



COMMUNITY
BIBLE STUDY

IMPACT REPORT

Spring 2024

TRANSFORMED LIVES
THROUGH THE
WORD OF GOD



WE ARE A GLOBAL FAMILY WHO BELIEVES
GOD CHANGES OUR LIVES AS
WE STUDY THE BIBLE TOGETHER



The Vision of Community Bible Study is *Transformed Lives Through the Word of God*, and our Spring 2024 Impact Report is a testimony to our Lord's beautiful work around the world through His Word. By His grace, our Community Bible Study family is now well over a million people – *Hallelujah!* I hope you will marvel at His faithfulness and join us in giving Him all the praise!

Peace to you,

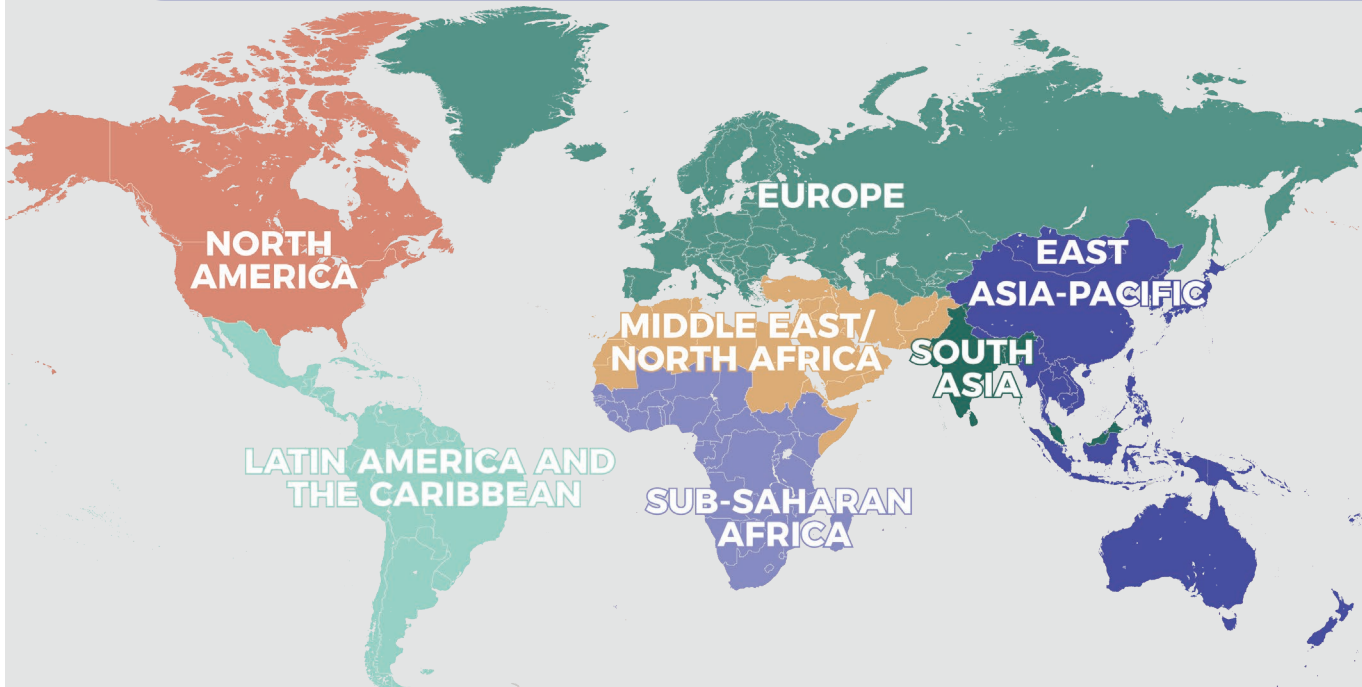
Kimm Carr
Executive Director

OUR IN-DEPTH BIBLE STUDY APPROACH

- INDIVIDUAL STUDY
- ENCOURAGING DISCUSSION
- EFFECTIVE TEACHING
- INSIGHTFUL COMMENTARY
- CARING COMMUNITY

"This is the Lord's doing;
it is marvelous in our
eyes." Psalm 118:23

GLOBAL OVERVIEW



More than 1.1 million children and adults participate in CBS worldwide



417% participant growth since 2015



- Adults
- Children & Youth
- In-person and Online
- Agape
- In Prison & Beyond
- Ethnos
- After School Kids



Spoken CBS: in-depth, dynamic studies for oral-reliant and oral-preferred learners.



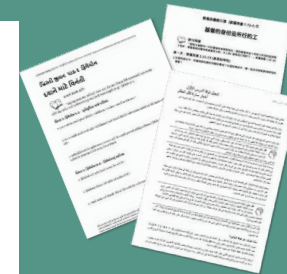
CBS is currently holding Bible studies in 110 countries worldwide.



More than 73,000 servant leaders work tirelessly to support CBS studies around the globe.



Bible study lessons available in 88 heart languages so far.



Click on or scan the QR code to learn more about our current translation projects!



Check out the new "About CBS" video giving you a beautiful look at the impact of CBS.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

22
countries

310,656
children & youth in
the Word of God

538,217
adults studying the Bible
in caring community



"CBS has helped us bring together people in the Word in a systematic, consistent way. It has helped make ministry easy by helping us bring the Word broken down, simplified in our language."

—Bishop Sam,
Anglican Shyira Diocese



God's Work in the Region



CBS officially launched in Ghana in December. Seventeen chaplains were trained with Good News Jail and Prison Ministry, with classes starting in 6 prisons in January.



Launch of Spoken CBS in Ethiopia, Francophone West Africa, Kenya (Maasai tribe) and Nigeria.



We have successfully launched new partnerships with Compassion International Rwanda. Training sessions are taking place with leaders of more than 100,000 Compassion International children across the country.



CBS in Kenya



Use the QR
code to hear
from Victor
in Eswatini



**Growth
From
God**



63%
BURUNDI

218%
SOUTH SUDAN

142%
CHILDREN &
YOUTH

*2021-2024

SOUTH ASIA REGION

6
countries

17,801
children & youth in
the Word of God

30,859
adults studying the Bible
in caring community

God's Work in the Region



Delhi Children & Youth Training: We had participants from 11 of the 30 states in India, including Sharing Love Mission, Free Methodist Church, Revival Baptist Church, Bible Study Asia.



Sharing Love Mission: After participating in the Delhi training, the archbishop desires to train all teachers in the denomination so all 100,000 children can be taught the way CBS teaches children.



Spoken CBS: Leaders working among tribal people and in the least reached area of India.

“ Khushal is a 6-year-old boy participating in a Children & Youth CBS class in India. He likes listening to the stories from the class lesson book. One day he went to school and showed his lesson to his teacher. He said to his teacher: “This is a very beautiful book, and I want to learn from this book.”

His non-Christian teacher said, “Let me read this book, and I will give it back.” She took the book to read.

Khushal invited his friends for CBS class as well. He assured his friends saying, “You would definitely love to join our CBS class!”



Spoken CBS in Action



Hear from CBS
Participants at
Sharing Love
Mission in India



**Growth
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God**



85%
SRI LANKA

371%
INDIA

142%
CHILDREN
& YOUTH

*2021-2024

EAST ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

17
countries

17,914
children & youth in
the Word of God

9,336
adults studying the Bible
in caring community

God's Work in the Region



Churches in Taiwan see the value of CBS.

Adult participants grew from 650 to 1,432. More churches are recognizing the value of including CBS in their discipleship programs.



CBS made available in all churches and denominations in Nepal.

This move has increased the C&Y numbers in Nepal by 85% – going from 212 to 1,394 in just one year.



Thailand experienced almost a doubling of both the Adults and C&Y participant numbers this past year.

This growth is attributed to a CBS vision-casting presentation to church leaders in Bangkok, as well as the efforts by Teacher Sally and her training team.

“Mrs. M became a Christian in November 2020 and began studying Daniel with a CBS class at church. She was so encouraged by Daniel’s faith that she shared the gospel with her husband and two daughters. Both of her daughters became Christians and started attending CBS class. Mr. M, not yet a believer, started attending CBS out of curiosity. While studying 1 Corinthians 7, he was moved to receive Christ when his small group leader shared the gospel. As the daughters were studying about spiritual gifts in 1 Corinthians 12, they were led to use their gifts with the church’s music team. God is receiving the glory for saving the entire M family.



CBS Class in Thailand

Growth
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God

825%
CHILDREN
& YOUTH
*2021-2024



Hear from
Karen in the
Phillippines



NORTH AMERICA REGION

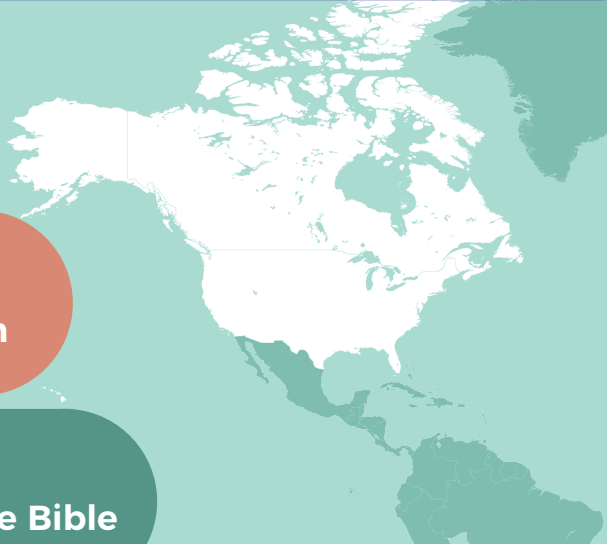
2
countries

20,769

children & youth in
the Word of God

74,641

adults studying the Bible
in caring community



“For a busy mom, this study works well for my schedule, and still allows me some fellowship and Bible study. If I were left to my own devices, I would probably not make room to study the Bible. So, I remain with CBS because of the intentional time to study the Bible with others, as it has greatly grown my faith over the years.”

—Small Group CBS Participant



Small Group CBS

- New online platform
- 6-8 week courses
- Piloted with almost 1,000 participants
- Full launch in region in April 2024
- [Learn more by clicking here.](#)



God's Work in the Region



NextGen Growth: Last year, classes were asked to be intentional about helping younger generations inherit the land. Several methods were used to prayerfully seek how to reach the younger generations.

- The NextGen Director role was created to seek opportunities within the community to engage additional youth.
- Leaders were encouraged with scripture and teachings from Psalm 37:3-9.
- Classes were equipped with resources from leaders who were successful in reaching the younger generation.



Children & Youth

Growth
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God



15%
CHILDREN &
YOUTH

*since 2022



Hear from
Lydia in
Georgia



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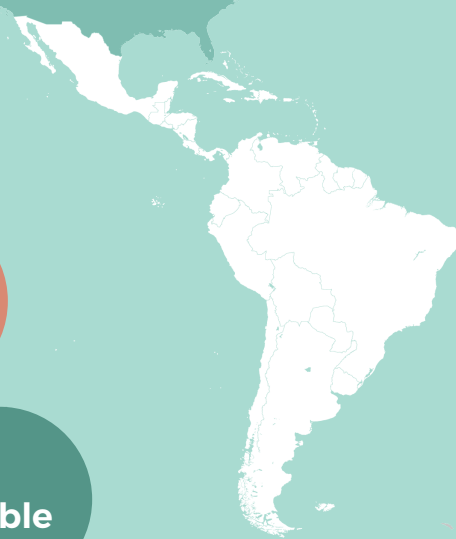
19
countries

6,335

children & youth in
the Word of God

5,415

adults studying the Bible
in caring community



“In the camp the Bible study book left us many teachings and new challenges,” shares Ruben, an Argentina summer youth camp participant.

At right a small group gathers at the summer youth camp.



God's Work in the Region



Young people revival in Nicaragua. 300 young people attended camp representing 20 churches. Together they celebrated the conclusion of their study of Daniel. Many tremendous testimonies, young lives changed, and decisions for Christ were made.



Paraguay: Training offered to 100 pastors looking for discipleship materials. 4,200 pastoral leaders in country are members of APEP (main association of pastors in Paraguay).



Jamaica: A neighborhood that had little access to Bible study now has thriving studies because one woman loves children and CBS.



**CBS Class
in Nicaragua**

**Growth
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God**



580%
GUATEMALA

146%
JAMAICA

*2021-2024



Hear from CBS leader Yamil about the vision and actions to reach young people with the Word of God to reach their community.



EUROPE REGION

31
countries

1,575
children & youth in
the Word of God

7,140
adults studying the Bible
in caring community

God's Work in the Region



Ukraine: More than 2,400 adults and children & youth studying CBS material. Diaspora groups have begun all over the world to enable the Ukrainian refugees to study the Bible in their heart language. Ukraine grew 64% during the last two years since the war began.



Together Online: 21 groups with approximately 210 people. One group has participants from London, Suriname and Atlanta. Each group varies with the number of countries represented.

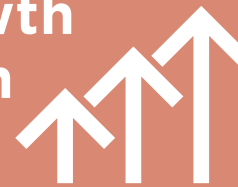


Young adult leaders are thriving.

“Life becomes different – fuller, happier, more joyful. When God comes first, everything else takes the right place.”

—Laimute, CBS participant in Lithuania

Growth
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God



206%
RUSSIA
370%
UKRAINE

88%
TOTAL
EUROPE
GROWTH
*2021-2024



CBS Class in Switzerland



Meet young adults gathering for CBS in Ukraine with hope in spite of their circumstances.

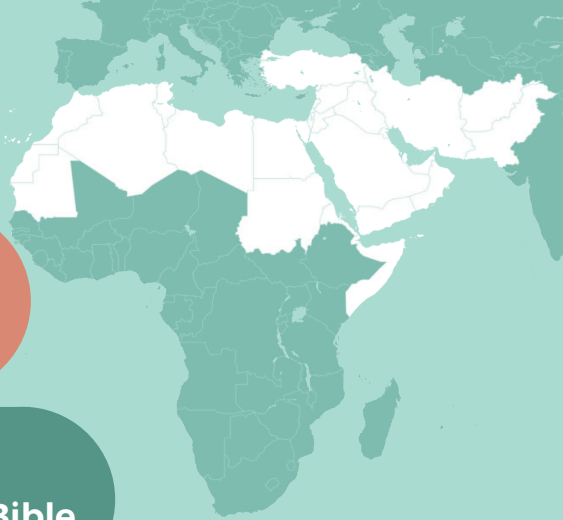


MIDDLE EAST/NORTH AFRICA

13
countries

66,970
children & youth in
the Word of God

5,767
adults studying the Bible
in caring community



“ Lewi is deaf. He is from a farming community in the Middle East. We first met Lewi when he was 8 years old, a shy, withdrawn boy because of his disability. Having met consistently with him every week for 10 years, he has gradually opened up—he now feels valued, loved, and understood in his otherwise silent world. Four years ago, Lewi started to attend our CBS group, first studying Luke, then Genesis and some of Paul’s letters. Today, Lewi is 18 and is on fire for God and His Word!

He is also a passionate evangelist amongst his own Muslim deaf community and is in the process of starting his own CBS study group for them!

God’s Work in the Region



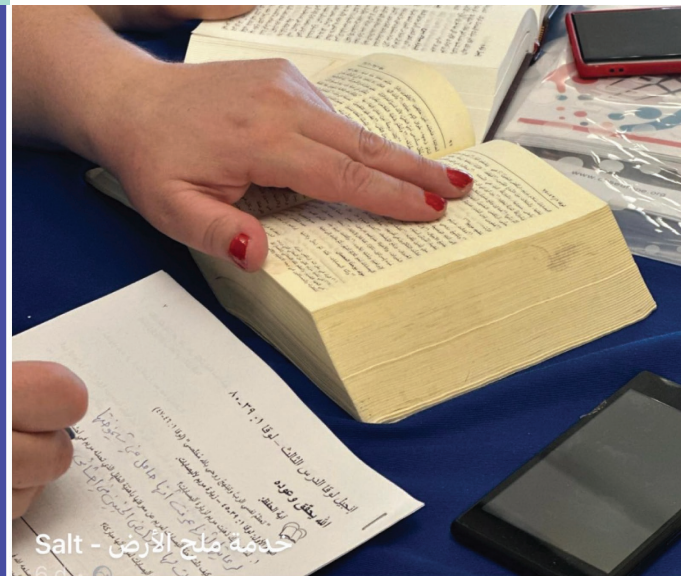
Significant growth in Syria: The National Coordinator diligently shepherded the leaders and held many trainings throughout the year. As a result, the ministry grew from 5 classes with 49 adult participants to 35 classes with 305 adults and 245 C&Y participants.



Diaspora: God is opening doors for a Diaspora ministry serving Northern Iraqis living in Canada.



A Farsi Church in Turkey is now using CBS materials. The participants have increased from 35 to 101. This is the highest participant count on record for Turkey.



**Growth
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God**



1,347%
SYRIA

55%
TURKEY

*2021-2024



Watch a Thank You video from leaders around Middle East/North Africa.



THE MISSION OF CBS

To make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our communities through caring, in-depth Bible study, available to all.

JOIN US!



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