

The Word of God - In their hands, their ears, and upon their hearts

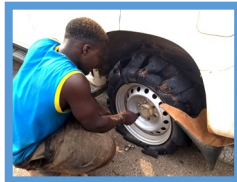
**Weber LBT Cameroon Prayer Letter
April 2025**

Dear Partners in Prayer,

After 2 ½ months in Cameroon, we returned February 17th back to our home in New Hampshire, near our US children and grandchildren. It was a sudden transition from hot and dusty to cold and snowy. *The snow was so pretty!*

Thank God for health and renewed strength! A couple days after our return, first Martin then I (Joan) came down with a virus, (fever, coughing, fatigue) which took more than three weeks to get over. Thankfully, we are better now.

Thank God for sustaining us and keeping us in health while in Cameroon! God protected us on several trips over long, bumpy roads. We only had one tire blow-out, and God showed His kindness by sending a motorcycle driver at just the right time to help Martin change it!



We are thankful for all of you who have supported us in prayer, and with financial support through LBT, making our travels possible!

We are thankful for the times we had with Rev. Tim and Erin Schulte. When we arrived, they were progressing well with French lessons, and we encouraged them in the challenges of adapting to life in Cameroon. When we traveled with them to the Subula area, the language committee, translators and literacy workers welcomed them and expressed deep appreciation for the preliminary visit.

Ministry in cross-cultural contexts often involves complex challenges. Sometimes God's plans unfold differently than we anticipate, and the difficult but necessary decision was made to bring the Schultes' field service to a close.

Please continue to pray for the Subula people who are very motivated to have the Bible in their language. Thankfully, our church partners in Cameroon are taking further steps to help them. **Pray also for Tim and Erin as they reorient their lives back in the U.S.**



Having God's Word in one's own language is very precious!

Cameroonians are learning to take more and more responsibility and accountability for their progress in translation and literacy.

Pray for Rev. Bakari, (left) the DTA Director (Director of the Cameroon Lutheran Church's Translation and Literacy programs), and for **Rev. Daniel**

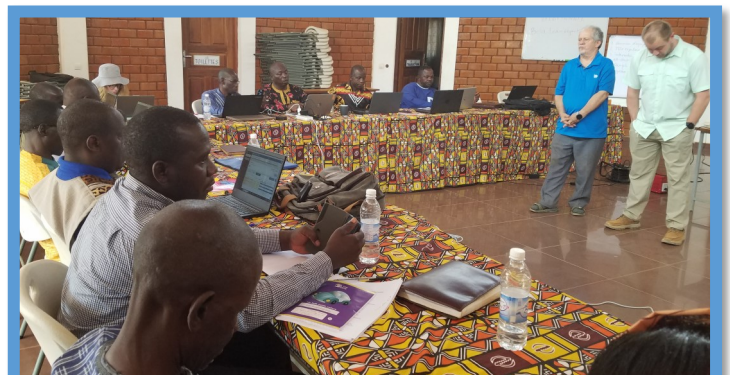
Touka, Translation consultant-in-training, shown with Matt Kissler, LBT training facilitator.



From February 3-7, we participated in a training workshop for the leaders of several language projects. LBT Cameroon regional Director, Rev. David Federwitz, LBT trainer Matt Kistler and Dr. Ndokobai (SIL Cameroon trainer) came to lead this training for the national workers in the various language projects.

They introduced a new software program called Rev79 (see Rev. 7:9), which helps the team members to keep their goals before them each month, and to report their progress regularly. This is a new reporting system. Many will report from their cell phones.

The training was in French. Martin and also Tim Schulte translated for Matthew and David, (who do not speak French). It was a very challenging workshop, since participants are not all that used to adapting to new software on their computers or phones.



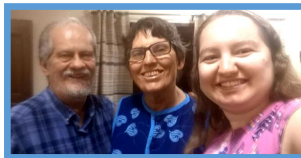
PRAY that the Rev79 tool will help the national workers keep focused in their work as they make progress in translation, literacy and Scripture use.



During the workshop, Joan discussed with Germaine her challenges in overseeing Dowayo literacy, including needing new literacy materials in their language.

After the workshop we left Ngaoundéré with no LBT/LBTC missionaries remaining there. Martin continues to follow up with loose ends from here.

Back in Yaounde, we enjoyed seeing Kayla Falkenholdt, LBTC missionary who continues as a very enthusiastic teacher of missionary kids in Yaounde, since the Kuhn family moved on from working in Cameroon with LBTC. (Pastor Mike Kuhn will be teaching at the seminary in Edmonton.)



Our son Sammy, Kelsey and their family traveled to Yaounde before we left Cameroon. So we had the joy of seeing them again before we left, complete with more hugs from our four grandchildren in Cameroon.



Back in the US, Nathan planned a week in Florida for the three generation Weber guys. Nathan, Ezekiel and Martin had a great time together!



We enjoy Sarah Joy and Nate's girls, Iris (3 ½ years) and Melody (6 months).

Please pray with us for:

- **National translators, that God will encourage, equip, inspire and enable them** as they translate His Word into their own languages.
- **Wisdom and encouragement for the literacy workers** as they teach their people to read.
- **That the Rev79 reporting system will help them to remain focused on their goals.**
- **Wisdom and perseverance for Kwanjas to move forward in translating the Kwanja Old Testament.** They have begun some of the books.
- **The Subula translators and literacy workers,** that God will encourage them, and provide the help and support that they need.
- **God's leading for us** as to how to be involved, only being in Cameroon for short visits.

The Cameroon Lutheran Church DTA leaders are carrying on the work of helping the different language teams as they continue to translate and do literacy work. Pastor David Federwitz and LBTC Director Pastor Ron Mohr continue to visit and encourage them. We also will likely be invited to help in future visits, but the timing is not yet determined. Meanwhile, we are following up some projects and are enjoying being back with family in the US.

In this season of Lent, we meditated on the cost of Jesus' sacrifice for us, and then celebrated the ongoing victory of His Resurrection. May the Lord strengthen and encourage you!

In His Love,

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