

WYCLIFFE BIBLE
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY
TRANSLATORS

Construction and Maintenance Workers

"Muscle, food and water and a willing heart were all I needed to help a translator build a runway next to his village house.

On our flight out, we spanned an area that took three days by river, in 18 minutes of flying time. Wow!"

—Rick Herr, Wycliffe construction and maintenance staff



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Would you like to serve in practical ways to stretch a Wycliffe missionary's time and energy? Do you have skills in building, carpentry, engineering, plumbing, electricity, automotive and diesel mechanics or welding?

Maybe God is prompting you to serve in such hands-on ways to further Bible translation.

The Need

There is a constant need for men and women to assist Bible translation, using their construction and maintenance skills in services that most translation teams could not easily do for themselves, or that would take time away from their translation work. These efforts help alleviate some of the stress experienced by missionaries facing challenging living conditions. In addition, construction and maintenance staff help keep buildings and vehicles operating well in Wycliffe's offices at home and in dozens of countries overseas.

What's Involved

Construction and maintenance tasks are varied. Construction staff might build a translator's home in a village; design and clear an airstrip; install a clean water collection and distribution system or sewage system; build a school, computer building or other centre facilities; or make furniture.

Maintenance personnel do jobs that include keeping vehicles, motorbikes and generators in good working order; installing electrical equipment and distribution lines; repairing appliances; renovating buildings; or just unclogging drains. The list of possibilities are unlimited. Construction and maintenance workers in field situations work side by side with the local people, often training them in their skills.

Construction and maintenance personnel work under JAARS, Inc., Wycliffe's service arm, which provides technical and logistical assistance to translators, literacy teams and support workers (<www.jaars.org>).

Qualifications & Training

Technical requirements for construction and maintenance workers include: 1) a journeyman status or two years technical training and 2) at least two years of work experience in a construction or maintenance trade. Wycliffe provides cross-cultural opportunities for further training and advancement, including management. Successful applicants will be required to raise financial support from interested friends, family and churches. Training and resources are provided for this.

Want to investigate the many opportunities in construction and maintenance offered in Wycliffe? For more information, contact us today.

Translating Scripture, Transforming Lives