



TRANSLATION AND LINGUISTICS

Words only having meaning if they're understandable. When a man in an African village opens a Bible to read it for the first time, he stands on decades of work done by dedicated translators. Unfortunately, roughly 200 million people still do not have any Scripture in their own language.

We desire that all people have the opportunity to hear God's word in their heart language. TEAM is involved in translation and linguistics projects around the world, from the Philippines and elsewhere in Asia to Central Africa. We work closely with national believers and language experts to produce accurate translations.

QUICK FACTS:

Of the more than 6,800 languages spoken today, less than 2,000 have a Bible available in that language (Source: *Wycliffe Bible Translators*).

Service opportunities include starting new translation efforts or joining existing projects.

Most opportunities require a degree in linguistics or related fields of study; formal or informal training plus experience is also acceptable for some opportunities.

The purpose of TEAM is to help churches send missionaries to establish reproducing churches among the nations to the glory of God. TEAM missionaries establish churches by seeking to make followers of Jesus Christ who learn and obey all that he has commanded. Translation and linguistic endeavors fulfill this purpose by translating the word of God into local languages and promoting literacy amongst the local population.

As TEAM considers the role of translation and linguistics endeavors in ministry, we follow a set of guidelines focused on our purpose and vision:

- Translation and linguistic endeavors take place where we see a confluence of spiritual and demographic factors that indicate that God is leading us to serve in this capacity.
- TEAM leadership prayerfully considers how translation and linguistic endeavors fulfill the objective of making disciples.
- Translation and linguistic endeavors are carried out in partnership with local individuals, churches or groups.
- Churches and ministries, started through TEAM's translation and linguistic efforts, work toward the reconciliation of all things to God through Jesus.

Find out how you can serve through translation and linguistics across the globe!
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