

Bible Sunday 29 August 2021



Dear Colleague

This is truly a challenging time for every pastor and congregation. Good luck with all the challenges that the Covid 19 time presents to you.

Throughout the years, the General Synod proclaimed the last Sunday in August as Bible Sunday. It was also placed on the General Synod's church calendar. This was done out of gratitude because the first Afrikaans translation of the Bible was taken into use on 27 August. Throughout the years, the Bible Society, together with congregations, celebrates the last Sunday of August as Bible Sunday.

Then we focus on the Bible and the influence the Bible has on every Christian's life. It is also a time when we thank the Lord for all the translation projects. That on the one hand we have a Bible in Afrikaans and on the other hand - new translations are still being done. This is done so that all people can read the Bible in their own language. There are still several indigenous languages that do not yet have their own Bible in their own language.

At the moment we are working on the Khoisan Languages namely: Xun and Kwedam.

What can you do to make Bible Sunday special in 2021?

1. You can make the proclamation of the Word focus on the Bible's special place in believers' lives
2. You can tell people about the Bible translation work that the Bible Society does
3. Sal u asb. for us to record door collections that are specifically intended for Bible translations. Our translation projects are directly dependent on it. You can send it directly to our office cloete@biblesociety.co.za
4. Here is a link to our website where there are resources for Bible Sunday:
<https://www.bybelgenootskap.co.za/index.php/af/hulpmiddels/bible-sunday-2021>
 - There are two sermon sketches that can be used
 - Video clip as evidence that can be played
 - 'n Powerpoint background that you can use
5. You can intercede for the work of the Bible Society and Bible translation
6. There are still many of the free booklets available that deal with the Bible itself. You can order it and share it from: " *The Bible Hope for all* " You can talk to Thelma Cloete to get it cloete@biblesociety.co.za
7. There are other tools like Bible Quizzes etc. on our website.
8. You can encourage members to participate in the nationwide virtual walking / jogging / cycling event for the benefit of Bibles on 21 and 22 Aug 2021.
<https://modernathlete.sendybay.com/w/rW7OSezxKMh7rs9gyIHtJQ>

Many blessings be upon you and your congregation!

Kind regards

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Bybelsondag 29 Augustus 2021



Beste Kollega

Dit is voorwaar 'n uitdagende tyd vir elke dominee en gemeente. Baie sterkte met al die uitdagings wat die Covid 19 tyd aan jou bied.

Deur al die jare het die Algemene Sinode die laaste Sondag in Augustus as Bybelsondag uitgeroep. Dit is ook so op die Algemene Sinode se kerkkalender aangebring. Dit was uit dank gedoen omdat die eerste Afrikaanse vertaling van die Bybel op 27 Augustus in gebruik geneem is. Deur al die jare vier die Bybelgenootskap saam met gemeentes die laaste Sondag van Augustus as Bybelsondag.

Dan fokus ons op die Bybel en die invloed wat die Bybel op elke Christen se lewe het. Dit is ook 'n tyd waar ons vir die Here dankie sê vir al die vertalingsprojekte. Dat ons aan die een kant 'n Bybel in Afrikaans het en aan die ander kant - daar steeds nuwe vertalings gedoen word. Dit word gedoen sodat alle mense die Bybel in hulle eie taal kan lees. Daar is nog verskeie inheemse tale wat nog nie 'n eie Bybel in hulle eie taal het nie.

Op die oomblik is ons besig met die Khoisan Tale naamlik: Xun en Kwedam.

Wat kan u doen om Bybelsondag in 2021 besonders te maak?

1. U kan die Woordverkondiging laat fokus op die Bybel se besondere plek in gelowiges se lewens
2. U kan mense vertel van die Bybelvertalingswerk wat die Bybelgenootskap doen
3. Sal u asb. vir ons 'n deurekolliekte opneem wat spesifiek vir Bybelvertalings bedoel is. Ons vertalingsprojekte is direk daarvan afhanklik. U kan dit direk aan ons kantoor stuur cloete@biblesociety.co.za
4. Hier is 'n skakel na ons webtuiste waar daar hulpmiddels vir Bybelsondag is : <https://www.bybelgenootskap.co.za/index.php/af/hulpmiddels/bible-sunday-2021>
 - Daar is twee preeksetse wat gebruik kan word
 - Videoclip as getuigenis wat gespeel kan word
 - 'n Powerpoint agtergrond wat u kan gebruik
5. U kan voorbidding doen vir die werk van die Bybelgenootskap en Bybelvertaling
6. Daar is nog heelwat van die gratis boekies beskikbaar wat gaan oor die Bybel self. U kan dit bestel en uit deel: "*Die Bybel Hoop vir alma!*" U kan gerus met Thelma Cloete gesels om dit te bekom cloete@biblesociety.co.za
7. Daar is ander hulpmiddels soos Bybelvasvrae ens. op ons webtuiste.
8. U kan lidmate aanmoedig om op 21 en 22 Aug 2021 aan die landswye virtuele stap/ draf/fietsry geleentheid deel te neem ten bate van Bybels. <https://modernathlete.sendybay.com/w/rW7OSezxKMh7rs9gyIHtJQ>

Baie seën vir jou en jou gemeente toegebid!

Vriendelik groete

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