



Jenjo

God and the Lamb

The Apostle John often speaks about *God and the Lamb* in the book of Revelation. He speaks of their throne (22:1, 3). He speaks of their glory (5:13; 21:23). He speaks of them as the true temple (21:22). He speaks of their salvation ((7:10) and of their redemption (14:4). He speaks of their tender love (7:17) and of their wrath (6:16-17; 14:10).

Probably no expression better represents the blessed object of our love and devotion than *God and the Lamb*. For in that expression is an apt summary of what we as believers hold dear. Is there any better reason, then, for the Jenjo translators to persevere as they labor to make the mother-tongue Scriptures available to their people?

- **Thank the Lord that the Jenjo team's persistent labors won't be in vain (1 Corinthians 15:58).**
- **Pray that as the Jenjo people read and hear God's Word in their mother tongue, they'll respond to His grace.**

Moving Ahead

The Jenjo project is moving ahead, which is a joy to the team and many Jenjo people. The team translated the rest of Luke's Gospel back into literal English in preparation for the consultant's review, which took place in answer to prayer. Comprehension testing of the book continues. This step is done to ensure that the translation flows naturally and communicates the intended message.

Providing Spiritual Food

Just as most people prefer food that's native to their own culture, so it is with spiritual food. That's why the Jenjo translators seek to provide God's Word in the people's own mother tongue. They must exercise special care in this work. Otherwise, local readers could make wrong assumptions, undermining the true meaning because of implications from their more familiar culture or even connecting biblical ideas to pagan rituals.

In cultures where people's concept of God is someone who's far off, inaccessible and impersonal, to have Him come close and speak to them in their own language through the mother-tongue Scriptures does wonders in drawing them to want to know Him, since by speaking to them in their heart language this God has taken a personal interest in them.



- **Location: Nigeria, Africa**
- **Number of Speakers: 15,000**
- **Year Project Began: 2008**
- **Expected Completion Date: 2012**

- **Praise God for all who contribute to the success of the Jenjo Bible translation effort. Pray for them as they give their best to see that this people group knows that Jesus Christ came to this earth to speak the good news of the gospel to their hearts.**

- **Pray for the Jenjo team as they labor to bring God's life-giving Word to their people.**