



WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS USA

2020 Media Kit

OUR MISSION

Serve with the global body of Christ to advance
Bible translation and work together so
people can encounter God through his Word.



OUR VISION

For people from every language to
understand the Bible and be transformed.



ABOUT US

As one of the largest Scripture-translation organizations in the world, Wycliffe Bible Translators USA has helped people around the world to translate the Bible into their own languages for over 75 years.

From its beginning as William Cameron Townsend's vision that all people would have access to Scripture, to what has become a global movement with thousands of translators, Wycliffe USA is committed to providing access to the Word of God so that all people can understand the message of God's love in their own language.

Today at least 2,000 languages are still waiting for a Bible translation to begin, and Wycliffe USA is working faster than ever to reach those languages as soon as possible.



WHO'S WHO



Dr. John Chesnut

President and CEO

John and his wife, Kelly, served in the pastorate for 13 years in the United States before joining Wycliffe Bible Translators USA in 2001. They are passionate about seeing God's Word provided for communities in a

language and form that best serves them.

The Chesnuts spent nine years in the Philippines where they served in a variety of leadership roles. John earned a Master of Divinity and a Doctor of Ministry from Denver Seminary. He serves as Wycliffe USA President/CEO. Kelly serves as the special assistant to the president and oversees Wycliffe USA's organizational spiritual formation.

Dr. Chesnut and his wife have seven children through birth and adoption. They love the tapestry of nations God has woven together in their family.



Jennifer Holloran

Chief Operating Officer

Jennifer Holloran joined Wycliffe in 2002. Over the years, Jennifer rose in leadership in Wycliffe's Human Resources department to serve as chief human resources officer. She serves the organization as chief operating

officer, where she gets to combine her love of strategic leadership and her years of experience in human resources practices.

She holds a Master of Arts in Business Administration with a specialization in human resources from the University of Central Florida (UCF). She also holds a Bachelor of Arts in History from UCF.

Jennifer and her husband have two daughters.



WHY BIBLE TRANSLATION?

The Bible is so much more than a book.

It's God's Word for mankind — a living testament of hope proclaiming his love and desire to redeem the people of the world through his son, Jesus. Scripture informs and empowers transformational change for a life of kingdom purpose and eternal significance.

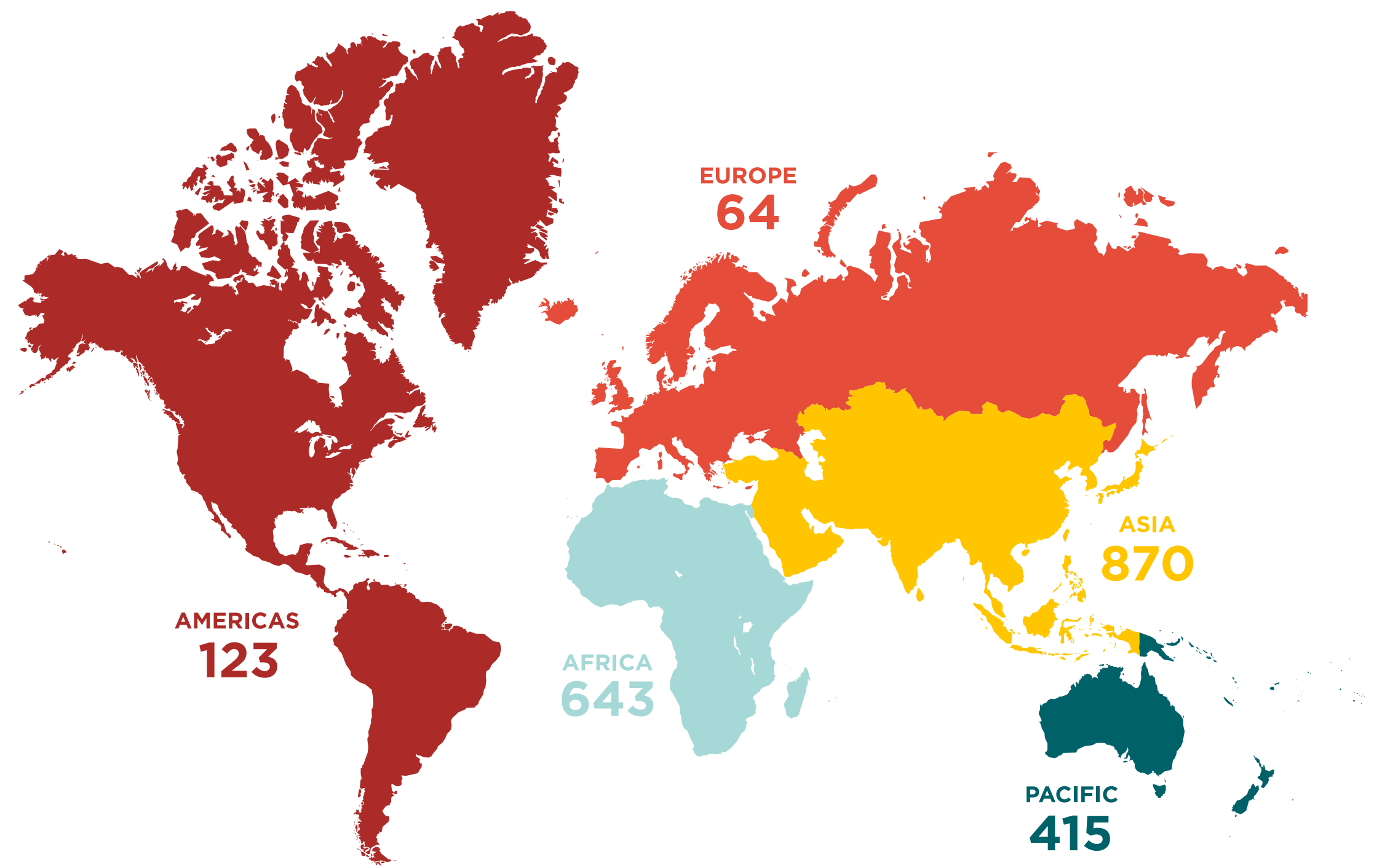
But not everyone has access to this Good News.

Millions of people around the world don't have a single word of the Bible in a language and form they can clearly understand. Wycliffe's goal is to bring the hope of the gospel to the whole world so that one day people "from every nation and tribe and people and language" can worship God before his throne (Revelation 7:9, NLT).



WHERE WE WORK

Wycliffe USA and our strategic partners are currently working in 170 countries on over 2,600 language projects. These are the known remaining translation needs:



HOW WE WORK

Bible translation is a transformational process. When people engage with Scripture — even in the translation process — God speaks to their hearts.

Wycliffe USA and our strategic partners are working together to bring God's Word to those still waiting for Scripture in a language and form that they can clearly understand. That is, a language they may think in, dream in or pray in.

Together with our global partners, we come alongside people groups that desire to have Scripture that speaks to their hearts. We assist, equip and support these communities as they move their translation programs forward. As God's Word is translated and becomes available, we partner with the community to help people engage Scripture through programs like literacy classes, trauma healing workshops and Bible studies.



BIBLE TRANSLATION AT A GLANCE

7,300+

Spoken or signed languages known to be in use throughout the world today

1,600

Languages that have Scripture available digitally

3,350+

Languages that have access to at least some translated Scripture

698

Languages that have the complete translated Bible (*Just one of these is a signed language*)

1.5 billion+

People who don't have the full Bible available in their language (*more people than the entire continent of Africa*)

2,115

Spoken and signed languages likely to still need some form of Bible translation to begin (*171 million people*)

OUR PARTNERS

Wycliffe USA partners with numerous organizations and entities all around the world. These are some of our primary strategic partners.



WYCLIFFE GLOBAL ALLIANCE

The Wycliffe Global Alliance is a community of organizations and networks worldwide who participate and serve in the work of Bible translation in various ways. There are over 100 diverse organizations and networks in the Alliance.



SIL INTERNATIONAL

SIL International connects with and serves language communities around the world in order to establish and support the research, translation, training and materials they need for sustainable language development.



SEED COMPANY

Seed Company specializes in supporting Bible translation projects led by local churches. It also supports training that equips local people to staff projects and serves as a model for other organizations.



JAARS

JAARS makes translation work and language development possible in even the most remote places by providing transportation, technology, media and training solutions.



WYCLIFFE FOUNDATION

Wycliffe Foundation offers donor-centered, charitable gift planning services that help individuals and families use their assets to make an eternal impact through Bible translation and other ministries.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Bible translation is a global effort, and we can't do it alone. We partner with individuals and organizations to put our time, talents and resources toward one common goal: to see that all people have access to God's Word in a language and form they clearly understand.

We encourage individuals to become part of the Bible translation movement in several key ways:

- » Join our **prayer team**.
- » Attend a **Wycliffe event**.
- » Serve with us as an **intern**, **volunteer** or as a short- or long-term **missionary**.
- » Give to **Wycliffe missionaries** and/or **projects**.
- » **Advocate** for the cause of Bible translation.



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