

From Carolina to Cambodia



Elevation Church Outreach Partnership Director John Nichols shares how his church in North Carolina is advancing God's Word around the world.

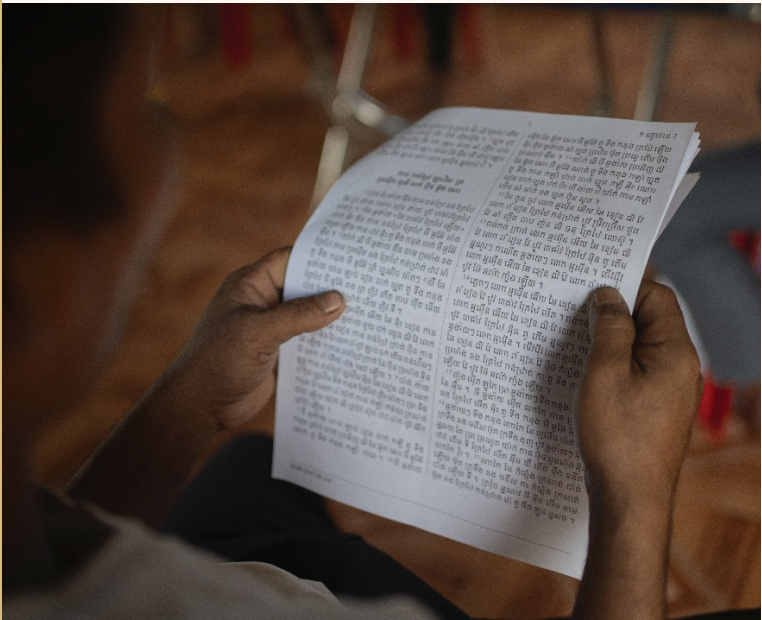
Q: What led Elevation Church to partner with American Bible Society?

A: If someone is living without access to Scripture, our call as believers in Christ is to help get it to them—whether through audio, print, or other formats. We seek to partner with organizations that do that with

consistency, integrity, accountability, and a truly global reach. American Bible Society checks all those boxes for us. I've been amazed by their breadth and creativity. I love that they don't limit themselves to one method or format. When a person at our church gives faithfully and then sees the gospel being shared around the world, that builds faith! It's a beautiful partnership.

Q: What does stewardship mean to you and your team?

A: We approach stewardship with deep honor, humility, and accountability. We want everyone to know that when they give and trust the storehouse of Elevation Church, those resources are being sown into good soil. No matter who you are—a young adult, a married couple, a student—your giving matters. It’s a big deal, and we want to steward it well. We want to show that we’re reaching the ends of the earth, meeting people’s needs, and changing lives—now and for generations to come.



Q: Tell us about the Bible translation project your church sponsored this year.

A: As we planned for 2025, we wanted to focus on evangelism. While that’s something every church should be doing, we wanted to emphasize it through a Bible translation project. The one that stood out to us was with the Kravet people in northeastern Cambodia—a community of about 8,000 people living in the hills. Until now, they’ve only shared stories of God through word of mouth. It’s been really exciting to see the progress. As each book of the Bible is translated, it’s printed and shared with the local church leaders, who are already using it. By 2027, the entire New Testament will be completed, beautifully bound, and in the hands of the Kravet people. It’s going to be transformative.

Q: What spiritual impact do you hope to see through your giving?

A: I can’t imagine living in a place where I don’t have access to God’s Word. I remember seeing a project like this come to completion years ago—watching mothers, fathers, and elders receive Scripture in their own language for the first time. It’s emotional. It’s hard not to cry with joy. This people group will now have the Word of God in their heart language for generations to come. One day, we will get to celebrate with them and with the angels in heaven! It’s incredible to share with our church: “Your giving helped make this possible.” I’m so thankful to God that we get to be a part of this. How could we not say yes?

Q: If Elevation Church wrote a letter to the Kravet Church, what would you say?

A: God absolutely loves you. He formed you. He created you. You have value. He sees your smiles. He sees your tears. And he knows that you matter in this world that he created. You matter to him forever. May this Word of God—his love letter to you—be a precious gift to you. Treasure it each day, knowing it reveals his heart. We’re honored and grateful to have played a small part in sharing his love with you. We believe the best days are ahead as you experience God in a deeper, more personal way through his Word.



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Experience the Story



Q: What would you say to the other generous supporters in our community?

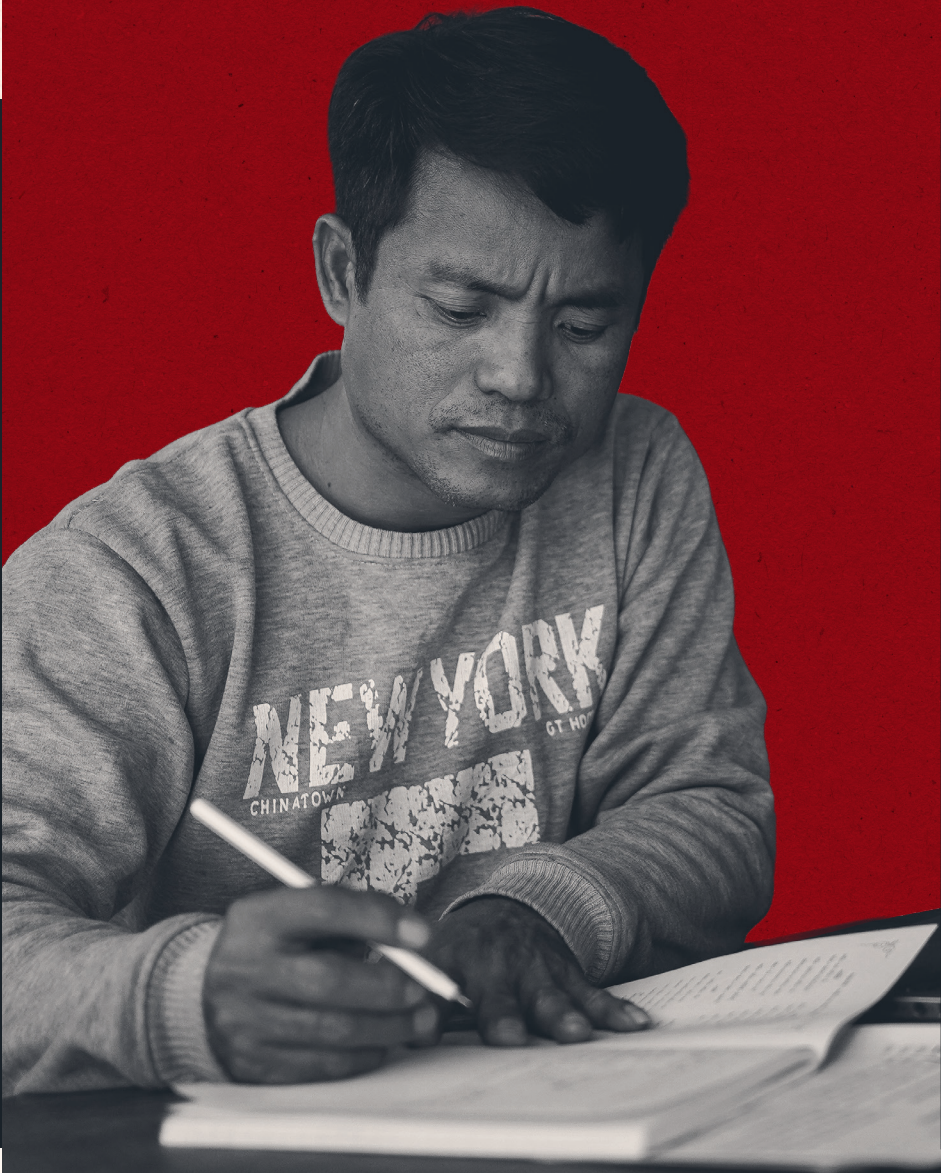
A: Not all of us are called to give to every project. But your part matters. Be faithful in whatever God puts on your heart. If you’re giving financially, do it with obedience to what he’s spoken to you. That’s your best “yes.” God will multiply it far beyond what you could ask or imagine. Give faithfully, give prayerfully, and trust that your obedience will bear fruit in exactly the places God intends. 

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