

“... ANYONE WHO BELONGS TO CHRIST HAS BECOME A NEW PERSON. THE OLD LIFE IS GONE; A NEW LIFE HAS BEGUN!” 2 CORINTHIANS 5.17 (NLT)

■ Rezi grew up in a non-Christian home in Albania where his religion taught him to be good and do good. A close friend of his who became his wife gave him a Bible 11 years ago. Initially he put it aside on a shelf. Later, as he started reading the Bible and discussing it with friends, he understood it better and decided to follow Christ. Rezi shares, “*My life has changed dramatically and I have a purpose to live my life.*” Rezi now shares his new-found faith with the next generation as a soccer coach.



“THE PEOPLE WHO WALK IN DARKNESS WILL SEE A GREAT LIGHT.”

ISAIAH 9.2 (NLT)

■ Uganda’s Luganda language now has a new Braille Bible! Alex Lukwago, a visually impaired law student who received a Braille Bible, says, “*I see in the darkness.*”

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692 the number of language groups that have access to the entire Bible in their heart language.

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YOUR SUPPORT IN 2019 HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE IN CANADA AND AROUND THE WORLD!



“All your children will be taught by the LORD, and great will be their peace.” ISAIAH 54.13 (NIV)

■ Coach Jonny a camp counsellor reflected on how a little girl came to faith at camp this summer: “The first day she asked ‘What is a god?’ Second day she said, ‘I am so excited to learn about Jesus – has Jesus ever helped you?’ On Wednesday, she asked to join Jesus’ team. This child was so excited to receive a Bible on Friday. Thank you for your gift that provided the *Adventure for Life* Bibles for children in camps across Canada.”

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“SO THEN FAITH COMES BY HEARING, AND HEARING BY THE WORD OF GOD.” ROMANS 10.17 (NKJV)

■ When Willy Twalyahikayo from Uganda, received your gift of an audio Bible, he exclaimed *“The talking Bible spoke directly to me in my language. My faith returned and I now have a purpose to live. Thank you, Bible Society, for my talking Bible.”* Willy now shares the audio Bible with four listening groups.



“TO GIVE THEM BEAUTY FOR ASHES, THE OIL OF JOY FOR MOURNING, THE GARMENT OF PRAISE FOR THE SPIRIT OF HEAVINESS.” ISAIAH 61.3 (NKJV)

■ The Word of God is changing the lives of thousands of people living with HIV/AIDS in Tanzania, through the *Good Samaritan* program. Anganile shares, *“I felt I was given a second chance when I attended the program. I thank God for His Word.”*

“THE BIBLE REMINDS ME EVERY DAY THAT I AM NOT ALONE, AND I AM LOVED BY GOD.”



“GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH, A VERY PRESENT HELP IN TROUBLE.”

PSALM 46.1 (ESV)

■ Georgeta received her first Bible at a Romanian Bible Society camp for parents of children with Down syndrome. As she read her Bible, the negative things she experienced as a mother of a child with Down syndrome began to melt away. She discovered new-found faith and strength to face her troubles. She shares, *“My Bible brings me great joy and I find solutions for my problems while reading my Bible.”*



“I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU NOR FORSAKE YOU.” JOSHUA 1.5 (NIV)

■ 10-year old Rebeca Pineda and her sister were raped and abused by their uncle. Their dad had abandoned the family. An aunt heard of their plight and moved them into a shelter in Guatemala where Rebeca received her first Bible. As she participated in the Bible sessions, she found her favourite Scripture verse – *“The Lord is my shepherd, I have all that I need.”* Rebeca learned to trust God, her Father, because she felt God was always with her no matter what happens. She is grateful for her Bible. Thank you!

“HE OPENED THEIR MINDS TO UNDERSTAND THE SCRIPTURES.”

LUKE 24.45 (ESV)

■ Zhang Yaofang and her family live 2,800 meters above sea level in China’s Cloudy Mountains. She cannot speak, read, or write China’s official Mandarin language. As a follower of Jesus, Yaofang craved God’s Word, but no Scriptures existed in her native language of Black Yi. *“I never thought that I would have a Bible, let alone one in my own language.”*

Yaofang recently received a treasure beyond her wildest dreams – her very own Bible in Black Yi. Your support empowered 800,000 Black Yi speakers like Yaofang to hear God’s voice in their heart language. Thanks to your generosity, CBS is involved in many Bible translation projects like Black Yi around the world.



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THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CURRENT TRANSLATION PROJECTS AROUND THE WORLD.

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