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15 Days of Praise and Prayer for Europe

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Introduction

From the war-torn streets of Ukraine to the quiet classrooms of Ireland, Bibletime is opening doors for the gospel in communities marked by both opportunity and challenge. In a continent characterised by shifting borders, cultural diversity and spiritual hunger, this simple tool is proving to be a powerful catalyst for transformation. Whether through printed lessons, digital apps or creative outreach, Bibletime is helping children, teenagers and adults encounter the living Lord Jesus.

In Armenia, a land scarred by conflict yet welcoming new waves of migrants, young leaders are using Bibletime to reach children, teenagers and even adults hungry for God's Word. In Belarus, creative and resilient teams are combining printed lessons, digital apps and camps to bring the Bible into homes, schools and even prisons. In Moldova, innovative approaches such as school post-boxes ensure that lessons reach thousands of children, while in Romania, both Romanian and Hungarian-speaking ministries are touching communities as diverse as mountain villages and Roma groups.

Elsewhere, work continues in Russia and Turkey under strict government scrutiny, while Spain highlights the growing reach of Bibletime in prisons and schools beyond its borders. Across Ukraine, despite the devastation of war, faithful teachers and graders press on with courage and prayer. Meanwhile, in Western Europe, ministries in Ireland and the UK continue to grow, supported by translation and design efforts in France, Poland, Slovenia and other nations.

These stories are not just updates; they are testimonies of faith, perseverance and the shared vision that every child should have the opportunity to know God's Word.

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Day 1: Armenia

Armen and Jasmina (Emmaus)

After the war of 2020, many Armenians left their homeland, but when conflict broke out between Russia and Ukraine, Armenia became home to a new wave of migrants. Out of this shifting landscape, a new Bibletime ministry was launched in 2022. That year, a team from Emmaus visited the country to introduce the vision of Bibletime to churches and young people.

Today, Armen and Jasmina lead the work, partnering with ten churches and 26 graders (markers). Over 3,100 Bibletime courses have been distributed, with more than 2,300 completed and marked. Currently, Bibletime is active in seven locations across Armenia: Yerevan, Ashtarak, Sisian, Abovyan, Nshavan, Dvin and Agarak. Fourteen ministers and assistants serve faithfully in these communities, offering between 210 and 240 courses each month to children and teenagers. Those who finish all 12 courses receive diplomas as a mark of their achievement, and regular competitions such as drawing contests and “Bible Hero” challenges help children engage creatively with God’s Word. Winners are celebrated with prizes and shareable postcards, making each achievement a memorable milestone.

In 2024, the work expanded to include Emmaus courses for adults. One former serviceman now uses them to reach fellow soldiers with the gospel. Though challenges remain, especially in border regions, this ministry is steadily growing, bringing Scripture into homes, Sunday schools, and even communities near Iran.



Day 2: Belarus

Tim and Maria (Emmaus)



In Belarus, Tim and Maria lead a vibrant and creative ministry through the Postal Bible School. What began in Brest in 2015 has grown into a nationwide effort that now operates across two offices, reaching thousands of people every year with God’s Word. Tim and the 17 other

team members handle the printing of both Bibletime and Emmaus courses themselves, ensuring a steady supply of resources. At present, 2,850 students are actively studying Bibletime, supported by three coordinating graders and a dedicated team of volunteers.

What makes their work stand out is its creativity and innovation. Each month, specially designed envelopes, reward postcards and bookmarks are sent out with a Bibletime lesson, bringing joy and excitement to the students. They have even developed an app that allows children to track their progress, see their marks and enter a digital shop to purchase prizes using the points they’ve earned over the previous year.

Camps, Quests and one-day events are another key part of the ministry. The Postal Bible School organises two annual Quests, one at Christmas and one at Easter. Each Quest runs for several days or weeks, during which children complete daily tasks such as performing good deeds, writing essays, or sharing their faith. Participants submit photos or videos of their completed tasks for



review, and top performers receive special prizes. Each year, the team organises one main camp called PBS Land, and lots of one-day events, many in areas where church outreach is minimal. These gatherings combine Bible teaching with outings, food, sweet treats and the appearance of their beloved mascot, a dove carrying the Bible. This variety of events not only engages children but also opens doors for the gospel in new regions.

The ministry, however, has faced challenges. Opposition from residents forced the team to relocate one of their offices. Though the new space is more cramped, it has provided fresh opportunities, including the opening of a physical prize shop where children can redeem rewards in person. They have also started producing Christian merchandise, adding another creative element to their work.

The Postal Bible School is funded through business activities connected to the team. Rising financial pressures have led them to reduce enrolment by around 500 students per month, a reality they continue to bring before the Lord in prayer. Yet the numbers tell a powerful story: 18,100 courses were completed in 2021, 25,330 in 2023, and nearly 48,000 in 2024. As Tim says, "It's not just about the lessons, it's our life!" This statement captures the spirit of the ministry. The team is not only distributing courses but walking alongside those they disciple, sharing life and faith in Christ.

Their ministry goes beyond children's work. Since 2020, they have been involved in prison ministry, distributing Emmaus courses to 905 inmates through a senior team operating from their second office.

Looking ahead, there is hope that the vision will spread further, potentially expanding the impact of this unique and fruitful ministry beyond Belarus.

Day 3: French Training Videos

Produced in Nantes - Dorothy



In 2024, new training videos were recorded in Nantes for French-speaking Africa. Abraham, a believer from Togo, presented the material, supported by the local church. This work builds on previous translation projects, including



those undertaken several years ago for the original lessons by Dorothy, as well as more recent contributions made by Laura in preparing the video scripts. These videos will support future training and extend Bibletime's impact into new regions. The recordings were completed successfully, marking a significant step forward in providing accessible training resources for French-speaking Africa.



Day 4: Hungary

B.E.S. International Designer - Tamás

The year 2025 marks a special milestone for Tamás, who has now served for 15 years as the International Designer for B.E.S. During that time, he has redesigned and produced countless Bibletime lessons and booklets, ensuring that children around the world can access Bibletime materials in their own languages, with fresh and engaging visuals.

This year brought the launch of a brand-new international design, featuring the familiar B.E.S. characters. Several languages, including Mongolian, Polish, Swahili and Slovenian have already begun adopting the new look.

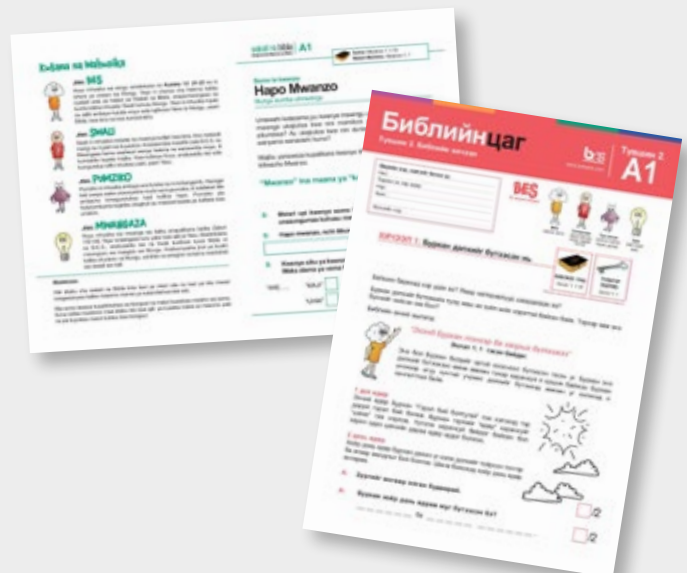
Arabic has also seen significant progress. The translators have proofread all the booklets, completely revising the texts and illustrations. While the current set does not yet include B.E.S. characters, the updated materials represent a major step forward.

Meanwhile, other translation and design projects have

been finished. The Chichewa lessons used in Malawi, Simple Chinese materials for the Chinese-speaking community, and the Falam Chin booklets used in Myanmar are now complete.

With translations arriving from over 20 languages, Tamas often faces a long queue of projects awaiting design. Yet he counts it a privilege to serve in this role. What motivates him most are the regular reports from around the world, showing how these materials are being used in Sunday schools, Bible clubs and homes. For him, it is a tangible reminder that his work is not in vain.

Reflecting on this ministry, he recalls a motto once used by B.E.S.: "Helping you to help others." This, he says, sums up the spirit of the work. From coordinators and translators to designers and teachers, the effort is truly a team project, united in making the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ known to thousands of children worldwide.



Day 5: Ireland

Gareth and Margaret



For more than six decades, Postal Bible School (PBS) Ireland has been faithfully serving young people with God's Word. Now in its 67th year, the ministry continues to maintain meaningful contact with around 4,000 students annually. While numbers are lower than the peak of a decade ago, the work remains vibrant, with fresh opportunities for impact each year.

The past year saw nearly 50 prize visits across schools and community venues, where students were encouraged through awards, Bible messages and songs. In addition, PBS Ireland hosted a summer camp for 120 young people and several weekend retreats, events that remain central to deepening faith and fostering lasting spiritual growth. Monthly lessons continue to provide the structure that underpins these engagements, offering steady opportunities for young people to engage with Scripture.

This summer also marked the arrival of a new intern, a former PBS student, joining for a year of ministry exploration. With increasing demand in lesson marking, expanding digital resources and a major construction project beginning, this additional support has been both timely and invaluable. The internship programme also provides a platform for young people to discover their own gifts and callings.

Learning continues through digital innovation. In 2024/25, schools were offered the option to complete half of their lessons via the Sunscool app. Around 15% of the 50 schools chose this pathway, particularly appealing to older students and ensuring PBS materials remained accessible where curriculum pressures threatened their use. While traditional paper lessons are still preferred in many schools, the digital option has become an important tool for the future.

Behind the scenes, the work is sustained by 150 volunteer markers, dedicated camp leaders and the ongoing generosity and prayers of supporters. As PBS Ireland looks ahead to a year of greater demand, the team remains confident in God's provision, trusting Him to guide and sustain the ministry for the years to come.



Day 6: Moldova

Tanya (Emmaus)

In Moldova, Tanya and her team have developed creative ways to make Bibletime lessons personal and engaging. Locally printed materials include photos of Moldovan children, with 1,500 courses now in circulation through Sundayschools and by post. About 20% of the lessons are in Romanian, while the majority are in Russian, reflecting the diverse communities they serve. Some 650 lessons travel through the post each month, while 108 schools are actively engaged with the Bibletime programme. Nearly 30 volunteers carefully grade the work, sending updates using social media and messaging services and encouraging children with rewards, bookmarks, diplomas and summer camps. This year, 136 children attended the camp. Yet, despite their impact, Tanya notes the need for more hands. With additional volunteers, many more children could be reached.

Day 7: Moldova & Armenia

Matthew (Christian Mission International Aid - CMIAID)

Over the past year, CMIAID has witnessed remarkable growth in its Postal Bible School (PBS) work across Moldova and Armenia. This renewed focus, leaders say, has been guided by a clear sense of God's leading and an unwavering commitment to share His Word with the next generation.

Psalm 119:130 declares, "The entrance of Your word gives light; it gives understanding to the simple." In both Moldova and Armenia, nations steeped in Orthodox and Apostolic traditions, many identify as Christians through cultural or church association, yet few grasp the simplicity of the gospel message. For CMIAID, it is a privilege to present the truth of God's Word to children and see them grow in understanding through Bibletime lessons.

In Moldova, much of the work is centred in schools, where cooperation has been strong and encouraging. Recognising the challenges of an unreliable postal system, CMIAID devised a practical solution: placing post boxes in school lobbies. With the approval of every Director approached, these boxes have become a vital link. Children eagerly drop off their completed lessons, which CMIAID workers collect weekly. Graded lessons, new study materials and small gifts are then distributed during breaktime. This system has fostered genuine excitement among students, with many involving their parents in reading the lessons. Students living further away still participate by sending lessons through the post.

Early in 2024, CMIAID expanded its reach into Armenia, a country where the organisation already had strong connections with local Christian workers. By May, an office had been established in Yerevan, and the PBS programme launched soon after using Eastern Armenian Bible lessons. Within months, over 200 Armenian children had registered. September marked a milestone with a special Fun Day, gathering participants for Bible teaching, crafts, games and a barbecue, an event that strengthened fellowship and joy in learning God's Word.

The vision remains clear: to see children not only study the Bible but also encounter its life-changing message. As CMIAID continues to grow the Postal Bible School in Moldova and Armenia, the prayer is that young lives will be transformed, families reached and communities renewed through the gospel.





Day 8: Romania

Mihaela

Since its beginning in September 2003, the Postal Bible School (PBS) in Romania has grown into a remarkable ministry. Over the past 22 years, more than two million Bible courses have been distributed, reaching over 30,000 individual students in Romania and beyond. Beyond this, countless others have been impacted through Sunday schools and Romanian communities abroad. For those involved, it has been a privilege to serve alongside God in this vital work.

Today, the ministry continues with fresh energy and a new look. Now in its second year using the updated Bibletime course layout, with the B.E.S. little characters, the team is focused on printing, distributing, and updating lessons for a wide range of students. Currently, 3,100 children and young people actively study the Bibletime lessons, with additional outreach to 26 Sunday schools, 8 Bible study groups and to more than 150 prisoners across the country.

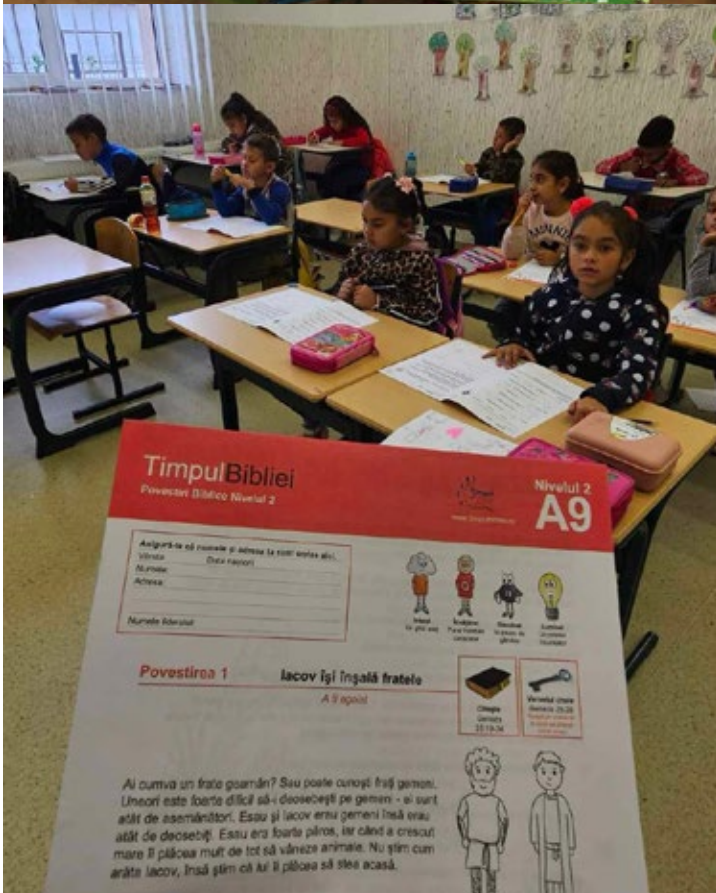
The team also supplies Bibles and prizes to students upon request, and they organise camps for children and teenagers. Alongside this, PBS coordinates the activity of the Onesimus Christian Centre, a hub where Christian groups gather for summer camps or retreats throughout the year.

One recent story highlights the growing hunger for God's Word. At the start of this year, a teacher in a remote mountain region requested 15 courses each month for a group of children across several villages. As word spread, more children joined and the number of requested courses quickly grew. Today, PBS Romania sends 585 courses to this teacher every month.

The work is also touching some of the most marginalised communities. Two groups of Roma (Gypsy) students are actively involved in PBS programmes, not only learning about the Bible but also using the courses to gain literacy skills. One group consists of children studying Bibletime lessons, while another brings together around 60 adults who meet fortnightly for reading classes and Bible study using NewLife materials.

Such stories illustrate the unique role PBS Romania plays in both spiritual and social transformation. Yet the team recognises the challenges ahead.

The team asks for prayer for each student, for more volunteers, for wisdom as they continue translation work on the C Series, and for the resources needed to sustain this wide-reaching ministry. As PBS Romania looks ahead, the vision remains clear: to bring light, understanding, and the hope of the gospel to children, prisoners, families and communities across the nation.





Day 9: Romania

Hungarian Speaking World – Csaba

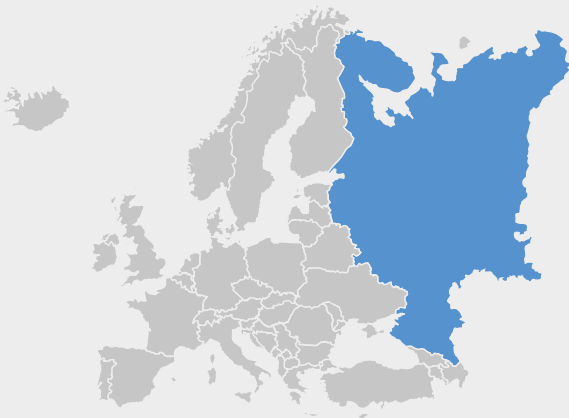
The translation of Bibletime lessons into Hungarian began in 2004, opening new opportunities for Hungarian-speaking children across Romania. Since 2006, more than 22,000 Hungarian Bibletime lessons have been printed and shipped by Revival Movement and distributed by the Postal Bible School in Oradea, led by Csaba and his wife Enikő. Today, around 200 children in 18 regions regularly receive Bible lessons. Annual prize-giving events and summer camps further encourage the children, many of whom come from unchurched or nomadic backgrounds.

Csaba and Enikő, alongside their three children, remain central to the mission, hosting camps, seasonal events and travelling thousands of kilometres to reach young people with both gifts and the gospel message.

This summer marked the 19th year of correspondence and prize-giving visits, with the team preparing 250 personalised gifts such as mugs, key rings and water bottles. Each visit provides opportunities to share testimonies, encourage children in their faith, and respond to practical needs. In total, the team travelled 2,200 km to ensure every child was reached.

A highlight of the year was an English camp organised with GLO Europe, where volunteers shared the gospel with young people facing struggles such as depression and parental absence. For the ministry team, each soul is precious and they remain committed to serving as God's co-workers in this vital work.





Day 10: Russia

Natalia and Valentine (Emmaus)

Christian ministry in Russia continues to face significant challenges under tightening government restrictions. New anti-terrorism laws prohibit public evangelism, and all ministry activities are subject to close monitoring, including

the distribution of mail. Church leaders are under growing pressure not to use printed courses and the Baptist Union of Churches has recently instructed congregations to print only locally produced resources, avoiding translated “Western” materials.

Despite these limitations, Bibletime courses remain an effective means of outreach. Across the country, approximately 700 children are currently engaged with Bibletime lessons. Orthodox churches in some regions have even begun printing these courses for their own young people. Children who complete lessons collect points that can be exchanged for small prizes, and in 2024, 340 children received prize parcels through the post.

Much of the grading work is carried out by older volunteers, most of whom are over 60 years old. While many find modern tools such as the Emmaus App and Zoom difficult to use, they remain faithful in their service. Lessons continue to reach prisoners, particularly through Level 4 studies, and courses are also being distributed via WhatsApp and Telegram in remote areas. Although correcting lessons with many errors can be demanding, this approach is especially valuable in regions with poor infrastructure and for large families who depend on these resources. The need for additional graders is pressing, especially within prison ministry, where the current ratio of graders to students is 1:10 and increasing.

In the Far East of Russia, government restrictions are felt less severely, opening opportunities for ministry across a region with a population of around seven million. Here, the challenges are primarily geographical, with vast distances and difficult terrain. Even so, postal services function reliably, using boats and reindeer sledges to reach remote areas, including indigenous tribes. Much of the local ministry focuses on the elderly and disabled who are confined to their homes.

Recent testimonies highlight God’s ongoing work. In one remote group of 30 course participants, eight placed their faith in Christ and were baptised. Prison ministry has faced setbacks, with one couple’s work reducing from 200 active students to just 17, yet impact remains evident: one prisoner completed 24 Emmaus courses, was released, and has since joined a local church. Many in the region are descendants of those once exiled there, and these communities continue to show openness to the gospel. To sustain and expand the work, there is a growing need for print-friendly versions of courses, as local workers often print the materials themselves for distribution.

Together, these reports from across Russia underscore both the obstacles and the opportunities. While restrictions are real and the need for workers is urgent, the gospel continues to spread through faithful graders, creative use of technology, and the perseverance of believers determined to reach children, prisoners and remote communities with God’s Word.





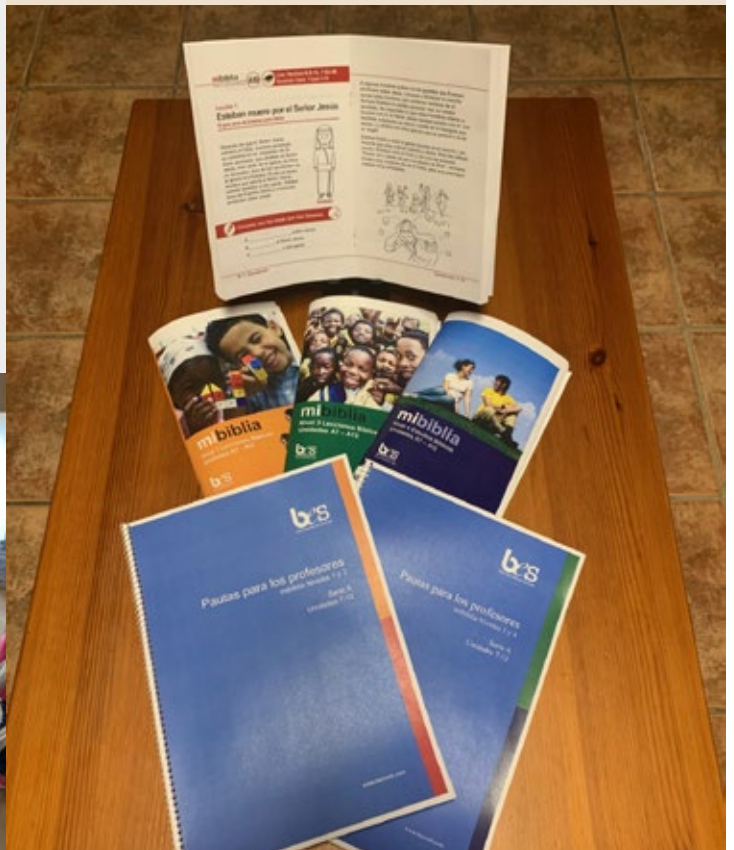
Day 11: Spain

Gil and Carolyn (Emmaus)

At the Emmaus Centre in Spain, between 650 and 800 students are currently enrolled in Bible correspondence courses, with demand increasing across South America. To date, more than 19,200 Spanish lessons have been distributed, and full-colour booklet editions are proving especially effective in schools across Argentina, Paraguay, Chile, and Bolivia. While uptake in Spain has been modest, Mexico has embraced the material, especially in outreach programs for street children. Printing the booklets in Spain and shipping them overseas has proven both cost-effective and appealing, with the vibrant full-colour format capturing the attention of young learners. Recently, Sofia, who coordinates the work, placed a new order for 9,600 lessons from the C1-C4 Series.

Another area of significant growth is prison ministry. Many inmates find extended reading difficult, but the Bibletime (MiBiblia) courses, designed with shorter passages and immediate questions, have been especially effective. This format makes it easier for participants to recall what they've read, answer promptly, and experience a genuine sense of achievement.

From classrooms in South America to prison cells in Spain, the Bibletime and Emmaus courses are opening doors to both learning and hope.





Day 12: Turkey

Kucak Ministries

Fifteen years ago, Bibletime was introduced to Turkey, and today every lesson has been translated and made available digitally on the B.E.S. website and SunScool app. In a land where ancient church ruins stand as silent reminders of a once-thriving faith, the Christian presence is now fragile. In a nation of 80 million people, but with only about 8,000 believers, the need is great.

Ibrahim, who has witnessed this journey firsthand, explains the stark reality. He says, "Many Christians of past generations were killed, others emigrated to the West, and others failed to pass on their faith to their children. Once-strong churches have forgotten to equip the next generation. Yet, despite pressure, restrictions and even the expulsion of missionaries, God's work continues. Though the small number of churches (between 130 -150) across Turkey face surveillance and legal restrictions, the number of believers continues to grow. From just 15 in Ankara a generation ago, there are now an estimated 500. Quietly and steadily, God's Word is shaping the next generation."

Summer camps, running for 35 years, remain a vital ministry. Last summer, camps were held in 3 different regions. Over 234 children and 113 leaders/helpers attended the camps, and over 60 children placed their trust in Christ. In earthquake-hit regions, B.E.S. Bibletime lessons are bringing light to children living through hardship. A local leader says, "The content is also educational and includes brain-teasing puzzles that are suitable for mental gymnastics! The children eagerly listen, laugh and puzzle through activities designed for their age, discovering joy in both learning and faith."

As well as using the printed materials, the ministry uses digital resources like SunScool and social media platforms, creative outreach in art and dance, and the quiet but steady faith of believers determined to see the next generation carry the message forward. "What about the next ten years?" It is a question filled not with fear, but with expectation and hope.



Day 13: Ukraine

Pavel (Emmaus)

Despite the ongoing war in Ukraine, Yuri and Pavel continue to faithfully lead the Bibletime ministry under challenging circumstances. The country faces one of the world's highest mortality rates and lowest birth rates, realities that weigh heavily on families and children. Participation in Bibletime has declined, with only about 30% of students engaging as they once did. Yet, in 2024 alone, 20,820 Bibletime courses were distributed and marked by 35 dedicated teachers.

The ministry has adapted to reach displaced Ukrainian children both within the country and across Europe. In the Netherlands, one sister is reaching refugee children, while another in Germany is eager to expand Bibletime's impact across wider groups. Yuri also remains in touch with a small group in Poland serving 22 children, an effort he acknowledges is limited compared to the 6.5 million Ukrainians displaced by war.

The Noah's Ark reward system continues to inspire children, encouraging them to complete and return lessons for marking. Meanwhile, Pavel actively promotes Bibletime through conferences, seeking to raise awareness and strengthen the ministry's reach.

Yuri plays a crucial role in teacher coordination, using WhatsApp and Telegram groups to maintain communication and support. Twice weekly, teachers gather on Zoom for an hour of prayer, and Yuri has hosted online seminars to equip them further. Teachers regularly report back to him on course progress, ensuring accountability and encouragement.

In the Odessa region, Angela Dlinnaya leads local Bibletime work despite frequent airstrikes. A shipping container has been provided as a safe meeting place for children, allowing the ministry to continue in the midst of danger.

The ministry team asks for continued prayer, especially for the millions of displaced children, for the safety of those serving in dangerous areas, and for more teachers to help mark lessons.



Day 14: United Kingdom

For more than six decades, the Postal Bible School (PBS) network has faithfully provided children, teenagers and adults with Bible lessons, resources and encouragement to grow in their faith. Today, PBS Centres across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland continue to adapt and thrive, reaching thousands with God's Word despite the challenges of a changing society and evolving digital landscape.



England

England, with its population of 57 million, is home to several active PBS Centres, including PBS CEF London, PBS Dorset, PBS Kingfisher, PBS Living Word, PBS UBM, PBS Words of Life and Yorkshire Camps. Each one plays a unique role in reaching children through schools, home study and outreach events.

The Dorset Postal Bible School (DPBS) started in the late 1970s, reaching children through camps and missions and remains under the oversight of Stephen Gillham today. Hundreds have since studied Bibletime lessons, with current numbers around 300 each month, plus additional lessons to churches. After Grace Goulding's 30 years of service, a team of volunteers and 24 dedicated markers continue the work, encouraging students from preschool to adults across England and Wales. Many homeschooling

families now use the Bibletime curriculum, with new packs in development. Although some students leave for exams or university, the team remains thankful for ongoing support and prays that more children will discover God's Word through DPBS.

PBS UBM has 400 registered students, with 250 regularly active, and a strong link to beach mission outreaches. PBS Kingfisher, Living Word and Words of Life continue to serve faithfully, while Yorkshire Camps impact 1,000 children annually through residential and activities, as well as training interns to serve and teach.

Though many PBS Centres are led by older volunteers, and some have closed in recent years, the redesigned Bibletime lessons and Going Deeper series have helped keep students engaged. The prayer remains for younger, creative leaders to join and continue this vital work.

Scotland

Scotland is served by PBS Scotland and PBS Orkney. In Orkney, Mervyn and Eileen run the Centre from Kirkwall, serving a small number of students by post. Both children and adults use Bibletime and Going Deeper for their personal study, demonstrating the resource's broad reach.

PBS Scotland, with over 45 years of ministry history, currently serves 63 students: 30 children, 26 teenagers, and 7 adults, through a committed team of 12 markers. Families often use the lessons in homeschooling, while others complete them independently. Students earn points that can be redeemed for book vouchers, a reward system that continues to inspire commitment.

One Scottish student wrote: "Dear Postal Bible School, thank you for the book voucher we received. We really enjoy doing the Postal Bible School each month and love getting the vouchers and buying new books." Such words highlight the long-term impact of PBS Scotland, as many students begin their lessons in childhood and continue faithfully into their teens. The oldest current student is 88 years old and still keen to keep learning!

The new Bibletime design has proved especially effective with younger children, while the main challenge remains delays in the postal system. Despite this, the work endures, bringing encouragement and biblical truth to people across Scotland.



Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland remains one of the strongest regions for the work of Postal Bible School, with PBS Belfast, PBS Northeast, PBS Fermanagh & Tyrone, and PBS Schools supplying lessons to over 170 primary schools, reaching thousands of children every month.

PBS Belfast supplies 16 schools, reaching 2,100 children, alongside a smaller number of postal students. PBS Schools, led by Joe and Ruth, faithfully supply resources to two schools with 195 pupils.

PBS Northeast supports more than 15 schools and clubs, while PBS Fermanagh & Tyrone reaches an astonishing 22,000 school children (140 schools) and 72 regular home students with the Bibletime lessons or newly designed 6-month booklets. Their summer camp gathered over 70 campers and leaders for a week of worship, teaching and fellowship. "We had a fabulous week in every way," leaders reported, giving thanks for the ministry of Stevie Walls and Paul Wright, who faithfully preached God's Word. The team continues to value prayer that "the next generation may know the marvellous deeds of the Lord, His power, and the wonders He has done."

Wales

In South Wales, Stephen and Gwyneth have led their PBS Centre for over 20 years. While current postal numbers have dropped to around 20, their long-term influence has been significant, with hundreds of international students having passed through their work over the years. The couple continue to seek God's guidance for the future, praying that more rural churches will take up Bibletime as a tool for teaching and discipling children.

Across the UK, the work of PBS remains steady and fruitful. From rural communities in Dorset to bustling schools in Belfast, the vision remains the same: to see children and young people encountering God through His Word.

Day 15: Editor's Epilogue...

Other European Countries

B.E.S. has established valued partnerships with organisations or individuals that are either using or translating the Bibletime syllabus in several European countries. Currently, translation of the A and B Series of the syllabus is progressing in Albania, Poland and Slovenia. Although the usage of Bibletime in Croatia, the Czech Republic, Germany and Switzerland is relatively small and localised, it remains impactful. To enhance its effectiveness, the Bibletime materials require revision to update the content and incorporate the B.E.S. characters.

Kazakhstan poses unique challenges as a closed country with limited resources for Sunday School teachers. We ask for prayers for the small team working on translating and designing the Bibletime lessons and Teacher Guidelines into Kazakh. The A Series has been completed and is now available for download from the B.E.S. website. The team plans to introduce it to some of the underground churches before they begin work on the B Series.



Training (LMS)

Hundreds of teachers have successfully engaged with and completed our training modules in the English version of our Learning Management System (LMS). This year, we were thrilled to expand access by launching the LMS in several additional European languages, including Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. The training videos

are now available in these languages on YouTube, and all 14 modules can be completed through the LMS in the same languages. By the end of 2025, we plan to introduce the LMS training in French, a development that will be a tremendous benefit and blessing to educators across French-speaking Africa. All LMS training, along with bespoke Zoom sessions and in-person workshops, are offered free of charge to our key partners. To arrange training for your group, please contact Stevie at training@besweb.com



Revival Movement

The partnership between B.E.S. and Revival Movement has been instrumental in significantly enhancing our global impact and outreach. Since 2009, Revival Movement has been our dedicated printing partner, providing invaluable support and expertise. Since 2015, they have generously printed and shipped over 15 million Bibletime booklets and Teacher Lesson Plans free of charge to over 22 countries across multiple continents, including Europe. We give thanks to God for this incredible provision and blessing and ask for continued prayers that their daily needs will be met by our faithful God.

Editorial Update

Editorial work continues, with current efforts centred on updating the A5 English booklets to feature the B.E.S. and Friends characters. Alongside this, B.E.S. has produced two new A4 booklets, each designed to cover six months of lessons. These correspond with the material found in both the existing A4 lessons and the A5 six-month booklets (e.g. A1–A6 and A7–A12). Further A4 booklets are in development for the B and C series.

The new A4 resources were launched in January 2025 and have already been warmly received by more than 170 primary schools and several Sunday Schools, especially across Northern Ireland.

We would value your continued prayers for the team and designers (Steve and Tamás) as they work to expand the Bibletime materials into additional languages and formats.



Final Word

from The B.E.S. Staff and Trustees

As we reflect on God's faithfulness, the B.E.S. Staff and Trustees give heartfelt thanks to the Lord for His continued goodness, and to you, our faithful partners, for your prayers and generous support in advancing His Kingdom. Your commitment makes a lasting difference in lives and communities.

May the peace and joy of Christ fill your hearts this Christmas, and may His abundant blessings overflow into the coming New Year.

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