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Providing God's Word for the most receptive and least reached in the world!



God's Work...Our Story

Bibles-4-Children and SOW International (our official name) have been engaged in evangelism, discipleship, church planting, as well as the translation, production, and distribution of the Scriptures and other gospel resources among the unreached for over 10 years.

How It All Began

SOW International began in 2007. Our first project was to participate in the reconstruction and repopulation efforts of Kurdish villages in northern Iraq during the Iraq War. In an effort to exterminate the Kurdish people, former President Saddam Hussein destroyed hundreds of Kurdish villages. His Anfal Campaign killed over 100,000 Kurds. Those who survived were forced into concentration camps.

SOW International funded and helped construct a playground in Sharia (*a village in the Duhok province of northern Iraq*) as part of the Kurdish village reconstruction efforts. The relationships that emerged from that first constructed playground resulted in the formation of 19 Bible studies and six churches planted. The outcome was so dramatic that we were compelled to do more. Funds were raised to build two additional playgrounds.

Look What God Has Done!

In 2014, God led us to form **Bibles-4**-**Children.** This expanded our network and allowed us to focus our distribution of the Scriptures to those most receptive to the gospel — children between the ages of 4 and 14. We also became part of the 4/14 Global Movement.

The establishment of Bibles-4-Children has made our ministry like no other — a ministry that specifically focuses on both

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President, **Phil Disney**, Vice President, **Larry Bennett**, and founding Board Chairman, **Roscoe Brewer** crossing the border into Iraq

Playground funded and built by SOW International in **northern Iraq**



God's Work...

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sides of missions. While we are distributing Bibles and gospel resources to children and families on the other side of the world, we are also working with children in the United States by providing them with:

- 1. An understanding of missions and the need for Bibles in the places where people have never even seen one, let alone have a copy of their own.
 - 2. An awareness of the vast regions in our world where there are very few, if any, Christians and the church does not exist (the unreached).
 - 3. The understanding of what Jesus meant

when He said, "Go into all the world and make disciples of all nations."

 An opportunity for children to personally connect by praying for and giving to projects that

projects that are focused on the unreached.

Because of our partnering churches, praying friends, passionate donors, and committed network of

Persian Bibles and **Bible Storybooks** in Farsi for Iran

- Distributed over 10,000 Boro New
 Testaments to church leaders and pastors in Assam, India.
- Distributed 20,000 New Testaments and full Bibles in Iran.
- Distributed 20,000 Bible Storybooks to

to children about the need for God's Word in other languages

Phil Disney speaking



The "Muslim-friendly" translation of the **Gospels** in **Bengali**

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of the New Testament in the Boro language.

has accomplished through Bibles-4-Children and SOW International in the last 10 years: Helped complete the translation of a "Muslim-friendly" version of the four

The following are just some of what God

"Muslim-friendly" version of the four Gospels (*Matthew, Mark, Luke and John*) in the Bengali language.



- Printed and distributed over 50,000
 Bengali Gospels in Bangladesh and India.
 These were distributed through a network of house churches and were specifically used for Bible study, discipleship, and leadership development within these churches.
- Completed the translation and production

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children in Iran.

- Distributed over 400,000 Story of Jesus books within the Syrian refugee communities.
- Influenced over 100,000 children and adults all across the United States for missions and finishing the task of the Great Commission.

Influencing People Both **Home and Abroad**

Internationally, Bibles-4-Children and SOW International work exclusively within the regions where there are few, if any, known believers and where the Bible is either restricted or not available. Our projects span from the translation and production of the Bible and gospel literature to distribution. We are also engaged, through our partners, in



storybook with 6-year-old Shadi from Iran

evangelism, discipleship, and church planting. These are, and will continue to be, the core of our beliefs and focus.

On the home front, Bibles-4-Children and SOW International engage churches and

Christian schools all across the U.S. in missions through Sunday School, VBS, AWANA, Upward Basketball, Children's Worship, church-wide campaigns, speaking and preaching opportunities, and other venues.

What's Happening Now?

Bibles-4-Children and SOW International's latest project is called the "Lion Project." The Lion Project is a solar-powered, digital audio player placed into the pocket of a stuffed animal. Each audio player is loaded with up to

800 hours of content — the entire Bible, Bible stories, and Bible songs in the language of the children.

Bibles-4-Children and SOW International are partnering with several organizations to help provide 100,000 of these cuddly stuffed animals (lions) to refugee children in Lebanon,

The Story of Jesus in Arabic

Jordan, Turkey, Egypt, and Irag who have been devastated by the war in Syria and the brutality of ISIS.

Currently, nearly 10,000 lions have been distributed. Bibles-4-Children and SOW International have contributed over 2,000 of these — affecting more than 40,000 children and others (parents, siblings, extended family and friends) with the gospel.

This is an ongoing project that is yielding tremendous results. Not only are children hearing the gospel and listening to the Bible, but whole families are involved. Our most recent report mentioned three entire families coming to faith in Christ as a result of the Lion Project.

Where Are We Going?

For the last eight years, it has been our vision to produce a Bible resource that focuses on those unable to read. Over 75% of the people with whom we work (adults and children) are functionally illiterate. Most of the cultures with whom we work simply do not value reading. Their tradition is to pass information from person to person orally. This, obviously, created a challenge for an organization, which

Larry Bennett explains the progression of stories through the Bible to artist, Ryan Davis for SOW International and Bibles-4-Children's latest project, the Wordless **Panoramic Bible**









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has as its purpose the distribution of the Bible and gospel literature.

In response to this challenge, Bibles-4-Children and SOW International have commissioned an original project we are calling the **Wordless Panoramic Bible.** This is a wordless pictorial Bible that uses illustrations (*panoramas*) as an aid for Bible storying. Each panorama will serve as a mnemonic (*a memory aid*) for stories throughout the Bible (*one panorama per story*).

Our first volume will include 12 Bible stories starting with creation and ending with the Great Commission. These illustrations and stories will serve as evangelism and discipleship tools specifically (but not exclusively) among illiterate populations. This project

Artist, Ryan Davis working on the Wordless Panoramic Bible will focus on both adults and children. The stories are not designed to be distributed in mass, but will be individually taught.

We have been working with artist, Ryan Davis, to develop the drawings. Our first

panorama — "The Miracles of Jesus" — has been completed. Ryan is now working on a second drawing — "The Fall." We hope to have the first volume of all 12 stories completed and available within the next year.

Our Continuing Efforts

The last 10 years have not been without tremendous loss, change, and challenges — both personally and as a ministry. In spite of it all, we have pursued God's direction. And He has confirmed His leading and blessing on this ministry.

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the Good News for the first time and hundreds are learning about missions and what it means to provide the resources in God's harvest.

There's not a better opportunity to reach the nations and people who have never heard the gospel. We invite you to become a part of what God is doing through Bibles-4-Children and SOW International.

If you would like more information on how you, your church, school, VBS, Sunday School, or organization can partner, or participate with Bibles-4-Children please call **866-807-7676** or visit our website at **www.bibles4children.com.**



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