

Wycliffe Associates

EVERY VERSE. EVERY TONGUE. EVERY TASK.

2007 Annual Report



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A Message from the PRESIDENT/CEO

Dear Friend,

Every single item you'll see in the following report is really just **a means to an end**—to the exciting goal of launching a Bible translation for every language that needs it by the year 2025. We call that goal **Vision 2025**. Construction projects started and finished, volunteers serving, income and expense . . . in 2007, supporters like you had an enormous impact on accelerating Bible translation around the world toward Vision 2025.

I wish you could have attended the dedication of the Folopa New Testament in Papua New Guinea with me this year. Their tears of joy and shouts of praise and thanksgiving would forever convince you of the lasting value of your support!

Today, more than **2,200 languages**, representing hundreds of millions of people, don't possess a single word of Scripture—not one verse to guide them to Jesus Christ. Our theme this year is, "Without God's Word, they're being swept away," and it's true. Every year of delay means thousands of people die without hearing the Good News. This heartbreaking thought should motivate us all to ever-greater efforts!



Bruce Smith
President/CEO

Volunteers are key to the fulfillment of Vision 2025. Today, we can increase the speed, efficiency, and quality of Bible translation by bringing translators together for training and resource-sharing, but that takes buildings, computers, transportation services, and a whole host of duties the translators can't perform themselves. Volunteers who come as construction help or support staff ensure that Bible translators can focus on their area of expertise—putting God's Word into the heart language of a people who've never heard God speak to them. **In fact, without volunteers, Bible translation worldwide would be crippled.**

Maybe God is calling you to volunteer! The whole world is our ministry field, so you can travel to any region of the world where your heart is led. And we have work for all kinds of people with all kinds of skills! If you can design an HVAC system, lay a foundation, or balance a budget, you have the skills to be a Wycliffe Associates volunteer. But you also have the skills if you can paint a wall, cook a meal, or tutor a child. When it comes to supporting Bible translation, there's room for *everyone!*

If we can put **more volunteers** into the field in 2008, we'll finish construction projects and provide support to translators which will pay enormous dividends for years to come . . . and that means getting God's Word to millions of people more quickly.

Of course, if you're not called to volunteer, there are still plenty of ways to have an impact on worldwide Bible translation. Financial support, prayer support, and sharing the message of Wycliffe Associates with your friends all help keep people from being "swept away." **Please prayerfully consider how God wants you to be involved with Wycliffe Associates this year to reach the hearts of millions of Bibleless people!**

Until the task is done,

2007 MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

How people just like you advanced the cause of Bible translation last year



A new era begins in America

Faithful financial supporters and a truly incredible volunteer team got Phase I of our new Volunteer Mobilization Center (VMC) in Orlando completed this year! The 16,000-square-foot space was a flurry of activity as the staff started to move in on December 6—sometimes stepping carefully around paint cans as willing volunteers finished last-minute tasks. Every square foot now accelerates worldwide Bible translation by facilitating volunteer training, assignment, and mobilization. By 2010, we are working toward having at least 5,000 volunteers a year make the VMC their “staging ground” as they head out to support translators and their families. We couldn’t be more excited, or more grateful to God and everyone who helped!



Double the numbers in Kenya

The first-floor slab is down, and the forms are set for the second floor of the new Bible Translation and Literacy multi-purpose building in Kenya, thanks to partners like you who have shared from the heart to support this effort. On completion, the new building will enable double the number of translation workers, dramatically speeding up translation work.



In an unnamed country . . .

The new 14,000-square-foot Palos* Training Center has opened in South Asia, with ample space for language workshops, computer training, offices, classrooms, and much more. Wycliffe Associates’ generous partners sent volunteer construction teams to do the work. It’s the first time these translators have been able to work free from intense street noise and frequent power outages! Palos is strategically located in a very difficult (and therefore unnamed) country where there are 150 languages still needing translation.

*This is a pseudonym for security reasons.



Dream comes true in Papua New Guinea

After 10 months of hard labor and much prayer and support from friends like you, a translation and literacy training center is open on Papua New Guinea's Buka island, with a population of 130,000. The three-story center will support the training of national translators to accelerate Bible translation for 20 language groups. Volunteers Ken and Irene Edgar served diligently throughout the building project, which was completed this past summer, and have reported back regarding the immense gratitude and appreciation among the translators there. "One Bible translator kept saying, 'A dream is coming true before my eyes,'" Irene says.

Blessing Missionaries in Germany

"Where's the worksite?" The German host staff members weren't expecting that question from Chuck Moe and his Wycliffe Associates volunteer team the minute they stepped through the door. "Wouldn't you like to rest?" the hosts protested. "We can rest later!" Chuck said. "We need to see what we're dealing with so we can put a plan in action." And they did! Chuck and his team of extremely enthusiastic volunteers renovated two apartments used by missionaries returning from the field. Flooring, plumbing, painting—even homey touches like throw pillows—the team was a whirlwind of activity creating a peaceful, warm atmosphere that will bless German Bible translators for years to come.

"What impressed everyone most was their servant attitude," said Angelika Marsch, director of Wycliffe Germany. "Each one of them wanted to serve God—and us! We were 'doubly' blessed: we met wonderful people, and they did a wonderful job!"



Projects Funded in 2007

In 2007, Wycliffe Associates donors like you helped provide funds for the following projects to advance Bible translation:

- PNG KODIAK Aircraft #2
- PNG Airstrip Repair Project
- Indonesia Earthquake Relief & UKRIM Rebuilding Project
- Cameroon KODIAK Aircraft
- Ukraine/Russia Office Development
- Yaru National Translation Center
- PNG National Staff Housing Renovation
- Kenya Bible Translation and Literacy Multi-purpose Building
- Juba, Sudan Translation Center Renovation
- New Ireland Translation Institute
- Grace International School
- Manila Bible Translation Center Renovation
- Bamenda Regional National Training Center

A total of 1,341 Wycliffe Associates volunteers served in 35 countries—all to help accelerate Bible translation.

With your help, 592 translation projects have been started since Vision 2025 was launched eight years ago.

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Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2007

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

WHERE OUR SUPPORT COMES FROM

	All Contributed Services	Only SFAS 116 Defined
Contributions	\$ 10,457,144	\$ 10,457,144
Contributed services that meet SFAS No. 116 criteria	971,458	971,458
Contributed services that don't meet SFAS No. 116 criteria	5,411,000	—
Interest and other revenue	99,509	99,509
Total Contributions and Other Revenue	\$ 16,939,111	\$ 11,528,111

WHERE YOUR SUPPORT GOES

	All Contributed Services	Only SFAS 116 Defined
Bible translation ministry programs	\$ 11,791,133	\$ 6,827,133
Supporting services:		
Fundraising—contributions	2,287,102	2,253,102
Fundraising—recruiting volunteers and contributed services	1,509,206	1,244,206
Management and general	1,334,269	1,186,269
Total Expenses	\$ 16,921,710	\$ 11,510,710

Note: Wycliffe Associates recruits volunteer labor/professional services for construction and other ministries worldwide. Contributed services are recognized as contributions in accordance with SFAS Number 116, "Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made," if the services (a) create or enhance non-financial assets or (b) require specialized skills, are performed by people with those skills, and would otherwise be purchased by our ministry.

In addition to these contributed services, many other individuals routinely provide voluntary services to the ministries of Wycliffe Associates. These services have a significant impact on making the ministry effective. However, these services do not meet the SFAS Number 116 criteria described above. The above schedule shows revenues and expenses with these services included.

The costs associated with recruiting volunteers are reported as a "Fundraising—recruiting volunteers and contributed services" expense.

OUR FINANCIAL POSITION

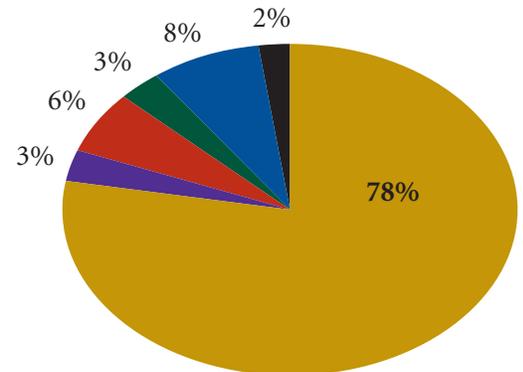
SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	<u>Fiscal Year 2007</u>
Assets:	
Current Assets	\$ 3,122,251
Fixed Assets	434,956
Other Assets	208,444
Total Assets	<u><u>\$ 3,765,651</u></u>
Liabilities and Non-Current Liabilities:	
Current Liabilities	\$ 551,910
Other Liabilities	958,921
Total Liabilities	<u><u>\$ 1,510,831</u></u>
Net Assets:	
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 812,002
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	1,442,818
Total Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 2,254,820</u></u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 3,765,651</u></u>

WHERE YOU HELP US SERVE

NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS IN FISCAL YEAR 2007

■ North America:	1,039
■ Latin America:	42
■ The Pacific:	85
■ Asia:	43
■ Africa:	100
■ Eurasia:	32



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