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## *Training Church Planters*

In Myanmar, those hardest to reach with the gospel are Buddhists. In fact, less than one out of every 10 people even identifies himself as Christian.

But that did not deter **Andrew Bawi Ceu** from moving to a central, strongly Buddhist city in 1999 specifically for the purpose of starting a school to train church planters. Shiloh Bible College began the following year in 2000.

One of the first graduates, **Silas** and his family work among the Aso people. A 2004 graduate of the Bible college, Silas moved to his current place of ministry in 2009 and has since also reached out to three neighboring villages.

Silas' newest ministry is a boarding school to provide Christian training to 14 students in his home.

**John**, a fellow classmate of Silas, has a unique ministry to many civil servants. John is able to preach to policemen, firemen, doctors, and others who come to his city to be trained.

This school year, 30 students have enrolled in Shiloh Bible College. Part of their training is evangelizing in nearby Buddhist villages twice a month. In June and July, students distributed more than 500 gospel tracts and witnessed to 150 non-Christians.



*Church planter John and his family*

Thank you for praying for the ministries of Shiloh Bible College in Myanmar!



*Several students and four faculty/staff members of Shiloh Bible College*

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Translation teams in Papua New Guinea have a vital task.



Thank you for your prayers for the Doyle family.

## AROUND THE WORLD

### PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The Solos people are nearing the completion of the first book of the Bible, the book of Joshua, translated in their own language.

Larry and Christy Doyle updated about the progress of the Solos translation team in their June newsletter.

The process includes many revisions and rechecking of the original draft by villagers and an outside consultant before it is deemed complete. But is such a lengthy process really necessary?

Rachel Greco, in her post titled “Pigs and Sheep” on the blog *The PNG Experience*, tells about the Kasua people. In their language, every four-legged animal is referred to as a pig. When translating John 1:29, the villagers at first translated John’s words, “Behold, the pig-sheep of God.” In their language, a lamb is called a pig-sheep.

However, when some of the translators saw sheep for the first time, they realized there were key differences between pigs and sheep. Pigs were considered unclean to the Jewish people, and Jesus was unblemished. Pigs squealed before slaughter, while sheep were silent.

They revised their translation from “pig-sheep” to “sheep-animal” to give a clearer understanding of the Bible’s meaning.

Please pray for the Solos translation team and for Larry who oversees their progress. Soon the Solos people will be better able to read and understand the most important Book.



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