

Chronicle

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Unprecedented growth in SE Asia

Over the past year our Bible translation work has grown enormously in South East Asia. At the end of 2014 we had 20 Bible Translation projects. These mushroomed into 49 projects by the end of 2015. These projects represent 20,000,000 Bibleless people.

In 2015 Dr Barry Funnell, CEO of TWFTW UK, spent ten weeks in SE Asia (four trips) to train translators and consultant check the Gospel of Luke in 11 languages and the Gospel of Mark



in nine languages (above photo) to prepare them for publication. We are continuing to train new translation teams and national consultants in line with our vision to have started 100 Bible translation projects by 2020 in SE Asia.

Vision: to complete the translation of the Bible in 500 languages by 2050

Hunger for God's Word in Tanzania

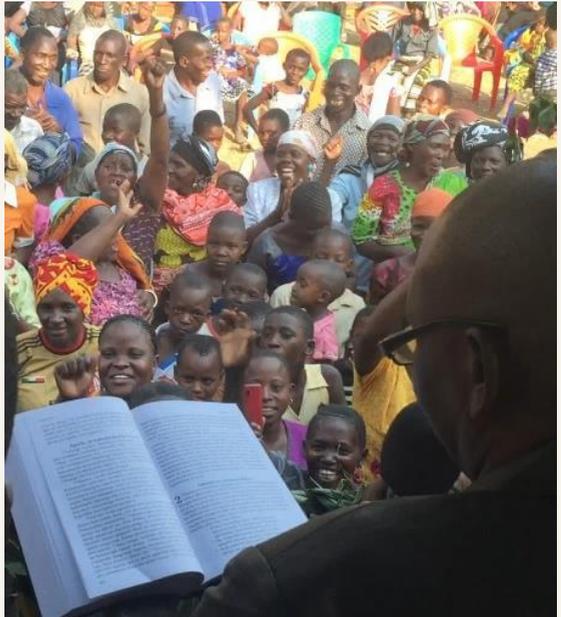


Three TWFTW UK board members and a pastor from London had the privilege of attending the launch of the New Testament in six languages in Morogoro, Tanzania on 6 September 2015. The excitement in the people's faces was tangible as the New Testaments were presented to the Church leaders representing the six language areas.

Pastors' conference

The following week we drove five hours on a dirt road to Ifakara to conduct a three day pastors' conference in the Ndamba area of Tanzania and to distribute New Testaments.

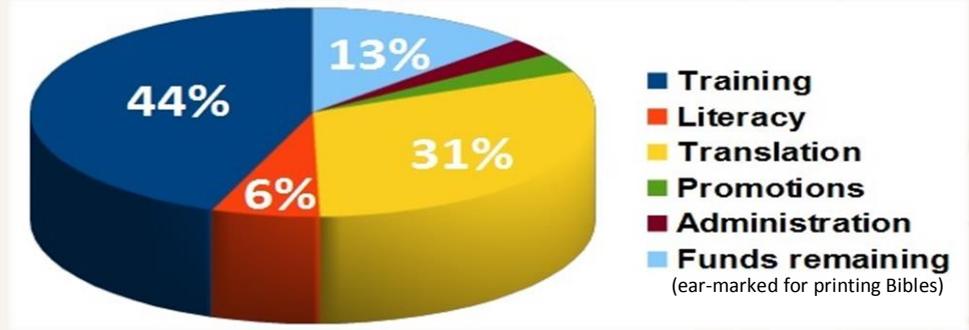
On Sunday 13 September we attended a launch of the Ndamba NT. As one of the translators read from the New Testament the crowd were shouting, dancing and raising their hands in joy over the fact that, "*Jesus speaks Ndamba!*"



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2015 income and expenditure

Our TWFTW UK income was £37,935 in 2015, as compared with £37,460 in 2014. This was spent as follows:



Training – a birth-place for new projects



Our mobile training programme has proven very effective in not only producing high-quality translations, but also in the rapid growth of the number of Bible translation projects. We now have **91 Bible Translation projects world-wide**.

Training locations in 2015

- **Ethiopia** in July with 71 new students representing 30 languages - (12 new Bible translation projects)
- **Zambia** in October with 60 students from 4 countries representing 13 Bible translation projects - (5 new Bible translation projects)
- **SE Asia** in 5 locations with 114 students being taught using five major regional languages - (29 new Bible translation projects)

Are you willing to get involved?



In Mat 9.37-38 Jesus said,
“The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

Would you consider going on a short term mission trip to distribute scriptures and show the Jesus film?

If you have a Master’s degree in Biblical languages or Theology you may be able to assist in short, or long term consultancy on the field.

Would you like to enrol in our Diploma in Bible translation and help to oversee projects and train nationals to be Bible translators?

Please contact us for more information.

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