# Faith Comes By Hearing<sup>®</sup>

Pray With Us: NOVEMBER 2023 - JANUARY 2024

## FAITH COMES BY HEARING FAMILY

**Praise God** for all His blessings. We thank Him for the continued good health of our staff and their families so they can focus on the work He has assigned. **Pray** for wisdom and discernment for our managers as they review applicants for open positions. **Pray** for qualified people to apply.

**Pray** for donor events this November in Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, and Hong Kong, all hosted and coordinated by the Faith Comes By Hearing Asia board of directors and Asia staff.

**Pray** for new John Ankerberg Shows featuring Faith Comes By Hearing to be aired beginning January 2024.

#### **AFRICA**

# Regional:

- **Pray** for wisdom as the Africa team decides how best to use the remaining FY23 funds to provide Audio Bibles in strategic locations for eternal impact.
- **Praise God!** Scripture has been recorded in many African languages and made available to indigenous peoples. **Pray** as the Africa team researches more than 400 African languages and identifies those ready to receive Scripture.

#### Tanzania:

- **Pray** for the Tanzania team as they partner with one of the largest denominations—Free Pentecostal Church of Tanzania—to plan and conduct four Oral Bible Translation projects. **Pray** for the right people to do the work.
- **Praise God!** The ministry in Tanzania is really taking off. The Tanzania team seeks additional staff to carry the workload forward in Southern Africa. **Pray** for the right person to join them.

**Kenya: Praise God** for *The Covenant* Scripture film adapted in the Digo, Duruma, Giryama, and Pokomo languages.

#### Cameroon:

- **Pray** for the December Oral Bible Translation consultation in Cameroon. Many communities in Cameroon, Chad, and Central African Republic have ongoing translation needs.
- Praise God for the Awing New Testament recording
- Pray for the Bakweli New Testament recording scheduled this quarter.

#### South Sudan:

- Praise God for the Laarim New Testament recording.
- Pray for preparations for adaptations of *The Covenant* in the Nuer and Bari languages.

# Mozambique:

- **Praise God** for the Imeetto New Testament recording.
- **Pray** for the Ekoti New Testament recording, which started in September.

#### Ghana:

- **Praise God** for the English (Liberia) New Testament recording for Liberia, the Malinke New Testament recording for Mali, and the Aja New Testament recording for Benin.
- **Pray** for the Bali recording in Nigeria which started in September, and for adaptations of *The Covenant* film in the Ga, Ewe, and Akuapem languages.

## **AMERICAS**

**Venezuela: Pray** for God to provide adequate staff to meet remaining recording and program needs.

#### Mexico:

- **Pray** for wisdom about whether to move forward with traditional recording or to use Oral Bible Translation with certain languages.
- Praise God! Two more recordings just wrapped up this week.

## ASIA

#### South Asia:

- **Praise God!** More than 227 digital campaigns were started in the first two quarters of FY24 in South Asia, resulting in around 2.47 million digital engagements.
- **Pray** for this quarter's Bible radio campaigns occurring in 15 major South Asian languages.
- **Pray** for the ongoing online Audio Bible contests conducted by our coordinators in Nepal, India, and Sri Lanka. **Pray** that many youth study God's Word as they participate.
- **Pray** for our South Asia coordinators as they plan the "Christmas is in the Heart 2023" campaign with field partners in seven major South Asian languages, using Gospel Films on various digital platforms. Also pray for the Christmas Gospel Film broadcast happening on several satellite and cable TV stations during the week of Christmas.

# Bangladesh:

- **Pray** for qualified Scripture recording applicants and partnerships.
- Praise God for shipments arriving in country without any problem.
- **Praise God** for the signing of agreements for wider Scripture engagement in various languages.
- Praise God for smooth Oral Bible Translation work.

#### Nepal:

- Praise God for the ULB version of the Nepali print Bible available on Bible.is.
- **Pray** the E-Tamang radio programs agreement would be signed soon. Also, **pray** for three other programs in Nepali and Limbu planned for this year.

#### India:

- **Praise God** for a meeting between Language Recording leadership, South Asia recordists, Global Partnership leaders, Oral Bible Translation staff, and partners to strategize and get to know each area better.
- Pray for the success of various campaigns planned for the remainder of 2023.
- Pray for End to End projects planned in partnership with other organizations.

#### Sri Lanka:

- Pray for discussions later this quarter that will cover future Scripture recording needs.
- **Praise God** for a fruitful meeting with the Ceylon Bible Society (CBS). **Pray** for a smooth agreements process with CBS for the new Sinhala and Tamil versions and the Sinhala Gospel Film.
- Praise God for the free flow of Audio Bibles into the country since August.
- **Pray** for a blossoming partnership in the North Central Province focused on tribal communities.

### EURASIA/MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA

**Sensitive Region: Praise God** for a recording that continues to go well with great participation and excitement.

**Russia: Praise God!** Faith Comes By Hearing has trained a new recordist working within a Russia-based partnership.

## MENA:

- Pray for the New Testament recording taking place in a restricted country.
- **Pray** for the right people to be identified and join our staff in the region and for peace over decision-makers.
- **Praise God!** We were able to successfully ship nearly 500 Audio Bibles to an important country in the region.

## **Eurasia:**

- **Pray** for ways to make Audio Bibles available in three difficult countries where direct shipping is very difficult.
- Praise God! His word continues to go forth in Ukraine, even amid conflict.

#### Spain:

- **Pray** for God-ordained timing and readers for the Aragones and Fala Scripture recordings.
- **Pray** for ongoing listening and watching programs among Spain's youth and the Romani people.

#### PACIFIC/OCEANIA

## Regional:

- Pray for the multiplication of quality recording teams to meet the growing number of

languages ready to receive Scripture in the South Pacific. **Pray** for strategies and wisdom from the Lord.

- Pray for the upcoming Bible Forum covering all of the South Pacific.

Fiji: Pray for newly started listening groups in Fiji.

**Vanuatu: Pray** for ongoing translation efforts to finish strong and for the abundant distribution and use of Scripture recordings.

#### **Solomon Islands:**

- **Pray** for devices heading into the country.
- Pray for eternal transformation among families and communities.
- Pray for remaining translation and recording needs.
- Pray for the research and recording of the New Testament in the Wala language.

# Papua New Guinea (PNG):

- Praise God! A New Testament for the Enga language has been received from a partner.
- **Pray** for the Aziana and Bwaidoka Scripture recordings. Aziana has experienced many setbacks, but the team continues to press forward.
- **Pray** for the upcoming training of new recording team members, scheduled to take place in January.
- Praise God for the quality candidates for new recording teams God has brought us.

#### LANGUAGE RECORDING

- **Pray** for The Covenant film text and audio needs through our partnerships and recording teams worldwide.
- **Praise God!** Four Virtual Recording projects finished the recording phase. They are now in our studio for final mastering.
- **Pray** for a Virtual Recording New Testament project on pause due to increased pressure and persecution of the Christian community in that region.