

The Worth of a Piece of Paper

Madam Afarapo Anaab, along with many others, applied for the position of cook at the Sandema Senior High School in Ghana. So many people for one job but she went to the interview.

She needed the job to support the feeding and the education of her children in school. Not all children in Ghana can attend school and when they do, classrooms can have around 45 students.

When she was asked whether she could read or write, she said yes and pulled out her literacy certificate she had brought along. Later, she learned she was the one chosen for the job, because of her advantage of having the certificate. "I really did not believe it when I was advised to keep my literacy certificate very well for it could get me employment one day."



Madam Afarapo Anaab is a literacy graduate of the Buli Project that we developed to teach the Buli people to read and write, so that when the Bible was translated they would be able to read it. This is another example of how we are impacting lives physically and spiritually for the Kingdom. Praise God for literacy certificates!

Updates

To update you about stories mentioned in previous newsletters and emails.

Rangi Language (Nov 07) - Rangi language has been granted approved orthography status! Now it can be printed in unlimited quantities as the Scriptures are translated.

Year of the Bible (May 07) - Remember the national newspaper allowing a Bible page every week? In February, the Solomon Islands government pledged more than \$400,000 to Bible related projects. A major portion is towards the publication of the complete Pijin Bible which is to be dedicated July 7, 2008.

It is also sponsoring twice daily two-minute Bible readings in Pijin. Other plans include the publication of Bible studies and other materials which will encourage people to read their Bibles everyday.

Surgery (Nov 07) - The surgery I had in October didn't fix everything and I had anticipated having additional surgery in April. The surgeon wants to wait six months and I am getting a second opinion.

Check-IT-Out Charlotte (Feb 08) - Was our largest conference yet (64 people attended) and 14 are applying for membership, six are doing remote volunteer work and six or more are planning on becoming long term volunteers to name just a few of the statistics!

Chad (Feb 08) - Staff have been able to return to the country and continue Bible translation!

New Check-IT-Out Website



It's live online at www.checkitout.org! We still have a few details to put on regarding our September 18-20, Silicon Valley Area Check-IT-Out conference. **Please pray for all the conference details to come together.**

My Happenings!



Attended a three-day session by Ray VanderLaan, "That the World May Know" series. I soaked up the Jewish background and cultural teaching that helps give a better understanding of the Bible.

Completed the Crown Financial Small Group Bible Study. Their recent newsletter had this statement :

If you earn \$37,000 per year, you are in the top 4 % of wage earners in the world. If you earn \$50,000 per year, you are in the top 1%.

A humbling thought with all the economy, gas prices and talk of recession.

Represented JAARS at the Lancaster, SC Senior Career Day.

Attended the Kayaking Olympic trials in Charlotte. It was a beautiful, fun day to shoot photographs!



First Recruits

Jon & Julie Limmer in VT, were my very first contacts to become members. They are at 74% in support and hope to come to JAARS full time for training and service in August. Would you pray towards that end?



Up Coming Projects & Events

I am in the process of writing a Check-IT-Out Manual to help Wycliffe organizations facilitate further conferences worldwide.

I'm planning a May trip to visit my Southern partners.

We are working on material to put in the Information Center website restricted to the Wycliffe/SIL family regarding our International IT Mobilization department.

Currently I am working with 40 volunteers who are in the worldwide assignment process.

- June 14** Summer Missions Festival
Buies Creek, NC
- July 11 & 12** Precept Bible Training, Charlotte
- July 20 - 25** Missionary Camp Speaker to 7-11 year old girls, VA
- Aug 23-24** Missions at Smoketown Airport, PA

Prayer Requests

- ✓ Wisdom regarding surgery or preferred, the Lord's healing touch!
- ✓ The multitude of responsibilities that make it difficult to break away for rest or other work.
- ✓ For increased sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's leading.

Check-IT-Out Charlotte



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