About Lutheran Bible Translators

Lutheran Bible Translators equips local leaders around the world with the tools they need to translate the Bible into the language they understand best. For over 60 years, we have partnered with language communities to launch Bible translation movements that bring hope, life, and transformation through God’s Word.

MINISTRY FACTS

60 YEARS OF MINISTRY

48 NEW TESTAMENTS + FULL BIBLES PUBLISHED

55 ACTIVE PROGRAMS SERVING 135 LANGUAGE COMMUNITIES

SOCIAL MEDIA STATISTICS

2,000

1,260

5,700

35,000 VIEWS

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KEY CAMPAIGN: MORE THAN WORDS

This five-year comprehensive campaign (2019-2024) funds vital infrastructure, training, technology and tools that make Bible translation possible. It aims to raise $43.9 million to empower local leaders to build capacity for sustainable ministry, deepen Scripture engagement among communities, and drive Bible translation efforts forward.

MORE THAN WORDS GOALS 2019-2024

THREE EXAMPLES LISTED

CAPACITY: INCREASE TRANSLATION ADVISORS 14 -> 77
ENGAGEMENT - NEW LITERACY PROGRAMS 0 -> 48
TRANSLATION - LANGUAGE COMMUNITIES SERVED 72 -> 144

PARTNER TESTIMONIALS

“THE PARTNERSHIP WILL ADVANCE TRANSLATION WORK IN ETHIOPIA. LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS IS ALREADY SOLVING THE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS RELATED TO BIBLE TRANSLATION AND IS SUPPORTING STUDENTS TO STUDY TRANSLATION IN SEMINARY.” — HAILU BERHANU

“WHEN THE PEOPLE ARE SPEAKING WITH THEIR LANGUAGES, IT IS VERY EASY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT GOD IS SAYING TO THEM. WE INVITED LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS TO COME TOGETHER WITH US TO SHARE IDEAS. WE ARE WORKING TOGETHER SO PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO THE WORD OF GOD THROUGH THEIR LANGUAGES.” — PASTOR OSCAR LEMA

“WE NEED BIBLE TRANSLATIONS IN THE LANGUAGES WE UNDERSTAND BEST. OUR VISION IS FOR PASTORS AND MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY TO BE TRAINED IN BIBLE TRANSLATION. THEN THE WORK CAN SPREAD, AND OUR CAPACITY CAN GROW.” — STEVEN TOPOQOGO

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OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS

THE MESSENGER
Each edition of our quarterly magazine, The Messenger, highlights programs and partnerships for translation and literacy efforts.

PRAYER CALENDAR
The monthly prayer calendar highlights programs, communities, missionaries and steps in the Bible translation process, guiding our collective prayers.

BLOG
Celebration stories, podcast spotlights, and field notes are shared on our official website blog. LBT.org/blog

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STORY EXAMPLES

**KONSO BIBLE DEDICATION**

**PRESS RELEASE: FEBRUARY 12, 2024**

by Newsroom | February 12, 2024

Milestones, News, Partner Stories, Programs

“I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. For we are co-workers in God’s service; you are God’s field, God’s building.” – 1 Corinthians 3:6-9

**SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION TECHNOLOGY AT WORK**

**PRESS RELEASE: MARCH 1, 2024**

by Newsroom | March 1, 2024

Impact Updates, News, Partner Stories

At the Africa Scripture Engagement Conference in Kenya, Lutheran Bible Translators provided the funding for the simultaneous translation equipment and technicians.

**TRAINING IN KENYA**

**PRESS RELEASE: FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

by Newsroom | February 20, 2024

Capacity Building, Field Notes, News

Members of the Lutheran Bible Translators team are in Kenya this week for the Africa Scripture Engagement Conference and a training in Rev79.

Technology is an integral component of the Bible translation movement. Having the right tools and training increases the efficiency and effectiveness of Bible translation teams as they push their projects forward. Lutheran Bible Translator’s missionaries regularly consult LBT.org | (660) 225 0810
OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS CONTINUED

PODCAST: ESSENTIALLY TRANSLATABLE
Interviews and stories from the field, introducing supporters to the Bible translation movement.
The Living Water Project, inspired by the original musical performances of the Psalms, sets each verse of the New Testament (ESV) to music, expressing the Bible’s emotion and depth. We pray this project spurs on the Bible translation movement as more people experience Scripture.
HOW TO GET INVOLVED

PRAY. GIVE. ADVOCATE.

Three key calls to action for any individual or ministry exploring support of Lutheran Bible Translators. Join us in prayer. Give to support Bible translation. Advocate and invite more people to the movement.

Pray
Become a prayer partner.

Give
Make a financial gift.

Advocate
Raise awareness.