How to Pray for ASAP

**All Scripture, All People*

Consider this: People encounter the love of Jesus when they hear God's Word in their own language.

Yet thousands of language groups are still waiting for access to the full Bible.

Together, let's pray for all Scripture for all people.

Start with This Prayer

Jesus, accelerate the work of Bible translation so that all people can access all of Your Word. Help every language group still waiting for Scripture to receive it, and reveal Your love through Your Word.

Join the Journey to ASAP

Use this guide individually or in small groups to pray for Bible translation and the vision of All Scripture, All People by 2040.

Learn More About Vision ASAP:

https://seedcompany.com/all-scripture-all-people/

Sahel

"Sahel" means "coast" in Arabic; in our context it refers to the belt along the southern "coast" of the Sahara across Africa. The region encompasses 13 countries where local partners—often using French as a common language—are committed, passionate, and gifted. The Sahel region faces persistent challenges that affect ministry and travel, including security risks, political instability and violence, travel hazards, famine, drought, and poverty. Even with these obstacles, Bible translation and Scripture engagement continue through resilient local teams and partner organizations across the Sahel.

Pray for Those Still Waiting for Bible Translation to Start

Languages	Population
80	1,785,260

Pray for Those without the full Bible

Population
133.2 million

Source: ProgressBible™. SNAPSHOT. October 2026.
Numbers may shift as new needs are discovered or languages fall out of use.

Pseudonyms may be used for names and locations in areas hostile to Christians.

Scripture

"They all met together and were constantly united in prayer."

Acts 1:14 (NLT)

Prayer Updates From Around the World

The situation in our homeland has been extremely bad these days. Arrests, killings, and airstrikes. Many people have died. Please keep us in your prayers.
— 3 language teams in Mainland Asia

Pray that the recording we made of the New Testament may soon be shared with the community of San Lucas Ojitlán and its surrounding areas so that Chinantenco speakers can hear the Word of God.
— The Chinanteco de Ojitlan team in Mexico

Pray for rainfall in our region, which has not seen precipitation in more than 4 months. Our community is experiencing continuous hunger during this season of famine, and some are dying of starvation. Praise God for preserving the lives of our translators during this time.
— The Menning team in Uganda

Pray for strength and restoration for Agabus, a translator who is battling cancer. Despite his condition, he has agreed to do the stylistic editing of the full Bible after the exegetical advisor finishes his work this month.
— A Bible translation team in Eurasia

Praise God that Starlink is now available to our team to communicate with our advisor in the U.S. and consultant in Papua New Guinea!
— The Sudest team in Papua New Guinea

Regional Update

Exchange Rates and God's Provision

In June, we requested prayer for the region's partners and projects, as exchange rates plummeted and inflation rates rose. This meant that the U.S. dollar amounts allocated to our projects were not proving sufficient to cover the actual costs in local currencies. As you prayed, God provided, and Seed Company was able to allocate additional funding to our partners to help training and translation advance as planned.

In the end, this required changes to more than 50 projects, but Seed Company helped expedite the process so that our partners could receive the additional funding and the projects could continue with minimal interruption.

This involved 6 months of fervent prayer over the situation in the Sahel region and 2 months of fevered work for our field teams and partner organizations, but we're praising God for His provision and the fruit of our partners' and translation teams' perseverance that is highlighted in the rest of this prayer journal.

PRAISE

- That God provided sufficient funding that allowed translation partners to complete their scheduled activities and maintain their translation progress.
- That exchange rates in the region seem to have stabilized, allowing translation organizations to plan remaining activities and budgets for new projects accordingly.

PRAY

- For greater stability in the region and around the world such that prices would stabilize and U.S. funds would go further in getting God's Word to the people who need it most.
- For a peaceful, refreshing, and renewing Advent season for our partners and our Sahel team as everyone recovers from the stress and activity that consumed most of 2026.

Impact Story

An Oral Bible Story Convicts a Man's Heart

Last April, Seed Company CEO and President Davis Powell and other staff visited the Nyokon community in Cameroon. Davis reported, "This language community has a small population of 3,900, yet the Nyokon language is alive, and Scripture is being used for the purpose of spiritual formation."

Evidence of that formation surfaced recently when oral Bible storyteller Njallé said that the story of Ananias and Sapphira exposed a secret that one Nyokon speaker held in his heart.

In that story from Acts 5, the couple had sold some land, then secretly kept back part of the money while claiming to give everything to the apostles. Peter exposed the lie, and both dropped dead.

When oral Bible storyteller Njallé told the story in Nyokon, it touched the heart of Mr. Essouka. He had received money as a loan from his friend and claimed to have already repaid it when, in fact, he had not. After finishing the story, Njallé discussed the consequences of lying and that Ananias and Sapphira died as a result.

Mr. Essouka was frightened by what he heard and admitted he had not returned the borrowed money. He decided to pay back the loan to his friend, Mr. Pako, by the end of the month. Even though these 2 friends had not spoken to each other in a long time, they reconciled and embraced.

PRAISE

- That Nyokon speakers are experiencing God's Word for the first time, as storytellers share 30 stories they have crafted with the community.
- For the way God is equipping Nyokon teams and helping them translate and audio record the Gospels of Matthew and Luke.

PRAY

- That God will continue to transform lives in the Nyokon community through listening groups as they play recordings of Luke and discuss His Word.
- For the Nyokon translation team as they begin a new project phase with ambitious goals to translate much of the New Testament in the next 3 years.

Scripture

"I tell you, you can pray for anything, and if you believe that you've received it, it will be yours."

Mark 11:24 (NLT)

Pray Now

Season of Transition for Field Partner

Caleb Ndonam has served for 8 years as the director for our field partner, ATALTRAB (the Chadian Association of Literacy, Linguistics and Bible Translation). His term recently finished, and the board of directors is meeting to select a new director. Pray for this season of transition for the organization and for the Seed Company's ongoing relationship with ATALTRAB.

Field partners

SIL Cameroon

Since 1969, SIL Cameroon has partnered with language communities across Cameroon and Equatorial Guinea in many ways: linguistic research, literacy, training, translation, advocacy for multilingual education, and Scripture engagement.

The organization's staff comes from their own country and others. In 2024, Apolinaire Ambassa became the first Cameroonian general director of SIL Cameroon.

Today, violence in parts of their region has forced many people to flee their homes, and travel is dangerous due to the risk of being attacked and kidnapped. Despite the unrest, they are managing active Bible translation projects with 24 language communities and supporting 26 additional communities.

PRAISE

- That the Gospel of Mark is now available in Midi. Click here to watch copies of Mark being sold to Midi speakers.
- That SIL Cameroon's Maby project has printed and dedicated the 4 Gospels in both countries where that language is spoken.
- That a Vasu translator was able to get foot surgery and is recovering.
- That the Vasu team's audio recordings of Luke are transforming lives in their community. The team is now translating Acts.

PRAY

- For peace in the west and north regions of Cameroon. Pray for the protection of staff who travel in these regions to keep translation and Scripture engagement moving forward.
- That God will transform lives through His Word and give project staff and local leadership discernment as they encourage communities to take full ownership of Bible translation and Scripture engagement efforts.

Translated Scripture

Namkeli Language

When they handed [the coin] to [Jesus], he asked, "Whose picture and title are stamped on it?" "Caesar's," they replied. "Well then," Jesus said, "give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and give to God what belongs to God." His reply completely amazed them.

— Mark 12:16-17 (NLT)

I nata do dun a bulu. Yesu xa i ŋininxa xo: Jon kunxulo nin jon toxo be sahelin wori in xan? I xo: Oromu mansaxe le mu. wo to Yesu xo i yen xo: Alu Mansaxe ta di Mansaxe ma, xa Ala ta di Ala ma. Yesu xa moxo innu dabaro ban kusoobe.

— Marika 12:16-17 (Namkeli)

About the Namkeli People

Most Namkeli families own livestock and grow peanuts, okra, beans, corn, rice, and millet, an ancient grain. In the dry season, men often work in gold mines, where prostitution, drunkenness, and drug abuse are common.

Believers make up just 1% of the population. They are surrounded by those who practice animism or follow another world religion. But the Namkeli Scriptures are prompting a thirst for God's Word among those who don't follow Jesus. Some 80 people turned to Christ after watching the "JESUS" film in Namkeli. Booklets of Jesus' parables quickly sold out. Using radios and SD cards, 55 listening groups gather regularly to hear Bible stories and discuss how they apply to everyday life.

Celebrating the Namkeli New Testament

The Namkeli New Testament is now in production and being printed. The team is very excited about preparing for the Namkeli New Testament dedication celebration expected in April 2027. Within a few months, boxes of 3,000 Namkeli New Testaments will be delivered in anticipation of that celebration.

Namkeli Christians understand from Mark 12:16-17 that God treasures all of His creation, and He wants us to bring back to Him all that He created and marked with His image—our possessions, our neighbors, our enemies, and our world! God loves us and our neighbors, and He wants us to not only love Him back but also our neighbors—neighbors living next door to us and those living all around the world.

PRAY

- For the team as they prepare for the upcoming Namkeli New Testament dedication celebration in April 2027.
- That many unbelievers would attend the ceremony and seriously consider God’s love for them.

Scripture

"The Lord hears his people when they call to him for help."

Psalms 34:17 (NLT)

Pray Now

New Director Chosen

In early October, the governing body for field partner ACATBA, the Central African Association for Bible Translation and Literacy, chose a new executive director. Ask the Lord to grant wisdom and guidance to Adelphe Dogue-Syssa, as he begins his new role. Also pray that God will guide the outgoing director, Dr. Elvis Guenekean, to what He has next for him.

Global Translation Leader

Jean Mikoumounang

Recent days have been difficult for Global Translation Leader Jean. He continues to grieve after his mother's sudden death in August. "Losing my mother was very difficult for me," he says. "She paid a heavy price for us, her children, when our father died while we were still young. We had developed a deep bond, and her sudden death really threw me into a crisis."

Despite this, he pressed on to attend a linguistics workshop, help translate Proverbs, and assist with proofreading Genesis and Proverbs.

In the past quarter, Jean juggled completion of his training program with teaching a Paratext translation software workshop, participating in three proofreading sessions, and presenting his research to the certification committee. He also worked with the Gabri Maja translation team, teaching a Prophets workshop and helping translate Psalms and Habakkuk.

PRAISE

That Jean has finished his GTL training. He is now training translators while serving as an exegete for the Gabri Maja 2 project.

PRAY

- For Jean’s healing from a shoulder injury.
- For the Lord’s comfort and peace as Jean grieves the loss of his mother.

Impact or Scripture Use

Excitement for the Banda Linda New Testament

In the Central African Republic, the Banda Linda community rejoices that their New Testament finally arrived after years of waiting! First, there was a large dedication ceremony in the capital, Bangui, in March. Then a delegation traveled to the towns of Bambari and Ippy in the heart of the Banda Linda area to celebrate.

Now, months later, the Banda Linda people continue to revel in holding the New Testament in their own language. They thank God and continue to share stories and pictures with Seed Company's partner organization, ACATBA.

"If the church announces that next week's sermon will be delivered in Banda, you must arrive on time to find a seat inside the church," the team reports. "The pastors are very pleased to see how the New Testament, translated into Banda, is having a positive impact on the Banda-Linda community." The team also notes that a local mayor recommitted his life to God, admitting that with the Banda Linda Bible he "no longer has a reason to make excuses before God."

PRAISE

- For the community's excitement at having their New Testament.
- That the Old Testament team is working faster than expected.

PRAY

- For safety in the language areas, as some villages have recently been attacked by rebels.
- For the protection and health of the team members and their families, and that the Lord will give the translators strength and wisdom to move the program forward.

Pray Now

Music Workshop Unites Community

In a Burkina Faso community, Muslims, traditional religious leaders, and Christians worked together to compose music and write Scripture songs at an ethnomusicology workshop. Instructors report that "it was truly wonderful." They delighted in seeing participants learn how to create and sing music in their own language. The translation team says it was an unforgettable moment for them to see the workshop spark such enthusiasm in their community. Pray that the workshop will produce deep, ongoing impact as the power of music softens people's hearts toward God's Word and the beauty of gospel truth.

Scripture

"May God be merciful and bless us.
May his face smile with favor on us.
May your ways be known throughout the earth,
your saving power among people everywhere."

Psalm 67:1–2