

GOD'S WORD CHANGES EVERYTHING **Lutheran Bible Translators — \$95,000**

*Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path (Psalm
119:105).*

*So, faith comes from hearing,
and hearing through the word
of Christ (Romans 10:17).*

Does God only speak English?

It is estimated that 170 million people who speak over 1,500 unique languages have not been reached by the church with God's Word in their own language. Many of these people think they must speak English to pray to God.

Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT) is equipping and training pastors and church leaders from churches in Ethiopia, Tanzania, and elsewhere to translate God's Word in the numerous local dialects. This will allow for the people to worship and praise the Lord in their own language.

*How sweet are your words to
my taste, sweeter than honey to
my mouth! (Psalm 119:103).*

*So I will bless you as long as
I live; in your name I will lift
up my hands (Psalm 63:4).*

This grant of \$95,000 will fund the cost of training pastors and church leaders in translation principles during one year of their four-year seminary training track. The estimated cost per trainee is \$9,500 a year.

Bible translation is absolutely foundational to the mission of the church. Martin Luther wrote, "I wish that this book alone, in all languages, would live in the hands, eyes, ears, and hearts of all people" (LW 48:356). When people have God's Word in their local dialect, it changes their lives in ways they couldn't imagine.

Praise the Lord!

*Jesus said to him, "I am the
way, and the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father ex-
cept through me" (John 14:6).*

*How beautiful upon the moun-
tains are the feet of him who
brings good news (Isaiah 52:7).*