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*“Give thanks to the Lord,
call on his name;
make known among the nations
what he has done.”*

Psalm 105:1 (NIV)

Dan and Kay Finley are the Eastern Region Representatives for Lutheran Bible Translators. They are also vernacular media specialists and live in Roaming Shores, Ohio.

Lutheran Bible Translators partners with individuals, churches, and organizations in the United States and other countries to promote Bible translation, literacy and Scripture engagement. The Finleys are speaking throughout the eastern part of the United States to increase the awareness of Lutheran Bible Translators and its global ministry.

Throughout the world millions of people still have not heard the message of salvation from God’s Word. In those language groups where a New Testament has been completed, many of the people are not applying those translated Scriptures to their daily lives.

Often the problem is one of literacy. Vernacular media addresses this need by developing materials with an emphasis on audio and video rather than printed words. Non-readers are becoming interested in recorded New Testaments, Bible stories, and songs as well as Bible story videos and flip charts. The result is a renewed interest in hearing God’s Word and applying it to their lives.

Dan and Kay are also working with translation, literacy, and Scripture engagement teams worldwide to stimulate interest within the indigenous churches and encouraging them to use their mother tongue Scriptures.

Lutheran Bible Translators

Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT) helps bring people to faith in Jesus Christ by making the Word of God available to those who do not yet have it in the language of their hearts.

LBT is committed to the Scriptures as God’s primary means for bringing about life-changing encounters with Jesus Christ. To be effective, the Word of God must be accessible in a language and media that people most readily comprehend.

There are more than 6,900 languages in the world. More than 400 million people who speak 4,500 of these languages can not read Scripture in the language of their hearts. Many can not read at all. So on going literacy and Scripture Use programs are a vital part of our ministry.

To accomplish our goal, LBT partners with individual Lutherans, a wide range of Lutheran church bodies, Bible translation organizations in North America and around the world, many other Christians, and service and educational organizations and ministries.

LBT recruits missionaries and then trains, equips and helps support them. Thousands of individuals and hundreds of volunteers provide support to individual missionaries and to LBT through prayer and through their generous, ongoing financial donations.

Since our founding in 1964, through the grace of God, LBT missionaries have helped complete over 30 New Testament translations. Two more translations are expected to be completed in 2011.

These translations bring Christ’s Good News of Salvation, and literacy, to more than 7 million people. Nationals and local churches in host countries play a vital, ongoing role in this work.

At present, over 70 LBT missionaries are serving in 15 countries on 5 continents working on 31 Bible translation and 54 Scripture use or linguistic programs.

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