Dear Friends

Greetings! We hope all of you are well and are enjoying your summer.

Great News! Tim and Splash have finished everything the typesetter had assigned them to look at in preparation for typesetting, and they have also finished spell-checking the entire panoramic Bible. That was a huge job and they are thankful to be done with it! Now the ball is in the typesetter's court and we are waiting to hear if there is anything more Tim and Splash need to do before the typesetters send a proof. Please pray for the typesetting process; since this is not a regular Bible, but a series of large selections of the Bible, there is some confusion with knowing how to typeset it. At a meeting with the typesetter and a Bible Society representative last week it was decided that a couple of typesetters were going to work together and come up with some different typesetting options which we could then choose from. We are really hoping and praying that the typesetters will have those samples ready for us and the community leaders can look them over and make their choice soon so that then we can begin proof reading. We are really, really, hoping that all typesetting will be done by mid-July and we can send everything off to the printer before we leave for furlough.

Otherwise, Tim and Splash have been busy making visits out to one of the villages, Splash has been working on Khwedam literacy materials, and Tim has been going through the translation of Genesis by the Kerewe translation team

(Tanzania) to prepare for consultant checking. We are also looking forward to a very quick visit by our Regional Director next week to talk about the work in Botswana and how to plan for future possibilities in the country.

Praises:

Thanksgiving that typesetting is going forward on our project.

Thanksgiving that the Khwe people are interested in having the full Bible and continuing the translation project on their own.



Thanksgiving for the hunger that many of the Khwe have for God's Word in Khwedam.

Prayers: Please continue to pray that typesetting will go smoothly and will get done by mid-July.

Please pray that the Khwe community will be able to organize and that they will be well prepared to continue work with more autonomy.

Please pray for Sarah Esala, our Regional Director. We are her last stop on a round-the world trip, so prayers for health, endurance, and uneventful travels for her are appreciated.

Thank you again for all of your prayers on our behalf.

Tim, Lisa, Aaron & Andrew Beckendorf