

Your Progress Report 2024–25

The impact of Bible translation

Thanks to you

Wycliffe
Bible
Translators





40,000,000

more people have the Bible in their language since last year

A powerful story of **impact**

For centuries, the Bible has been a source of wisdom, hope and salvation. But for too long, and for too many people, it remains trapped in languages they cannot understand.

Bible translation helps unlock God's word for every heart. I'm so encouraged that over the past year, more than 40 million people finally have the Bible in their language for the very first time.

That's the impact that your prayers and your generosity make.

The numbers in this progress report tell the story of Bible translation impact through the work of Wycliffe and our partners.

Each number represents one more language, one more community, one more person, who today can experience transformation through translation.

Thank you for your partnership in this urgent and vital task.

James Poole
Executive Director



Right now, Bible translation is happening in 173 countries around the world

A story of transformation

Impacting lives for eternity

'The essence of Bible translation is to see that lives are being transformed to the glory of God'

– Konlan Kpeebi, the Koma Bible translation programme manager in Ghana

The Koma people of Ghana got the full Bible in their language this year, after getting the New Testament in 2006. Your giving and praying has been a central part of translating the Koma Bible, and your generosity earlier this year enabled it to be printed. Thank you!

'We have seen the impact that having the Scriptures in our own language has had on the Koma community,' says Sylvester Kwame Nkrumah, the director of the Ghana Bible translation organisation. 'As the Koma Church has used the Scriptures people have been transformed.'

Your support makes these moments possible. Together, we can unlock the profound hope of the gospel and build a legacy of faith for generations to come.



Wycliffe Bible printing appeal
Your generosity enabled the printing of the Koma Bible – now, thanks to you, Koma people are able to read the whole Bible for the first time!



Last year in numbers

20 Bibles launched

40 million more people have the Bible

88 New Testaments launched

11 million more people have the New Testament

270 languages where Bible translation work has begun

spoken by 70 million people

You are amazing!

Bible translation wouldn't be possible without the kindness of supporters like you. Your giving, prayers, and passion for God's word change lives. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Over
7,000
of you have donated
in the past year



Over
1,600
of you are *Give the Word*
partners, giving monthly

'We are convinced that even the act of translating the Bible reveals the heart of God. Our God comes to us in our language – the Word made flesh – and that is news worth sharing in every language!'

Sam and Esther, supporting Bible translation as *Give the Word* partners

1,726

languages have a
New Testament

up 88 from last year

756

languages have a
complete Bible

up 20 from last year

4,012

languages have
work in progress

up 270 from last year



'God's word has been the most important thing to me throughout my lifetime. I can't think of a more important legacy than for me to give it to future generations.'

Margaret, a Wycliffe supporter who has left a gift in her Will

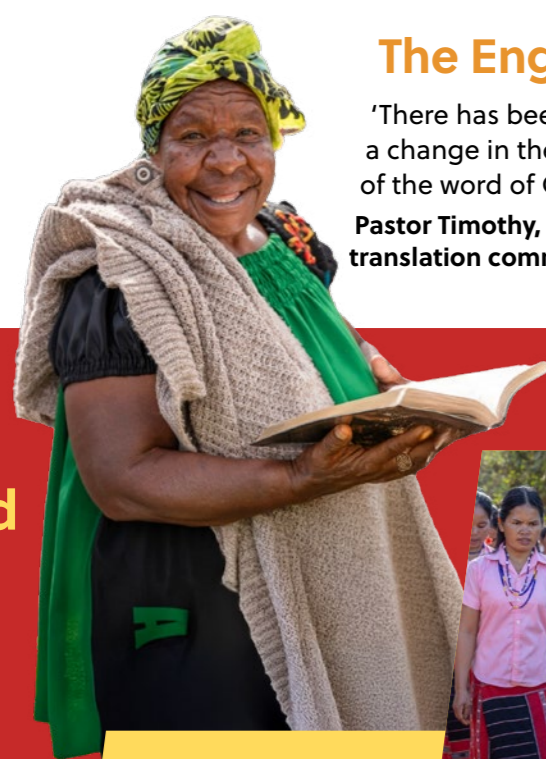
Here are some of the people who have got the Bible or the New Testament in their language for the first time over the past year

Every day the lives of people around the world are changed by the power of the Bible

The Enga people

'There has been a history of problems, but I sense a change in the lives of the Enga people because of the word of God coming in their language.'

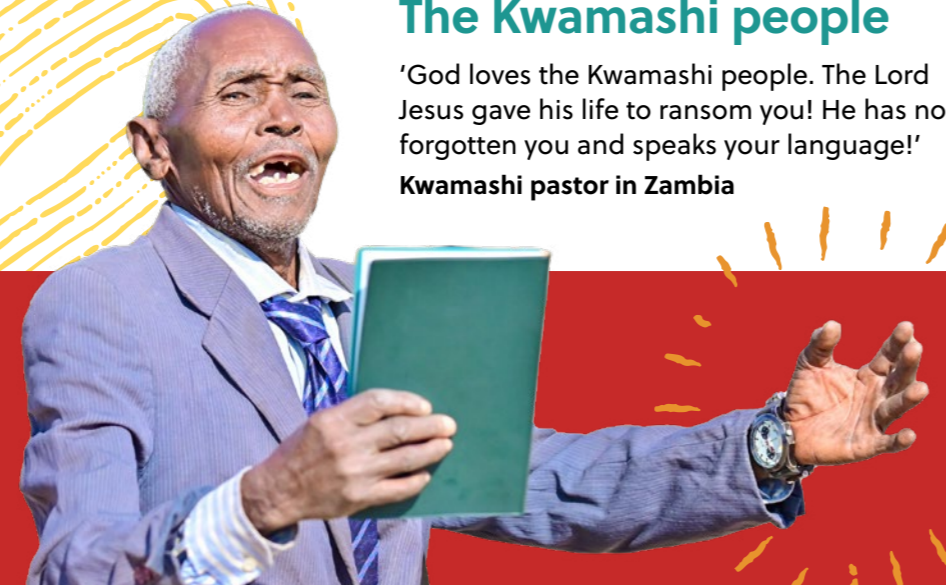
Pastor Timothy, chairman of the Enga Bible translation committee in Papua New Guinea



The Kwamashi people

'God loves the Kwamashi people. The Lord Jesus gave his life to ransom you! He has not forgotten you and speaks your language!'

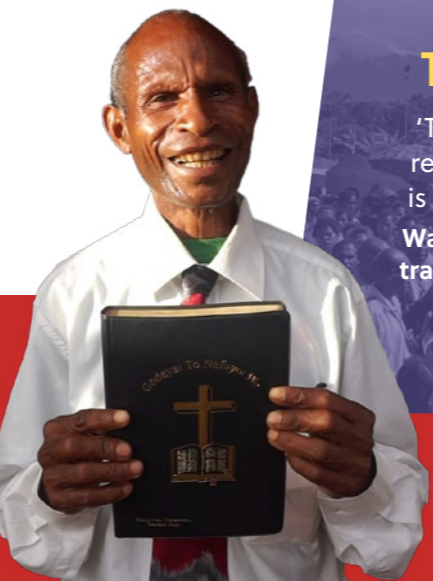
Kwamashi pastor in Zambia



The Kaluli people

'The Kaluli New Testament is a really big thing. The Word of Life is there in the Bible.'

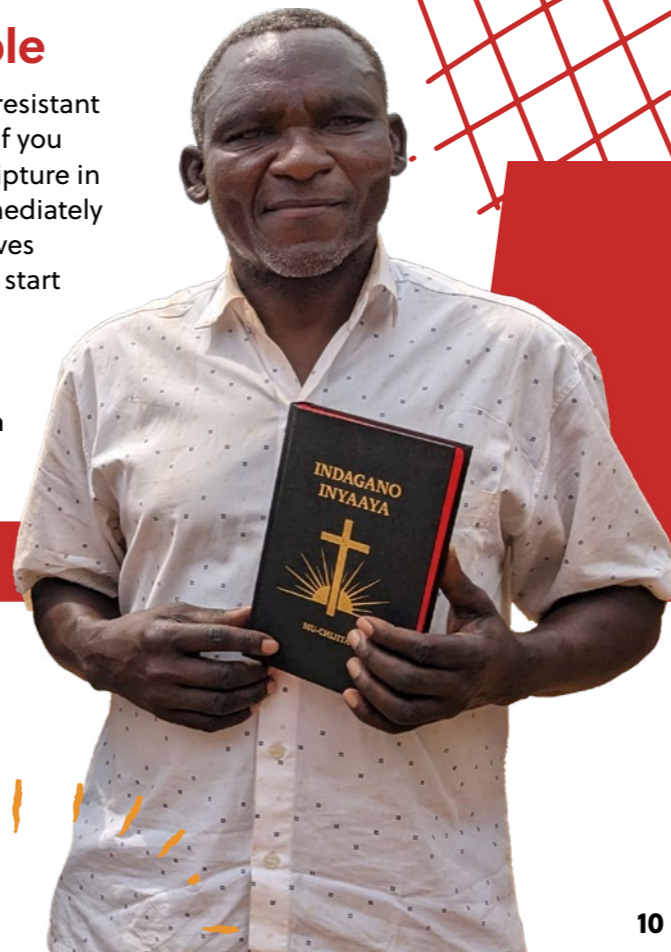
Wano Hemide, a Kaluli Bible translator in Papua New Guinea



The Jita people

'Even when people are resistant to the gospel message, if you hand them a copy of Scripture in their language, they immediately value it because it preserves their language. Then they start reading it, and they come to faith in Jesus.'

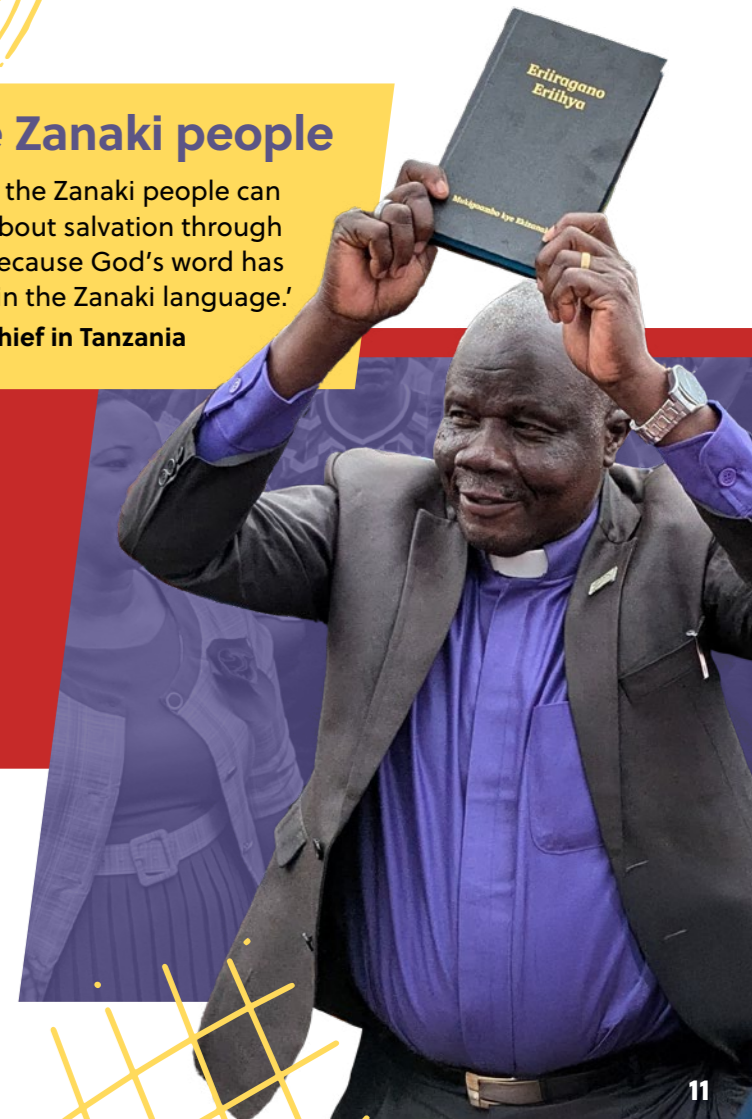
Ben, a member of the Jita translation team in Tanzania



The Zanaki people

'Today the Zanaki people can learn about salvation through Jesus because God's word has arrived in the Zanaki language.'

Zanaki chief in Tanzania



The Kwaya people

'When we hear the commands of Jesus in Swahili, it's easy to think, yeah sure, ok, that's nice. But when we hear the commands of Jesus in the Kwaya language, they go inside of us and we are affected by them.'

Kwaya speaker in Tanzania



The Rangi people

'I thank God for those who worked very hard to make sure the New Testament was completed in the Rangi language.'

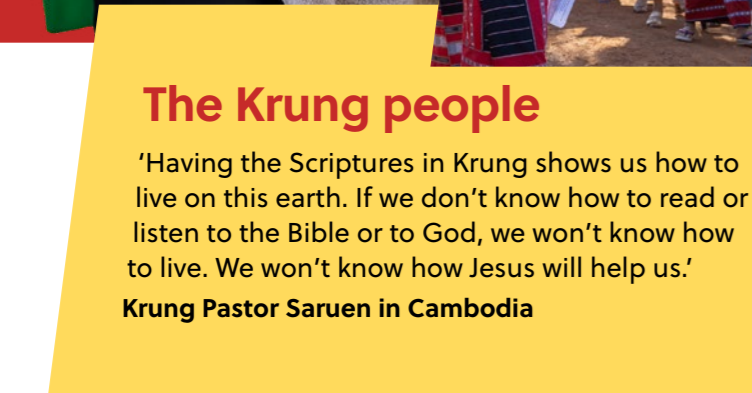
Emilia Issaka, Rangi speaker in Tanzania



The Krung people

'Having the Scriptures in Krung shows us how to live on this earth. If we don't know how to read or listen to the Bible or to God, we won't know how to live. We won't know how Jesus will help us.'

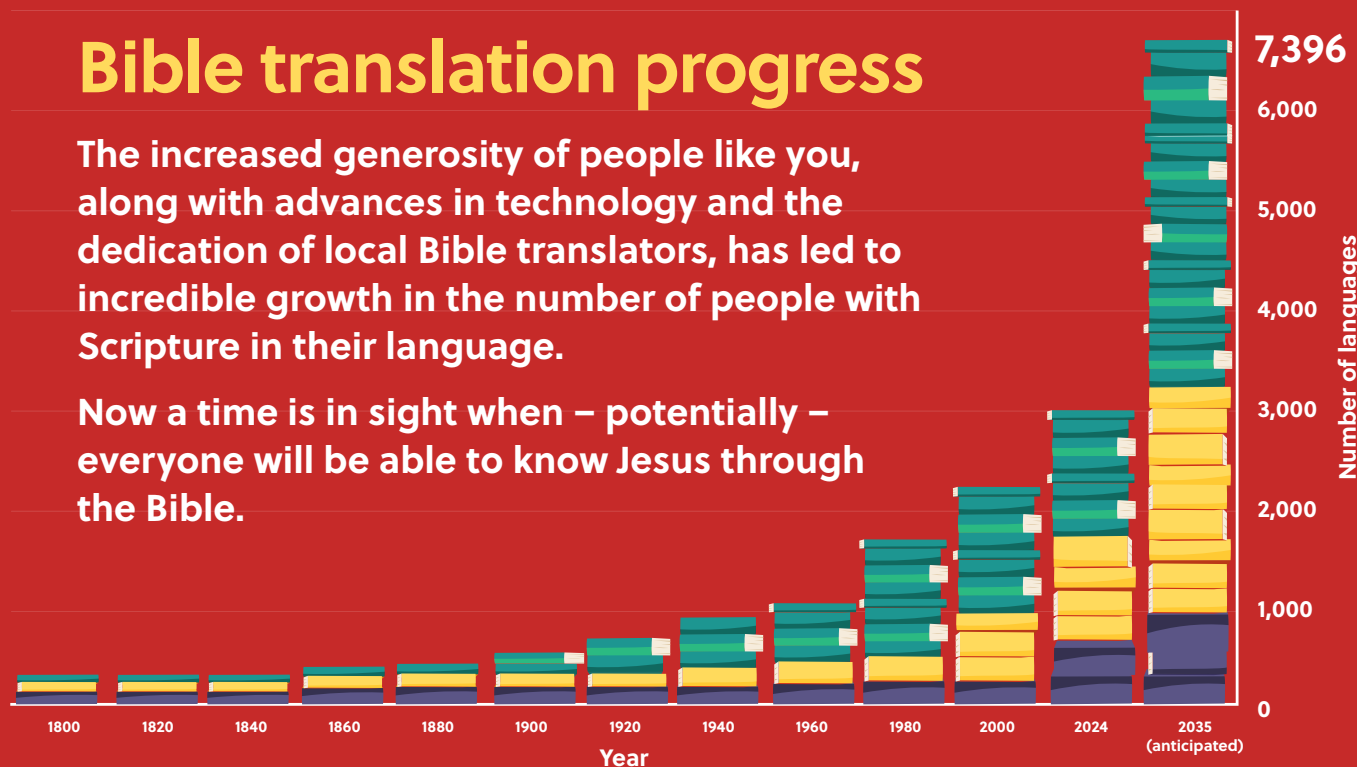
Krung Pastor Saruen in Cambodia



Bible translation progress

The increased generosity of people like you, along with advances in technology and the dedication of local Bible translators, has led to incredible growth in the number of people with Scripture in their language.

Now a time is in sight when – potentially – everyone will be able to know Jesus through the Bible.

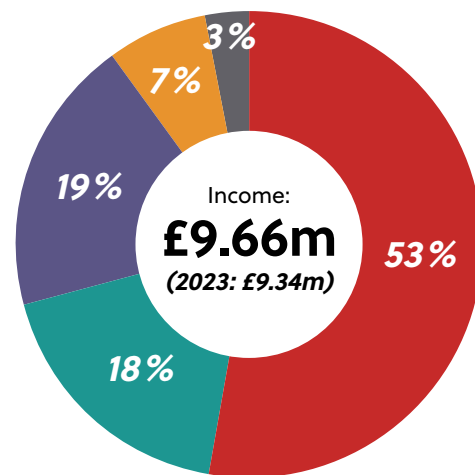


Portions of the Bible
 New Testaments
 Bible

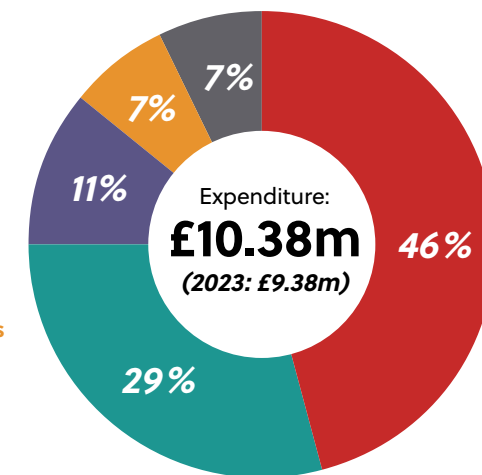
Thank you

The work of Bible translation is accelerating, thanks to supporters like you. Here are the provisional accounts for the year ending 30 September 2024.

Individuals
£5,118,400
Churches
£1,724,000
Trusts and organisations
£1,827,800
Legacies
£729,300
Other
£258,300



Supported people
£4,798,700
Programmes and partners
£3,057,500
Supporting charitable costs
£1,149,000
Church and supporter relations
£690,200
Fundraising
£680,900



Thank you for supporting the work of Bible translation – we are grateful to God for you.

75%

With the help of people like you, Wycliffe Bible Translators and our partners are involved in over 75% of Bible translation work worldwide



985



There's more still be done

1,500,000,000

people are still waiting for the Bible in their language



Languages needing translation by continent:

- Africa** 206
- Asia** 382
- Pacific** 294
- Americas** 80
- Europe** 23

985* languages still have no Scripture and no work in progress – the mission remains urgent. Each language without God's word is a heart waiting to encounter him fully.

Many of these language don't have a formal written language so the work of Bible translation begins with putting this language down on paper for the very first time.

With your continued support, we can reach these unreached people groups, bringing hope, light, and love to those who have yet to have the Bible translated into their language.

Thank you for joining us on this journey. Your support makes God's word accessible to those who long to hear his voice in their heart language.

*This figure does not include languages that are considered unviable.



'We owe you an unspeakable debt of gratitude for being there all the way through to the completion of the Koma Bible. The Koma people say thank you for a job well done. We cherish your partnership.'

Konlan Kpeebe, the Koma Bible translation programme manager in Ghana

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