

DOT Animation Project:

Accelerating Deaf Owned Translation of the Bible

I'm Eric Raingruber and I'm an animator working with Wycliffe Associates in Deaf Owned Translation of the Bible.

The Urgency

Over 400 deaf languages lack a translation of the Bible, leaving 75 million individuals without access to the life-changing message of the Scriptures. Often, the Deaf are the forgotten, the "least" in their cultures, with extremely limited literacy rates¹. For the Deaf that can read and have the written Word, it's not in their heart language, as spoken language differs significantly from sign language.

Wycliffe Associates' Unwavering Commitment

For over five decades, Wycliffe Associates has dedicated itself to streamlining and expediting Bible translation to reach hundreds of millions who remain without access to the Scriptures. The global Deaf community stands as one of the largest remaining unreached and unengaged people groups. Wycliffe is actively working towards translating and filming the Bible in every sign language, with 30 Deaf-owned translations in progress and 5 New Testaments partially completed.



The Power of Animation

Animation serves as a catalyst in the translation process for passages with no direct translation. Like footnotes in a written Bible, our team creates visually compelling animations to explain foreign concepts. The uniqueness of animations lies in their universality – applicable to all 400 Deaf translations, and serving as visual footnotes for completed translations.



¹ Less than 2% of children with hearing limitations know how to read and write even after completing secondary education. 2023, Council of Europe

Progress and Aim

Having completed animations for two Old Testament books, the DOT Animation Project aims to finish animations for ten books of the Bible in 2024. To achieve this, we need to increase monthly support, allowing us to expand the work for our current team and bring on an additional part-time animator.



A Monumental Goal

The ultimate vision is to create DOT Animations to aid in translation for every book of the Bible, leaving no Deaf community without access to the Scriptures.



Funding the Vision

To achieve this goal, we seek to raise our monthly funding from \$1,300 to \$6,200.

Increased support will enable us to grow the animation team, expedite the production of DOT Animations, and bring the transformative message of the Bible to Deaf communities worldwide.

Your Support Matters!

- 1. Prayer:** Please pray for God's blessing on this work and for the provision of the necessary funds.
- 2. Financial support:** Consider partnering with us as a monthly financial supporter. Your contribution will impact Deaf lives for Christ around the world.

Thank you for being a vital part of transforming Deaf lives through the DOT Animation Project. Together, we can make God's Word accessible to those who have long been waiting to see it in their heart language.

Please contact me with any questions:

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