



Biblica®

Transforming lives through God's Word

The gospel is **BEARING FRUIT**
and **GROWING** throughout
the whole world.

Colossians 1:6, NIV



ANNUAL REPORT
FISCAL YEAR 2013

FOUNDED IN 1809

Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are **GOD MY SAVIOR**, and my hope is in you all day long.

Psalm 25:5, NIV



NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

Biblica is the translation sponsor and publisher of the New International Version® Bible, the world's leading English translation. The New International Version Bible is easier to understand, engaging you with the rich meaning of the original text.

**BIBLICA IS
A 200-YEAR-OLD
BIBLE MINISTRY AND
WE DO TWO THINGS:**

We translate and publish the *full* Bible in *major* spoken languages of the world.

We develop tools, resources, and programs to encourage people to open their Bible and engage with it, so their *lives are transformed through God's Word*.

I always pray with **JOY** because of your **PARTNERSHIP** in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to **COMPLETION** until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:4-6, NIV



Dear Friend,

The evidence is clear: regularly reading God's Word—and reading it well—will transform your life.

Because you're a friend and partner in this work, I know that won't surprise you. **But the hard reality is that very few people are actually reading the Bible regularly, or reading it well.** By reading well, I'm talking about reading large portions of the Bible to better understand the story of God's Word; reading well also means reading in context to experience the Bible in its historical setting; and reading together in community to discuss 'aha' moments and grow closer to God and to each other.

As I reflect on 2012, I thank God for the undeniable progress you and other partners have made possible. You've enabled a far-reaching and effective global Bible ministry focused on two things:

Translating and publishing the **full** Bible in **major** spoken languages of the world.

Developing tools, resources and programs that encourage people to open their Bible and engage with it, so their lives will be **transformed through God's Word.**

A LEGACY OF INNOVATION

When we celebrated our 200-year anniversary in 2009, it prompted us to consider our ministry role in today's world. What made this work compelling during those first 200 years? Will the same mission and ministry approach make us relevant and useful during the next 100 years?

At one level, the answer is absolutely "yes." God's Word is every bit as relevant and needed today as it was in 1809, when three businessmen founded what was then called The New York Bible Society. William Colgate (Colgate Company), Henry Rutgers (Rutgers University), Samuel Miller (Princeton Seminary) and other prominent leaders saw the need for Bibles in New York City. I wish I could journey back in time and tell them how their vision and commitment resulted in a 204-year-old ministry still thriving today as Biblica.

Biblica has a history of innovation. We have often stepped out in faith—from placing Bibles in the hands of our military beginning in 1812, to risking the entire ministry in the mid-1960s to ensure that English speakers worldwide would have an accurate and contemporary Bible translation. That translation, the New International Version (NIV), has become a foundation of our ministry.

THIRD CENTURY OF MINISTRY

As we strategically plan for future Bible ministry, we are finding new ways to invite people to open their Bibles and read them well. That's the key to transformed lives! In this fast-paced, rapidly changing world, we recognize the need to invest in groundbreaking new initiatives in Bible Translation and Bible Engagement to advance the gospel and bring God's Word into people's lives in completely new ways.

We are positioning Biblica to meet the spiritual needs of the world we live in—a world where:

- More than half the world's population—up to 4 billion people—still do not have a Bible.
- Between 5 and 6 billion people (out of a total population of 7 billion) have trouble reading, prefer not to read, or simply cannot read.
- Bible reading and engagement continues to decline in the global north.

From these sobering facts, we all must conclude that the work Biblica was first called to in 1809, work you have so generously supported, is not yet finished. With most of the world still lacking access to a Bible—either because

they don't have one or because they can't read it—we have much to do. For those who *can* access the Bible, many simply aren't reading it. Yes, Biblica and others who love God's Word must do more.

Our hope is strong because God has blessed Biblica with completed Bible translations in each of the 10 most spoken languages and 27 out of the top 30. These 27 full-Bible translations have the ability to reach more than 4 billion people. Our translation work is focused on major languages, the complete Bible, a consistent translation philosophy that yields accurate and contemporary texts, and the availability of both the printed and spoken word. This is Biblica's distinct mission.

Then consider the tsunami in telecommunications! Mobile phones have quickly become the communication tool of choice for all kinds of content, good and bad. *More than 4 out of 5 people in the world today carry a mobile phone!* Most of these phones—even those that are not smartphones—have the ability to deliver the written word and spoken word together. As a result, we have an unprecedented opportunity to overcome barriers of access and illiteracy. Meanwhile, the Internet's influence continues to grow. I believe you agree: what exciting potential for evangelism and discipleship!

SHAPING THE FUTURE

Given the rapid rate of change in our world today, we must also continue to adapt and become more efficient, while remaining laser-focused on Bible Translation and Bible Engagement. The Biblica team continues to partner with like-minded ministries to help people read their Bibles well. Our goal is to be the Bible resource ministry that churches and ministries choose to help them do their work more effectively.

More translation work is before us—30 translation projects this year alone are in process. Our team is focused on making sure that the complete Bible is available in the major spoken languages of the world, both in printed and spoken word formats. All of this work is being digitized. This will allow us to develop, store, and reuse translations easily and effectively. Some of this work is being done in-house. For the rest, we're collaborating with two other Bible ministries within Every Tribe Every Nation (ETEN) to speed up translation work around the world and to electronically digitize translations from all of us (Biblica, UBS, and Wycliffe) in a consistent manner.

GLOBAL URGENCY

With your partnership, we will concentrate on Bible Translation and Bible Engagement in the following two ways:

Digital Initiative

We have made significant progress in our digital initiative. Several translation projects are complete and available in a digital format. We also completed multiple, full audio Bibles. These are now accessible through YouVersion's mobile Bible app, which has more than 100 million users, and via Bible Gateway, the most-visited Christian website in the world today.

Digital opportunities abound. It is certainly not a one-year project! More audio recordings are in process, new partnerships are being cultivated, and additional delivery outlets are needed to ensure that people everywhere have access to God's Word in their own language.

Community Bible Experience

Community Bible Experience is all about reading the Bible well—that is, reading the complete Bible, reading with an awareness of its original context, and reading in community as the early Church did. This foundational approach to Bible engagement is shaping our ministry programs and the future of Biblica. We must help our world read the Bible well: read comprehensively, read full books, read together, read deeply, read with our eyes and our ears, read with our hearts and our minds.

But time is not on our side. As Biblica embarks on its third century of ministry, we feel great urgency to reach as many people as possible with Scripture. Your prayers, advocacy and financial support will be essential to this work of transforming lives through God's Word. Thank you so much for your friendship with us. May God richly bless you as you partner with Biblica during the coming year.

Blessings,



Douglas A. Lockhart
CEO, Biblica

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(MORE THAN HALF OF THE
WORLD'S POPULATION)
still do not have a Bible



OUR PARTNERS in Ministry

We are grateful for the many key partners we work with – businesses, ministries, churches, and individuals – to share God’s Word in 55 countries in seven global regions with millions of people each year.

Anglican Church of Kenya • Bethel Church at Dakar, Senegal • Centro Bíblico Church of the Nazarene • Community Churches in Arua, Uganda • Cumberland Presbyterian churches, Colombia • Good Shepherd Church, Nairobi, Kenya • Iglesia Asamblea de Dios La Hermosa • Immanuel Baptist Church • Lao Evangelical Church • Miami Baptist Association • Nairobi Pentecost Church • Nazarene Church of Trinidad/Caribbean • New Song Church • North American Christian Church • Pastoral Association of Cali, Colombia • Philippine Council of Evangelical Churches • Pomona First Baptist Church • Prachao Satit Evangelical Center, Thailand • Protestant and Catholic Churches • Protestant Women of the Chapel • Saddleback Community Church • Sapan Luar Church, Bangkok, Thailand • Second Baptist Church, Kenya • Taladplu Chinese Baptist Church, Thailand • Wesleyan Church in Cebu, Philippines • 4-14 Window-Transformation • Accord Network Acts Ministries • Alpha Prison Ministries • American Bible Society • Asian Center for Mission • AWANA International • AXIS • Baja Christian Ministries • Bangkok Bible Seminary • Bangkok Christian College • Baptist Mission of Uganda • Bible League • Bible Society of Egypt • Bibles for Honduras • Billy Graham Center • Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (Rapid Response Team) • Body Ministry • Catalyst • CBMC Heartland • Child Evangelism Fellowship • Children of the Heavenly King Ministries • Christian Libraries International • Christian Motorcyclist Association • Christians Alliance • Clarence Matheny Ministries • Co-Mission for Children at Risk • Community Roundtable • Compassion International • Convicts for Christ • Crossroads Bible Ministry (Campus Crusade for Christ) • CRU Military Ministry • CRU Prison Ministry • Diguna Ministry, Africa • e3 Partners • Ecuadorian Evangelical Fellowship • Empower • Evangelical Students Union of Ethiopia • Every Home for Christ • Fathers in Ministry • Fellowship of Christian Athletes • Fellowship of Christian Cowboys • Fellowship of Christian Firefighters • Fellowship of Christian Military Ministries • Fundación Bautista Universitaria • Global Children’s Forum • Global Media Outreach • Go Ye Africa • Group Publishing • Huffman School • I Am Second • InterVarsity Christian Fellowship • International Conference of Police Chaplains • Langham Partnerships International • Life Ministry Kabarak University, Kenya • LifeLight Ministries • Manna Ministry • Mainstream Bible Outreach • Military Community Youth Ministry • Mission Inter Senegal • Missions Department of Madison • Mount Kenya Academy • Murraysville Christian & Missionary Alliance • National AIDS Commission • National Association of Evangelicals • National Coordination of Kids Clubs • National Day of Prayer • The Navigators—Military Ministry • Nazarene Compassionate Ministries • Norwegian Mission Alliance Philippines • Officer’s Christian Fellowship • Oilfield Christian Fellowship • One Hope • Operation Mobilization • Operation Starting Line Network • Outreach, Inc. • Partners in Hope • Philippines for Jesus Movement • Prevention Time • Prison Fellowship International • The Salvation Army • Salvation Army, Emergency Disaster Services • Samaritan’s Purse • Scripture Union • Southwest Prison Ministry • Sowers of the Word Ministries • Stonecroft Ministries • Students Christian Organization of Malawi • Teen Challenge • Thailand Youth for Christ • TWR (Trans World Radio) • U.S. Military Chaplaincy • Win Souls for God • World Bible School • World Evangelical Alliance • World Hope International • World Relief • World Vision • Young Life • Youth for Christ • Youth With a Mission (YWAM) • YouVersion • Zimbabwe Prison Fellowship

“FCA and Biblica have a nearly 20-year relationship that goes beyond partnership.
THE LEADERSHIP AT BIBLICA AND FCA HAVE A PASSION TO ADVANCE THE GOSPEL AND TOUCH INDIVIDUAL LIVES THROUGH GOD’S WORD. As a result, FCA has distributed over 1.2 million Scriptures into the hands of athletes and coaches. We are thankful to serve Christ alongside this great ministry that is committed to Scripture distribution.”

– **Dan Britton,**
 FCA Executive VP International Ministry and Training



Biblica CEO Doug Lockhart, Biblica VP of Outreach Rich Blanco, FCA Executive VP of International Ministry and Training Dan Britton

“I do it because that’s the command of Jesus: Go throughout the world and preach the gospel.
I NEVER INTENDED TO HAND OUT 150,000 BIBLES. I really thought it would take a long time to hand out 10 Bibles. But I’ve been giving out an average of 15,000-18,000 Bibles a year.

If I can spread the Word, I’m spreading God’s love and peace throughout the world. That’s what keeps me going. I just can’t stop.”

– **John Carrick**
 businessman, Affordable Transmission, Anchorage Alaska
on why he has given away more than 150,000 Bibles



BIBLE Translation

Translating and publishing the full Bible in major spoken languages around the world

What if there were no Bible in your language? That might be difficult to imagine, but for millions of people, it is a reality. God's Word has either never been translated for them, or is only available in outdated, erroneous versions.

Biblica continues work on 30 translations for languages spoken by over 3 billion people globally. Everyone needs the life-transforming power of God's Word in their own language.

To date, Bible translations completed in 27 of the top 30 languages of the world spoken by over 4 BILLION PEOPLE:

Arabic Bible, Bengali Bible, Burmese Bible, English Bible, Farsi-Persian Bible, French Bible, German Bible, Gujarati Bible, Hindi Bible, Italian Bible, Japanese Bible, Javanese Bible, Kannada Bible, Korean Bible, Malayalam Bible, Mandarin Chinese Bible, Marathi Bible, Oriya Bible, Polish Bible, Portuguese Bible, Russian Bible, Spanish Bible, Tamil Bible, Telugu Bible, Thai Bible, Urdu Bible, Vietnamese Bible

Ten of the top 27 translations have been digitized for electronic availability,

WITH A POTENTIAL REACH OF 2 BILLION PEOPLE:

- Anglicized English NIV
- Chinese Contemporary Bible
- English NIV
- French Bible
- German Bible
- Italian New Testament
- Polish New Testament
- Portuguese Bible
- Russian Bible
- Spanish Bible

2 new ARABIC BIBLES launched:

- Arabic Study Bible
- Arabic New Believers Bible

AUDIO

Biblica has completed eight digitized audio Bibles in languages spoken by over 2 billion people: Arabic New Testament, Chinese Contemporary Bible New Testament, English NIV Bible, Portuguese NIV Bible, Spanish NIV Bible, Russian Bible, Kiswahili Bible, and Thai Bible. Several more are in progress.

Biblica translates the Bible from the original Greek and Hebrew texts into MAJOR SPOKEN LANGUAGES for people groups of 1 million or more speakers



BIBLE Engagement

Developing tools, resources and programs to encourage people to open their Bibles and be transformed



MINISTRY IN OVER 55 COUNTRIES

It isn't enough to just provide people with Bibles in their language. We want people to open God's Word, read it, and have their lives transformed.

NORTH AMERICA

 FULL BIBLES 2,682,123
NEW TESTAMENTS 1,949,074
BIBLICAL RESOURCES 2,285,444

 MOBILE 50,254,237
INTERNET 57,097,426

 PARTNERSHIPS 5,295,797

TOTAL 119,564,101

 PRINT

 DIGITAL/AUDIO

 PARTNERSHIPS
(DIGITAL OR AUDIO)

EUROPE

 FULL BIBLES 22,681
NEW TESTAMENTS 805,192
BIBLICAL RESOURCES 204,285

 MOBILE 328,386
INTERNET 750,028

 PARTNERSHIPS 327,663

TOTAL 2,438,235

ASIA

 FULL BIBLES 487,400
NEW TESTAMENTS 32,171
BIBLICAL RESOURCES 818,214

 MOBILE 183,211
INTERNET 117,263

 PARTNERSHIPS 362,802

TOTAL 2,001,061

AFRICA

 FULL BIBLES 853,274
NEW TESTAMENTS 41,962
BIBLICAL RESOURCES 81,896

 MOBILE 32,746
INTERNET 43,111

TOTAL 1,053,007

MIDDLE EAST

 FULL BIBLES 296,465
NEW TESTAMENTS 362,605
BIBLICAL RESOURCES 180,070

 MOBILE 31,320
INTERNET 27,107

TOTAL 897,567

LATIN AMERICA

 FULL BIBLES 370,444
NEW TESTAMENTS 125,641
BIBLICAL RESOURCES 138,329

 MOBILE 335,359
INTERNET 62,876

 PARTNERSHIPS 320,161

TOTAL 1,352,810

FISCAL YEAR 2013 MINISTRY SUMMARY

March 1, 2012 - February 28, 2013

We do two things: translate and publish the *full* Bible in *major* spoken languages, and develop tools, resources, and programs to encourage people to open their Bible and engage with it, so their *lives are transformed by God's Word*.

Here's what that looks like in our ministry around the world.

PRINTED FULL BIBLES	4,712,387
PRINTED NEW TESTAMENTS	3,316,645
PRINTED BIBLICAL RESOURCES	3,708,238
MOBILE	51,165,277
INTERNET	58,097,811
PARTNERSHIPS	6,306,423

TOTALS 127,306,781

“Therefore go and make disciples
of **ALL** nations.”

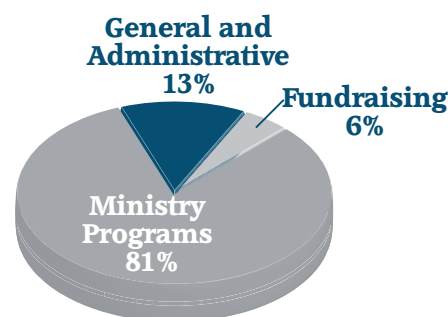
Matthew 28:19, NIV

We are daily compelled to complete this Matthew 28:19 mandate through Bible translation and Bible engagement.

FINANCIAL Summary

BIBLICA US, INC. & SUBSIDIARY
 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (IN THOUSANDS)
 For the Years Ended:

	2/29/12	2/28/13
Revenue and Support:		
Bibles and biblical resources	\$ 13,201	\$ 12,688
Royalty income	6,876	6,261
Contributions	4,795	6,178
Investment and other income	713	241
Total Revenue and Support	25,585	25,368
Expenses:		
Program services:		
Bible translation	1,165	1,226
Bible publishing	4,491	4,840
Bible engagement	13,932	13,822
	19,588	19,888
Supporting services:		
General and administrative	3,081	3,267
Fundraising	1,286	1,524
	4,367	4,791
Total Expenses	23,955	24,679
Change in Net Assets from Continuing Operations		
	1,630	689
Loss from discontinued operations	(1,140)	(231)
Loss on disposal of discontinued operations	(5,940)	-
Change in Net Assets	(5,450)	458
Net Assets- Beginning of Year	9,651	4,201
Net Assets- End of Year	\$ 4,201	\$ 4,659



We take our responsibility to you seriously and strive to be transparent—reporting faithfully and honestly on how your support is being used to share God’s Word. The summary usually takes the form of numbers on a chart, but the impact takes the form of hearts changed and lives transformed for eternity.

The Consolidated Statement of Activities of Biblica US, Inc. and Subsidiary was audited by BKD, LLP. Copies of the complete audited financial statements of Biblica US, Inc. and Subsidiary are available at www.Biblica.com/aboutBiblica/financials or upon request.



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Dear friends,

Thanks to you, last year was an exciting one. As the Chairman of the Biblica Global Board of Directors, I would like to express our gratitude for your partnership.

Your prayers and support have played a critical role in the ministry God is accomplishing through Biblica.

Sharing God’s Word with the world is a huge challenge. But as we work together, more and more lives are being transformed.

I can’t wait to see what God will do through you in the coming year!

I am so glad you are passionate about the Bible and that you are praying for and supporting Biblica’s global ministry.

May the Lord bless you as you continue to share His Word with the world.

Rob Gluskin
 Chairman

A stylized world map in the background, with continents colored in various shades of green, brown, and orange. The map is centered on the Atlantic Ocean.

BIBLE TRANSLATION • BIBLE ENGAGEMENT



Transforming lives through God's Word

Biblica.com

Celebrating more than 200 years in ministry, Biblica provides God's Word to people through Bible translation & publishing, and Bible engagement. Biblica's ministry extends worldwide with outreach in Africa, Asia Pacific, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North America, and South Asia. Biblica has translated the Bible in nearly 100 languages. Through its worldwide reach, Biblica engages people with God's Word so that their lives are transformed through a relationship with Jesus Christ.