirational regarding his ministry would be absolutely true but without the unconditional love that he demonstrates for each child that is saved, the work would be meaningless.

Bill Wilson is Founder and Sr Pastor of one of the world's most significant humanitarian Christian ministry out-reaches to the impoverished and abused children of this world and is the head of a global Sunday School of over 100,000. As a small child he was abandoned one day by his mother on a street in New York. Out of this pain and the practical 'hands on' help he received from a man who did not pass him by, Pastor Bill developed a heart of compassion for the suffering child. However, he did not just think about doing something he did do something, he founded Metro World Child (formerly Metro Ministries) in 1980.

I had the pleasure of interviewing Pastor Bill in January 2010 in Ireland, for one of our earliest editions of 3-in-1 The Voice. At that very time Haiti had suffered one of its worst earthquakes and I got a glimpse of how he coordinated with dedicated staff members a rescue plan for the children.

He has endured one of the most incredible testimonies and we are delighted that he has agreed to interview with us again on our 5th Anniversary edition of the 3-in-1 The Voice. The staff of Metro World Child are often referred to as being 'tough' - I for one believe that angels are tough, spiritually and mentally and these angels provide the practical witness of Christ like no other, in some of the worst places of the planet. This is only possible by not only their personal faith in Jesus but by the inspirational leadership of Bill Wilson who always goes before them...

Karin McBride-Chenoweth



Pictured above:  
Paul Pitts

CD:  
'He Has Forgiven Me'  
Release Date: Jun 2014



### BOOKS

'Whose Child is this?'  
'Christianity in the Crosshairs'  
'One Eyed Kings'  
'The Teflon Rhino'  
'Running with Turtles'

### DVD/CD

Vuka Vison  
The Legend of Bill Wilson  
Streets of Pain  
Gone Before Dawn



# Biography

As a child, Pastor Bill experienced the pain and hopelessness of abandonment. One day, as he walked down a street with his mother, they stopped to sit for a while. She instructed him to sit there and wait for her to return. He sat and waited for three days straight. She never returned. A Christian gentleman who had seen Bill stranded and alone stopped and picked him up. It was here that Bill's relationship with God began.

Out of the pain, impoverishment and isolation of his own abandonment, Pastor Bill developed a heart of compassion for suffering children everywhere. From the ghettos of America to the garbage dumps of Manila, Bill has sought to rescue hurting children.

Pastor Bill established Metro World Child (formerly Metro Ministries) in 1980 in what was one of Brooklyn's roughest neighborhoods, the Bushwick community, most commonly known for its history of gang violence, crime, drugs, and poverty. Here, violence is a way of life and a constant threat. Pastor Bill has been beaten, stabbed and shot in the face. Yet, he perseveres and refuses to leave the area or give up on the children growing up in such an environment. Because of that, his efforts have made a difference, not only in the lives of children but in the community as well.

Due to the success of Metro's programs, President George Bush, Sr. appointed Pastor Bill to serve on the National Commission on America's Urban Families in 1991. Metro's influence was also identified as a factor in the noticeable reduction of crime in the Bushwick community and the organization was featured on ABC's Nightline.

Today, Pastor Bill travels widely, speaking in churches nationally and internationally each week. He is frequently featured on Christian television networks throughout the U.S., Canada and Europe. And his programs, curriculum and techniques are being duplicated in cities all over the world. However one thing remains the same: Pastor Bill is there in the heart of the urban jungle in Brooklyn, driving the school bus to pick up boys and girls for Sunday School.

Courtesy Metro World Child

# Book Review



## Bill Wilson

*'Running with Turtles'*

Review by: 3-in-1 Walking in the Light Ministries (int)  
Genre: Christian non-fiction  
Format: Softback



*'You might be able to dodge your responsibilities, but you will never be able to dodge the consequences of avoiding your responsibilities.' Pst Bill Wilson 'Running with Turtles'*

The natural habitat of turtles is on the ground or in the water. A turtle on a fence post elicits a question, "How did it get there?" The story goes that a famous author once said, "Anytime you see a turtle on top of a fence post, you know he had some help."

This book is the story of the many Biblical characters who were placed on a fence post and demonstrated that they belonged there - above the other turtles that walked below.

Running with Turtles is for men and women who face the challenges that life brings them and discover victory in the midst of conflict. It will help some turtles get faster and stand out amongst the others.

## Review

*This book will inspire you and challenge you from page one! Pastor Bill, has gone deeper than ever before in exposing the conflict within us, for not to actually do something about the situations that we see around us. Instead of just 'sitting on the fence' condemning, events or issues, we can make a difference, we have that ability. In fact it is our right to do something and also fulfill our God given purpose in life! 'Running with Turtles' flows extremely well and begins by really making you think! 'If you see a turtle sitting on a fence post, you can bet he didn't get there by himself!' Alex Haley (1921-1992). I believe that this book demonstrates more than any other Pastor Bill's deeply held spiritual insight into life and how man can overcome evil with good in Jesus' name. A serious MUST read!*

Review by AK Chenoweth

# Interview Part I

Pastor Bill Wilson



1. Thank you so much for taking the time to answer our questions. Since previous interviews the name of the Organization has changed, why did you decide to change it?

Metro World Child better communicates who we are and what we do as an international children's ministry. Going from Metro Ministries to Metro World Child has opened doors around the world, simply because upon hearing the new name, people understand that we are a global ministry aimed at reaching children and their families with the Gospel.

2. There has been tremendous growth with the ministry reaching around 100,000 children globally in the last few years, making it the largest Sunday School on the planet and one of the most significant and important presences of God's work on the planet. What do you attribute this to?

The growth of the ministry has been a result of the collective efforts of our offices and missions around the world. Metro World Child has a team of people around the world: New York, Kenya, the Philippines, Indonesia, India, and so many more places. Each member of the team carries the vision of the ministry and that has set in motion this growth we've seen over the past few years. There's really no one single explanation for it. It's everyone working together for the Glory of God and seeing His Kingdom growing. God has been faithful in allowing us to continue going into places that need His presence.

3. You have just brought out a new publication which has an interesting title: "Running with Turtles" – what does the title mean and can you give us a hint as to what the book is about?

The title, "Running with Turtles", describes how the Christian walk is for most people. You're either stuck at a pace that is dragging on, or surrounded by people who can't get out of their own way. If you really want to make a difference, and I believe most people do, then you've got to get moving. This book teaches and encourages people to do just that by facing the challenges of life and discovering victory.

4. How does this book differ from any of the other books that you have written?

Running with Turtles focuses on the stories of men and women from the Bible who had to prove themselves in the line of fire and face conflict. We can all learn from these people and push ourselves to do the same. A turtle on a fencepost didn't get there by himself – someone had to help him. This book is meant to help those who, like the biblical characters, are meant to stand out amongst others.

'Leadership from the frontline'



7. Your work has taken you personally into some of the darkest places on the planet, you have witnessed things that people like us only read about and then you have actioned a resolution – in your personal walk with Jesus how does He strengthen you to continue each day?

*It hasn't been easy, seeing the things I've seen, but God has shown up in every single place. I'm continually encouraged by Elijah, where in 1 Kings he encounters the still, small voice of God. He expected God in the fire, in the earthquake, in the strong wind – but it was in the quietness that he heard the voice of God. I have learned to seek the presence of God in all things, but to always be listening for that small voice to speak.*

To be continued...

# Metro World Child

## Mission Statement

*To see leaders, teachers and pastors raised up out of the streets of the cities worldwide, so they in turn will minister to the next generation.*

Metro World Child is committed to providing hope and building futures for children living in adverse conditions in metropolitan areas around the world. Whether faced with the physical effects of poverty or the dangers of gangs, violence, abuse and hopelessness, we want to see children's lives placed on a new path through the life-changing love of Christ. By meeting children where they are, personally investing in their lives and presenting the Gospel in a fun, accessible way, we believe we can build foundations that lead to hope, a future and better lives for children around the world.

Helping children encounter the hope and love of Christ through weekly Sunday School programs in the neighborhoods where they live, summer camps and personal mentorship.

Investing personally in the lives of the children we serve through consistent one-on-one relationships, weekly home visits and child sponsorship.

Meeting physical needs that hinder personal and spiritual growth, such as school supplies, coats, food and clean water.

# Christmas Stockings

Most inner-city children do not know what it's like to receive something handmade with love and care, but Metro World Child makes sure our kids know what it's like through our Christmas Stocking Project. You can be a part of providing a Christmas Stocking for a child by hand making one or supporting the project financially.

Making Christmas Stockings are a great outreach for individuals or group projects. Throughout the year, volunteers make stockings from the pattern provided and fill them with goodies for boys and girls. The pattern provides sewing specifications as well as information on what items to stuff into your stockings. All stockings must arrive before NOVEMBER 24th each year.

If you are not able to make or send a filled Christmas stocking, you may also participate by making a contribution to this project. Just \$10 provides a child with a stocking that could be filled with an answer to the simplest of prayers—a toy car, a hair barrette or even a toothbrush.

# Branches

Metro World Child reaches out to children in metropolitan areas around the world with a proven one-on-one relational and Gospel-focused model. The concepts Metro has developed are based upon sound biblical principles that transcend cultures, denominations, race and generations. While the needs around the world differ, the causes and effects of poverty and the life-changing power of the hope of Christ remains the same. In each country, we tailor our programs to meet the specific needs of the environment where we work.

NYC Headquarters - Romania - Kenya - India - Phillipines - South Africa

# Church Services

Metro Christian Center — Brooklyn  
403 Evergreen Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11221 [Map](#)  
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Centro Cristiano Metro — Brooklyn  
Spanish Services  
Sunday 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday 7:00 p.m.

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*Make a Difference today!*

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