

*Update from Katy Barnwell, January 27, 2017*

Dear Prayer Partners,

Warm greetings again, still from the UK! It is more than time to send you an update.

**Progress on the *Bible Translation* training manual**

In answer to prayers, I have made some progress on the revision of this textbook, which describes the principles and procedures of Bible translation. But there is still much to do to cover all that has been asked for – please keep praying that I can finish this well. Please keep praying too for wisdom and skill in knowing how to meet the publisher’s formatting requirements. As I mentioned in my earlier update, this is a challenge!

**Training biblical scholars to help check Scripture translations**

A number of well-qualified Nigerian biblical scholars, currently teaching in theological seminaries or in other key roles, are showing interest in helping to check new translations of the Bible in Nigerian languages. This means checking translations for accuracy to the meaning of the original Hebrew and Greek texts, also evaluating the clarity and naturalness of the translations. On February 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be a meeting in Abuja, Nigeria, to explore this possibility. I will travel to Nigeria to be involved in these initial interactions and in planning for a training program. Pray for the Lord’s direction on how to move forward.

Except for travelling to Nigeria for this meeting I will continue to be in the UK until late February, pushing hard toward completing work on the textbook.

Thank you for praying with me. “We are all God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” May the Lord bless you richly too in all that you have been chosen and called to do.

Love and blessings,

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