

**Connecting the Church to Bibleless People Groups  
and Bibleless People Groups to the Church**

**SUPPORTING MISSIONARIES IN  
BIBLE TRANSLATION  
WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

*Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. (1 Chronicles 16:24, NIV)*

**Warm-Ups and Stretching**

Frosted windows, hot chocolate, snow drifts and wood stoves. These things are each a part of our day in snowy Minnesota with record amounts of snow this year. We are thrilled that no matter the winter storms outdoors we are able to continue progress in our assignment with Wycliffe inside our country farmhouse. Steve stokes the woodstove with a 42 inch tree trunk in the morning, comes in and begins his day with Wycliffe at 7 AM which is 8 AM Orlando, FL, time based at Wycliffe USA.

Thank you for your faithful prayers that enable us concerning health, travel, expenses, and labor. We know that the prayers of many are the main factor in our daily warm-ups that lead into the days accomplishments. Prayer makes our work, work.

Steve is currently assigned to a Wycliffe/SIL partnership project. SIL is the Summer Institute of Linguistics based in Dallas, TX. The goal for this computer project is to make more language resources available to language workers around the world.

To be honest, Steve feels stretched as a project manager on this project. He is thankful for the godly, professional guidance and challenge from other managers

involved in this project as well. Steve is often noticed bending over in prayer at his computer concerning communication needs, approaching deadlines, and personal stretch marks made for His glory. Please stretch with us with more intercession as we commit to resisting distractions that want to discourage or cause delay for these project goals. Steve is working on this project with other Wycliffe IT and SIL missionaries located in TX, FL, VT, CA, and SC.

**Nesting**

Since returning home in September, it took until January to get our home back in decent livable order again. We're thankful for those that prayed us through the chaos in our house and encouraged us on to hospitality in our home again! It's been a blessing to also have consistent time at home this year to focus on Jason's graduation coming up on Saturday, June 11, 2011.

Please save the date and join us at our home if you're going to be in the area. We are preparing our hearts for the first one to leave the nest and we trust God that each of our children will chose to walk with the Lord in all the details of their lives. Jason is planning to attend Bible School in Plymouth, MN., while seeking God's direction in life goals. He is a natural mechanic any place he goes.

**Out and About**

It's also a joy to be able to revisit supporting churches now and share ministry updates. We are looking forward to sharing at a supporting church on the West coast for the first time and attending their district Bible Conference this Spring. The photo below is only half of the class in an illustration we do in Sunday Schools to create the big picture of what it takes for a "people chain" of support to make a translator available to a people group without God's Word.



*That every  
tribe and  
tongue may  
worship the  
Lamb...*

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Checks should be made payable to Wycliffe Bible Translators with a separate note saying, "for the ministry of Steve & Glenda Kvale #200316." Thank you for standing with us in the great commission for the sake of Bibleless peoples. Or, you may also give on-line: [www.wycliffe.org/give](http://www.wycliffe.org/give)

*So faith comes from hearing, and hearing, by the word of Christ.*  
(Romans 10:17, NASB)

Wycliffe Bible Translators and The Seed Company work in partnership with Faith Comes by Hearing, which produces Scripture in audio form made available to those that cannot read or are in situations where it is inconvenient to keep written materials with them (like soldiers) or maybe they are not allowed to. Wycliffe Bible Translators remains committed to the vision for the Scriptures made available to every people and every tongue. When a language receives the Scripture for the first time, sometimes they are communities with a well developed written language or some have never had their language in written form. In both communities there can be a gap in making the scriptures available to all people if they cannot read, are blind, or are waiting for the translated Scriptures to be printed and made available through committed literacy workers. The Bible in audio form can bridge these various gaps!

Wycliffe has requested that Faith Comes By Hearing complete a New Testament recording and start Faith Comes By Hearing programs in every language that they translate. To accomplish this since the late 1980's:

- Faith Comes By Hearing and Wycliffe have a joint annual plan to record new languages by region and to start new Faith Comes By Hearing programs in these languages.
- Faith Comes By Hearing has agreed to record every language Wycliffe will translate in their Vision 2025.
- Faith Comes By Hearing and Wycliffe plan to start a program in every existing church in these language groups and in every village or community where no church exists.

If you or others you know enjoy language studies in various ways, please personally consider or share with others the great need for missionaries in literacy work around the globe. This rewarding work brings the Word of God to people that have never had it and changes lives. It's a joy to bring life skills to the task of Bible translation since, *the grass withers and the flower fades but the word of our God stands forever.* (Isaiah 40:8, NIV).



One of our recent language releases is Akha. About 56,000 speakers in Thailand, the Akha are farmers that have also become known for their artistry. When including the surrounding region, it is believed that nearly 600,000 people speak Akha. And now they can listen to God's Word in their own language! Learn more at: [www.FaithComesByHearing.org](http://www.FaithComesByHearing.org).

Steve stoking the stove and then on into the house to begin his Wycliffe day just off the living room. (7 AM-5 PM). To be able to serve for the bibleless is such a joy!



## Prayer Requests

- God-honoring stretch marks for Steve in his current computer project.
- Unified teamwork between the missionaries assigned to this project.
- That the four programmers on this project will adjust to programming in the new version of the software and the changes in the way things are done.
- That each person on this team would be protected from distractions and the attacks of the enemy.
- That the project may be completed ahead of schedule. With God, all things are possible.
- Health, safe travels, and provisions as we travel to parts of MN, WA, and MI.
- Wisdom in managing our schedule and the time needed as a family at home for Jason's senior year.

## Praises

- That God provided a Microsoft MVP who volunteers her time on occasion with IT missionaries. She also donated a book she helped write that will aid in the current project and benefit future projects. God provides at just the time that we need it!
- For recent visits with ministry partners and the open doors of invitation to share.