



# 50 YEARS OF INNOVATION

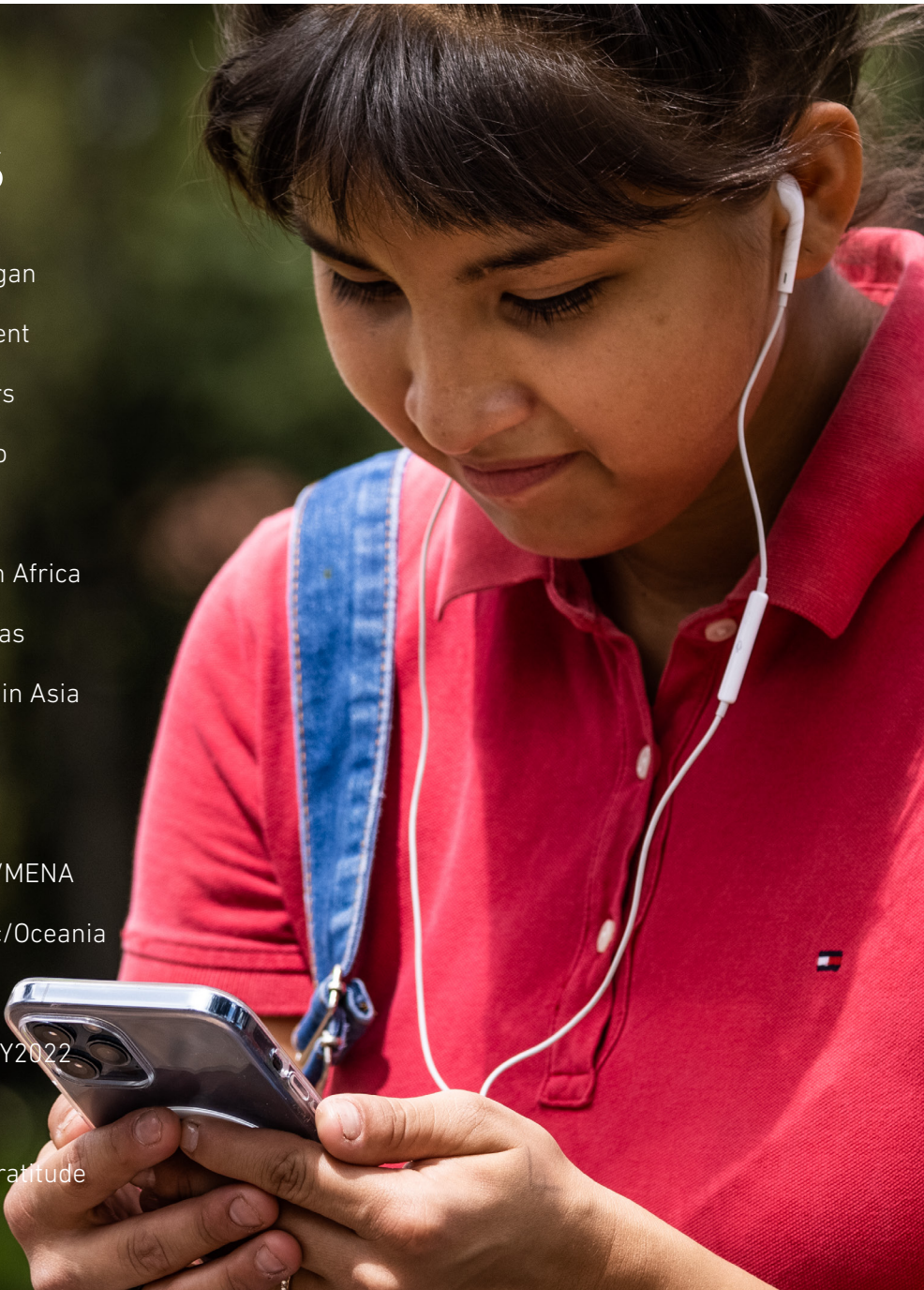
**Faith Comes By Hearing®** Ministry Impact Report

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## A MESSAGE FROM MORGAN

Worthy are you, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honor and  
power, for you created all things,  
and by your will they existed and  
were created.

REVELATION 4:11



I love to marvel at God's creation revealed in sunsets, mountains, my grandchildren, and smiling faces. Each of these make me pause and lift my mind from the ordinary to the holy. Every year as we review and evaluate what God has done through Faith Comes By Hearing, we praise God for your amazing partnership. Your commitment to Vision 2033—recording and providing God's Word in every translated language—helps countless people around the world hear God's unchanging Word.

2022 marks our 50th anniversary of ministry. My parents started in 1972 with small steps of faith in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and we grew to a

worldwide ministry providing Audio Bibles and Gospel Films to more than 1,600 language communities. It's important to acknowledge this ministry exists only by God's grace and for His glory. He guided us to **create** recording methods, durable solar-powered audio devices, Oral Bible Translation software and training, and digital distribution across multiple platforms. We are grateful for the partnerships that make all this possible.

As the pages of this report reveal, this has been an incredible year for ministry. Thank you for your invaluable contribution as we celebrate 50 years of God's faithfulness.



# THE KEY TO FULFILLMENT

Faith Comes By Hearing launched Vision 2033 in 2019 with bright-eyed realism buoyed by a large dose of faith. Grasping the bull by the horns together, we dared to believe God could and would use this ministry as a driving force toward the fulfillment of the Great Commission.

Three years into this audacious adventure, our enthusiasm and faith have not diminished one iota. Thanks to you and digital advances, we achieved our Vision 2033 recording and programs goals this year.

**Innovation** remains a key to the fulfillment of recording God’s Word in every language that needs it. After decades of using the same software for New Testament scripts and recordings, a brand-new recording software named Vessel is being released this year. Made for our 50 field recording teams, this platform will also serve partner organizations and individuals who have the thirst to record God’s Word in their language.

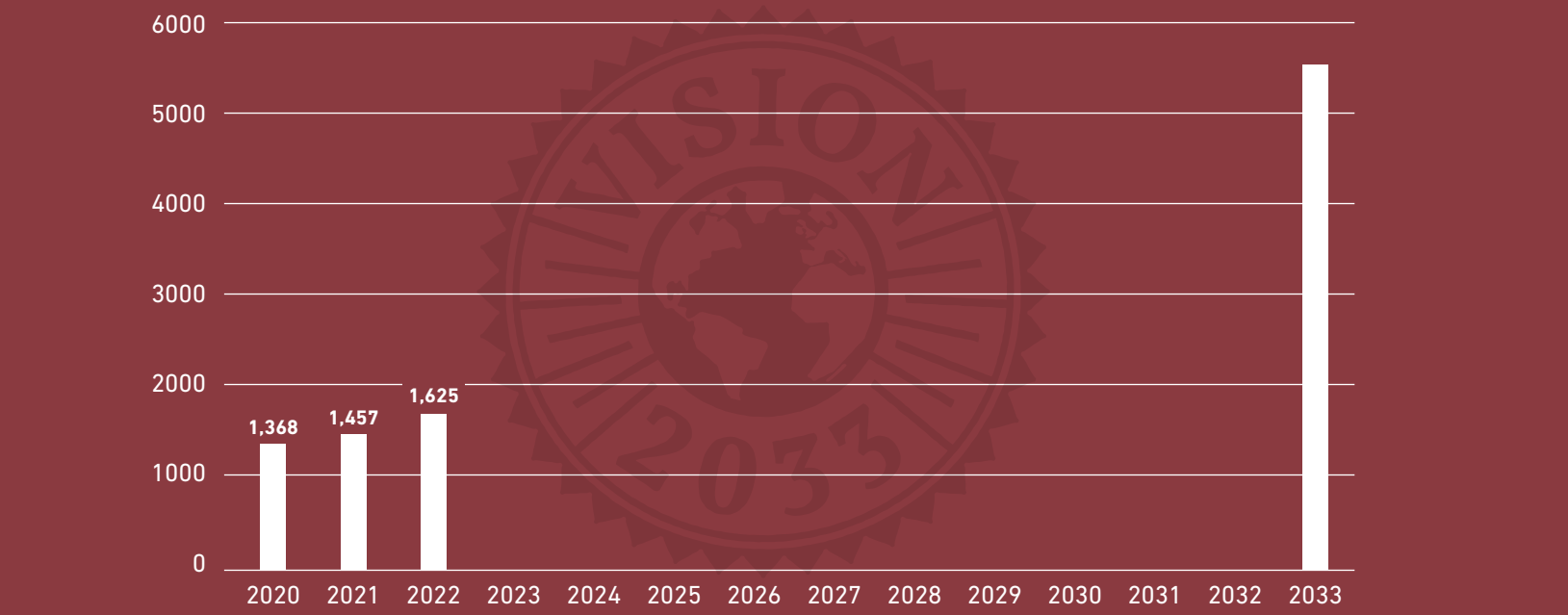
2033 approaches quickly. Faith, realism, your partnership, and eleven more years of innovation are keys to Great Commission fulfillment.



## VISION 2033 PROGRESS

	FY2022	All Time	# Speakers
Scripture recordings in new languages	152	1,625	6+ billion
Oral Bible Translation projects*	30	82	18.2 million
Gospel Films in new languages	344	1,122	5.5 billion
Audio Bible programs	127,680	1.4 million	128.8 million

\*Included in Scripture recordings





## CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

For five decades, Faith Comes By Hearing has responded to cultural challenges by providing Audio Scriptures in the heart languages of the world. Thanks to God's provision through His people, what began as a humble cassette tape-lending ministry has grown into a leader in recording technology, Scripture engagement, and translation processes.

Oral Bible Translation (OBT) is an example of a novel method used to record God's Word. The eyes of the Bible translation world are on this prolific methodology, which is effective primarily in remote language communities. The ever-expanding influence of OBT gives oral people immediate access to God's Word.

But wait, there's definitely more—OBT is only the beginning. On the following pages, you will see photos, testimonies, and statistics from multiple continents bearing witness to Kingdom impact. With the need for digital solutions growing and setting the trend for the foreseeable future, we've also included a special section which highlights the trajectory of digital Scripture engagement. We invite you to discover the transforming power of God's Word around the world as you read these exciting updates.



## GOD'S WORD IN AUDIO

The audible Word of God meets the needs of our world's ever-changing environment. Seventy percent of the global population rely primarily on oral communication, and fifty percent cannot read well enough to understand Scripture. Faith Comes By Hearing records God's Word to unlock the mysteries of printed Scripture for this oral majority who, by choice or necessity, learn and apply best through listening.

The flexibility of Audio Bibles tears down long-standing barriers to God's Word. Watching and listening campaigns on social media provide a community where meeting face-to-face is not possible. Solar-powered devices enable God's Word to be heard in remote villages. Bible Apps on smartphones and tablets carry Scripture to secure regions. Whatever the hindrance or risk, Faith Comes By Hearing's diverse methods of Scripture engagement make God's audible Word widely available.

So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

ISAIAH 55:11







Language communities can hear, see, and share the Word immediately.

## ON MISSION

Faith Comes By Hearing is on mission to provide God's audible Word for everyone. Once a Scripture recording is produced, the Audio Bible is available for use on a Proclaimer, digitally, and shortly thereafter in a Gospel Film. The majority are uploaded to the Bible Brain and made available to developers and partner organizations to use in their websites and apps. The goal is access for all. Thanks to you, more people than ever found and engaged God's Word in their heart language this year.



"A family in Indonesia eagerly waited for the pandemic travel restrictions to end. When their Audio Bible arrived, they gathered in the longhouse's main room each evening and listened to the accounts of Jesus and his disciples. An unknown peace permeated the room and reached into their hearts and minds. That night they slept, unperturbed by the evil spirits who usually kept them on edge."

"A young man in North Africa scrolled through videos on YouTube in his language, looking for something entertaining. On the right side of his screen, he saw an image for a movie about the Prophet Isa [Jesus], and he clicked on it. Several episodes later, he found himself caught up in an unfamiliar world and the account of a man he knew little about. His spiritual journey toward the Truth began."

"Each morning before the cool of the day evaporates, children slide into their desks as their teacher pushes Play on the black Audio Bible. Hushed and still, they listen to the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5,000. When the audio stops, the inquisitive youngsters badger their teacher with questions and discuss if such an event could really happen. Many cannot wait until school ends so they can go home and share what they heard with their siblings. Hunger for the Word is evident."



# NEW FOUNDATIONS IN AFRICA

Audio Bibles in 49 new languages spoken by approximately 44.9 million people.



AFRICA	FY2022	FY22 # of Speakers	All Time
Scripture recordings in new languages	49	44.9 million	606
Oral Bible Translation projects*	24	7 million	45
Gospel Films in new languages	137	66.2 million	444
Audio Bible programs	36,167	3.3 million	487,667

\*Included in Scripture recordings



While Africa contains more than one third of the world’s languages, many of these language communities still do not have an Audio Bible. Millions of Africans, entrenched in customs and ethnic religions, still yearn to hear the Good News.

### Democratic Republic of the Congo

A bricklayer spent his paycheck in bars and clubs every week. But it all felt empty—he had no joy or peace. It was an unstable and unsatisfying life. Because he drank excessively, the people in his village called him the “drunken mason.”

One day, his wife invited him to go with her to a Bible listening group. It did not leave him feeling empty, so he continued to attend. As God’s Word got into his heart and changed his thinking and values, he decided to get baptized. The listening group leader even gave him an Audio Bible so that he could study Scripture throughout the week.

After he began regularly listening at home, his coworkers noticed changes in his life. He no longer went to bars and clubs and spent his paychecks on alcohol. His attitude about his work improved, and now he seeks to serve and provide for his family. Many in the community questioned him, astounded by this dramatically different behavior. After trying to explain his new relationship with God, the man brought the Audio Bible to work and played it for them. He said, “We listen to God’s Word all day at work, and my coworkers are becoming believers too.”

Now the mason has a new name. The people in the village call him the “spiritual builder.” He said, “I am happy and thank God for the new life I am experiencing.”



# HOPE IN THE AMERICAS

Audio Bibles in 5 new languages spoken by approximately 793,470 people



AMERICAS	FY2022	FY22 # of Speakers	All Time
Scripture recordings in new languages	5	793,470	362
Oral Bible Translation projects*	2	23,900	6
Gospel Films in new languages	52	10.3 million	228
Audio Bible programs	28,235	2.5 million	235,417

\*Included in Scripture recordings



The Americas display a strong dichotomy between the swelling secularism of North America and the rapidly growing faith of South America. Even so, many small indigenous tribes in South America have no way to access Scripture. Over a quarter of the population do not yet believe in Jesus Christ.

**Uruguay**  
A church flourished this year with the help of digital campaigns. This church plant started in Uruguay, which is said to be the most secular country in Latin America. Churches here are small, and few people show interest in the Good News.

Gabe and Rose are two faithful believers who struggled in a church full of false teachings. Discouraged by the heresy, the couple felt desperate to leave the church and search for new spiritual nourishment.

After praying for God to show them a new church, Rose’s sister reached out and informed her of Faith Comes By Hearing’s digital programs. Rose felt hopeful and decided to experience this new digital ministry for herself. She invited two other families to join her in a 10-day listening campaign.

The families studied the Word of God each day and grew in their understanding of Scripture. Afterwards, they prayed as a group and decided to continue meeting, only now as a church. Their new church has continued to grow in the true doctrine of God’s Word with the help of digital programs.





# HEALING AND PRAISE IN ASIA

Audio Bibles in 60 new languages spoken by approximately 75.4 million people.

ASIA	FY2022	FY22 # of Speakers	All Time
Scripture recordings in new languages	60	75.4 million	416
Oral Bible Translation projects*	2	523,000	20
Gospel Films in new languages	94	271 million	280
Audio Bible programs	42,791	3.9 million	468,491

\*Included in Scripture recordings



Less than 10% of all Asians know Christ as their Savior. Home to the largest portion of the world’s population, Asia is rife with extreme Christian persecution amid exponential church growth. We pray God’s Word in audio will soon provide millions with the Truth.

**Nepal**  
Alina is one of many whose life changed through an Audio Bible. This young woman lived in a poor family who worshiped false gods. Alina was born weak and unable to walk, but her parents did not seek treatment options. In 2015, Alina lost her mother, and her father became seriously ill soon after. One of Alina’s neighbors noticed Alina’s despair and admitted her into a school for disabled children.

While Alina was away at school, her older sister heard the Gospel and became a believer. Eagerly, she learned how to share the Gospel message and told her family about Jesus. Soon her dad listened regularly to an Audio Bible, and when Alina came home during break, she saw her father had completely changed. She excitedly tried the new audio player for herself. As this curious teenager heard about Jesus’ life, she felt convicted. Two months later, Alina surrendered her life to Jesus. Through God’s power, Alina can now walk with the

use of a cane. This new believer, always rejoicing, continues to grow in her faith despite restrictions imposed by her school. Alina asks for prayer for continual healing and spiritual growth.









## DECADES OF IMPACT

Over the past 50 years, God's Word in audio has been Faith Comes By Hearing's focus. Through friends like you, Audio Bibles touched millions around the world. As we look back at the last five decades of ministry, we praise God for providing millions of seekers and believers a way to engage His audible Word.



### Ghana 1995

The village buzzed with anticipation as they waited to listen to God's Word. 300 people found shade under a group of mango trees to listen. For the first time in the history of the Twi Akuapem people, they heard God speak their language.

The whole village sat eerily still as the multitude leaned in to hear the Word of God, immersed in the story. After listening for over 45 minutes, the listening group leader pushed pause, and the villagers shouted: "Jesus speaks our language! We do not need a translator to talk to Him!" The power of the Audio Bible was undeniable.



### India 2000

At the bottom of the caste system sit the Dalit, once known as "Untouchables." Shut off from society, many felt completely abandoned—until they heard God's Word for the first time. Many of these Dalit came to Christ through the Audio Bible: A pastor in a local village attached a Proclaimer to a bullhorn and broadcasted God's Word across the rooftops and through the streets. These destitute men and women suddenly heard God's hope-filled message. Unlike the people in other castes, Jesus loved them enough to die for them. Listening to the Audio Bible taught them that each one can become a child of God.



### Peru 2007

Sylvia is a paralyzed widow. For six years, she went to every witch doctor she could find. After rebelling against Jesus for years, Sylvia accepted Him in her 70s and was miraculously healed from paralysis. Sylvia's health and life were dramatically changed, but her newly established spiritual life weakened because she could not read the Bible. In His wisdom and perfect timing, God placed an Audio Bible in her church. Regular listening strengthened and refreshed her body and spirit. Sylvia now ministers to her fellow Christian brothers and sisters, thanks to hearing God's Word.





### India 2011

Abhay and Aanandita were accused of killing 23 policemen, but in prison, they became new creations in Christ. They ministered to those among them with few positive results—until they received a Telugu Proclaimer. Abhay and Aanandita, now free from prison, carry the Proclaimer to each village once a week. More than 1,500 people are hearing God’s Word for the first time, and churches were planted in 11 villages. Aanandita says, “Send us more Proclaimers and we will plant more churches!”



### Middle East 2015

A hush fell over the room as the tall, bearded religious leader entered and joined those already seated. He waited patiently as the host filled his tiny glass with steaming tea and then spoke: “I know you’re wondering what this is all about. I’ve been your spiritual leader for many years. I’ve always done my best, trying to explain truth as I’ve come to know it. Now I see that I have not known the complete Truth. Tonight, that will all change.” Confusion passed around the room as his hand disappeared into his robe and produced a black box that, at first glance, looked like a cell phone. Setting the device in front of him, the leader pressed a couple of small buttons, and it came alive with God’s Word.

Those listening gasped as they recognized what was going on: they were hearing the Bible in their own language and in the safety of a private home. They would now have access to the pure Word of God in a way they had never dreamed.



### Kiribati 2017

Isaac struggled to connect with God’s Word due to his inability to see. One day, a friend shared an Audio Bible with him, and soon Isaac’s whole world changed. The blind man feels God’s presence when he listens and believes that spiritually, he can see his Savior. Isaac thanks Faith Comes By Hearing for giving the gift of God’s audible Word. Once spiritually blind, Isaac found salvation in Jesus Christ.



### Brazil 2022

Alexandro prayed constantly for his brother Paulo, who struggled with drugs after joining a gang. He watched, grieving, as hope drained from his little brother. After years of praying, Alexandro heard about a listening group at church. The group, Alexandro among them, listened to God’s Word in Portuguese together. Hoping against hope, Alexandro asked Paulo if he would join him. Paulo said yes, to his shock and delight.

During the first meeting, the group discussed the Word that became flesh to carry everyone’s sins. Paulo fell silent, struck by this truth. When the leader asked if anyone did not know Jesus, Paulo stood and prayed to receive Him. Alexandro could not believe this was happening at long last.

Today, Paulo’s life is completely transformed, and both brothers regularly participate in their listening group.



# DIGITAL EXPLOSION

Computer code transfers news, music, and photos around the world. The same is true for God’s Word. Millions of bytes of data make Scripture recordings available for more than 6.6 billion people. Digital technology has become a superhighway for the Gospel, and Faith Comes By Hearing is cruising in the fast lane. Together, we speed toward the day when every person on Earth can hear God speak their language through an Audio Bible, a Global Bible App, or a Gospel Film.

**The number of times people digitally accessed chapters of Scripture more than tripled last year.**

This explosive increase in Bible engagements is triggered by language-centric online advertisements. Each ad provides access to Scripture for millions who use social media and browse the Web. Feedback comes from every region of the world as people listen to, watch, and read the Bible in their language using a Global Bible App. God is drawing people to Himself.

“This is amazing. When I take time to hear all these words and see them, I feel faith rising in my spirit and soul, and my heart is filled with God’s words. I thank God for this Malayalam Bible app, and I thank you.” – *Rory*

“In August, we started a digital ministry through social media. Our goal was to lead Nepali people to Christ through the Gospel Film. With the support of advertisements, our page garnered interest. Tej was one of them. Curious, he clicked on an ad until he found and watched the Nepali Gospel Film. Deeply touched by Christ’s teachings, Tej messaged us and eventually accepted Jesus as his Savior. Soon after, his brother joined the conversation and believed. These two new believers started a discipleship group in their village. This newly formed cell church began with an encounter with God’s visual Word online.” – *a partner in Nepal*

Thanks to digital innovation and your partnership, Audio Bibles in heart languages are reaching the distant corners of the earth.

FY22 Digital Scripture Engagement

**Total Chapters Accessed Across Platforms**  
300.3 million

Language-targeted advertisements for Audio Bibles and Gospel Films were shown more than a billion times.





# COMFORT IN EURASIA/MENA

Audio Bibles in 22 new languages spoken by approximately 132.2 million people.

EURASIA/MENA	FY2022	FY22 # of Speakers	All Time
Scripture recordings in new languages	22	132.2 million	133
Oral Bible Translation projects*	1	60,000	3
Gospel Films in new languages	35	158.2 million	112
Audio Bible programs	16,680	1.5 million	158,580

\*Included in Scripture recordings



MENA and Eurasia comprise parts of Asia, Africa, and Europe. Due to extreme persecution and traditional religions, this region is closed off to the Gospel. Less than 10% of the population profess Christ as their Savior, and those who do often keep their faith a secret for fear of oppression or ostracism.

Middle East

A field partner works along the border in hopes of reaching as many families as possible with the Word of God. She shared, “I am working with three

families right now who are from different cities but found solace and comfort in one another during the ensuing war. I was moved to tears when one of the teenagers said, ‘I am thankful for the war because it brought me His Word. I have gotten to know Jesus through the Audio Bible, and it has changed our lives.’ When we are together, the first thing we do is study the Bible. At first, they struggled to read the Bible, but following along with the Audio Scripture in their native language has improved their reading skills tremendously.”

“I gave an Audio Bible to a young man at the market to listen with his wife and friends. Often, I sit down with him to talk about what he has heard and answer his questions. He says, ‘We listen to the Audio Bible in the evenings in our home, and my heart jumps for joy every time I see you. Because you shared this gift and have helped me interpret its meaning, I now understand the Gospel. Even though I face opposition from those around me, God has given me the courage to follow Jesus no matter the consequence.’”

A woman endures the abuse of her husband because of her newfound faith in Jesus but states, “I do not want to leave Jesus. The only moments of peace and joy are when I listen to the Audio Bible. Now others come to listen to the Good News while shopping in my market, which is wonderful.”



# OPENNESS IN PACIFIC/OCEANIA

Audio Bibles in 16 new languages spoken by approximately 156,200 people.

PACIFIC/OCEANIA

- Scripture recordings in new languages
- Oral Bible Translation projects\*
- Gospel Films in new languages
- Audio Bible programs

FY2022	FY22 # of Speakers	All Time
16	156,200	108
1	2,000	8
26	1.6 million	58
3,807	343,630	42,507

\*Included in Scripture recordings

While the Pacific is the smallest geographical region, it is home to a diverse range of indigenous cultures. Geographic separation between remote tribes means providing God’s audible Word poses a challenge.

**The Philippines**  
The Philippines, as a whole, are not unfamiliar with church, God, and the Scriptures.

Today, the majority of the population is Christian. In spite of this Christian history and culture, there remains a need for discipleship in both the majority Tagalog-speaking population as well as among some tribal communities. Faith Comes By Hearing works with local partners to make Audio

Scriptures and Gospel Films available for listening and watching groups, as well as personal apps for individual Bible listening.

On the southern tip of the country, Olivia started a Bible listening group in a garden with children and then added teens from a boarding house. Because of what they were learning in the listening group, their interest in the Lord grew, and many of the youth attended church services. Several have now accepted Christ and been baptized.

**Indonesia**  
“It was like getting a message from God,” the readers and proofreaders reported after being called to participate in the Kupang recording. During the project, the readers’ connection to Jesus deepened, and each person took the responsibility of sharing God’s Word with the rest of the tribe seriously. Exhibiting strong hope, these believers expect the Audio Bible to visibly change the community.





## ARM IN ARM

Seemingly insurmountable challenges fold when faced with united believers. For the first time in history, the task of covering the world with God's Word is possible through expanding partnership. Even more critical than technological advancements is the Body of Christ working together to accomplish the Great Commission.

Through recording the Bible in different languages, agreements with Bible Societies and translators, and cooperation with recording teams in the field, Faith Comes By Hearing's vision to record and provide God's Word in every language that needs it is being realized. We praise God for the gift of Spirit-filled harmony as we endeavor each day to spread the Gospel to all still waiting to hear.

In **partnership**, Faith Comes By Hearing celebrates 50 years of proclaiming God's Word. In **collaboration**, we accomplish more than we ever could on our own. In **unity of mind and purpose**, Vision 2033 will come to fruition.

Complete my joy by being of  
the same mind, having the  
same love, being in full  
accord and of one mind.

PHILIPPIANS 2:2



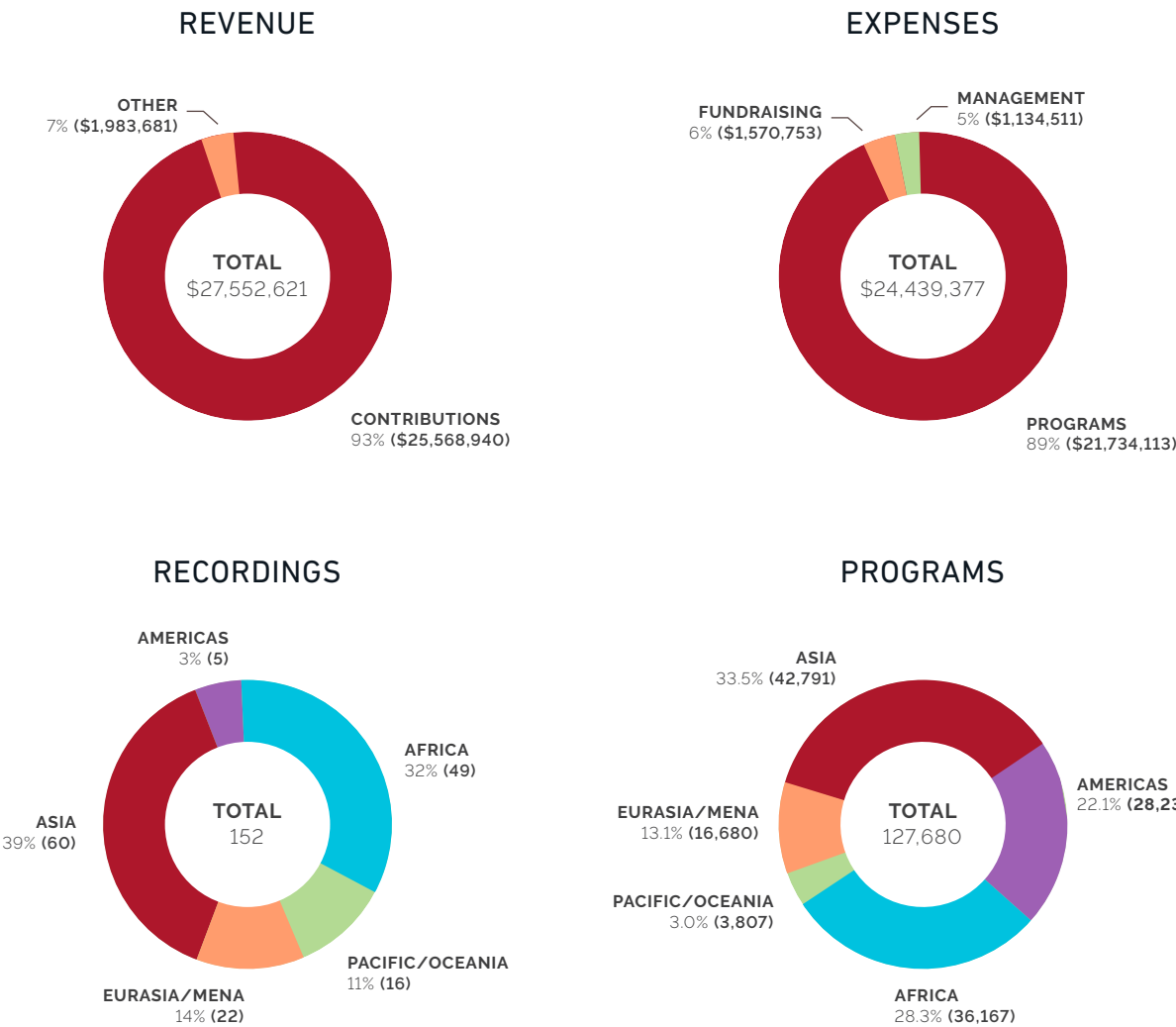


Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.

LUKE 6:38

Thank you for your generosity.

A FULL MEASURE IN FY2022



Faith Comes By Hearing has been a top-rated charity with Charity Navigator for the past 15 years and has received a Platinum Seal of Transparency on GuideStar!



## MOVING AHEAD

1.5 billion do not have access to the Gospel in their language. Of the 7,000+ languages spoken, more than 4,000 do not have Scripture in their language yet. In his revelation, however, John specifies seeing **every** nation, tribe, people, and language represented before the throne of the Lamb.

Because of this, we focus our efforts on recording and providing Audio and Video Scriptures in these remaining languages. Along with the global translation community, we aim to achieve our goal by 2033.

**This audacious task can be completed.** God desires all men to be saved. More than a billion people have yet to hear His Word, but He has equipped us with the means to change that. Faith Comes By Hearing partners with more than 700 organizations and translation agencies to record and freely provide the Gospel to every nation, tribe, and tongue via physical devices and digital technology.

Together, we can build His Kingdom, and voices from every language will join together as we worship our Lord and Savior.



After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands.

REVELATION 7:9





## OVERFLOWING WITH GRATITUDE

Because of you, the innovation to create—the impact of hearing Truth in more heart languages—the spread of God’s Word into every corner of the planet is possible. Your visionary partnership inspires us to strive each day.

To ensure that life-giving Scripture sounds out in city streets, village huts, and family gatherings.

To trek to remote communities and record the Bible in every language that needs it.

To develop new methods and formats that put God’s enduring Word into the ears of millions.

**You inspire us. Our gratitude overflows.**





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