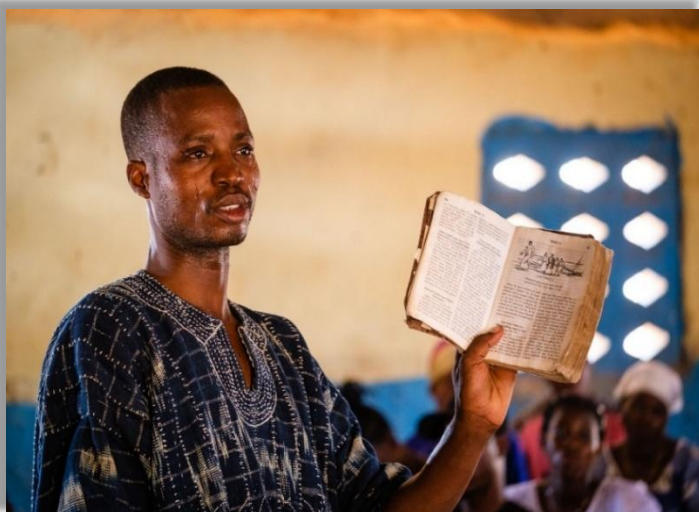




CELEBRATE



Komba New Testament testifying to much use

The Komba people of Ghana, West Africa will be celebrating the arrival of the complete Bible in Komba on **November 22, 2025!** This will be a great day for them as they receive all of God's word. It was a great day back in 2014 when they received the New Testament. But almost immediately, work began on the Old Testament because the Komba people know how valuable ALL of God's word is. LBT Missionaries--David and Valerie Federwitz, Nathan and Sara Esala, Michael and Naomi Ersland--lived and worked in the community alongside faithful Komba translators.

Another group of people in Botswana will soon be celebrating their Bible as well. **The Khwedam** people are planning to launch their Scripture on **November 13** with a panoramic Bible. This is a first for LBT publications. A panorama is a complete view of an area or a comprehensive presentation of a subject. The panoramic Bible seeks to give the reader a comprehensive view of God's salvation plan by taking key passages from both Old and New Testaments to share the story of salvation. The effort to produce such a Bible is reduced from that needed to produce both complete



Khwedam translators Moses and Splash

testaments, but it is also a more complete telling of God's Good News than only the New Testament can give. Tim and Lisa Beckendorf worked with the Khwedam team.

Rejoice with these two people groups as they receive the **complete story of our Savior Jesus**. Their Christmas will be celebrated with the physical presence of God's word in their heart languages.

Recently, I heard two stories in Bandi and Grebo where the preacher was preaching in English. The crowd was lethargic and bored. In each scenario a person was present who could relay that message in the local language. As soon as the message was read or given in Bandi and Grebo, the people perked right up. They were joyful, and their interest exploded when they heard the message in their language. They went from sitting with their heads resting in their hands to bright-eyed and eager. They invited both speakers to continue and to come back to have them teach them more the next week as well. Their disappointment was palpable when neither person could stay longer.

There is a hunger for God's word and there is a hunger to hear it in the language that speaks to their hearts. Pray for these groups, that they too may experience the joy of the Komba and the Khwedam. **Pray for all the people groups waiting for even a single verse in their language.**

*Blessings to all as we celebrate
the WORD, our Savior Jesus.*

Becky

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Praise that the Bandi team has completed all drafting and will start revising their NT.
- Pray the Maan and Dan Bibles will be printed early next year followed by launches later in 2026.
- Pray as literacy is starting again among the various Grebo dialects and for wisdom on how to proceed with translation.
- Pray for the continued health and safety of all team members.

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