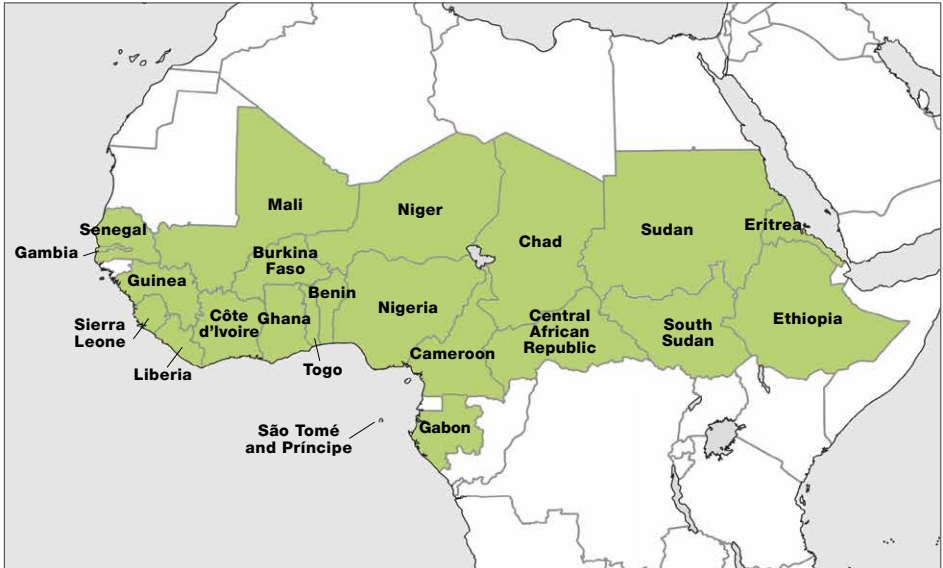


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JANUARY

1 – 4 Jan

Guinea: Pray that the Word of God will reach the hearts of the people. Pray for the Bible Society, that the work we do will impact many individuals and meet their Bible needs.

Mali: Mali has a number of national languages, pray that the local Bible Society will be able to teach biblical principles to the people in their respective heart languages. Also, pray that various projects will draw more people to the Word of God.

Senegal: As the country grapples with a number of issues like literacy, continue to pray that God will help the local Bible Society to make a difference in the lives of people living there and to meet their Bible needs. Praise God for the work already done there.

5 – 11 Jan

The Gambia: Pray for our projects to reach out to children and the youth. Also, pray for the necessary funding for our projects as well as for improved infrastructure.

Sierra Leone: Pray that the project to translate the

first New Testament into Sherbro will progress well and that it will meet the needs of the Sherbro people who are primarily fishermen and traders.

Liberia: Pray for translation work in this country, that the Bible Society will be able to reach the citizens of this country through the Word in their own language, and specifically, for the project to translate the Bible into Dan.

12 – 18 Jan

Burkina Faso: We thank God for the impact of the trauma healing programme

here. Christians are in the minority and we, therefore, pray for many people to come to salvation. Pray for our safety, as we have had terrorist attacks over the last few years.

Côte d'Ivoire: Pray for economic stability in the country and for sufficient funding for our translation projects. Presidential and general elections in the country are due to take place this year, please pray for the country during this time.

Ghana: Pray specifically for the Bono Bible translation project as well as other ongoing Bible translations. Pray for the preparations for the UBS World Assembly to be hosted by the Bible Society in 2022. Pray for all our projects and activities.

19 – 25 Jan

Togo: Pray that God's Word will reach the hearts of the people. Pray for the Bible translation of the Lama Old Testament as its conclusion will mean a first complete Bible in this language. Furthermore, also pray for the translation into Kabiye.

Benin: Pray that the biblical message will reach an increasing number of people. Pray that the completion of the translation of the eagerly awaited Bible in Gun will progress smoothly and help speakers to interact with the Word anew.

Niger: Pray that the Word will be spread in this country and that the people's Bible needs will be met adequately.

Pray for the Bible Society's operations and for the safety of staff.

Nigeria: Pray that God will restore peace in the country. Pray that Bible translations will transform the lives of Nigerians. Pray that there will be more support for the Bible cause in Nigeria. Also pray that our programmes will help people to interact with the Word of God.

26 Jan – 1 Feb

Gabon: Pray that the message of the Bible will be known widely in this country. Pray for the new translation of the Bible into Omyènè. The original text of this Bible is almost 90 years old and a new translation is crucial.

Sahel Project: Thank God for the Bible work already done in the predominantly Muslim African countries forming part of the Sahel region. Pray that Bible work will grow in **Cape Verde** and **Guinea-Bissau** as well as **Mauritania**.

Chad: Praise God for the work that was already done in this Central African country. Continue to pray that the local Bible Society will be able to teach biblical principles to all people, especially young people and children.

FEBRUARY

2 – 8 Feb

Cameroon: Pray that Bible work will touch the hearts of the people of Cameroon. Pray

for the various activities of the Bible Society, especially the translation of the Bible into Guidar. In addition, pray for Bible work in **Equatorial Guinea**.

Central African Republic:

Pray for the people whose lives have been devastated by the civil war that has lasted for decades. Pray for lasting peace in the country and for the development of the Bible Society. Pray for the project to rebuild the headquarters of the Bible Society which was destroyed in 2003.

São Tomé and Príncipe:

Praise God for the Bible work already done here. Pray that the Bible needs of the Christians here will be met.

South Sudan: The world's newest nation has endured much hardship. Please pray for peace in the country and for the construction of the Bible Mission House.

9-15 Feb

Eritrea: Please pray that through the Word, Bible Society work will reach many individuals in this multilingual country. Also, pray that the Bible will be available in various formats and translations that meet their needs.

Ethiopia: Praise God for what they have been able to achieve through spreading the Word of God in this country. Pray for the Bible Society's projects and that these may attract more people to the biblical message.

Sudan: Sudan has many challenges to overcome. Pray for the various population groups and that their Bible needs will be met through the translation of the Scriptures into their respective heart languages, for example, the translation for the Otoro people.

16 – 22 Feb

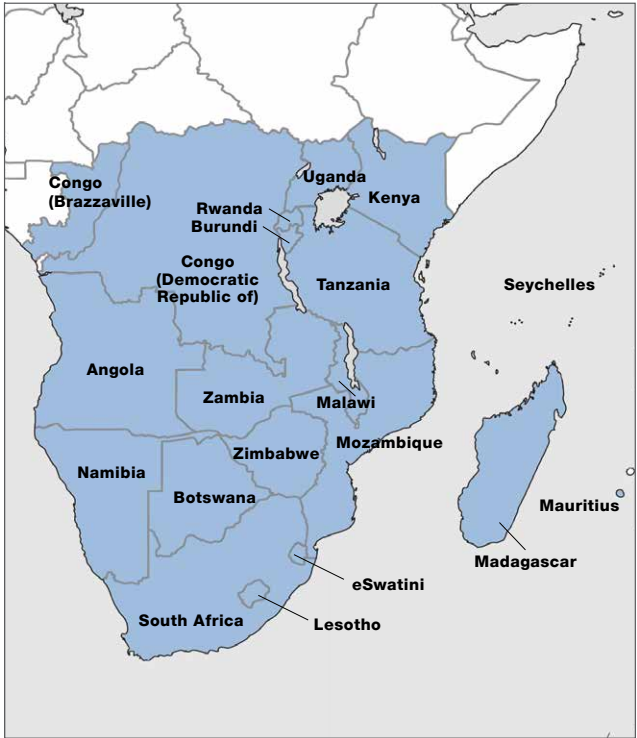
Congo (Brazzaville): Pray for Bible work here and that it will meet the Bible needs of the people. Pray for the work on various translations, particularly for the complete Bible in Beembe.

Congo (Democratic Republic): Pray for God's blessing on Bible work in this country. Pray for various translation projects that aim to bring the Bible to citizens, sometimes for the first time, in their heart language.

Tanzania: Please pray for various projects in our country. Pray for adequate funding to be able to complete translation projects on schedule. Pray that these Bibles will make a difference in the lives of the people here.

23 – 29 Feb

Burundi: Continue to pray for God to bless the Bible work here. Pray for our Kirundi Study Bible. Pray that this study version will really make a difference as Kirundi is spoken by most of the citizens of the country.



Kenya: Pray that God will bless our Ma'di North translation project. Pray that this Bible in a new orthography will make a difference in the lives of those enthusiastically awaiting its completion.

Rwanda: Please pray for our local fundraising strategy based on the use of telecommunication companies operating in Rwanda. Pray that every church member will commit to financially contributing to the Bible cause, as well as for more funds for advocacy projects.

Uganda: Pray that God's Word will reach the hearts of the entire population. Pray

that through the work of the local Bible Society, we will reach every individual in formats and translations that can meet their needs.

MARCH

1 – 7 Mar

Angola: Thank God for all that has been done here. Pray that the Bible Society will be able to buy a warehouse in order to store Scriptures. Pray that God will give wisdom to translators and their families to develop more publications in national languages so they can reach the people's hearts with the Word.

Malawi: Pray that God will bless Bible work in this country. Pray that his Word will reach the hearts of the people, especially the children through suitable Bible material.

Zambia: Pray that the Word of God will reach and touch the hearts of the people. Pray specifically for translation work to meet the various Bible needs of the population.

8 – 14 Mar

Madagascar: The Malagasy Bible Society continues to face many challenges. Please pray that the local churches will share the Bible Society's vision and mission. Also, pray for improvement to the infrastructure as it will lead to an increase in Bible distribution.

Mauritius: Praise God for Bible work on this island. Pray that the Bible needs of the people, not only of this island but also of **Réunion** and **Rodrigues**, will be adequately met.

Seychelles: Please pray for potential donors to fund various projects, and for these projects to be successful.

15 – 21 Mar

Botswana: Pray that the people of Botswana will increasingly be drawn to the Word of God. Pray that God will meet their Bible needs, especially those who are somewhat marginalised in society.

Mozambique: Thank God for the completion and launch of the Bible translations into Txitxopi and Elomwe. Praise God for the new Scripture warehouses in Maputo-Benfica and in Chimoio. Pray for peace as well as political and economic stability in the country.

Zimbabwe: Praise God for the 80th anniversary of the Bible Society last year. Pray specifically for people with visual disabilities. Also, pray that our projects will impact our nation and for an increase in our distribution efforts.

22 – 28 Mar

Eswatini (Swaziland): Pray that God's Word will be spread widely in this country especially among young people and children. Thank God for all that the Bible Society has been able to achieve.

Namibia: Pray for the work of the Bible Society in a highly volatile economy. Pray for the necessary funds for the translation of the new Bible into Oshiwambo and as well as for other fundraising initiatives. Furthermore, pray for every donor, partner and friend of the Bible Society.

South Africa: Thank God for 200 years of Bible work in our country. Please pray for the success of the *Year of the Bible*, that Christians will engage with the Bible more. Pray for the launch of new translations in isiZulu and Afrikaans.

Lesotho: Please pray that the local Bible Society will be able to teach biblical principles to various generations in the country. Pray that the various projects may draw an increasing number of people to the Word of God.

