

Glenn & Susan Fluegge are missionaries with Lutheran Bible Translators and will soon move to Ethiopia. As LBT's seminary program coordinator, Glenn cultivates partnerships with seminaries and churches worldwide to train and equip local Bible translators and Scripture engagement specialists. Learn more: LBT.org/Fluegge

MOVING...AGAIN...

Within the first **seventeen** years of our marriage, Susan and I, along with our family, had moved **thirteen** times. This included four moves to *entirely different countries* – Canada, Togo, South Africa, and then back to the U.S.A. – and two moves to *different continents* – Africa and North America.

Those moves allowed me to work with churches and seminaries throughout the world and, I believe, gave our children invaluable international experience. However, it was also difficult and stressful, as you might imagine. So, in 2012, after moving back to southern California, I promised the family a bit of stability. We bought our first home, sent our kids to local Lutheran schools, and eventually both Susan and I began working at Concordia University. This has been a great blessing to our family, and I thank God for these last years.



Time to move again!

However, it seems God doesn't want us to get too comfortable. So, it's time to move again! It's been a while, so I've forgotten the plethora of logistical matters that must be addressed when making a move: Who will keep an eye on our house in our absence? What do we do with our vehicles? What to bring to Ethiopia? Where will we live? What visa applications must we fill out? And so on and so forth. Thank you for your prayers through this transition!!

THE KARAMA PROJECT

Although moving (again!) is certainly full of its own stresses, it will allow me to work closely with the Mekane Yesus Seminary and the Bible Translation Track. That program exists to support and sustain Bible translation and Scripture engagement projects throughout Ethiopia.



Copies of the Gospel of Mark arrive in the Karama area

LBT missionary and translation consultant, Dr. Chris Pluger (seen below with the translation team), reports on one such project:

"The Karama project is only a few years old, but they have already been able to translate, check, and print the books of Genesis, Exodus, and Mark and distribute them in their language community. In addition to hard-copy printing, the Karama translators record an audio version for those who can't (or prefer not to) read.



The Karama community is predominantly Muslim, so the team started with Genesis to build a bridge with familiar stories and history. One local man said, 'I don't like what Christianity says. But I do like how this Genesis recording speaks.'

The Word is effective in the language people know best! Please pray that barriers to the Gospel would be removed, so that the Holy Spirit opens many hearts for Jesus in the Karama community!"



The Karama language committee receives their copies of Mark and Exodus

PLEASE JOIN US!

Please consider partnering with us to get God's Word into the many languages in Ethiopia and throughout the world. Use this QR code to partner with us in the following ways:



- 1) **PRAY REGULARLY** – Please pray for us regularly (see below). Share this prayer letter with others and encourage them to sign up for our prayer letter.
- 2) **GIVE A GIFT** – Please consider giving a gift to support our ministry with LBT. You can also set it up to support us on a regular basis. *Recurring gifts are especially helpful as we prepare to head overseas.*
 - To give online: visit LBT.org/Fluegge.
 - To give by check: Make out check to "Lutheran Bible Translators" AND write "Fluegge Ministry" on the memo line. Send it to: Lutheran Bible Translators, P.O. Box 789, Concordia, MO 64020
- 3) **LEARN MORE** – Find out more about Lutheran Bible Translators (www.LBT.org). Host a Bible Translation Sunday (if you're interested, let's talk!).

UPDATE – HIKING THE PCT



In my last letter, I shared that I was attempting to hike all 2,655 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail as part of a sabbatical project researching walking pilgrimages. Well, so far, starting at the Canadian border, I've hiked 1,498 miles over the last eighty days and am currently taking a "zero" day at a friend's house near Sacramento. 1,158 miles to go before I touch the Mexican border and complete my PCT Pilgrimage, as I've come to call it. It's not been easy, to say the least (!), but it's been rewarding and fulfilling. I hope to write and share about the experience soon.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray that God will raise up many partners to pray for and support our ministry with LBT.
- Pray for the Mekane Yesus Seminary, where we'll be working, and especially for the students in the Bible translation track.
- Pray for the Karama translation project and other projects throughout Ethiopia. The need is great!
- Pray for our upcoming transition to Ethiopia and all the logistical details that go with it. Pray that God would grant us a deep love and appreciation for Ethiopia and for those with whom we'll work.

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