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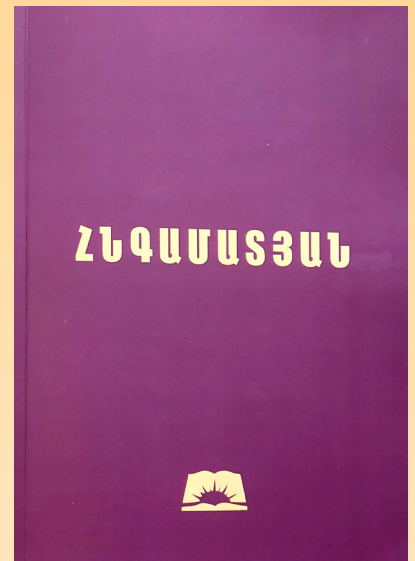
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A limited edition of the Pentateuch now available

Dear friends,

We are happy to share with you that the Pentateuch translated into modern Eastern Armenian by our team of translators (the books of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy), has now been printed in a limited edition. Artur Minasyan, our representative on the field, recently informed us that an official presentation at the Armenian Bible League would take place on August 15. It will be followed by a discussion with participants, in order to elicit comments and suggestions.

In the meantime, the translation of several historic books of the Old Testament has also been completed, up to 2 Samuel (the latter being under its editing phase). The books of Ezra and Nehemiah are currently receiving attention.



The volume of the Pentateuch has 202 pages, and is accompanied with a solid section of translator's footnotes.

Printing separately the Gospel according to John

A contact recently established with brother Gor M., an Armenian pastor from Moscow, has yielded very positive results : for the sake of the large Armenian community living in the Russian Federation, brother Gor intends to print a few thousand copies of the Gospel of John at their expense using our own translation (our ministry will retain the copyright and the logo of our New Testament & psalms will appear on this printout). Please pray that many Armenians living in Russia may be touched by the Gospel clearly translated in their mother tongue.

A new book in works

At the suggestion of our team in Gyumri, it was decided to publish in Armenian the book that I wrote



Our translators and editors at work.



in French two years ago (*In spirit and in truth*), which contains 30 short meditations, but in addition an extended version with an added 120 similar meditations. Many of them have already been translated in Armenian for the sake of the weekly radio broadcasts we have in Armenia. We hope to have it ready before the end of this year, depending on the availability of funds to carry out the printing costs.

“Thank you for such a useful and instructive program.”

A letter received

We recently received the following letter from Anahit M., who is 37 years old and a teacher of Armenian language and literature. We would like to share it with you as she tells us about the relevance of our children's programs, seen from her perspective as a teacher :

I follow the youth radio programs and always recommend my students to listen to them. In these messages, biblical stories are made as accessible as possible. At the end of the programs, a commentary is given in a way that is understandable to children, which makes the word of the Lord easy to grasp for them and brings them closer to God.

The story of the book of Esther was especially impressive for the children, showing that all events in people's lives are controlled by God. This story shows that even those who consider themselves powerful and glorious can quickly fall. It is God who exalts whom He wills and destroys those who are malicious and ambitious.

As a teacher and a person working in the field of education, I am deeply convinced that the cause of all negative realities in life is the lack of faith and spiritual values. With all the other Biblical stories we can draw parallels with today's reality.

Thank you for such a useful and instructive program. We expect it to be continued.

Forthcoming visit of our vice-chairman to Armenia

Our vice chairman Rev. Peter Adams - accompanied by his wife Karen - are preparing a new visit to Armenia in August, in order to support and encourage our team and understand their needs better. Rev Adams' commitment to the work of CFA, in particular via repeated visits to Armenia, is a very important aspect of our ministry; it allows us to remain closely in touch with our collaborators and partners for the mission. Please pray for safe travels for the two of them, and for the safety of Armenia as a nation as it faces chronic threats from its hostile neighbors wishing to carve up its territory.

Warmly in Christ,

Rev Eric Kayayan

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