



# Krio

## Literacy and Scripture Engagement

Pastor Sanu had always been eager to learn, but financial constraints prevented him from attending school. Then he received literacy training through The Institute of Sierra Leonean Languages (TISLL) and qualified to teach Krio at the junior secondary school in his village. "I am forever grateful to God and TISLL. I was a nobody but now I am a somebody. My wife and several members in my church are now literate in Krio and can read the Krio Bible."

Bible translation in local languages is pivotal if people are to deeply engage in the Word of God. Though many are eager to know God's Word better, low literacy rates among the Krio people prevent them from reading Scripture for themselves.

The focus of the Krio literacy and Scripture engagement program is to transform lives through literacy and the reading of God's Word in the mother tongue. Since 1985, more than 25 literacy centers have been founded. Plans are to establish 15 new centers and develop and print new materials, including story books, primers and teacher's guides.

## Goals

- Establish 15 new literacy centers with 12 learners in each class.
- Visit churches and communities twice a month to demonstrate the important of literacy.

## Impact

- Local language communities value literacy and the changes it can bring to their lives.
- A more literate people better understand God's Word.



### COUNTRY

Sierra Leone

### PARTNER

The Institute for Sierra Leonean Languages (TISLL)

### POPULATION

4,000,000





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## Pray

- Pray for blessings and guidance for the project and its partners.
- Pray for the development and printing of Krio literacy materials. Pray that these materials inspire people to learn to read and write their own language.
- Pray for the language coordinator, literacy teachers, and the Krio language committee as they implement new literacy activities in the community.

## Give

Help bring the Krio language community deeper access to Scripture in the language that speaks most deeply to their hearts. Increased literacy can give them the tools they need for personal spiritual enrichment as well as effective outreach to their people.



Den wan we abop pan  
Gɔd, get blɛsin, bikɔs Gɔd  
de rul den.

—Matthew 5:3



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