

HERALDS OF HOPE

CIRCLING THE GLOBE WITH THE GOSPEL

Dear Partner in mission,



“
**They might be able to shut my mouth,
but the voice of TWR will not be silent!**”

Kazakhstan, largest of the “stan” countries in Central Asia, is picturesque with its high mountains and green valleys, its lake-dotted steppes, and its western deserts. Its capital, Nur-Sultan, on the wind-swept northern steppe, is a twenty-first-century showpiece with its bold futuristic architecture.

But Kazakhstan, like its Central Asian neighbors, is spiritually dark. Overrun by Mongol hordes in the thirteenth century, Genghis Khan’s grandson adopted the Muslim faith, and by the sixteenth century, Islam dominated the region.

Artyom* lives in Kazakhstan. He was fined heavily and imprisoned for fifteen days, simply because he answered another young man’s question about faith in Jesus! After his release, he said, *“They might be able to shut my mouth, but the voice of TWR (Trans World Radio) will not be silent.”***

Now, through our agreement with TWR to broadcast in the Kazakh language, you can help encourage Believers like Artyom in their witness.

You can also help take the Gospel to the millions of unreached people who speak this language. **Fewer than one percent of Kazakhs have been evangelized!** Islam is the majority religion, and since 2011 the government has targeted “unregistered”

churches in violation of constitutional guarantees. Harassment and persecution increased in 2013 with a special focus on imprisoning pastors and prohibiting public evangelism.

Through His people, God has provided the funding for the first year of broadcasting in Kazakh, Tajik, and Uzbek, but we need to be sure we have adequate resources to fund the second year and beyond. Each of these three language programs cost \$12,247 annually, for a total of \$36,741.

Would you be willing to help encourage Artyom and others like him? **Would you be able to help share the Good News with the millions in this region who have never heard of Jesus?**

*Name changed for security reasons | **Testimony provided by TWR (Trans World Radio)

Bibles Bringing Hope

In addition, our Bible distribution program continues to grow. The lock-downs that occurred because of COVID-19 have left millions in poverty, unable to afford necessities, let alone a Bible.

By God's grace and your generosity, we purchased 30,000 copies of our HOPE Bible this summer. They are currently arriving in four countries in Africa. Each Bible costs \$3. Customs, shipping, and transport fees add \$1-2.

We also have continuing requests for Bibles in other languages, such as Urdu (Nepal), Swahili (Kenya), Chichewa (Malawi), and more. There is a great hunger for the Word of God in many places around the world. Many Bible recipients have expressed great joy and thanksgiving for this precious gift!



I am so thankful for this wonderful blessing of a Hope Bible which is a great gift to me and my family. We have been married for forty-seven years but failed to have a Bible. Therefore, I see it as my heavenly blessing to have it today.

This will make my family seek God with all our heart, as we now have the Word of God in our house. I'm also very excited that my life shall never be the same, as all the time I will be reading it. Lastly, I thank all who put their hands together to buy this expensive gift.

- Logasi Billy in Malawi, Africa



Starting Strong

2020 has been a most unusual year! Will you help us finish this year well and begin 2021 poised for additional growth? One opportunity is another broadcast in the Hausa language. Each month we receive thousands of responses to the Hausa broadcast, but many listeners ask for additional programs.

We need \$25,000 to meet our budget for 2020. With our new broadcasts to Central Asia beginning, and the hiring of additional staff, our needs for 2021 will be even greater. Therefore, we hope to raise an additional \$100k to fund the first month of our 2021 budget.

Thank you for your generous giving and your prayers in 2020. As you are able, please consider helping us here at year-end, to insure we can continue to reach the lost and disciple Believers like Artyom and Logasi.

Yes, I/we want to send the Gospel to listeners like Artyom with a gift of:

\$50____ \$100 ____ \$200____ \$400____ \$800____ Other \$_____

or, I/we would like to make this a **monthly** gift \$_____

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Sincerely in the hope of the Gospel,



J. Mark Horst, President

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