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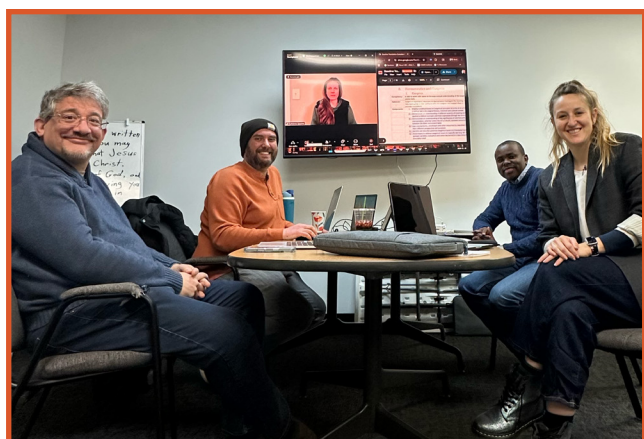
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Thank you for this opportunity to share an update with you. These last three months have been a bit of a blur in what has all transpired. The main takeaway is that God remains faithful in the midst of what He is doing and part of this journey is remembering that in the midst of things.

CEDAR

In our last newsletter, we shared about some of the positions we were planning to look for. God has been gracious in providing two people to join Ruth Anna in being a part of the resources team. We are still looking for a video editor to be part of that team. Jacob, our Instructional Designer, has accepted a different role in DOOR as our Interpreting Services Manager. This year, our focus is working with three consultants-in-training to complete their final training with the goal to certify them in January. We continue to work on building the course content for the curriculum for the full training program to start in January 2027.



Please pray for:

- Our work on developing the course content for the curriculum
- The development of resources this year and for the right person as our video editor

SLTT

The SLTT team is working on version 3.0. Development on version 2.0 is now limited (more or less) to bug fixes. This is the software that we use for drafting and checking sign language Bible translations. Please pray for wisdom and insight for the team as they incorporate the feedback that Caio has received over the last several years into the development happening for 3.0.

Please pray that God will provide the continued funding needed for the SLTT and (in God's timing) additional people who can be involved in this development.

FOBAI

Stuart had the privilege of attending the Forum of Bible Agencies International again this year in Dallas, Texas. The theme was diaspora communities. The linguistic situation for diaspora communities is often challenging depending on how many generations it has been since they arrived from their homeland. Yet they are a community that also needs God's word in their languages, not just the people back in the homeland. This was a good

reminder to think about Deaf diaspora communities that also need the Bible in their sign languages.

Please pray for wisdom in how we can also serve diaspora communities and how the diaspora communities can be involved in reaching out to those back in their homelands.



FAMILY UPDATE

This February, Linda went for a routine hysterectomy. During her recovery, she had a fever so we went to the emergency room to check on that. They did a CT scan to understand the infection and discovered that she had an abscess but also a growth on her kidney. After consulting the doctors, they advised that it was likely cancerous and we should have the growth and the kidney removed. A few

weeks later, we returned to the hospital to have that surgery done. So, February through April have been a bit of a blur dealing with this and that related to Linda's health. We thank God for His care over her and that (as far as we know) the cancer was contained and all is well. We will find out more as she goes back for a CT scan and another discussion with the doctor.

In other family news, Daniel (our oldest) and Mallory will be welcoming their third child early due to blood pressure concerns. Please pray for health for mom and baby before and during delivery.



Thank you for partnering with us in Bible translation for sign languages and making it possible for us to serve our colleagues and translation teams in their work.



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