

What can you learn from just one picture?



Here's what I see in this picture:

1) Multiple Bible translations start right at this table.

The Arop translation team (Left to Right: Emil, Peter, Linus) is polishing their translation of certain chapters so translation teams from other languages can use it as their source text. While on furlough, I will be checking the drafts they produce at this table. *Pray that we get each chapter right at this stage, before we 'adapt' it into 10 others.*

2) Technology can bring people together. They are looking at two different computers but seeing the same thing. The computers are connected via our translation center network. This allows them all to see the same translation comfortably and work on it together without having to crowd around one computer all day in the tropical heat. The fact that I mention this means that . . .

3) I enjoy employing technology to help people do their Bible translation work. *Pray that I will do that effectively for our translation team and for other teams as well. This has become a major part of what I do.*

4) Translation can be a lot of fun. Despite recent interpersonal challenges, they are enjoying themselves, joking around as they work. *Pray for smooth working relationships. Pray we will be doers of the Word, not translators only!*

5) Releasing control empowers others to grow. Emil is the most skilled team member, but he is not even touching the computer. He is giving the other team members a chance to develop their translation and computing skills. Maybe he noticed this is what I have been doing for him for 15 years! *Pray that we will all continue to apply this truth.*

6) Empowering others makes expansion and multiplication possible. The Arop team can now do a lot of quality translation without my constant input. This frees me up to help others. That's why I can be in the background talking to people from yet another language group who want to join the translation project. *Pray that some day soon the Bai Olo people will have the Word of God in their own language.*