MARENJE



Language: Marenje
People Group: Marenje
People Group Size: 588,000
Location: Mozambique
Lifestyle: Agriculturalists
Translation Phase: 1
Translation Time-frame: October 2022 - September 2026
Translation Goals: Oral Bible translation of the New Testament, and a booklet with the transcriptions of the translated books
Source Languages: Portuguese and Chichewa
Managing Partners: Wycliffe SA and the Pastors' Forum of Milange

IMPACT

"There is a great change in my knowledge of God's Word, because every time I read chapter by chapter, I am discovering many secrets that I never had and that have greatly helped in spiritual growth, not only to live according to the Word, but also to live in the translation group according to the Word of God. In my family, we have experienced great development in spiritual growth because of the time spent in Bible study that we have been doing, thus transforming the family into a model of God's Word."

Samuel Reginate Matunda, Marenje Translation Team

The Marenje live in Mozambique's Milange district, a tropical, mountainous area near the Malawi border. Most make a living through farming and selling produce locally. Their first exposure to Christianity likely came as refugees in Malawi during the Mozambique war in the 1980s.Currently, the Marenje church uses Chichewa and Portuguese Bible translations. Most churches use Chichewa, while a few use Portuguese, but in every case, someone must translate orally into Marenje for the congregation to understand fully. The Christian Council of Mozambique, together with local church leaders, has therefore requested a Bible translation in Marenje. Making Scripture available in their own language will improve accessibility, spark greater interest in the Gospel, and make Christian discipleship far more effective.





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Visit

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