

## **FEDERWITZ**EXPRESS

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News from Paul & Ali Federwitz

### **BIBLE TRANSLATION CONFERENCE**

Paul recently returned from the Bible Translation Conference in Thailand – a gathering that sparks collaboration and vision for the future of Bible translation.

Previous conference locations made it hard for many to attend, but this year's setting opened the door for our Lutheran Bible Translator international partners to attend and join the conversation. What a gift to see voices from around the world shaping strategies together!





When Paul was on his way back home, he started receiving messages from our international partners, expressing their excitement and gratefulness:

"Thank you LBT for this great opportunity!"

"Thank you LBT team for making it possible for Matthias and I to attend on behalf of our church. Bible translation is a global movement and very active. The fantastic and enjoyable part is meeting and chatting with all of you from across the globe."

"I would like to express my profound gratitude for all you did to make my coming to the Bible Translation Conference possible."

### **GOD SPEAKS KOMBA**



A well-loved Komba New Testament

Looking forward, the next event brings a whole new reason to rejoice! At the end of November, Paul will travel to Ghana for the Komba Bible dedication which is a milestone more than a decade in the making.

The Komba New Testament was dedicated over 10 years ago while we lived in Ghana. Today those same believers carrying their worn-out copies of Scripture will finally receive the complete Bible in the language they understand best. Imagine the joy as God's Word comes alive in its fullness for this community.

This video walks through the incredible timeline of transformation from the New Testament to the now printed and delivered complete Bible and the lives impacted along the way.





Scan to watch or go to LBT.org/komba

These two events, the global collaboration of the conference and the local celebration of the dedication, reflect the strategic vision and life-changing impact of our mission.

### **CONNECTED ACROSS MILES**

Now that we're based in the United States, connecting in person takes a bit more planning. Our goal is to dedicate one week each year visiting a region and sharing how God is working through Bible translation. This September in Wisconsin was a blessing! We were energized by familiar faces who've walked with us from the beginning and by new friends joining our support team. These moments of fellowship remind us that this mission is truly shared.

While it may be a while before we visit your area, we'd be happy to schedule a virtual interaction with you, your group, or church. We love staying connected to you, our partners in mission, whose prayers, encouragement, and financial support make this work possible.



Ali sharing with LWML in Wisconsin



Preparing for prayer walk at CMI

### **FAMILY UPDATES**

Life at home is full and joyful. Eden is back on the cross-country team and recently beat her personal record by nearly two full minutes! Levi's hard work and dedication caught the attention of the Drama Director who made him the Stage Manager for the Fall play. Levi is also deep in the trenches of college applications, big decisions ahead! Hannah is thriving in her second year at CUNE and is serving as section leader in the women's choir, Cantamus. We're proud of each of them and grateful for the ways they are growing.

# GOD SPEAKS

#### **TAKE THE 30-DAY CHALLENGE**

Lutheran Bible Translators has launched *God Speaks*, a 30-Day devotional challenge created with Red Letter Living. This resource invites you to reconnect with Scripture and join the global mission of bringing God's Word to every language.

Learn more at: LBT.org/GodSpeaks

## CONCORDIA MISSION INSTITUTE

One of the highlights of our year is the Concordia Mission Institute at Saint Paul Lutheran High School. Partnering with Mission of Christ Network, we spend a week immersed in learning, worship, and fellowship.

A meaningful moment this year was the organization-wide prayer walk, designed by the Prayer Working group and led by Ali. On LBT day, a time set aside for our Lutheran Bible Translators team, we lifted up our ministry, our partners, and our communities in prayer. It was a powerful reminder that prayer is the strategy and

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for safe travels for everyone attending the Komba Bible dedication and that the joy of the Lord fills the community as they receive God's Word in the language they understand best.
- Pray for fruitful conversations and strategic planning among local leaders who attended the Bible Translation Conference to accelerate the Bible translation movement.
- Praise God for the faithful and generous supporters who have sacrificially given to Bible translation so that all may hear.

### **ABOUT US**

Paul provides strategic leadership internationally as LBT's Chief Program Officer. Ali is the Prayer & Member Care Manager.

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