

# Ning



## Romans Close to Printing

The Ning team rejoices that the book of Romans is close to completion in their language. They've been busy lately proof-reading the translation, refining details that the consultant had pointed out at a previous workshop and changing portions that the consultant said needed clarification.

- **Praise God that the vital message of salvation so fully laid out in the book of Romans is poised to go forth in the Ning communities in their mother tongue.**

- **Pray that this powerful portion of Scripture will find fertile ground in human hearts to take root in.**



*Ning translators work on Romans*

## Bracing for Luke's Arrival

When Luke is published, the team will need to do many things to publicize its availability in the community. Sometimes translators send out written announcements or have public celebrations. Some projects offer Bible memory competitions and give Scripture books as prizes. Often, church leaders are involved in planning dedications. Many of these celebrations include parades and public speeches by local officials.

Also, the availability of Luke will make it possible for partners to consider producing the Luke-based "JESUS" film, which is an effective tool for evangelism.

- **Please pray for the Ning team as they make decisions about how best to publicize Luke in the communities that speak this language.**
- **Pray for receptivity on the part of local people to the gospel of Christ. Pray that believers will be eager to share God's Word with others.**

## A Radical Teaching

*"I say, love your enemies! Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who hurt you...If someone demands your coat, offer your shirt also. Give to anyone who asks." (Luke 6:27-30)*

For people who heard Jesus say these words, the teaching was revolutionary. Never had they been told to love an enemy. Most people don't consider praying for someone who hurts them. What

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- **Number of Speakers: 384,000**
- **Year Project Began: 2009**
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kind of sense is it to give even your shirt to someone who asks for your jacket? Jesus was a radical, even in His own time. His teachings were extreme.

That's God's kind of love: radical, extreme, self-sacrificing. Jesus' teachings weren't meant to be carried out by people on their own. His power, through the indwelling Holy Spirit in believers, gives us the ability to obey Him.

Pray that as Ning believers understand these teachings of Jesus, they'll not try to apply them through legalism. Pray that they'll draw near to Christ, get to know Him and trust Him for the power to obey.

Consider your own interpretation of Jesus' commands and God's love. How do you understand and apply Jesus' radical teachings in your own life?

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