

ASM records and distributes the Bible and Bible engagement resources for people who can't, don't or won't read. For \$35, you can give an entire family the gift of hearing the Bible in their own heart language.



Connecting People to God's Word in Their Own Heart Language



JUST ONE MORE

"¡Una más!" became the battle cry as Jim and Jamie Loker, ASM Latin America Directors, traveled with short-term ministry teams to nine separate villages in Oaxaca, Mexico. The goal was to place 400 audio Bibles in the hands of designated families speaking several different minority languages. One daily challenge was to persuade local ministry partners that perhaps the team should avoid the risk of driving in the evening fog along slippery mountain passes. Smiling, they would insist, "Una más—just one more family needs us to visit them!"



Rain and mud prevented us from reaching some villages, so we entrusted the final boxes of audio Bibles to local pastors, who delivered them the following weekend. Toward the end of one trip, we heard of a last-minute need: for a small congregation in yet another rural area. We rejoice that we were able to grab an extra seven for them, bringing the total to **407 audio Bibles distributed in two short weeks**. Every single audio Bible can make a lasting difference!

Each one was gratefully received by someone like Maximiana (pictured), a 100-year-old saint who had known Jesus for forty years and now for the first time could hear His Words in her native language, or like young Orlando, a boy who literally jumped for joy when we gave his family an audio Bible.

Visit www.audioscripture.org/stories for a glimpse of Maximiana singing a song of thanksgiving as she received her audio Bible.



WHEN GOD LIGHTS A FIRE

"Is it OK I if post about this [VBS 'audio Bible' mission project] on social media?" one mom stopped by to ask the staff of Faith Reformed Church in Midland Park, NJ. This congregation was one of several churches that **experienced the joy of sparking vision** for an even wider harvest with their own community VBS, by joining with ASM (and partner, Many Hands for Haiti) this summer to provide much-valued audio Bibles to families in Haiti. Faith Reformed had about **70 children attending their VBS program**, most from families outside the church. Their mission project goal was to raise \$1,000 to send about 24 audio Bibles to Haiti.



As the kids heard the need, the spark ignited! They told their parents about this project, and many caught the fire. Parents shared with others in the community about the incredible potential of this investment: A solar-powered audio Bible can be used by anyone, doesn't require electricity at home, and will help connect a whole family to hear God's Word! Amazingly, each of the 70 kids raised almost enough for a player themselves, and then others in the Midland Park community started bringing in checks, one for \$200, then \$500, until the total came to \$6,000. We praise God for the **146 audio Bibles sent by this single VBS!** Would you prayerfully consider: What fire might God want to light through your Sunday School group or VBS in 2020, to share His Word with those still waiting to hear?

Visit www.audioscripture.org/stories to see the joy of one Haitian friend receiving an audio Bible.

MEET RABECA



Rabeca J. co-founded the Mvura Ya Upenhu Palliative Care (what we call the "Compassionate Care") program in Mozambique with Dara Vanden Bosch. Rabeca has always had a heart to care for the less fortunate in her community.

Even in her free time you'll often find Rabeca visiting widows, the sick, or even delivering babies! Rabeca often cares for children in need by taking them into her home and treating them as if they were her own. Rabeca, like many of us, has difficulty understanding why so many people experience such suffering. Yet, her **favorite Bible verse** is a constant reminder that God knows us, forms us, and loves us. Jeremiah 1:5—"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations" (NIV). Her joy is one of the wonderful qualities Rabeca brings to each patient visit—and the ability to make everyone laugh.

For enjoyment, she loves to sing, read and study her Bible, and sew or crochet. Rabeca is engaged to be married and is looking forward to her upcoming wedding. Would you please **pray for God's blessing** on this faithful team member, and her ministry of compassion?



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CALL FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

As the seasons change, I'm reminded again how God works in each step of our lives. As President of ASM, and Chairman of the Board, God has used my time of service through ASM to grow and change me immensely. I, and my family, have been blessed as God has allowed us to be a part of His work throughout the world. God can use the gifts, resources, and experiences He's given each of us to expand the reach of His Word, so all may hear. **Is God calling you to do so through ASM?**

ASM's Board consists of a team of committed volunteers, each of whom has a passion for the Lord, and a desire to share His Word globally. As part of good Board Governance practices, ASM's Board members serve with a term limit of three years (followed by rotating off the Board for one term). **We are looking for additional women and men who are interested in serving a term as a Board Member.** The commitment involves two, 1-day board meetings a year, some committee work, and a few virtual meetings, depending on ministry needs. A personal relationship with Jesus Christ, a passion for global mission, and an ability to serve are the main requirements. A background in finance, accounting, law, or technology would be especially helpful—as well as a willingness to help raise awareness about ASM within your own sphere of influence. Is the Lord calling you to prayerfully consider serving on ASM's Board of Directors, or would you like to recommend someone you know who might be a good fit? **Please email chairman@audioscripture.org for more information and an application.**



Jamison

Jamison A. Worst
ASM President & Board Chair

AWAKEN

When I was growing up there was a shampoo advertisement that ended with "... and I told two friends, and they told two friends, and they told two friends, and so on ..." Remember that commercial? I was reminded of it recently when Dara Vanden Bosch, ASM Compassionate Care Coordinator, shared the poem AWAKEN with me (see below).

What a beautiful picture of the opportunity to awaken others to Jesus Christ, as we are awakened in Him!

The story goes that "Awaken" was written during a George Whitefield revival. This 1700s revival was part of *The Great Awakening* that spread across England and the Colonies. God used *The Great Awakening* to call His Church to emphasize salvation, Bible reading, prayer, and holiness.

God's Word has many things to say about being "awake" or "watchful." The Apostle Peter reminds us to be alert regarding the evil one (1 Peter 5:8). With parables, Jesus urged his followers to, "... keep watch, because you do not know what day your Lord is coming" (Matthew 24:42, NIV). It's tempting to lose focus, or be drowsy, because (in our minds) it's been so long since Jesus promised His return. Yet, praise God that He graciously delays because He "... wants all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:4, NIV).

We believe that every person has the need, and the right, to hear God's Word, come to faith in Jesus Christ, be discipled, and grow Christ's church.

This year at ASM, we've been **Awakened To:**

- **Our desperate need for Prayer.** ASM is God's ministry, and we move under His Lordship and leadership. For each decision, and partnership we seek His will. **Would you join us as an ASM Prayer Partner?** www.audioscripture.org/pray
- **Other areas of the world that need to hear God's Word.** In 2019, we've seen open doors in South Asia (countries not named for security reasons), Guatemala, Uganda, and Haiti. Opportunities to record and / or distribute God's Word are wide open in these and other countries. **Would you prayerfully consider a gift to help ASM in these new opportunities?** www.audioscripture.org/give
- **New and renewed Partnerships.** We can't do it alone, nor should we. God has helped us establish wonderful partnerships with additional churches, and ministries. Would you, or your church or ministry, be a part of getting God's Word to more people? **Email me to learn more:** nfrizzell@audioscripture.org
- **Needs in our own Community.** Immigrants, refugees, and migrant workers are part of the beautiful, growing diversity of our region. God is bringing people here from many different countries, some of which are "creative access countries" because they are closed to the Gospel and to Christian workers. **Email me if you're interested in this renewed effort to share God's Word, here in the United States.**

As we've been awakened to the Good News, let's tell our neighbors, so "they can tell two friends, and so on...", so more people will hear of hope in Jesus Christ.

May God continue to awaken all of us in 2020, and Lord, please begin with me!



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IT'S WORTH EVERY EFFORT

We need your help today, to respond to the needs God has placed in front of us as a ministry. 2019 is quickly coming to a close and we're praying about specific languages where God's Word is not yet recorded, and where we have not yet shared any audio Scriptures. The fact is, we cannot move forward on these projects until God provides. Would you pray with us for the financial need we face to begin moving into these areas?

Your gift "Where Most Needed" will help open new doors for 2020 recording and distribution projects, while also providing much-needed support for operations. In Colossians 4, we're reminded to "make the most of every opportunity." We rely on the Lord to use your prayers, support, and partnership to do so. We delight in the Lord's pleasure as a man in Mexico grins widely, *listening to God's Word in his own language for the first time*, or as a shepherd in Kenya and a family in India *enthusiastically memorize* the



Scriptures they're listening to while working with their hands. **It is worth every effort** to share an audio Bible with a new Compassionate Care patient in Mozambique, or to hear the testimony of the Holy Spirit's work in a heart, as one person said, "As I listened... I couldn't help but believe!"

Every gift today is an investment in eternity for those who will receive the life-transforming Word of God. **What is your part?**

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