

Summer Note from the Franks... Preparation!

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Dear Friends and Family,

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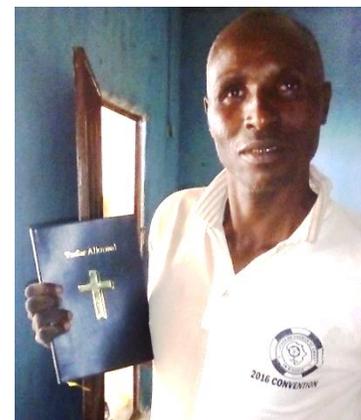
This summer all of our activities have involved preparation. With God's help we have completed editing projects, attended a family reunion, taught phonetics and phonology at Explore Bible Translation in Pennsylvania, played the organ and piano for worship services, communicated about future translation consulting work in Nigeria, and written a paper to present at a conference. Preparation, such as carefully going over a paper before submitting it for publication or a conference, or listing what will be needed when packing for a family reunion, is important. But preparing for the birth of our grandson, who will arrive in early September definitely has been the most fun! Most importantly, we are asking God to deliver him safely and to help us share God's love with him our whole life.



We realize the first step for any new undertaking or assignment is to ask God for his blessing, guidance, and help. So we are thankful that you, our partners, prepare us in the best way possible for our work in Bible translation ministry—with prayer. Here are our prayer requests:

Give thanks!

- The Nya Huba New Testament translation is back from the printer, and the dedication ceremony will be held on November 17, 2018, in northeast Nigeria. David was a consultant for this translation from 2014 to its completion in 2016.
- Two editing projects I completed and submitted are *The Article in Post-Classical Greek* and "Hajong Verbal Morphology." The first, a book, gives translators and consultants new insights into Greek and the Greek New Testament text. The second, a paper, available online at www.sil.org/resources/publications/entry/75129, will help linguists understand the verb system in Hajong.
- David was invited to present a paper about the Gullah language at the Society for Caribbean Linguistics conference in Costa Rica in August. As an SIL senior linguistics consultant, he is encouraged to write research papers and take part in linguistics conferences.



Peter Bulus and the Nya Huba
New Testament

Our Prayer Requests

- Pray that the book and paper that I edited will be well received, as well as David's paper on Gullah.
- We ask that God will give our daughter, Kimberly, and grandson safety in childbirth. The due date is September 1.
- New doors seem to be opening for the Kibaku and Kamo translation projects in Nigeria. We are thankful and ask for patience as it will take time to work out details in Nigeria before we can return there.
- David is preparing to go to Guinea-Bissau this fall to check translation for the Kriol team at the rural translation center in Lendem. Please pray for that preparation, as well as safety and good health while away from home.
- We are asking God to send new partners to join us. While we are grateful to God that he always meets our needs, our monthly support is significantly lower than the ministry budget set for us by Wycliffe. As several of our partners have passed away, our support level has decreased. We are grateful that our current partners are wonderfully generous!

Lynn

Lynn and David Frank



Kimberly with baby on the way!

Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.

1 Peter 1:13

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