

## **Wycliffe Bible Translators**

## **Mission Champion: James Petit**

As part of its mission-giving Christ Church sponsors Wycliffe Bible Translators. The desire of Wycliffe Bible Translators is for every community across the globe to have access to the Bible. Wycliffe's philosophy is based upon Jesus' command to spread the word to all nations. The charity particularly focuses on areas of the world where the Bible is banned or where it is inaccessible such as remote mountainous regions of the world.

Each year Christ Church presents Wycliffe Bible Translators with a cheque for almost £1000. This usually happens on Bible Sunday which falls on the last Sunday of October. In the service we celebrate the great joy that we receive from sharing God's word and we remember all those who are unable to enjoy the same privilege.

In many countries the liberating truths that are in the Bible are seen as a threat to oppressive regimes. To pronounce the simple truth that belief in Christ is 'freedom' is seen as a threat. As this is the case we should not be surprised to find that ownership of a Bible is very often seen as a crime punishable by arrest and sometimes death.

At Christ Church we do not take ownership of a Bible for granted, and we remember that some have paid the ultimate price so that we have access to it today.

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