

Jola-Felupe children learning to read and write in their mother tongue

Dear Friends,

David and Lynn Frank, Spring 2015

I'm writing from Guinea-Bissau, West Africa, though by the time you receive this I will be back home. On this my eighth consultant visit to Guinea-Bissau, I am working with the Jola-Felupe translation team, checking their translation of Acts and Genesis. We finished Acts, continuing from last September, and got started on Genesis, but the checking of Jola-Felupe Genesis won't be completed on this trip.

Lynn and I were both checking translations in Nigeria in January. Lynn was checking the end of Acts with one language group and I was checking a set of New Testament epistles with another. We are due to make more of these translation consulting trips this year.

While back at our office at the JAARS Center in North Carolina, we continue our work as editors. In December I put out a new issue of the Journal of Translation, which can be found online at www.journaloftranslation.org. Lynn has been editing a linguistics paper that describes a method of holding workshops for analyzing the grammar of previously unstudied languages. I also continue to serve on the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission.

Since our last newsletter, Lynn's mother, Muriel Ernstmeyer, passed away December 13. Lynn is grateful that God gave her such a wonderful mother. She has blessed us through the years with her visits to our home in St. Lucia and Waxhaw, and, together with Lynn's dad, contributed to making our lives productive and happy. Her memory will always be in our hearts.

We announced our son's wedding in our last newsletter, and now our daughter Kimberly is soon to be wed to Drew Hauge. Update: Kimberly and Drew were married at Messiah Lutheran Church in Charlotte on April 19 with a wonderful wedding ceremony and reception. Pictures to follow.

We thank you for your interest, prayers, and gifts in support of our service in the area of languages and Bible translation. We consider it a blessing to us to be able to serve in this way.

In Christ,







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