

Use Your Experience!

Meet a vital need on the Bible translation team



*Your skills and experience
could contribute in ways you
had never imagined!*

Shock news – The vast majority of Wycliffe’s personnel needs are not language-related!

Wycliffe currently has over 3,000 vacancies worldwide to support Bible translation projects amongst language communities. The vast majority of these are not even language related! Does that surprise you?

It shouldn't. How long would your computer keep going without any technical support? How long could you survive if all your bank accounts were frozen? How long would you live in a place where there was no international school for your children?

What is really needed?

Could you take your expertise in finance to another country, ensuring that the language workers in that country received their funds on time each month?

Could you go to live in a country with little history of Bible translation, engage with the local church and encourage them to be part of a visionary Bible translation movement in their country?

Here's a list of some of the most vital needs in the task of Bible translation worldwide:

- Teachers 271
- IT professionals 244
- Personnel work 145
- Communications 88
- Centre services 87
- Finance staff 84
- Public relations 60
- Building/maintenance 56
- Publishing 38

Could you use your experience as a teacher to educate missionary children, enabling their families to continue working in translation projects?



Could you use your IT skills in a regional office overseas, enabling dozens of people to continue with their work?

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A counsellor's comment

I have always considered my social work career to be a vocation and that I served God through my work in the NHS. However I came to realize that there were many people in the UK who could fulfil this role, whilst people in other parts of the world were less likely to receive the support and skills that my training brought.

In 2003 I joined Wycliffe as part of their international counselling ministry and moved to Africa. This was a great move; I felt that I joined a team characterized by rigorous professionalism and Christian integrity. Given the stresses inherent in the life of a missionary and the value in supporting them, I believed that my skills were being utilized to the full.

A teacher's testimony

I was enjoying teaching in the UK, but after a short-term missions trip I discovered the huge need for trained teachers. God was calling me to support Bible translation by teaching the children of missionaries. I came to a Christian School in West Africa for one year to teach the Lower Primary class. I'm now in the middle of my second year! A highlight for me is meeting parents, who often tell me how

their own work is going – work that in many cases wouldn't be possible without schools like this. It is amazing to realise that I am making a difference not only to the children I teach, but to people who will soon be able to read the Bible in their own language and discover for themselves the truth about Jesus Christ.

Money

Most Wycliffe positions are not salaried. Wycliffe personnel trust God to meet their needs through a team of prayer and financial partners. Mission is done in partnership with the local sending church, and in reliance on a God who says He will provide all our needs in accordance with His riches in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4.19).

Thousands of Wycliffe members around the world are living proof that God is faithful to His promises.

Costs vary depending on where in the world you are working. We will help you draw up a budget for your particular situation.

Who should apply?

Are you:

- a committed Christian?
- willing to adapt your life skills to a different environment?
- ready for a new challenge?

If so, we'd love to hear from you!

For further information contact us in Recruitment on 01494 682256 or at recruitment_uk@wycliffe.org

Or complete the enquiry form at www.wycliffe.org.uk/support

The training

Successful applicants would normally be required to take an orientation course before going overseas.

Depending on where you would be working, you may also benefit from the Language and Culture Acquisition course, which includes cross-cultural training and methods

for learning a completely new language.

After raising adequate support you would then leave the UK to begin your assignment overseas!



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