

How to Pray for Zero

Over **1 billion** people don't have the full Bible in their language.

Millions don't have a single verse.

Together, we're praying these numbers down to **Zero**.

Start with This Prayer

Jesus, speed up and empower the Bible translation movement. Rescue the nations out of darkness with the light of Your Word.

Join the Day-By-Day Journey to Zero

Use this daily guide to pray strategically and effectively for Bible translation each day of the week, beginning with the Sabbath:

SAT	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Around the World	Regional Update	Bibleless or First Scripture	Ministry Partners	Active Projects	Equipping the Saints	Impact Stories

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Saturday

PRAYER UPDATES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Praise God that we published Genesis, Esther, and Malachi! Praise God for the distribution of the New Testament. Pray that as people engage with the distributed Scriptures, audio Bible, and Bible apps, there will be great transformation. Pray that God will fully restore peace in the Samburu community, especially with our neighbors.
— **the Samburu team in Kenya**

Please continue praying for the safety of the translators, as the Dawawa team has lost many team members over the years. Please pray for spiritual energy to continue in the good work the Lord has called us to do and finish the task.
— **the Dawawa team, part of the Dawawa Kakabai Cluster in Papua New Guinea**

Pray for the translators; four of them have said their eyes feel tired when they are on the computer. They were told that they need to wear glasses. Please pray that they will be able to have the glasses.
— **the Pastaza Quechua Cluster teams in Peru**

We thank God for our progress on Matthew and John. We praise God that now people in our community are using the Scriptures each and every day. Ask God to protect our families and give us health and strength as we continue doing His work.
— **the Kokhola team in Malawi**

Let us thank the Lord for the 12 souls who have returned to the Lord through groups that are using audio recordings of Psalms and Daniel. Pray that the Lord will provide the Matal with drinking water and adequate rain for a profitable growing season.
— **the Matal team in Cameroon**

South Asia

Home to more than 2 billion people, a staggering 26% of the world's population, South Asia covers four countries. Once ruled by the British, these nations are now thriving democracies. While some parts of South Asia have had Christian presence from the earliest centuries, in recent years, persecution has increased sharply. Political parties oppose Christian outreach, and church leaders have been arrested.

Pray for the Bibleless in This Region

Usually, in this area we share an estimated number of languages and people in the region without a single verse of Scripture. Right now, the numbers are uncertain in South Asia. Please continue praying for initiatives like the [Finish Line Project](#) that are still trying to find and reach the remaining South Asian people groups in need of God's Word.

Sunday

REGIONAL PRAISE

God's Word Transforms Mudaba People of South Asia

This story begins 22 years ago when Jay and his wife Joanna reached the Mudaba village in a remote part of South Asia, with their infant son in their arms. They knew almost nothing about the language or culture, but they knew they were answering God's call.

Mudaba people generally have few chances for learning or career advancement. As Jay and Joanna endured heat, humidity, and repeated bouts with cerebral malaria, they not only learned the language but also connected Mudaba speakers with education and employment opportunities. As Christ's name was lifted high, a small church formed.

Four years ago, they celebrated the complete New Testament and Psalms. Today, the Mudaba church continues to grow and numbers about 200 believers.

PRAISE

That unlike in the past, when Jay and Joanna had to learn the language and begin translation work themselves, today, local, experienced translators are leading the way in developing a proposal to translate the Old Testament.

PRAY

For more of the 70,000 Mudaba people to receive Jesus as Lord. There is fear that by accepting Christ they will be denied tribal benefits by the government.

Monday

PRAY FOR A [FIRST SCRIPTURE](#) PROJECT

And then he told them, "Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone."

— Mark 16:15 (NLT)

Sayali Cluster in South Asia

With many languages waiting for First Scripture, it is hard to know where to start. But thankfully, God has given His Spirit to lead and guide. With His leading, translation will soon begin for the Sayali Cluster. This project will serve three language communities: Goli, Nila, and Priya, numbering nearly 500,000 people total.

Three organizations have come together with the goal of completing the full Bible in 9 years, using a process called [Artificial Intelligence Immersed Bible Translation](#).

PRAISE

- For the many potential benefits of this process, including not only faster translation, but also increased church and community engagement.

PRAY

- For the Lord to lead all involved as they pilot this new technology; we know that all our efforts are in vain unless "[the Lord builds the house](#)."

Praise God

We prayed for our South Asian partner organization BSFB in [April](#), and all four New Testaments they've been working on are ready to be dedicated! In addition, they are celebrating the completion of 50 years of ministry. Pray for them as they make preparations for these celebrations. Pray for the political situation in this country to calm down over the next month; otherwise, these celebrations could be jeopardized.

Tuesday

PRAY FOR PARTNERS

God will do this, for he is faithful to do what he says, and he has invited you into partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

— 1 Corinthians 1:9 (NLT)

Pioneer Bible Translators Celebrates Pyecope [PAI'–EH–KOHP] Audio New Testament

While roughly half of Pyecope speakers identify as Christian, few understand the Bible churches usually use. In addition, many practice rituals steeped in complex taboos and animism. New Testament translation has been helping Christians grow in their faith and nonbelievers discover Christ for the first time. Praise God that the full Pyecope audio New Testament is now complete and gaining wider acceptance! [Learn more about the impact of Pyecope audio Scripture.](#)

We praise God for [Pioneer Bible Translators](#) and their faithfulness throughout this project. They started working with Seed Company in 2012 and have 3 other projects currently going in the same South Asian country as Pyecope.

PRAISE

- For this continuation of answered prayers from [last year](#), when we celebrated Christian leaders' acceptance of Bible translation. One denomination that had previously withheld support joyfully took part in the dedication ceremony.
- For Pioneers' South Asia Director, a certified translation consultant, who leads the Pyecope translation project, and for the generosity of Pioneers' two consultants in helping other Bible translation agencies throughout the region.

PRAY

- That the audio Bible gets widely used by the 250,000-strong Pyecope community.
- For the Pyecope translation team as they press on toward completing the full Bible; they've already made great progress on some Old Testament books.

Wednesday

TRANSLATED SCRIPTURE: SOUTH ASIAN SIGN LANGUAGE

When the people heard the sound of the rams' horns, they shouted as loud as they could. Suddenly, the walls of Jericho collapsed, and the Israelites charged straight into the town and captured it.

— Joshua 6:20 (NLT)

As you [watch this video](#) of the song “Jericho Wall” in a South Asian sign language, pray for the 98% of Deaf people around the world who have yet to experience God’s Word in a way they can understand and accept (according to [Deaf Bible Society](#)) and the 300+ sign languages waiting for Bible translation to begin.

PRAY FOR AN ACTIVE TRANSLATION PROJECT

Rigab of South Asia

Rigab is spoken by 1.8 million people across two South Asian countries where most people worship many different gods. Community life centers on rituals like prayer, fasting, temple visits, and observation of auspicious times. While very few people identify as Christian, there are roughly 100 known churches and 2,000 believers.

In 2019, the community received the whole New Testament! Scripture is being used by local churches in print and on a Scripture app with audio recordings. In 2023, the team began work on the Old Testament. By the end of 2026, they're hoping to have completed Psalms, Proverbs, and three other Old Testament books.

PRAY

- For the team as they work amid sometimes-harsh desert conditions.
- For the Holy Spirit to speak to the project team members, churches, and broader community through the Scriptures, helping them comprehend and experience freedom in Christ.

Thursday

Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.

— Ephesians 4:12 (NLT)

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS

Job and Steve, Training as Sign Language Translation Consultants in South Asia

Job and Steve recently began their [internship program](#) with [DOOR International](#). Their training will help fill the gap between the number of sign language translation needs and the number of available consultants to assist them.

Job has a Master of Divinity and brings experience as a theology teacher and leadership trainer. He has already been working with teams to produce accurate translations for three years. One reason we've nicknamed him "Job" is his testimony: "Whenever I face challenges, I ask God, 'Are you there?' His response has always been, 'I never left you.'"

A former pastor with a master's degree in theology, Steve joined sign language Bible translation work in 2020. As a teenager, he saw a vision of a field ready to reap and heard a voice saying, "Go, harvest!" At a youth camp, Steve was challenged by the story of the life of missionary C. T. Studd and dedicated his life to Christ.

"Some wish to live within the sound of Church or Chapel bell;
I want to run a Rescue Shop within a yard of hell." — [C. T. Studd](#)

PRAY

- That Job and Steve are equipped well through the internship program to provide effective leadership to the sign language translation teams in South Asia.
- That they successfully complete their academic programs and other learning requirements as part of the internship program.

Friday

Rise up, O Lord, in all your power. With music and singing we celebrate your mighty acts.
— Psalm 21:13 (NLT)

IMPACT STORY

“The Power of the Bible in My Own Language”: Keshav’s Story, from the Trabhat Team in South Asia

In an area where many people are bound by fear of spirits, one believer shares his testimony of how translated Scripture is impacting his ministry and equipping new Christ followers to walk in freedom:

“My name is Keshav, and I am a servant of God. When we first heard that the Bible was being translated into Trabhat, we eagerly awaited its arrival. Although we studied the national language in school, we struggled to understand it fully. So, when the Bible finally came in Trabhat, it was a moment of great joy. When I read the Trabhat New Testament, everything becomes clear, and the meaning truly comes alive.

“This change has greatly impacted my ministry. Earlier, I would preach in both the national language and Trabhat, but now I solely use Trabhat. The words resonate in a way that the national language never could. I believe new believers must have access to the Scriptures in a language they understand. I look forward to the day when we have the entire Trabhat Bible.”

Pray Now

For Bangladesh, which is in turmoil. The military has taken over, and the elected Prime Minister has had to resign and flee the country. The mob has now occupied her official residence. [Learn more](#)