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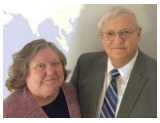


June-July 2026

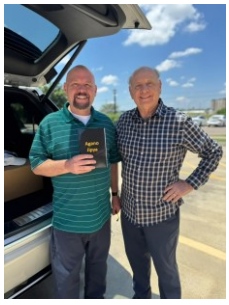
Dear Friends,

Isaiah 41:10 *Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.*

In the last few months, I have been dealing with some annoying health issues. In March, I fractured my right ankle in two places. One fracture was a stress fracture. I am still recovering from this. Later, a test indicated I have low bone mass, but not yet Osteoporosis. I am being treated for this. On July 22, I had a PET scan, which indicates a possible return of my prostate cancer. I request your prayers. These conditions have prohibited my traveling to Kenya in August with the rest of the team for the celebration of the completion of the Swahili New Testament.

Ekegusii Project: I had video meetings with the Ekegusii Translation Team on June 16 and July 14. They are meeting for three days each month to complete the translation of John and Romans before moving on to the remainder of the New Testament. They live some distance from one another, and travel is difficult. They have finished translating the Gospel of John, and in July they finished checking it for accuracy. In August, they will attend the classes in Nakuru from August 17-21 and the celebration of the Swahili New Testament on August 23. Then, they will resume translation efforts with the Book of Romans in September. Please be in prayer for their efforts and for the computer equipment needed.

Swahili Celebration: The Celebration for the "Neema Ya Mungu" (Grace of God) Swahili New Testament will be held in Nakuru Kenya on August 23. Our team will be involved. The team will consist of Dr. Steve Zeinner, Dr. Jim Taylor, Dave Mowery, Terrence McGovern, Chad Springer. The team will be teaching classes in the Bible College from August 17-21.



The Ewe Project of Togo, West Africa: Pastor Gbolou Mawouli, the Head Translator of the Ewe project, has completed his schooling at West Coast Baptist College and returned to Togo. He and the team there have been active in the translation effort while he has been in California. Recently he sent us this message: Hello Friend, I trust you are doing great by the grace of God. As said, we were able to finish the proofreading of Thessalonians, and worked on 1 Timothy and will finish it's proofreading during next schedule. Before going our separate ways, we gave ourselves a rough schedule for the rest of 2026. God willing, we will meet again probably 1st half of September and also in December. Please join us in praying for all that is necessary for the completion of the project. Looking forward to hearing from you soon, may the Lord continue to bless you and your family.

Pray for the Bukusu Project. They have been having trouble with their computer equipment. They will be taking the equipment to Nakuru in August to see if someone there can help.

Pray for Robinson Thomson, Head Translator of the Malayalam Project of India, as he seeks to raise support in the USA.

Pray for God's choice of an Africa Director for Global Bible Translators. Dr. Zeinner will be talking to a candidate while he is in Nakuru, Kenya in August.

May God Bless you all,

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