

Daily Devotional 6

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed:

“Their sound has gone out to all the earth,
And their words to the ends of the world.”

(Romans 10:17–18 NKJV)

Ending Bible poverty

On the first day of these devotionals we encouraged you to imagine how it would be not to have the Bible in your own language. However, for 1 in 5 people today, that’s still a reality. 180 million don’t have a single verse of Scripture in their mother tongue.

This week you’ve read and heard just a taste of the amazing work going on all over the world.

Our question to you today: can you help us end this injustice, bring the word of God to all people, and end Bible poverty?

Bible translation is only possible through the partnership of people like you. Prayer is the foundation for everything we do. Your prayers make a real difference, and we’d love for you to continue to pray for the ongoing work of Bible translation across the world.

Video resource

The Bible Banquet

<https://youtu.be/nWqTyJVBS4M>



Prayer focus – ending Bible poverty

- Thank God for the freedom and breadth of Bible resources we are blessed with in our languages.
- Pray for those who have never had the chance to hear or read God’s word in their own language, that doors might be opened for them to do so.
- Pray for wisdom and resources for all those working to end Bible poverty, so that the work might be effective.

Today we’d like to invite you to continue this journey with us by becoming a prayer partner. You can do that by signing up to receive our weekly prayer email at wycliffe.org.uk/pray.

International focus – Europe

Open Bibles for the Mensheviks

The name Menshevik comes from the Russian word for ‘minority’ and is used here as a cover term for ten distinct groups. Each of these groups has its own language that people use in everyday life, which they dream and think in, but despite having portions of the Bible translated, God’s word is still not easy for these groups to access.

This is because most speakers of these languages have only learnt to read and write in Russian. In order for the gospel to reach their hearts, they need to hear God speaking to them in their own language.

The Menshevik project will use new technologies to make existing Scripture texts and audio recordings more readily available, and to strengthen people’s literacy skills. This will open up the Bible to speakers of these minority languages. The Menshevik team will also run training workshops across three wide regions of Russia. It is hoped that people from some of the larger Muslim-majority people groups will attend one of these workshops.