



## December

**1** Praise God for the funds raised at the October Race for Possible event in Montana. The funds will be used to provide transportation for national translators.

**2** Refuge 139, which provides programs for MKs while their parents attend ministry conferences, is planning seven events on five continents for 2019. Ask God to call short-term volunteers to help staff these events.

**3** Pray that the children who attend Passport to Christmas at JAARS on December 7 and 8 will learn more about the meaning of Christmas and how it is celebrated in other countries.

**4** Ask God to supply consultants worldwide to speed the work of Bible translation. Consultants check translations for accuracy, naturalness, omissions, extraneous thoughts, and possible misconceptions.

**5** A West Asia mother-tongue translator completed training to become a translation consultant. Pray for God's provision and direction for him as he begins consultant responsibilities.

**6** Do you know someone who has expertise in digital and social media along with management skills? Pray about sharing the need for just such a person at JAARS.

**7** Pray for development of a new one-day Race for Possible, which has the potential to engage more people.

**8** The Ikarias\* group is one of the largest and most sensitive groups with an ongoing translation work. Praise God that 80 percent of the New Testament and 10 percent of the Old Testament have been translated.

**9** Praise God for drawing hundreds of followers to the Northern Thai Scripture Facebook group. Pray for the Scripture-engagement team as they update the phone app.

**10** Survey teams in Papua New Guinea (PNG) recently visited seven language areas to determine the need for future translation or literacy work. Pray for wisdom as decisions are made.

**11** JAARS Aviation needs a full-time parts inventory bookkeeper as well as a manager. Ask God to send just the right people.

**12** Todd and Esther Jones and family are settling into life in Yaoundé, Cameroon. Pray for the family's adjustment and for Todd as he begins work as Africa area IT consultant.

**13** International Media Services has completed four new videos. Pray God will use these videos to change lives for his glory: JESUS in Koti and Penang, GENESIS in Pijin and a language of Eurasia.

**14** A book of Bible stories—from creation to Christ—is being distributed to the Even language community in Siberia. Pray God will draw people to himself through these stories.

**15** Central African Republic translation organizations plan to start 10 new translation projects by 2021. Pray the Lord provides personnel and funding.

**16** JAARS Purchasing and Shipping is loading the next 40-foot sea cargo container for PNG. Pray for safe loading at JAARS and safe arrival of these supplies for PNG missionaries.

**17** Pray for Ugandans and others in war-torn Africa to experience the love of Jesus through the gospel. God is able to do what seems impossible.

**18** The temporary project office of the Ambala Aytas in the Philippines was destroyed during a typhoon. Pray for their need for a concrete office located in a higher, flood-free place.

**19** JAARS Housekeeping creates comfortable accommodations for missionaries while they reside at JAARS. Ask the Lord to provide housekeepers, part of the team who help make Bible translation possible.

**20** Five translation teams in the Aitape West cluster in PNG are typesetting Scripture portions. Pray the process goes smoothly.

**21** Pray for progress in translation projects for the Roma people. A traditionally itinerant ethnic group, the Roma live scattered throughout the world.

**22** Ask the Lord to give discernment to the Olo Pai team in PNG as they recruit a translation-team leader.

**23** Pray for wisdom as JAARS Aviation makes pressing decisions about aviation service for missionaries in Tanzania.

**24** Pray that during this Christmas season God's blessing will rest upon all who work to make Bible translation possible.

**25** Ascribe glory to God for the gift of Jesus. He is Emmanuel, God with us, and we joyfully worship him as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

**26** Eighteen teams from ten different states served at JAARS this year. Pray that God will continue to bless JAARS with committed volunteers and bless them in their service.

**27** Pray for God to raise up new JAARS advocates in the southwest US and open up many new opportunities for all JAARS advocates in 2019.

**28** The Rangi New Testament in Tanzania is 75 percent complete. Pray the translation team will have good health, wisdom, and encouragement as they finish the remaining books.

**29** The team for a storytelling project in West Asia will travel to villages, seeking to connect with receptive people. Pray for the wisdom, discernment, and direction they will need.

**30** Rain Forest International School, which supports missionary families serving in central Africa, has many openings for 2019–21. Ask the Lord to provide the teachers, administrators, and other staff they need.

**31 Typesetting** is being finalized for a second edition of the Ife New Testament in Togo. Pray God will provide funds for printing and shipping.

## January

**1** As we enter a new year, remember to pray without ceasing (1 Thess. 5:17). Ask that we would grow spiritually as we place continual dependence on the Lord in all things.

**2** Pray that an online workshop on using social media to enhance **Scripture engagement** in Eurasian language communities, to be held soon, will increase Scripture awareness, access, and engagement.

**3** The JAARS Communications Team will meet January 8–10. Pray for travel safety, good working relationships, and sharing of ideas.

**4** Join **CrossVenture** staff at JAARS in praying for additional group registrations and church-related bookings to fill out the 2019 summer season and for more full-time staff to grow the program.

**5** Pray for families who live outside their home culture, asking the Lord to give parents clear direction for the best schooling options for their children.

**6** Pray the audio Bible stories being recorded in the Luma\* and Owala\* languages in Eurasia will transform people through the power of God's Word.

**7** The JAARS museums need a new assistant manager by June. Pray the Lord will provide just the right person.

**8** Ask God to provide more tour guides to meet and greet guests who come for one of the daily JAARS tours.

**9** Compass Orientation, a course for new JAARS staff, is underway today. Pray participants will engage well during the course and gain help in adjusting to life at JAARS.

**10** Global Technology and Information Services at JAARS is seeking a person to handle **IT inquiries**. Pray the Lord will guide his choice to this position.

**11** Thousands have joined in the Seed Company's **Pray for Zero** campaign. Pray with them that God's Word will be transforming lives in every language in this generation.

**12** **JESUS** film staff in PNG request prayer. They need more qualified translation instructors to help language teams adapt translated Scripture for **JESUS** film recording.

**13** Ask God to open the way for use of minority languages in the school system in **Mali** so children can learn in a language they understand best when they begin school.

**14** JAARS **Purchasing and Shipping** is seriously understaffed. Pray for the right person to join JAARS staff to help provide ministry support for remote global locations.

**15** Praise God for the opportunity to train over 100 people in Southeast Asia to use Scripture in their local languages to teach the book of Genesis. Pray for growing literacy skills in this people group.

**16** The citizens of Cameroon are going through difficult times. Pray the Lord will give his peace and protection in the midst of violence and lawlessness.

**17** The Mangali New Testament (Philippines) is revised and ready for recording by Faith Comes by Hearing. Pray Mangali speakers will be willing to travel to Tabuk for the recording.

**18** Ask God to open the hearts of the Ogiek people to the Gospel of Luke, recently launched in Kenya.

**19** The Fanamakot translation team in PNG is making final checks of the New Testament. Pray progress will allow typesetting this month.

**20** SIL staff from Anglo-Lusophone (Portuguese speaking) Africa will gather in Nairobi, Kenya, January 21–25. Pray the participants will find refreshment, build relationships, and clarify their vision for the work.

**21** Pray for a renewed sense of determination to translate more **Bible stories into sign language** so the Filipino Deaf Christian community can learn from God's Word.

**22** **Wycliffe Taiwan** is planning an audio Bible project for the **Yami** people. Pray for protection and unity of purpose as they begin.

**23** The Winter **Intercultural Communications Course** begins today at JAARS. Pray for effective facilitation by staff, and participants with open, teachable hearts.

**24** The audio track for the **GENESIS** film is being dubbed in a local language of the Mediterranean region. Pray for effective results and safety for those involved.

**25** Pray for media teams in the **Philippines** who are working with language communities to promote Scripture and media resources. Ask God to give wisdom to believers who share in sensitive areas.

**26** Praise God for adding a full-time member to the **Bolinao** dictionary team. Pray for their need for replacements for two project computers and a printer.

**27** People in many key JAARS positions will retire in the next few years. Ask the Lord of the harvest to send young workers **passionate about Bible translation**.

**28** **Discover Wycliffe** was recently held for the first time in Wales. Pray that learning about the needs of Bibleless peoples will enlighten and challenge participants to help meet these needs.

**29** Rejoice! The Iten New Testament is now available in Nigeria. Pray this will lead many Iten people to follow Jesus.

**30** As the Bambilang people's lives were transformed by Scripture, pray that many of the Ika will also come to know the Lord and have their **lives transformed** when their Bible is launched in Africa later this year.

**31** Pray that members of the newly formed Sos Kundi language committee in PNG will work well together and take ownership of the language project.

\*Names changed for security purposes