



# WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS

## Annual Report from Tim and Ali Robinson

For Supporting Constituency and Other Friends  
January – December 2013

### *Vision 2025*

*By 2025, together with partners worldwide, we aim to see a Bible Translation programme begun in all the remaining languages that need one.*

### Goals set for 2013

#### 1. Work

##### Tim

- Complete the Project funding manual
- Further develop the PABTEN website to include language data and documents (PABTEN.org)
- Help to organise the Nigeria Group 2013 retreat.

##### Ali

- Complete the new design and build the updated version of the Nigeria Group Languages database
- Become an experienced and competent curator on REAP (Repository for Electronic Archiving and Publishing), and assist all relevant departments to regularly archive their work on REAP
- Sort out a workable solution for archiving Nigeria Group language work independent of REAP
- Continue to maintain the Technical Library
- Teach the Computer Applications course to Grade 9 students at Hillcrest, one course hour daily

#### 2. Other plans

Spend two months in the UK over the Hillcrest summer break to reconnect with supporters, family and friends and to raise the additional support needed.

### Work you have done during 2013

##### Ali

- Completed the new design and built the updated version of the Nigeria Group Languages database.
- Built a simple database for Human Resources to help them with tracking certain information.
- Attended REAP training and the first REAP conference, held in Manila, Philippines.
- Gave a presentation about the importance of REAP at the Nigeria Group annual business meetings and held a hands-on seminar open to all departments.
- Continued to curate items submitted to REAP and contributed to discussion on the further development of REAP.
- Continued to maintain the Technical Library and worked on updating the Education and Leisure Library
- Taught the Computer Applications course to Grade 9 students at Hillcrest, one course hour daily.

## Tim

- Project funding manual was put on hold due to changes in how the funding system is working.
- Work has progressed on the PABTEN website, though as an organisation, it was incorporated and is now known as IBTEN – Initiative for Bible translation and Evangelism in Nigeria.
- Coordinated our Group's Retreat.
- Help the group director team redevelop our 3-5 year strategy.

## Highlights of 2013 include:

Spending time with friends and family over the summer in the UK. Being able to share face to face with people who have been faithfully supporting us over the previous two years.

Ali – Being able to attend the REAP conference was amazing and very unexpected. It was a great opportunity to meet others working with REAP all over the world and to be able to have a direct contribution to the development of REAP.

## Plans for the coming year (2014)

### I. Work

#### Ali

- Develop good strategies for gathering reliable data on Nigerian languages and use this to populate the Nigerian Languages Database
- Develop good procedures for passing this information on to the Ethnologue and to any others who need it.
- Continue to promote the use of REAP within Nigeria Group and to curate items submitted.
- Work with the Nigerian Bible Translation Trust to develop their use of REAP and to try and enter any key historic items that could be of use in future Bible translations or literacy programs.
- Continue to maintain the Technical Library and the Education and Leisure Library.
- Teach the Computer Applications course to Grade 9 students at Hillcrest, one course hour daily if required.

#### Tim

- Continue to help develop the group strategy
- Change jobs to become the Operations director for the group, covering IT, Finance and facilities. At this point, it is hard to write defined goals until we understand the job better.

## Support Level

We are at around 85% of our expected need.

## Health

We have all remained remarkably healthy over this last year with the exception of a few colds and some lingering tiredness at times.

## Family situation, including wider family

Ali's parents are in the final stages of typesetting the full Bible in Kasem, a language they have been working in since before Ali was born!

Location: Jos, Nigeria

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