

What is Convergence?

Convergence is a focused, three-year training and mentoring program developed to help you use your gifts and sharpen your current skills to serve as a Bible translation consultant.

Translation consultants work closely with local Bible translation teams, providing mentoring and coaching in effective translation processes. Through partnership with local leaders, they assist the community and the church with training and skill development.

In this program, you'll learn skills to effectively come alongside local translation teams and language communities, encouraging their development and growth which will lead to quality translation.

"... [When I realized] a consultant was an encourager who works alongside the team, looking over the work that they have done and giving potential options for improvement, that kind of role seemed to fit perfectly with the skills the Lord has given me."

— Emily Gaddis, translation consultant-in-training



Want to make a difference?

Contact Linda Speyers at linda_speyers@wycliffe.org and put "Convergence" in the subject line.

Note: Supported staff (missionaries) with Wycliffe Bible Translators USA or an affiliate Wycliffe Alliance Organization are members of a faith-based organization. If you become a member, you will receive extensive training and helpful tools to raise a team of prayer and financial partners in ministry; the gifts given to the preference of your ministry account provide for your salary, benefits and ministry-related expenses.

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Hebrews 4:12a reminds us that: "... the word of God is alive and powerful" (NLT). But what if there's no Bible in a language you understand? How would you experience that power?

Wycliffe Bible Translators believes that God transforms people's lives through his Word when they receive it in their language. We're privileged to join the work that God is doing around the world as he draws the nations to himself. And there's a place for you in that work!

Use your God-given academic and ministry skills to make a strategic and eternal impact in the global Bible translation movement. You'll get the chance to work alongside local communities and churches and join them as they seek to translate and communicate the power of the Word of God.

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This program might be for you if...

1. You've earned an M.Div. and/or an M.A. in biblical studies, linguistics, theology or a related field.
2. You're a team player, take initiative and are a problem solver.
3. You have previous positive cross-cultural experience.
4. You're able to work with people who hold a wide range of evangelical viewpoints.
5. You have knowledge of a modern language in addition to English and/or are willing to learn.
6. You're able to read (with reference helps) a biblical language.

The Benefits

1. Start training as a consultant immediately.
2. Find the best location for your unique situation as we prioritize you and your family's physical, spiritual and emotional wellbeing.
3. Put your years of education and training into practice, and make an eternal impact.
4. Enjoy close practical and spiritual mentorship to be most effective.
5. Have the freedom to pursue higher education including Ph.D. programs.
6. Be blessed by and be a blessing to a community of believers.

Meet Emily



Emily is currently working with an Old Testament translation team in Nigeria.

"I think what I love the most [about the program] is how many opportunities there are to learn. ... I have loved talking, discussing issues, building relationships, learning tips and tricks, learning about what God is doing in other parts of the world and making friends along the way. I have grown in my faith and my ability to accomplish the tasks that God has given me during my time with the program."

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