

# the ROBINSONS

SENT BY ELIM TO SERVE WITH WYCLIFFE IN NIGERIA



## Thank You

Thank you for sustaining us through thick and thin!

No matter if you have sent money, prayers or a word of encouragement - THANK YOU!

They mean SO much to us, and we simply couldn't be here doing what we do without you.



I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat is planted in the soil and dies, it remains alone. But its death will produce many new kernels—a plentiful harvest of new lives.

John 12:24



## ✕ Peace in our time ✕

*We have never been more convinced than now, that people need God's word in the language they understand best. The peace people are craving, is the peace only God can bring into their lives though relationship with him, based on His word.*

## THE CHRISTMAS STORY - ARE YOU SURE?

I love dry season in Nigeria. It is so predictable, no surprises to face. You wake up, clean dust off everything, head to work knowing that you don't need to pack your coat, absolutely certain of the weather that will be experienced. I love the absolute certainty.



For most of us Christmas is a bit like that too. I'm absolutely certain most of us do the same sorts of things come December 25th - maybe go to church, meet with family, eat a huge lunch, watch the Queen

give her speech, open gifts, play games, eat more food and so on. We have read the Christmas story dozens of times, been in the play, seen the movie, watched our kids in the play, we are absolutely certain of how it starts and how it ends, but this year 5 languages in

Nigeria will have access to the Christmas story in THEIR OWN language for the first time. I am absolutely certain it is going to be amazing.

Happy Christmas!



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## Enjoyable work, *HARD* work.

Tim has continued to be kept very busy in his role of 9 months. There have been plenty of challenges, including learning how to lead cross culturally. Tim is a competent leader, but the smaller nuances and subtleties and minor differences are not always easily observed and need delicacy to discover. He has a fantastic team, and is blessed to have people on the team willing to help point out where things could be done differently. Challenging those in authority over you is so counter-cultural in Nigeria that we take this as a big blessing! There have been many exciting developments too, like getting all the lights in the office to function on our odd power, systems to serve peoples' meeting room needs more effectively, migrating all our staffs' email from one provider to another. These things may seem small or strange, but it allows people to better focus on what God has called them to do - help get God's word into languages and media that people can access, use and be transformed by!



Ali continues to serve multiple organisations, keeping track of all the information related to the 520 languages spoken in Nigeria. The information includes a wide variety of things like: is there an alphabet, is there a dictionary, is there a language project that is active, do they have a New Testament or a whole Bible, what about the Jesus film? It greatly helps everyone to be on the same page and helps make strategic decisions about what projects to start next and where to invest our resources.

## *That is my joy!*

Mega Voice Players are solar powered Mp3 players that the media team here in Nigeria often use to load up audio versions of translated scripture. This is from one man in a project who just received some.



*“Men and women will be able to use this device. If they listen to it, it could change them. It will not wear them out, because if it is reading some would say they are old. If it is writing, some would say they can't. But to listen, it is only those who are very old and about to die that might not be able to hear what is being said. That is my joy, the possible impact that the Pangu Audio Luke Gospel could have on our people. Even drunkards, I believe the audio Luke gospel in Pangu can catch their attention, so much that they might give their attention to listening to the Gospel because it is in their heart language, and that attracts their acceptability of the message.”*

