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Reaching Oral Communities with Scripture

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A field manual for missionaries on audio Bibles, storytelling and reading circles in non-literate communities.

Why oral strategies matter

In many of the communities we serve, most adults learn best by hearing and telling stories. Printed Scripture alone will not reach them.

Audio Scripture

Solar audio Bibles allow whole compounds to listen together. Train a trusted listener to lead discussion after each passage.

Bible storytelling

Choose a sequence of 20â€“30 stories from Creation to Christ. Tell each story, retell it together, then ask: What do we learn about God? About people? What will we obey?

Reading circles

Where one or two people read, gather the community around them. Rotate readers and celebrate new readers.

Discipleship and leadership

From the start, look for local people who can lead the circle themselves. Our goal is a church that does not depend on the missionary.

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