



# July 2019

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**Deuteronomy 8: 1-20** Our Bible-a-Month Partner this month is the Bible Society of **Portugal**. They are currently revising the *Almeida Bible*, last revised in 1898. Many churches and pastors have been seeking this for years. Pray for the scholars and volunteers who will carry out this vital task.

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**Deuteronomy 11: 1-32** The Bible Society of **Portugal** is also running various events to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the *Almeida Bible*. Pray that these events will contribute to renewed interest in God's Word throughout the country.

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**Deuteronomy 15: 1-18** Pray for the *Communications Team* who are preparing exhibition materials for our stand at the *Keswick Convention*. Pray for God's blessing on this Christian gathering.

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**Deuteronomy 16: 1-22** As the school holidays begin, pray for all the SU Camps and holiday clubs that will be taking place over the coming weeks.

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**Deuteronomy 18: 9-22** Please pray for the *Essentials* email update sent by SBS to church ministers and workers. Pray that this will be helpful in supporting the development of church life in **Scotland**.

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**Deuteronomy 19: 1-14** 'Jesus: Passion of Thousands' is a sports project for children at risk run by the Bible Society of **Chile**. Pray that the hearts of children and teens will be reached through this and that they will find hope in Jesus.

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**Psalms 59** Remember the Bible Society in **Latvia** as they design and build a website that will host a new online shop. Pray that the website would be a valuable and useful instrument in God's hands.

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**Deuteronomy 29: 1-29** Elaine Duncan is attending the *United Bible Societies Executive Board* meeting in **Frankfurt** this week. Pray for wisdom as Board members gather from around the world for this important meeting.

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**Deuteronomy 30: 1-10** Keep the Bible Society of **Benin** in your prayers. They are working to translate the whole Bible into *Aja* (the language spoken in the south-west of the country). Pray for God's help as they aim to publish the New Testament by the end of this year.

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**Deuteronomy 30: 11-20** Give thanks for those coming to faith amongst the *Dalit* people of **India**. Pray for the Bible Society of **India** as they minister amongst the *Dalit* and deliver 50,000 Bibles to meet Scripture needs.

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**Deuteronomy 31: 1-13** Give thanks for the many volunteers who are helping children with their literacy skills using *Bibleworld Books*; may they be encouraged as children engage with the Bible stories.

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**Deuteronomy 31: 14-29** The Bible Society in the **Dominican Republic** need our prayers as they reach out to the deaf community in their country with Scripture distribution, teaching programmes and training for churches to be more inclusive of those with specific needs.

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**Deuteronomy 32: 48-52, 34: 1-12** As the *Keswick Convention* begins, pray for the SBS staff at the Base Camp mission exhibition. Pray for engaging conversations with visitors as we seek to increase support for our work.

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**Psalms 60** Ask the Lord to bless the Bible Society in **Bangladesh**, a small organisation in a country of 165 million people where 0.6% are Christians. Pray for the Lord to provide the resources they need to be a blessing to their nation.

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**Revelation 10: 1-11** There are sixteen major languages in **Liberia**, with the Bible in eleven of these. A team is currently translating God's Word into the *Dan (Gio)* language. Pray that they will be encouraged as they see progress in this vital work.

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**Revelation 11: 1-14** San Pedro Sula (in **Honduras**) is considered the world's crime capital. Please pray as 10,000 Bibles are distributed to prisoners by the Bible Society. Pray that the Scriptures will shine light where there is darkness.

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**Revelation 11: 15-19** Pray for Emma Galloway, the project manager for *Bible 2020*, and the wider team as they produce the resources and technology required to bring *Bible 2020* to fruition.

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**Revelation 12: 1 - 13: 1a** The Bible Society in the **Philippines** works to make the Bible available in the remote **Micronesian Islands** (north of Papua New Guinea). Pray that generous giving will ensure that subsidised Bibles are still offered.

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**Revelation 13: 1b-10** Please pray for the **Ukrainian Bible Society** and the *Word of Love* project. A special Children's Bible is being distributed from July onwards, with the aim of bringing hope and comfort to sick children in hospital.

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**Revelation 13: 11-18** As week 2 of the *Keswick Convention* gets underway, pray for our staff to have good conversations with visitors to our stand as we promote the work of SBS.

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**Psalms 61** There is great need for Scripture portions and a full Braille Bible for blind and partially-sighted people in **Angola**. Please pray for the Bible Society there as they endeavour to meet this need.

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**Revelation 14: 1-13** The Bible Society of **Egypt** are publishing 'missionary editions' of the Bible and New Testament at a low cost to help churches and individuals reach out with the Good News. Pray that the Lord will bless this work.

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**Revelation 14: 14-20** Scriptures for children are being distributed in churches, Holistic Centres and schools by the Bible Society in **Tanzania**. Pray that God's Word will have an impact in the lives of future generations of Tanzanians.

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**Revelation 15: 1-8** Many people in **Scotland** are struggling emotionally and spiritually; pray as they attend *Bible-based Trauma Healing* groups that God will bring peace, hope and healing into their lives.

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**Revelation 16: 1-21** The distribution of Scripture materials and Bibles in selected primary schools across the nation is the aim of the Bible Society in **Ghana**. Pray that through this the Lord will build a generation positively impacted by the Bible.

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**Revelation 17: 1-18** In the **Netherlands** the Bible Society has plans to publish the *Kingstone Bible Comic Book*. Pray that through this version God's voice will be heard by a new audience.

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**Revelation 18: 1-24** In the final week of the 2019 *Keswick Convention*, pray for our staff to have engaging conversations with visitors and attract new support for our work.

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**Psalms 62** Remember the Bible Society in **Iraq** as they seek to serve persecuted Christians in their own country. Pray that the Bible Society will be a real support and encouragement to local believers facing trouble and hardship.

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**Revelation 19: 1-10** Jen Robertson is leading the daily Bible Engagement times at a *Scripture Union Scotland* holiday this week with 50 young people. Please pray that as they explore the books of Luke and Acts they would meet with Jesus.

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**Revelation 19: 11-21** A Children's Mission Centre is under construction in **Swaziland** organised by the Bible Society there. Ask that God will bless lives in this place, as Trauma-Healing Groups and HIV Programmes will use the new facility.

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**Revelation 20: 1-15** In 2009 the **Arab Israeli Bible Society** started a project aimed at empowering women and families through Scripture. Give thanks for the project which has grown and now reaches 4,000 women each year.