

The British and Foreign Bible Society

Also known as **Bible Society**

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Report and Financial Statements

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Why we exist

Bible Society exists because millions lack the Bible in a language they can understand, in a form they can use or at a price they can afford. At the same time millions still have no understanding of the Bible's value for them and their communities.

Our Vision

Bible Society is working to see a day when the Bible's God-given revelation, inspiration and wisdom is shaping the lives and communities of people everywhere.

Our task is urgent. This is because of what people, communities and nations lose when the Bible's life-changing message is not theirs.

Our task is huge:

- More than 4,400 languages still wait for even one book of the Bible.
- Though a billion people cannot read, only 3% of languages have the Bible in audio.
- Every 5 seconds, someone goes blind but the complete Braille Bible exists in only 35 languages.
- In our own country the Bible is no longer a point of reference for everyday life.
- Christians often lack the confidence to apply the Bible's message in a society that increasingly sees it as irrelevant.

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