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## About the Johnsons

Michael, Lori, Nathaniel, Benjamin, Evan, and Rachel have taken up the challenge to **go** into the world and fulfill God’s call.

Michael is a former U. S. Navy submarine officer who changed careers to engineering consulting as a defense contractor, and then to data storage industry software development, before entering full-time Christian service. He holds a BS in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and a MS in Electrical Engineering. He has written several articles and programs on cryptography. Michael is the senior editor and main translator of the World English Bible (at <http://WorldEnglishBible.org>), and an ordained minister of the Gospel. Michael’s current assignment is Bible translation software development. He also teaches, preaches, and helps with administrative tasks where appropriate.

Lori is a homemaker and teacher. She holds a BA in Kinesiology and has taught in public and private schools. She was the Director of Abstinence Education at a Crisis Pregnancy Center for seven years, leaving behind a successful, ongoing ministry. She teaches at Ukarampa International School, and also consults for other mission organizations in abstinence and HIV/AIDS education.

Using their skills to fulfill the Great Commission is their most important job yet!

Please send personal correspondence to:

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Jesus Christ is LORD!



## Michael & Lori Johnson Family

**BIBLE  
TRANSLATION  
SUPPORT  
MISSIONARIES**

*The Great Commission  
is our Mission.*



## Why Translate the Bible?

Do you remember the first time the Scriptures came alive to you? As Christians we know that the "Word of God is living and active" (Hebrews 4:12) and can transform lives. We are privileged to choose from many good English Bible translations, but there are those who don't even have a portion of the Holy Bible in their own heart language. What if you had to learn Greek before you could read the Bible?

*Οὕτως γὰρ ἠγάπησεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν κόσμον ὥστε τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ τὸν μονογενή ἔδωκεν ἵνα πᾶς ὁ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται ἀλλ' ἔχη ζωὴν αἰώνιον*

— John 3:16 in Greek

Isn't it much more clear in the language you speak best?

*For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life.*

— John 3:16 in English

About 2/3 of the world's 6,809 living languages still have no Scripture written in their own language. This represents about half a billion people without even a portion of the Holy Bible in their own heart language. Our vision is to contribute to the monumental task of making the written Word of God available to every people group in the language they understand best.

*"Therefore go, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you."*

—Matthew 28:19-20a

**How can you effectively make disciples of Jesus Christ without a Bible that they can understand?**

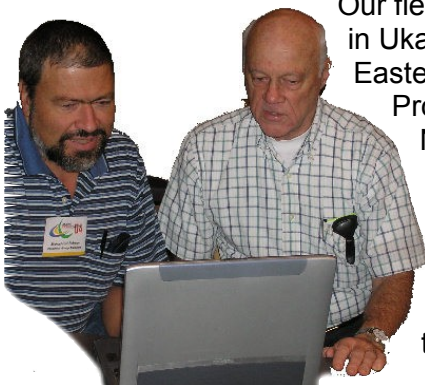
## Technology Meets the Jungle

A typical Bible translator has historically taken 15-20 years to learn a new unwritten language, develop a writing system, and translate a New Testament into that language. Better computer software can help speed up the work of Bible translation. That means that we can get the Word of God to more people in less time!



Michael works with Bible translators and software developers

from Wycliffe Bible Translators, Evangel Bible Translators, and other organizations. Their goal is to increase the productivity of Bible translators all over the world. The software that Michael contributes and edits is open source and free for all Bible translators to use. Michael also does some itinerate teaching and preaching.



Our field location is in Ukarumpa, Eastern Highlands Province, Papua New Guinea (PNG). This gives us direct access to Bible translators on

the field and to a variety of unreached and unchurched people groups. PNG borders Indonesia to the west, Micronesia and the Phillipines to the north, Polynesia to the east, and Australia to the south.

Our home country location in the United States gives us ready access to the technology and resources needed to efficiently develop software much faster than can be done in Papua New Guinea. It also affords us much more reliable, affordable, and higher quality communication facilities for coordinating with other software developers and Bible translators in countries besides PNG.



To make it possible for Bible translators to stay on the field long enough to complete a Bible translation, it is necessary to take good care of their children, including a quality education. One way that is done is with Christian schools like the Ukarumpa International School, where Lori teaches health and P. E. She also leads Bible studies, runs seminars on abstinence, sexual purity, and HIV/AIDS, and nurtures our children.

Our children are also ambassadors of Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God.

It is our passion to know Jesus Christ and to make Him known. As a family, we have unique giftings to accomplish this task.

We would like to invite you to be part of this team by becoming partners with the Johnson family.

*Michael & Lori Johnson*