

PHILIPPI PRESS

Instructions for News Articles

*You are part of the reporting and editorial staff for the Philippi Press, a local newspaper with several regular sections. Your team is to write an article for one of the sections. The articles will be compiled into a print edition of the **Philippi Press**. Consider reporting the events, quoting witnesses, and describing the impact. Remember to use your column's perspective.*

POLITICS

Write an article describing recent incidents that brought Paul and Silas before the city magistrates. What were the issues involved? What was the outcome? Include some comments from the magistrates and their feelings on the events. Biblical references: Acts 16:19-24, 35-40

WEATHER

Write an article reporting on the recent earthquake and its impact. What causes these types of catastrophes? Biblical references: Acts 16:25-27

PEOPLE | GOSSIP

Write a "gossip" column discussing the ongoing feud between two women in the city named Euodia and Syntyche. Why can't they seem to get along? What are the issues? Biblical references: Philippians 4:2

TRAVEL

Write an article describing efforts of your chamber of commerce to bring people to Philippi. What are some of the city's "attractions"? (Reference last week's lesson.) Describe your interview with recent arrivals Paul and his companions and your surprise to discover what brought them to Philippi. Biblical references: Acts 16:6-12

ECONOMY

Write an article about business conditions in Philippi. Include a report of the long-time fortune-telling business that just went under. How did they make money? What happened to their livelihood? Discuss any impact on the future economy. Perhaps quote the business owners. Biblical references: Acts 16:16-19

RELIGION

Write an article about the group of women who regularly meet by the river for religious celebration. Discuss their previous practices and the impact of the recent visitors with their new message. Perhaps include comments from the women on how things have changed. You might also want to include comments from the jailor recently converted. Biblical references: Acts 16:12-15, 31-34, 39-40

EDITORIAL | OPINION

Write an opinion column on the group of men recently entered the city with a new message. Discuss their impact on almost every aspect of city life: politics, weather, economics, religion. Describe their message, its impact, and your opinion on all of this. Biblical references: Acts 16:24-36