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HERDERS HEARING



God's Word is **reaching the unreached**, thanks to your prayer and support! Pastor David and Tirrim Trust, an ASM Gospel Partner, led a recent **veterinarian outreach** in northern Kenya. This effort served herding communities recovering from **four years of drought conditions**. Your generous contributions, along with other partners, provided **346 audio Bibles** in the heart languages of families in these **hard-to-reach people groups**.

During these droughts, migratory herders saw vast percentages of their animals—their **livelihood**—weaken and succumb to the elements and disease. ASM's Gospel Partner responded to the **urgent need** with a team of veterinarians to **care for 53,201 sick and weakened animals**. They administered thousands of vaccinations and treated sheep, goats, and camels.

While the nomadic lifestyle of these communities makes it **challenging to reach them with the Gospel**, this veterinary outreach brought the hope and Gospel of Jesus Christ through tangible help, audio Bibles, and The Jesus Film. These families are **now hearing** stories of God's goodness through the **audio Scripture devices YOU provided**.

Thank you for remembering these **nomadic people** by providing urgently-needed physical and spiritual support. *Would you pray and give a gift to **continue this vital work**?* Your donation can provide **more opportunities to share God's Word with one more family**. God is using your help to bring **community transformation** in the message of salvation through Jesus.



CHRIST IN THE IN-BETWEEN



Time-lapse videos are one of my favorite things. Perhaps it's the payoff at the end of the video...the seedling becomes a flower; the house is renovated; the sun rises and sets...all in 60 seconds or less.

The beginning and end are important, but **what happens in between is crucial** to the flower, the house, and the sun. Without

that **"in-between"**—the growth, repair, and birth of a new day—there wouldn't be a satisfying ending.

It's **the same in our lives** as we worship, obey, and follow Jesus. British Missionary C.T. Studd reflects in his poem "Only One Life" about the importance of **daily investing in eternity**:

"Give me Father, a purpose deep, In joy or sorrow Thy Word to keep; Faithful and true what e'er the strife, Pleasing Thee in my daily life; Only one life, 'twill soon be past,

Only what's done for Christ will last."

What you are doing for Christ—and your prayer and financial support of Audio Scripture Ministries (ASM)—is leaving a **lasting Gospel impact on thousands of lives globally**.

God is using you to equip people like Pastors Asaph, Simon, David, Peter, Steve, and Oscar, and leaders like Samuel, Helen, and Rosa (and others—names withheld for security), as you faithfully pray and give generously. These faithful men and women eagerly share God's Word and boldly train others. **Jesus is being proclaimed, people disciplined, and Gospel-focused churches are being planted!**



I wish you could see a time-lapse of the impact you're having around the world for Christ through ASM. Even in this fiscal year, you'd see all the ways God is answering your prayers and using your financial support to grow His Kingdom, with:



11 audio Bible recordings completed.

10,640 audio Bible devices shared, in East Africa, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Kenya, Mexico, Mozambique, Portugal, Uganda, the United States, and with unreached people groups in Asia, South Asia, and beyond.



54+ Bible Engagement training events completed.
Integral Mission efforts serving as the hands and feet of Jesus.



Rejoice in all God is doing →

As you pray for ASM and for those listening to God's Word in audio, consider ways the Lord is calling **you** to **make the most** of your "in-between" time by **helping share His Word**. And together, "Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may **spur one another on toward love and good deeds**" (Hebrews 10:23-24, NIV).

Our Lord and Savior **Jesus Christ is faithful** and people need to hear!



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PRAISE GOD FOR VISION 2025 PROGRESS



Prayer

- Praise God for an **additional 73** supporting churches on the **prayer guide mailing list**



Partnerships

- **Bible Engagement training** in South Asia, equipping leaders from dozens of districts, in person, to train others



Gospel Progress

- **3 additional Bible recordings** in progress in Mexico and Mozambique
- **Audio Bible** devices sent in **112+** languages this year
- **54+ Bible Engagement training events** to equip leaders
- Integral Mission—**192 palliative care patients** served to-date
- **Doors opening** in a South Asian unreached group via disaster relief

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STORIES WORTH SHARING



Even before the important work of Bible translation takes place in their own language, your support is making it possible for **national leaders to learn and teach Bible “story sets”** for evangelism and discipleship. ASM Bible Engagement Director **Tara Rye** is **coaching dozens of leaders** in Greater South Asia and on the continent of Africa to internalize and teach God’s Word with greater confidence.

“You revealed God’s Word to us in a very different way **so we can share**. It is a very powerful tool,” exclaimed S*, a next-generation leader in Asia. Leaders are not only growing in understanding God’s truth but feel **better equipped to share it** through these **Bible story sets**. L*, a businessman, and Simon, a pastor, both from South Asia, are among the remarkable leaders wanting to develop their discipleship skills through storytelling. “I was captivated ... left the class feeling inspired and motivated to learn more” L* wrote.

Based on Scriptural themes God provides, Tara has developed **sets of stories** that explore **Biblical topics** like evangelism, Jesus bringing healing, and stories of widows throughout the Bible. Organized into workbooks, these **groups of stories** have become **valuable references** for leaders to teach the Bible in their communities, engage with relevant needs, and address urgent questions with **examples straight from God’s Word**.

Your help is needed to continue this vital work. Would you consider making a gift to **support Tara** in providing this **vital training to leaders** eager to learn and share God’s Word?



VBS KIDS MAKING IT HAPPEN



"Ready, Set, Move," was the VBS theme of Jerseyville Baptist Church (ON, Canada), where a small but mighty group of kids are making it possible to share God's Word. Every day the children heard first-hand stories from congregants and guests on a recent Galcom International mission trip in partnership with ASM Latin America Directors Jim and Jamie Loker, to support Gospel radio stations and place audio Bibles with those in need. This VBS fundraiser was in preparation for the next trip.

In just one week, 61 VBS kids and their families raised enough to send about 40 more audio Bibles to families still waiting to hear God's Word in rural Oaxaca, Mexico.

Even a small-town church can make a big difference for eternity!

What could God do through your community to send life-changing Gospel tools? Call us today (616-396-5291) to learn how YOU and your church can help share God's Word and invite others in your community to be Gospel Partners. God can use every audio Bible sent to make a difference—transforming a community by His Word!

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HOPE MADE TANGIBLE



"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart," Ecclesiastes 3:11a NIV says. Chad and Dara Vanden Bosch (ASM Africa Director and Compassionate Care Coordinator, respectively) are cultivating and living out the eternal, Gospel hope through life-centric farming, creativity-promoting community art events, and whole-person palliative care. Your prayer and supper make this possible.

At New Harvest Farm, Chad and his team are introducing agroforestry, farming that celebrates the processes God built into His creation. "We're working with life, building life, planting with abundance, and harvesting in abundance. It's an amazing way to see God's abundance unlocked, through using life and not death," Chad shares.

Similarly, Dara and her team are inviting people to create beauty as a practice of rest, as 'memorial stones' of what God has done and is doing. She shares that "He continues to renew my soul through the strokes on the canvas. Just as God, our Father and Creator, the greatest artist, created us in His image, I think He also wants us to create." These art events have been met with so much enthusiasm that she was told she would have to host them more often.

While the enemy of our soul comes to steal, kill, and destroy, GOD brings hope and life through the Gospel of Jesus. Pray for Chad and Dara as they and their teams live out this hope amidst difficult situations in rural Mozambique.

