



Equipping the Church with God's Story

God's Story, Grandparents, and Raising Leaders

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God's Story Recordings in Nigeria

In March a team of four *God's Story* specialists traveled to Nigeria to work with 13 teams to translate and record 13 languages of *God's Story: From Creation to Eternity*. We thank the Lord that 11 of those languages are completed and the other two languages are being translated. We plan to record the remaining two languages the next time our team returns to Nigeria. Sadly, some of the team members contracted malaria and another got typhoid, but we praise the Lord that they are better now. These heroes remind me of the spiritual battle many face to complete the *God's Story* program in their language.

Please continue to pray as we work diligently to complete God's Story in the languages of Africa, Asia and elsewhere. Nigeria alone has more than 520 languages.

Grandparents Have Experiences to Share

Three of us recently traveled to Texas for the Legacy Grandparents Conference. What a blessed event! We met many grandparents looking to reach their grandchildren with the

Lord. They want a relationship. Some grandparents we met described having a strong, godly relationship with their children and their grandchildren, while others do not. Many grandparents loved the idea of doing the *God's Story* puzzle with their grandchildren and reading the stories from our Illustrated Children's Book that go with the puzzle. There are instructions for turning the completed puzzle into a Bible storytelling game. The game gives grandparents another opportunity to spend time in the Word with their grandchildren.



Our team told many Bible stories throughout the two days of the conference. A woman volunteer from the church that hosted the conference heard the storm story from Mark chapter 4. She was so impacted by that story that she returned to our table the next day and excitedly shared, "I can't stop thinking about that story! I told it to my husband. I went to sleep thinking about it. I woke up thinking about it. And I'm seeing new things I've never seen in that story before."

Please pray for us as we follow up with contacts we made at the conference.

Leaders Gather in East Africa

We thank the Lord that our Simply The Story Comprehensive Leadership Training (CLT) is taking place again this year in East Africa. At a CLT, leaders from multiple countries gather together to deepen their skills for training others in the STS oral inductive Bible study method. This month people from Sudan, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, and several other African countries are meeting to grow in their skills, dig deep into the Bible, and become better equipped to share the Bible with others.

The Comprehensive Leadership Trainings from past years have resulted in building up teams in various countries that are able to conduct STS trainings without outside help. The loving fellowship that takes place during the CLT not only creates ownership of the STS method, it strengthens the bonds of the teams throughout the region. The leaders are strengthened in their faith and they grow in their sense of responsibility to hear and obey the Word of God.

Please pray for the CLT. Pray that the Word of God transforms the hearts and minds of each participant. That they grow in the Lord, and also that everyone remains healthy during their time together.

Brazil, YWAM and Two Months!

Over the past few years teams, of STS trainers have been traveling to Brazil to train many people at several of the YWAM (Youth With A Mission) bases. The results have been astounding! You can read about some of the exciting results in our Prayer & Praise Reports from the past year on our website.



We have a very special opportunity for two of our instructors to work with YWAM in Brazil for a few months. They will train many of the people at several YWAM bases in the Simply The Story process. Along with teaching the Bible study and storytelling process, they will also teach how to use STS in day-to-day activities and outreach. The ultimate goal is to raise instructors at the various bases so that leaders in YWAM can begin to train their own people in STS.

Please pray for our team to stay healthy and for wisdom to know the best schedule and process to raise leaders in STS.

Dr. Larry Dinkins Shares about Orality

Dr. Larry Dinkins, a longtime STS instructor and Operation Mobilization missionary to Thailand, was interviewed about the need for oral teaching methods and how ministries like Simply The Story are meeting this need. [Click here](#) to hear Larry explain why stories are such a powerful tool for reaching the world.

Online Bible Studies Raise Leaders in Central Asia

Daisy, an STS Lead Instructor in Central Asia, has been meeting online with a woman she met at a conference this past winter. During these online sessions, *Daisy* has been training this woman in STS. Between their sessions, this woman shares the Bible story they studied with two or three groups of believers she meets with regularly.

Daisy also leads a couple of small online groups, training them with STS. A woman in one of the groups became so skilled that *Daisy* handed off the leadership of the group to her.

Another of *Daisy's* groups is a gathering of Mugat women (Central Asian "gypsies"). The Mugat are an unreached minority people group among whom God has started to powerfully move.

Several years ago we completed God's Story in the Mugat language. This is the only piece of biblical material in the Mugat language. A translation of the Bible has not yet been started among these people.

Praise God with us for how He is using *Daisy* to share His Word and to train others to do the same.

God's Word Impacts the Rural Philippines

A letter came to our office recently about Megavoice solar audio players carried to the Philippines. We praise God for his goodness.

They wrote, "Thank you all for your help to get these players made! They are being put to good use in rural Philippines!"

The pastor who led the mission trip to the Philippines shared that Anna, a school principal for over 100 tribal kids, came to her Christian school just to know Christ and get a high school education. The solar players provided the perfect fit for her students who don't know how to read. Anna was overjoyed to receive the solar players.

Pray for Anna as the principal, and pray also for these students to grow in their faith.



Upcoming Workshops in the USA

We have several trainings coming up throughout the USA. [Click here](#) to visit our website to see all the details.

- Lexington, Kentucky, Friday-Sunday, May 1-3, Foundational training
- Lexington, Kentucky, June 25-27, Advanced training
- Warsaw, Indiana, July 8-11, Foundational training
- West Bend, Wisconsin, July 15-18, Foundational training
- Starting September 2026, an 8-session, weekly Online STS Ministry That Multiplies training
- Hemet, California, January 18-22, 2027, Advanced training
- Hemet, California, January 25-29, 2027, Full In-Depth or 3-day Foundational training

We would love to see you at any of these training sessions.

If these times don't work for you, consider hosting a workshop at your church. With a minimum of six people ready to learn STS, you can have a workshop. [Click here](#) or call our office to learn about hosting a training in your location.

New *God's Story* Visuals

We would Love to hear from You

As we work to update the visuals of the *God's Story* video, we need your help. Our final samples are ready for feedback. The audio of *God's Story* remains powerful. However, the visuals have become outdated. To keep *God's Story: From Creation to Eternity* a powerful tool for sharing the gospel for the years to come, we are updating the visuals. Please take a few minutes to watch the short 20-second samples and share your thoughts. We are gathering input from all ages, various backgrounds, and different countries, so feel free to share the survey link with anyone you would like.

[Click here](#) to see samples and share your feedback.

God has provided nearly half of the funds needed to redo the visuals. If the Lord leads you to donate towards this project, please click below to donate on line.

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