

Arew

The Larger Setting

The Arew translators are working as part of a cluster of languages, but each is a separate project. The teams are starting with New Testament portions, and some are translating Old Testament books as well. When they meet as a cluster in workshops, the teams receive help from consultants. A recent workshop on the book of Romans involved some of the teams, which didn't include the Arew. Here's a picture from that course. It may give you



an idea of the larger setting in which the Arew team will function when they're involved in workshops.



- Location: East Africa
- Number of Speakers: 548,000
- Project Goal: New Testament
- Year Project Began: 2009
- Expected Completion Date: 2016

A Superhuman Task

Helpful translation software packages are available to the Arew translators. They plan soon to take advantage of technical training to enable them to access these tools. That's one way The Seed Company equips teams to produce the highest quality translation possible. Your investments help make these resources available. The translators are grateful to God for you as partners who provide these valuable tools.

Translating is a painstaking task that requires not only initially drafting a New Testament book, but also constantly checking, testing, revising, editing and re-editing it to ensure that it communicates accurately, clearly and naturally to mother-tongue speakers. That's why it takes special wisdom on the part of the translation team to convey the Scripture message to villagers faithfully, uncompromisingly and yet in a culturally relevant manner.

- **Pray for the Arew translators as they tackle the humanly impossible task of making God's Word accessible to their fellow mother-tongue speakers.**
- **Pray that the team will learn quickly and be able to apply their new skills to the translation task at hand.**



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Walking in the Light

“I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life” (John 8:12).

Jesus is eager to help people find the truth. He wants to reveal Himself, throwing light on the best path, the best decisions and the best ways to relate to others. People who don’t have Scripture in their mother tongue don’t have the light. Some have Scripture in another tongue, or they’ve heard of Jesus. They have a very weak flashlight that’s useless for really dark places. Many of us *have* the Light, but when the way is darkest, we forget we have it or don’t turn it on. We stumble, too, as though we didn’t have access to the Light.

- **Praise God for the Light of God’s Word. Pray for the Arew translators as they prepare it to shine brightly for their people.**
- **Pray that the Light might be your default: when difficult situations arise, decisions crop up or relationships are tense, don’t forget to use it!**

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