



Australia - Scripture Grants
Project Fact Sheet 2022

Australia: New Believer's Scripture Grant

Overview

Bible Society Australia (BSA) seeks to serve and equip believers with a heart for evangelism who are ministering to Australians in all areas of life, by providing Bibles through our Scripture Grants program.

The New Believer's Scripture Grant offers support to churches running the Alpha Course.

The Need

People meet Jesus through Alpha groups run by many different denominations across Australia. In the course, participants are encouraged to discover the joy and develop a thirst for reading God's word.

While participating in evangelistic courses, some participants can't afford a Bible, or find it difficult to access a Bible of their own.



Project Goals

The goal of the New Believer's Scripture Grant is to Open The Bible with those exploring Christianity, by providing free Bibles to course participants in need. Participants are given a Bible of their own to read as they continue engaging with God's word on their journey to faith.

This year, the goal of this project is to expand, to reach more ministries who are running Alpha and other evangelistic courses for seekers in their communities.

This grant also aims to serve and equip Gospel workers running the courses with God's word and the ability to encourage and disciple those they work with.

Impact

In the financial year 2020-2021, 1,232 Bibles were distributed to Alpha course participants in the form of NIV Bibles, Youth Bibles and NRSV Bibles.

The impact of the Scripture Grant can be seen in the stories and testimonies of both course coordinators and participants, as their lives have been changed by engaging with God through his word.

Testimonies

"Our Alpha guests will be thrilled to receive the gift of the Bible from Bible Society Australia." - Fourteena

"I have given the Bibles to the participants with the letter included. They were overjoyed and we thank God for the blessing that you and your organisation are to people coming to Christ." - Lois

"Can I just say, I am in awe of and amazed by the work the Bible Society does. You guys are absolutely amazing - you just keep on fighting the good fight and the way you make God's word accessible to all in new and exciting and innovative ways is fantastic! May God continue to bless you!" - S

Prayer Needs

- Pray that many Australians would be led to Open The Bible for the first time this year, and that they would find evangelistic courses to guide them in their journey to faith.
- Pray for workers to be raised up and equipped in running evangelistic courses, and that BSA would be able to expand this grant to supply new ministries with Bibles.
- Pray that many will turn to Christ and continue to grow as Christians with God's word as their light and guide.