

Faith Comes By Hearing®

Pray With Us: NOVEMBER – JANUARY

FAITH COMES BY HEARING FAMILY

Please continue to **pray** that the Lord would send us strong applicants for open positions.

Pray for health of the ministry staff as we enter the fall and winter months with colds, flu, and COVID.

Pray for the Faith Comes By Hearing Asia board, staff, and volunteers as they organize and host donor events in Malaysia (Nov 4), Singapore (Nov 9), and Hong Kong (Nov 18). May many hearts be moved to attend and respond, and may the Lord be glorified!

Pray for John Ankerberg staff as they finish production on eight new shows featuring Faith Comes By Hearing and the impact of God's Word in audio around the world. Shows air Nov. 20, 2022, through Jan. 8, 2023. May viewers be deeply impacted by the transforming power of His Word.

AFRICA

Regional: Praise God for two New Testaments recorded in Burkina Faso, two in Angola, one in Togo, and another in Benin.

Tanzania: Praise God for a New Testament recording about to be completed.

Ethiopia: Pray for a recording team from Kenya as they work on two New Testaments back-to-back. **Pray** for the team and their families back home.

Ghana: Praise God for a New Testament recorded in Côte d'Ivoire, which was used to test the Vessel software.

Pray for Africa Area Directors as they vet possible recording projects for 2023.

AMERICAS

Canada: Pray for the Inuktitut recording that commenced in October. **Pray** for smooth recording conditions and sharp minds among the readers. May they read accurately and be transformed by the truth of the Gospel while recording.

Argentina: Praise God! 600 Chorote people participated in an Audio Bible and Gospel Film dedication. **Praise God** for the enthusiasm the people displayed as they interacted with the film. The Chorote are eager to begin listening and watching groups.

Guatemala: Praise God for another successful digital campaign that has reached more than 800,000 people. Comments and questions keep pouring in as seekers all over Guatemala and Central America engage with Gospel Films via social media campaigns.

Brazil:

- **Pray** for 10,000 devices about to arrive—the largest ever shipment of devices to Brazil to date. **Pray** for the eager partners waiting for these resources and for the impact on the lives of those who will use these devices.

- **Praise God** for the national Faith Comes By Hearing team engaging with partners and people groups in desperate need of the Gospel in their language.
- **Pray** as we seek to establish up to two new recording teams to meet the need for Vision 2033.

ASIA

Regional: Pray for safe travel for staff and partners throughout the region.

Southeast Asia: Pray for Scripture Engagement via digital programs starting in Southeast Asia. God has provided some people and new opportunities. We seek God's wisdom and guidance to partner with new people to develop culturally appropriate and attractive digital campaigns.

South Asia:

- **Pray** for digital Scripture promotions occurring in a sensitive minority language in an island nation.
- **Pray** for the "Christmas In the Heart 2022" campaign plans in India, Sri Lanka, and Nepal in partnership with local ministries.

Nepal:

- **Praise God!** The new recording team continues their work throughout Nepal safely.
- **Praise God** for the third consignment of Acclaimers, which has arrived and is ready for distribution.
- **Pray** for the Audio Bible contests happening in Nepal.

India:

- **Praise God** for the Jaunsari New Testament recording using the new Vessel software.
- **Pray** for the Biblica/Faith Comes By Hearing End to End project in West Bengal.
- **Pray** for a way forward regarding Oral Bible Translation, digital work, and programs.
- **Pray** for a Bible.is certificate to be granted for India.
- **Praise God!** More than 3.9 million digital engagements were reported in the first six months of FY 2023 (April–September).
- **Pray** for more people to be able to download and engage with the Word of God in 22 minority languages.

Bangladesh:

- **Pray** for development of a new recording team by the beginning of 2023.
- **Pray** for the 100-day Gospel Film watching campaign and Gospel of Luke virtual Bible study groups.
- **Pray** for increased digital engagement during the holidays.

Sri Lanka:

- **Pray** for strong partnerships with ministries who want to use the Gospel Films.
- **Pray** for our team as they plan distribution visits in mid-November to the central and northern provinces.

- **Pray** for audio device imports as restrictions have been declared due to the economic crisis. Our devices fall under this restriction.

EURASIA/MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA

Eastern Europe/Central Asia: *The war in Ukraine continues to impact the entire region. As a result, millions face upheaval, fear, and a resulting spiritual hunger.* **Pray** God's Word will continue to provide peace and hope.

Eastern Europe:

- **Pray** for the right person to lead a digital campaign in a key country.
- **Praise God** for the recent unity among ministries involved in Bible translation and recording in the region.

MENA: Praise God for the number of new partners interested in our recordings. **Pray** for wisdom in how to share our resources wisely and safely.

PACIFIC/OCEANIA

Regional:

- **Pray** for collaboration and clear direction for the remaining language translation needs in the Pacific.
- **Praise God!** A new Language Recording Coordinator couple has been chosen and plans to relocate to Papua New Guinea. Please keep this couple in prayer, as the position will be full of challenges.

Papua New Guinea (PNG):

- **Praise God!** The Imbongu field recording is finished. *The recording team persevered through incredible adversity to complete it.*
- **Pray** for faithful, godly recording teams to tackle the large number of languages.
- **Pray** for the success and accuracy of ongoing language investigation.

Solomon Islands:

- **Praise God!** The Natagu field recording is in process.
- **Praise God!** Recordings have resumed, with three languages planned for the remainder of this year.

Fiji: Pray for the South Pacific Bible Forum, which is eager to engage many partners and translation organizations to further the Bible cause.

ORAL BIBLE TRANSLATION (OBT)

Africa:

Nigeria: Pray for the unity and collaboration of Nigerian Bible translation organizations. **Pray** for wisdom as Faith Comes By Hearing and other organizations work hard to

develop capacity and empower translation organizations on the ground so they can train and manage new projects.

Democratic Republic of the Congo: **Pray** for infrastructure and power not to be a hindrance to the various translation projects in process across the country.

Eurasia/ MENA:

Central Asia: **Pray** for a region that, while small, greatly needs Oral Bible Translation. **Pray** that team members would be identified and developed, and that the challenge of finding Translation Advisors and Consultants would be resolved. **Pray** for the heart preparation of those who will participate in the translation project (likely unbelievers) and those who will hear the Gospel in their language for the first time.

Americas:

Brazil: **Pray** for five projects in Brazil whose staff will be trained by YWAM. **Pray** for the sustained success of these projects—that the government would not hinder the translation work, and the communities would become hungry for the Word of God and seek more Scripture in their languages.

Asia/Pacific:

Papua New Guinea (PNG): **Pray** Faith Comes By Hearing can effectively meet any partner needs as they carry out translation work in more than 100 languages. **Pray** local churches would take an active, sustained role in these projects.

LANGUAGE RECORDING

Praise God! Several Virtual Recording projects have completed the recording phase, and the audio is now in our studio being prepared for final release.

Pray for the health and safety of Virtual Recording participants in high-security contexts.

Pray for ongoing field tests of Vessel, our new recording software. Testing performed in the Philippines, India, and West Africa were successful and resulted in valuable feedback. Continue to pray for our development team as they refine Vessel and incorporate new features for its global rollout.

Praise God! The last two years' COVID restrictions have abated in most regions of the world, making it possible to keep pace with our goals and plans for new recordings this year. Join us in thanking God for the perseverance, ingenuity, and faithfulness of our recording teams around the globe, serving with courage to record Scripture in these languages.