

"I need God's Word
...can you help?"

- Mario (Mozambique)
Audio Bible Recipient



**THANKS BE TO GOD FOR
HIS INDESCRIBABLE GIFT**

AUDIO SCRIPTURE MINISTRIES

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



Audio Scripture Ministries helps connect people to God's Word in their own heart language, by recording and distributing the Bible and Bible Engagement resources in audio.

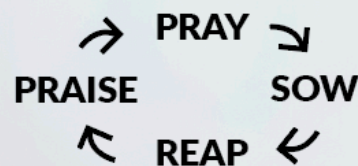
PRAY, SOW, REAP, PRAISE

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15

"Indescribable." The Apostle Paul used the Greek word "anekdiēgētō" (*don't worry, I can't pronounce it either!*) in this verse to indicate **a gift so wonderful** and so inexpressible that words failed him. As believers, this "indescribable gift" of Jesus Christ is one we don't earn, one we don't deserve, and one that **should be shared generously** with others. ***Praise God for His Gift!***

Earlier in Chapter 9, Paul reminded the Corinthians of a gift they had promised, encouraged them with God's principles of sowing and reaping generously, and emphasized that **praise would rise to God** as a result of their **generosity**.

Our team at Audio Scripture Ministries (ASM) has the privilege of **seeing YOUR generosity** yield a similar pattern to what Paul described:



God uses your prayers for significant ministry breakthroughs in Gospel-unreached regions of the world. God uses your financial support to sow the Gospel broadly and deeply through **recording** and **distributing His Word, Bible Engagement**, and in serving as the hands and feet of Jesus in **Integral Mission**.

God uses your generosity to **increase praise** and glory to His name. ***We praise God for you!***

Praises are rising to God **from those who hear His Word** and are disciplined, and as they **feel God's love** through medical care and agricultural training.

As you read ASM's Annual Report and view the video stories online, *it's my hope and prayer that **praise to God** will also rise from your lips* at what He has done. God has used **your faithfulness** in supporting ASM **to make a difference** in the lives of people around the world.

One of my favorite hymns is "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" by Charles Wesley. The second verse goes like this:

"My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad
the honors of Your Name."

Together, let's lift hearts full of praise to God for those people **listening** to His Word, **coming to faith** in Jesus Christ and being disciplined, and actively participating in a growing fellowship of believers. **Together, let's proclaim His "indescribable gift" and bring honor to His Name throughout the earth!**

Will you join us in spreading His Name—and His praise—in 2023?



Naomi
Naomi A. Frizzell
Executive Director

BUILDING HIS FAITH ONE BRICK AT A TIME



“I just found Sam listening to the Psalms on his audio Bible while building,” one Ugandan pastor joyfully reported after distributing audio Bibles.

AUDIO BIBLES



Millions of people **need to hear God's Word**, but **do not read** their own language. These "oral preference cultures" need **audio** tools and resources to hear about Jesus.

Praise God for the **effective audio tools** available so **YOU** can share God's Word in a language you don't even speak.

Solar-powered audio players range from **\$10 to \$50**, with different capabilities and strengths. SD cards, WiFi Bible boxes, and other distribution tools **equip people** to use their cell phones or other devices for **listening to and sharing** God's Word in audio!

What project could **YOUR** church or small group prayerfully consider sponsoring, so that more people will hear the Gospel in their own heart language?



GO EQUIPPED

Contact ASM's Resource Department today to discuss the best tool for **YOUR** ministry context!

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1 committed congregation. 5 amazing years. 2,100 audio Bibles distributed!

We praise God for ministry partners like Hudsonville Reformed Church (HRC, Hudsonville, MI). HRC's **Christmas Project** this year focuses on **providing audio Bibles**. "There's a Christmas tree in our lobby and **each family** can claim an audio Bible card and put their donation in the offering plate. I think we put about 300 on the tree—and **everyone gets involved!**" explained Betty, who serves with the HRC mission's support team.

"**We love hearing what God does** through these audio Bibles, and it's been a **real encouragement** to our congregation!" she added.

What a joy for young people and parents alike to see how **their family** can send God's Word in audio to **another family waiting to hear**. Several HRC missionaries who place these audio Bibles around the world are **asking for more!** Praise God for every carefully-customized, solar-powered audio Bible sent through HRC's generosity!

MINISTRY AREA LEADERS



JIM AND JAMIE LOKER

Jim and Jamie Loker, ASM's Latin America Directors, have invested more than 30 years sharing God's Word in audio with people in Guatemala, Mexico, and elsewhere. Currently, they lead audio Bible recording and distribution work in Oaxaca, Mexico, and host

short-term mission trips to share God's Word among the 100+ language groups who live in this linguistically diverse area. (Pages 13-16)



CHAD AND DARA VANDEN BOSCH

Chad and Dara Vanden Bosch, ASM's Africa Director and Compassionate Care Coordinator respectively, have shared God in Word and Deed in Mozambique for more than a decade. Through audio Bible recording, distribution, and Integral Mission efforts including the

work of their Compassionate Care and New Harvest Farm teams, Chad and Dara want more Mozambicans to encounter Jesus' love and the truth of His Word, so individuals, families, and communities can be transformed. (Pages 17-24)



TARA RYE

Dr. Tara Rye, ASM's Bible Engagement Director, is passionate about people learning and obeying God's Word. Through story-centric discipleship, pastor and leader training, international mentoring relationships, and audio Bible distribution, Tara equips others

to deepen their understanding of God's Word and winsomely share it with others—leaders who multiply by helping others “Be in the Word, Be with Jesus, and Be Transformed”! (Pages 25-28)

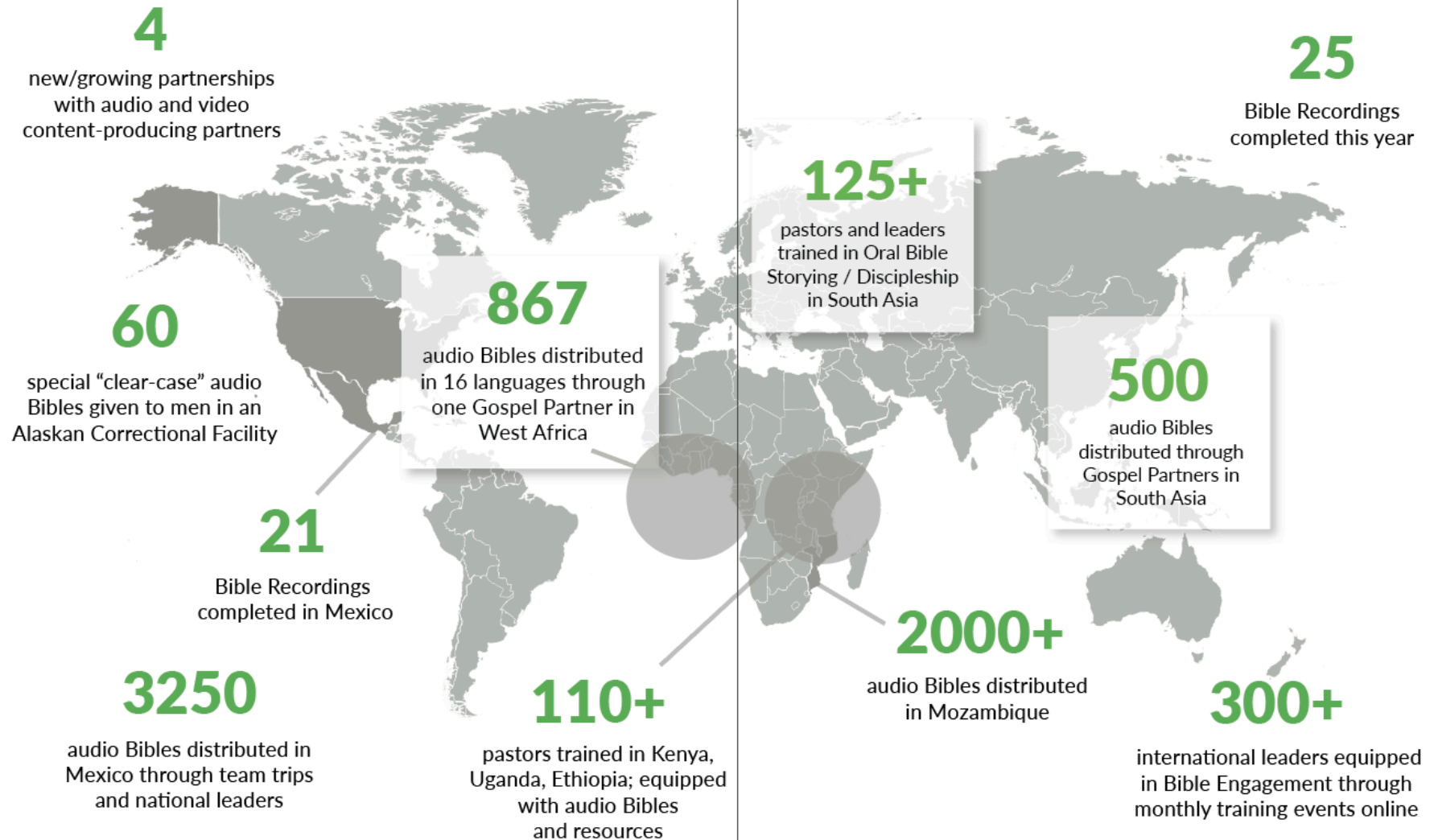


“ Thank God for this [audio Bible]... now I meet with some neighbors and we listen to the Word of God.”

— Auria, Zapotec audio Bible listener in Mexico

PRAYER + PARTNERSHIPS = GOSPEL PROGRESS

We thank God for every Gospel Partner who prays, records, distributes, and shares God's Word, so all will hear!



9388+ AUDIO BIBLES in 157 LANGUAGES through 120+ GOSPEL PARTNERS

THE NEED

2 BILLION UNREACHED

Our world is in desperate need of forgiveness and hope found only in Jesus. ASM is committed to the Great Commission given by our Lord,

“go and make disciples of all nations”
(Matthew 28:18-20).



ORAL LEARNERS

Most unreached people groups comprise oral learners. **Audio and visual tools are needed to effectively reach oral learners** with the Gospel of Jesus.

ASM gives priority to developing **Partnerships** that focus on reaching these oral people groups who have limited or no access to God's Word in audio in their own heart language.

Learn more at:
audioscripture.org/vision-2025



“Our culture is oral, so teaching people Bible stories like this will help them understand the full Bible's context!” — South Asian church planter trained in Bible Storytelling



PRAY WITH US IN 2023

- For **more “laborers for the harvest”** (Luke 10:2), so Jesus’ Name would be glorified and salvation in His Name would be proclaimed widely around the world.
- For **ASM’s Gospel Partners**—churches, national leaders, individuals, and ministries praying, supporting, recording, distributing, and connecting more people to God’s Word.
- For **persecuted Christians worldwide**, that God will give them the right words (Eph. 6:19), peace and grace in difficult circumstances (2 Cor. 12:9), protection and deliverance (Heb. 13:19), and a faithful witness in the midst of suffering (Acts 16:25).
- For funding, completion, and distribution of **needed audio Bible recordings** among people groups still without God’s Word. Pray for strength for Bible readers, recordists, and audio editors.
- For **those listening to God’s Word** daily. Ask for understanding and obedience of God’s Word and Holy-Spirit-boldness to share with others.
- For **open doors** to additional partnerships with those who will use audio Scripture for evangelism, discipleship, and church planting, so **God will be glorified** and worshipped.
- For **physical and spiritual protection** for the ASM Global Team and Board, and the faithful partners who help distribute audio Bibles worldwide.

Sign up for weekly prayer updates at

www.audioscripture.org/pray

THE BEST GIFT IN HUAVE



So many people are hungry for the truth about God in the Bible. But what if they don't read their own language? How can they learn and meditate on God's Word?

"We're bringing you the **best gift**: we have **God's Word in your language**," a woman from a local church told the Huave woman. She shrugged, "But who's going to read it to me? **Are you going to come every day and read it to me?**" she asked. "Oh, I mean, it's in **AUDIO**, you can listen to it **anytime!**" our church partner replied. The woman's eyes got wide, as she realized that she could **now listen to God's Word every day!**

On the same audio Bible distribution trip with a partner church to San Mateo, Mexico, Jim and Jamie Loker reported another person (pictured, far right) had stayed home **only because her baby fell asleep**. While she was waiting, the local pastor and our short-term team arrived. She heard the Gospel, **gave her life to Christ**, and received an audio Bible in Huave!

Praise God for "divine appointments" so people can hear and respond to His Word! YOUR support makes this ministry possible!

This Huave New Testament recording was completed by our team 11 years ago and continues to equip local leaders for evangelism and discipleship. This year we **celebrated our Mexico Team's 90th full New Testament recording!** However, dozens of recordings are still needed.





BIBLE FIRST, THEN TORTILLAS

God's Word produces a **great harvest** when it's shared! This year, your prayer and financial support resulted in **more people being equipped to share the Bible in AUDIO** with others **throughout their daily lives**.

For **Ema** and her family along the coast of southern Mexico, listening to God's Word is a **family event**. The audio Bible "has been **very helpful** for our spiritual life," Ema reflects, and it makes them want to share it with others! "**Now I invite other neighbors to come and listen to what God wants to tell us through His Word,**" Ema says.

"It is very beautiful that **we get to share the Word of God** with other people," Ema adds. She explains, "we have a **loudspeaker** to advertise our tortilla sales. But before we start advertising, my husband [connects the audio Bible] **so that the majority of the people in this community hear the Word of God**. It's one way we can thank God for what He has done in our lives."

*Thank you—YOUR sowing in this ministry is resulting in a joyful harvest of **praise and thanksgiving** rising to God!*

PRAY AND PARTNER

- Pray that God's Spirit would **prepare hearts** as His Word is distributed—to **transform** lives and communities.
 - Those receiving God's Word in audio ask: "**Pray that we would boldly share** with others the way of salvation!"
 - Of Mexico's 250 indigenous languages, **none** have a recorded Old Testament. Would you **give to help record** two upcoming Old Testament projects?
- (Designate: Loker Projects)

YOUR GIFT TO LUIZ



Meet **Luiz** (pronounced “Luish,” pictured right). He delivers coal in Mozambique to support his family. Two or three times every week, he bikes 80-100 miles round-trip to gather charcoal, deep in the bush, and sell it in the village to support his wife and children (including a

newborn baby). When the Compassionate Care Team met him 5 years ago, they struck up a friendship. Recently, he asked the question we love to hear, “**Please—could I have an audio Bible?** I would like to listen while I make these trips back and forth.”

Thanks to YOUR support, we answered with a resounding, “**YES!**” Even though Luiz will still have long days biking charcoal to and from the village, his smile says it all: **now he’s listening to God’s Word in his own language!**

After the ASM team gave him a much-longed-for audio Bible, he immediately thought about his family, and how he **wanted his family to listen, too**. Thank you for making it possible for Luiz, his family, and many others like them to **hear and SHARE** the promises of God!





SHE LEFT A LEGACY

Your support of ASM's Compassionate Care (CC) Team serves rural Mozambican friends in physical need and leaves a **lasting spiritual legacy**. Led by Dara Vanden Bosch, the Team **shares Jesus' love** on weekly visits to patients and their families. Listening, sharing God's Word, singing, praying, and doing art together **brings comfort and support**.

In a culture with little leisure time and few material goods, **using God-given creativity in art** has helped provide **outlets for healing and restoration**—for patients and CC team members alike. The art supplies sent in the 2021 Container Project continue to be a big blessing!

One beloved patient, Christina, **passed away** in 2022. It was a painful loss for her family—and for the CC Team who visited her weekly over many years. After the funeral, Christina's sister reflected on how much these visits meant to their family, and **the legacy items Christina left as a result**. Her young son, Josepha, now has physical reminders of her such as, **"her quilt, crocheted bed cover, and the framed photo"** provided by the Team, in addition to **her audio Bible** which the family uses regularly. Thank you for helping provide a physical and spiritual LEGACY through Compassionate Care!


PRAY AND PARTNER

- Pray for **perseverance** for ASM team members as they serve as Jesus' "hands and feet" in Mozambique.
- Pray for God to bring **lasting change** in every family now listening to God's Word, and an **eagerness to share** with others who have not yet heard.
- Your help is needed. Would you prayerfully consider a gift—so we can say "yes" to those who ask our team for God's Word in audio?

Designate:

- MZ Audio Bibles
- Compassionate Care

SOWING IN WORD AND DEED



“Bibles in audio help a lot, not only to feed our souls, but also to help us be able to share!”

— audio Bible recipient in Mozambique

INTEGRAL MISSION

587

COMPASSIONATE CARE VISITS

brought medical care and Gospel hope to **palliative and hospice care patients** and their families in rural Mozambique.



160+

LOCAL FARMING FAMILIES

were provided good seed through **New Harvest Farm** in Mozambique, addressing family food security needs alongside spiritual needs.



AUDIO BIBLES FOR MEDICAL MISSIONS

"My treasured Vovo [Grandma] Theresa died today. My comfort comes from knowing **she knew the Lord, thanks to having an audio Bible,**" an ASM Gospel Partner shared. "I praise God she had the opportunity to know Him **through the audio Bible you blessed her with...**"

Thank YOU for providing audio Bibles for Gospel Partners serving in medical missions!
(Designate: Compassionate Care Grant)



NEW HARVEST FARM (NHF)

The soil of hearts listening to God's Word is being cultivated **by your support** of Chad Vanden Bosch and the NHF Team. Along with God's Word in audio, you helped provide good crop seed, new farming techniques, and clean water to **help meet the urgent needs** of hundreds of families living with food insecurity in Central Mozambique.



LISTENING WHILE WORKING

Your gifts made it possible to share God's Word in audio with subsistence farmers at a **local agricultural association training** in Central Mozambique. Later, our team was happy to see these farmers in the field **eagerly listening to their audio Bibles while they worked.** At one training, an innovative farmer even brought a loudspeaker so they could play it for the whole group!

WE WILL TEACH OTHERS



55 church leaders, from 45 different districts of one country in South Asia gathered recently with Dr. Tara Rye and her husband Greg (pictured, right) to train in story-centric discipleship. They left **eager and equipped** to return to their church-planting teams with **new tools to share God's Word** through oral Bible storytelling evangelism and discipleship techniques.

"This is **VERY important**," reflected one church leader, recognizing how it enabled leaders to teach and pass along Bible stories effectively, **without relying on any outside personnel or funds**. In nearby areas, many have faced persecution and accusations of forced 'conversions'—but Bible storytelling offers a **powerful** and lower-risk **way of introducing people to Jesus**.

In another country on the continent of Africa, one young lady whom Tara taught a Bible story remarked, "I cannot believe that **you are trusting me with these stories!**" She went home and shared with her mother, aunts, and siblings, who **all came the next day to hear more**.

YOUR prayers and support are **multiplying the spread of God's Word**, by **training those who will learn and share God's Word with others!** Thank you!





STARTING WITH A STORY

A* and S*, a couple in Greater South Asia, are passionate about **sharing God's Word through stories**, trained and mentored by Tara Rye and her husband, Greg. A* and S* are **now training dozens of others in this region!** Mrs. R* and her husband were soon moving to another city, but before they left, S* shared the story of the Flood with Mrs. R*. After they moved, Mrs. R* **began to share** the Bible stories she had learned with several women, men, and families in her new home. Starting from just one story, now **MANY of them have come to know Jesus as their Savior!**

A* said, "It **often takes 5-10 years** to reach a Hindu [with the Gospel of Jesus]. But we are discovering it is easier to teach about Christ if done through teaching the women, who will go and teach their families." **More than 20 women, men, and families are being baptized** as a result of this work. A* said, "This is the **direct fruit of Tara's Bible Engagement training!**"

YOUR prayer and financial support of Tara and Bible Engagement make this ministry possible—**thank you!** Through oral Bible storying, **God is stirring up a hunger** for His Word in many **least-reached** areas.

PRAY AND PARTNER

- Pray for **REVIVAL** in the hearts of those who are **hearing** God's Word, and **meditating** on Scripture stories.
- Pray for the Lord to bring key **people of peace** who can be trained in new communities, so they in turn can **help** pass along the stories of the Bible to **others**.
- National leaders from several African and Asian countries are requesting in-person **training events**. **Your financial support is needed** to make those training events possible!

(Designate: Tara Rye
Support/Bible Engagement)

BECAUSE YOU GAVE



Audio Bible listeners are coming to faith in Jesus and being baptized by national partners in Mexico

Your planned gifts including IRA distributions, stock gifts, estate and others are helping share God's Word with more people. Thank you!

Learn how you can leave a legacy at: www.audioscripture.org/planned-giving



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LEGEND

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(MX) Mexico Team
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(BM) Board Member
(MZ) Mozambique Team

TO LEARN MORE

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FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT



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CHURCHES
DONATED

joining in the Great Commission to reach the many without the Bible in their own heart language.



602+

INDIVIDUALS
DONATED

sending generous support so more people can receive God's Word in audio.



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ORGANIZATIONS
DONATED

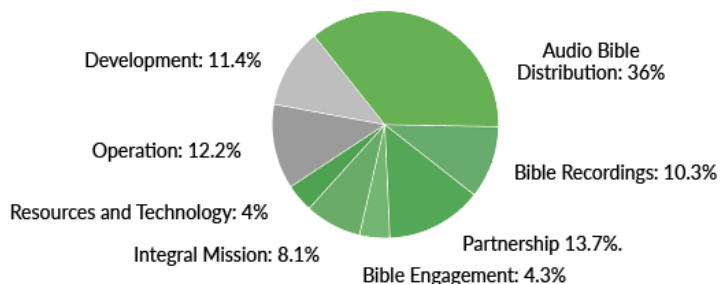
committing business, foundation, and partnership resources to help share God's Word in an accessible way.

2021-22 INCOME: \$1,300,500*

*(Does not include May 2022's building sale funds, part of which will be allocated to a new building, and part invested directly into ministry. Learn more at: www.audioscripture.org/move)

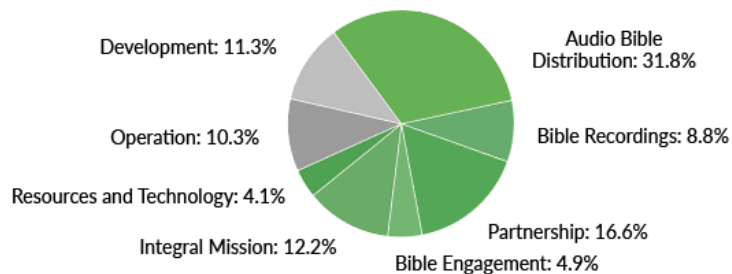
2021-22 EXPENSES

\$1,157,328



2022-23 EXPENSE GOALS

\$1,597,872



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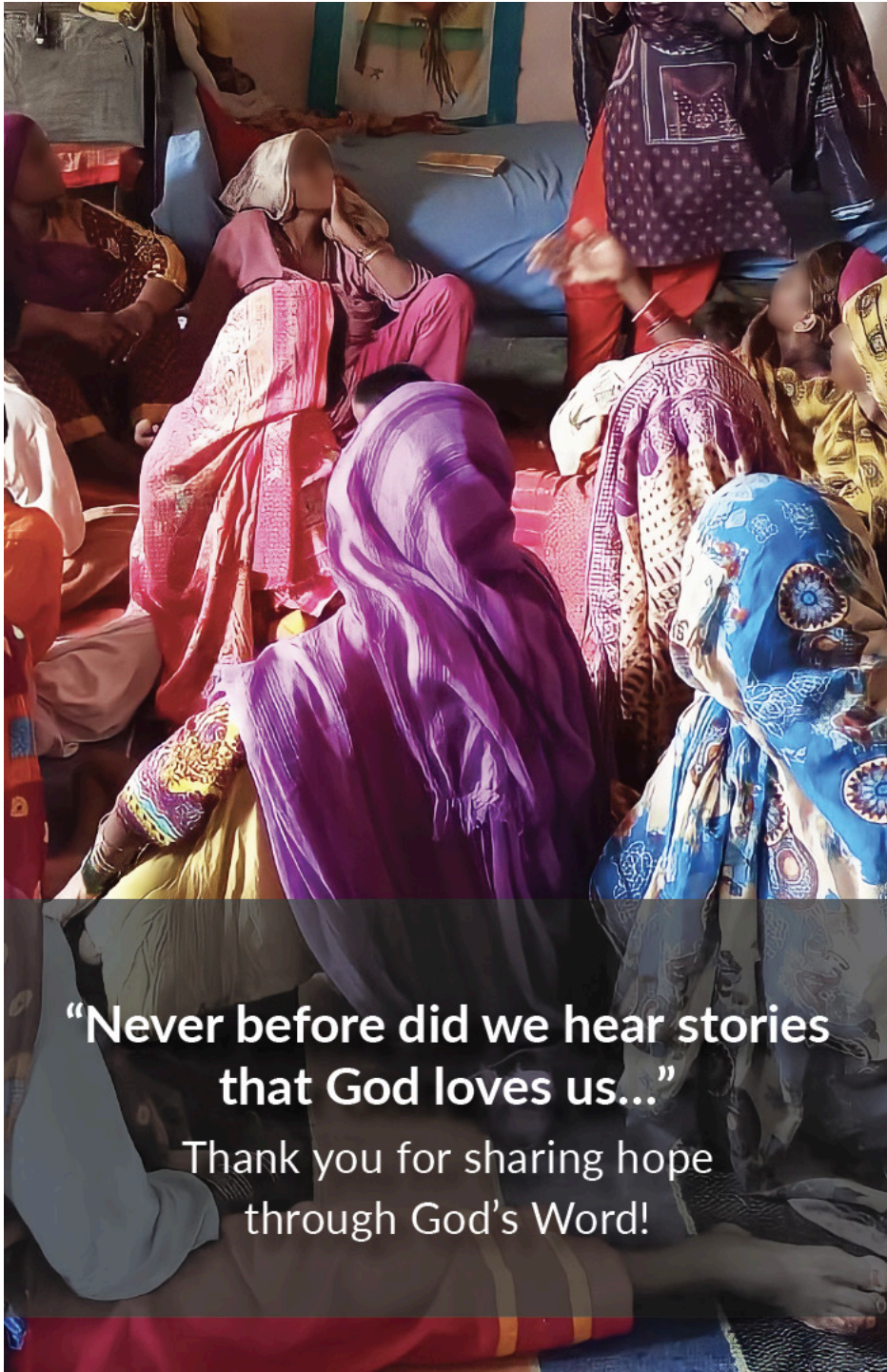
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**“Never before did we hear stories
that God loves us...”**

Thank you for sharing hope
through God’s Word!