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Through your generosity, we've completed our \$55,000 matching challenge. Thank you!

With these funds, we've published 31 translations so far in 2025, toward the goal of 100! Many more translations are in progress, which means that we continue to depend on the generosity of God's people. Every course we publish makes it possible for countless pastors to receive biblical training.

Thank You!

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I support SGC because I believe in the integrity of their leadership and I believe in their mission. It is one of the most innovative ways to reach the world by providing biblical training, and equipping Christian leaders throughout the world.

Steve Addison
Business Owner



Praying for Global Renewal

For Becky and me, each Wednesday is a day for fasting and prayer, with a special focus on the Shepherds Global Classroom team, pastor-trainers and translators, and those of you who partner with us through prayer and giving. It's our way of reminding Jesus how much we need and depend on Him. And we would love for you to join us!

My deepest prayer is that God would use SGC as a catalyst for the renewal of pastors worldwide—and that through them, the Holy Spirit would renew and revive each local church they lead! Pray with us that the truth we teach will continue to shape and reshape the minds of pastors. Pray that the Holy Spirit will kindle a flame of holy love in their hearts through Christ-centered training and empower these “ordinary” men and women for service.

I can think of no greater joy than that through SGC, God would strengthen the confidence of pastors

everywhere in the word of God and that He'll rekindle their faith, reignite their passion, make them steadfast in suffering, and encourage them in battle. May it be so, Father!

As I've been seeking the Lord—especially regarding the pressing needs of the ministry—He's gently reminded me that as we stay focused on this calling, He'll never let us down! I'm asking you to hold on to that promise with us through prayer. If you have a special prayer concern, please reach out to me! It would be our joy to pray with you.

Sincerely,

Tim Keep Sr.
Founder & President

Uganda

The Theological Education by Extension program (TEE) in Uganda is very grateful for Shepherds Global Classroom and their desire to see Christ-centered training everywhere. We began partnering with SGC in 2021 as our TEE program was searching for a new curriculum for our Diploma program. We have since integrated 16 of the SGC courses into our 2 year training of pastors and leaders in our extension center in Northern Uganda. We have students who are refugees from South Sudan as well as Ugandan nationals who have greatly benefited from the courses.

Our desire as a TEE program is to provide easy to read, biblically grounded, and applicable materials for the leaders in our area. Our partnership with SGC has allowed us to print these materials and place them in the hands of eager students who immediately apply what they are learning. It is a joy to train leaders who take what they learn on Saturday and immediately put it into action on Sunday.

We have graduated one round of students and will begin our new cohort in June of 2025. One of the great joys of working with SGC is their openness to hearing back from the field about how the material can be improved, what courses could be added, and even receiving visits from SGC to see their material in action. They have been a great encouragement to our program not only through providing material but encouraging our teachers and students.

While the SGC material has been a great resource for our TEE program, it has also been used in other programs in our area as well. A couple years ago, I was invited to a church leadership training in our area that was not part of our TEE program. I was pleased to see one of my students was one of the trainers that day. I was even more pleased to see that he was using one of the SGC courses for his teaching. The material is being used widely beyond just our classroom.

Another additional benefit of the SGC material is their emphasis on putting training in as many languages as possible. I have a number of pastors from the refugee settlement that cannot study in our English-based courses. I really enjoy giving them SGC courses in Arabic so they can study on their own. As I follow up with them, they are so appreciative of these high-quality materials in a language they can read.

We greatly appreciate the ministry of Shepherds Global Classroom and have seen its impact in our training and in our churches.

In Christ,

Eli Fader, PhD



Church Health Mongolia Initiative

Pastor Amaraa contacted us two years ago about translating SGC courses into the Mongolian language. He told us that the modern Mongolian church has only been established for about 30 years (just after the communist system collapsed in 1990) and that pastors are quite young. Very few have completed formal theological education. He told us that while various books (especially bestsellers and self-help books) have been published in the country, “there are not enough advanced and solid resources to prepare leaders and to affect the health and growth of churches in Mongolia.” He told us, “Because pastors and leaders are not trained properly, the phenomenon of teaching the Bible incorrectly (prosperity gospel) has increased, and many believers have been lost to false doctrines and sects.”

In response to this crisis, Pastor Amaraa and his wife have designed a long-term project called “Church Health Mongolia Initiative.” “Our goals are to increase the public biblical and theological education and to equip local bible teachers and pastoral trainers,” he said. “One of the most important components of this plan is the translation

and publication of theological textbooks.” That’s where SGC comes in. When Pastor Amaraa discovered SGC, he knew he wanted to translate them into Mongolian. “These theological courses will help the next generation go deeper,” he said.

Four courses have already been completed, and others are in process. By the fall of 2026, we hope to take a team of Global Trainers to Mongolia to launch grassroots training programs. Please pray for the Mongolia initiative, and if the Lord touches your heart to share in it financially, please mark your gift “Mongolia.” We will be so grateful.

Tim Keep Sr.
Founder & President



**President Tim Keep with SGC
Mongolian translator, Amaraa**

Mongolia



This is a land of vast steppes, rich traditions, and resilient people. Though predominantly Buddhist, Mongolia's young generation presents real opportunities for the gospel to take root. We are excited about the opportunity that we have to help train Christian leaders in this beautiful country.

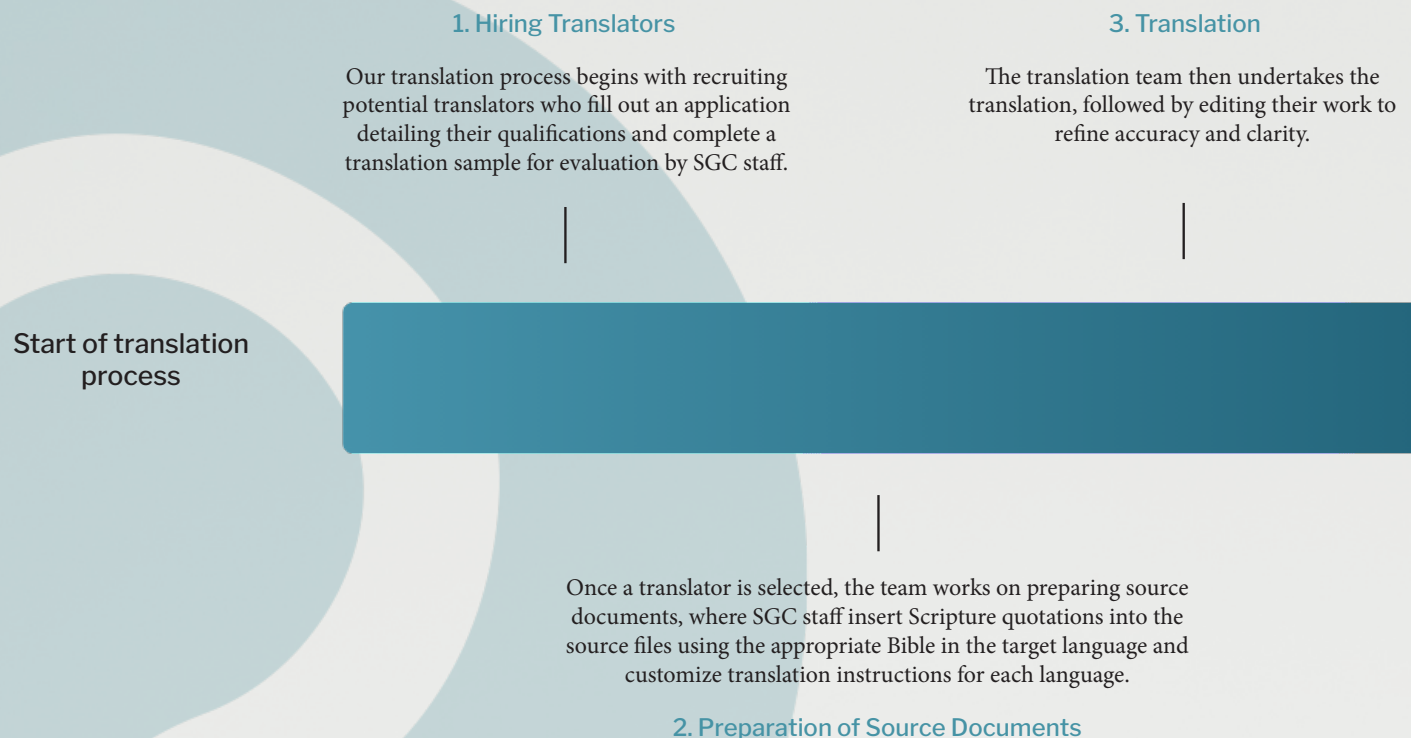


4 SGC courses have been translated into Mongolian by Amaraa and his team. Our goal is to have at least 10 total courses translated by the time our team visits Mongolia in 2026.

The Translation Process

The SGC curriculum is central to Shepherds Global Classroom. Our writers have spent countless hours ensuring each course is simple yet theologically rich. The translation process, costing \$480,000 or 63% of investments this year, guarantees quality translations for global accessibility. **Since January, over 70,000 courses in 34 languages have been downloaded by pastors and trainers from 167 countries!**

Our translation team includes three US-based project managers (Elizabeth, Jeffrey, Alima), five proofreaders/editors (Cheryl, Dixie, Ebony, Heidi, and Lesa), and two IT experts (Ezra, Curtis), collaborating with over 50 global translators. Here's a visual breakdown of our process:



The Heart Behind Each Translation

A testimony from a translator.

“We just wanted to share a little glimpse of what this translation project, especially Doctrine and Practice of Church, has meant to our team. It wasn’t just another project, it became something truly special. Our team members who were translating shared how translating the section on fellowship made him more intentional in reaching out and connecting with believers in his own neighborhood.

Another team member shared how translating the section on the teachings on tithing and financial support encouraged him to trust God more deeply in his giving, even during tight seasons. In fact, we all knew he was going through some tough times financially.

This project spoke to us personally. It wasn’t just another translation project. It was a timely message from God that stirred something fresh in each of our walks with Jesus. We are grateful beyond words for the work you are doing through Shepherds Global. May God continue to richly bless and multiply the impact of all that you do.”

- Andrew, SGC Translator and Coordinator in Central Asia for multiple languages

5. Corrections

The translation team reviews this feedback and makes corrections, which are then finalized by SGC staff.



SGC staff subsequently proofread the translations against the source files and provide feedback for any necessary improvements.

4. Proofing



Finally, the prepared translations are formatted for publication, uploaded as PDFs to the website, and integrated into the mobile app, ensuring the content is accessible to a wider audience.

6. Publication

Course is published on website & app



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Our annual Vision Dinner is an opportunity for Becky, me, and our SGC team to strengthen our connection with those of you who pray for and support the ministry throughout the year. We'd love to meet you in person! It's also an opportunity for you to see and hear what God is doing around the world and to invest in the vision.

This year's event will be an opportunity to be challenged by the founder and president of Reaching Indians Ministries International (RIMI), Dr. Saji Lukos. RIMI is a powerful ministry proclaiming the gospel to the 1.4 billion people of India, and he will be our guest speaker this year.

Becky and I were privileged to travel to India in March to see Saji in action. We were moved by his humble, loving, sacrificial spirit and challenged by his vision. Twenty-five years ago, the Holy Spirit moved his heart to plant the seeds of what is now a seminary, thirty Bible schools, 2,000 pastors, 13,000 house churches, a hospital, and numerous ministries caring for orphans and widows. I know the Lord will speak to us through Saji.

Please reserve your free seat right away!

Tim Keep Sr.

Date: Tuesday, September 30th

Time: 6:00pm - 8:30pm

Location: 700 Madison Ave.
Covington KY, 42011



SPECIAL KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Saji Lukos

Founder and President of Reaching
Indian's Ministries International (RIMI)

SGC is a worthy organization to support because of its proven leadership. Founders Tim and Becky Keep are experienced missionaries—and are supported by a strong, diverse Board of Directors. For over 12 years, SGC has partnered with more than 20 mission organizations, providing free online biblical courses that help deepen Bible knowledge worldwide. Many pastors in various countries are using its courses to train others, fostering local leadership. With 20 courses in multiple translations and new ones added annually, SGC effectively supports global mission efforts.

Supporting SGC not only benefits the organization itself but also complements the work of whatever mission we already support. That is why I am a contributor to SGC, along with my own mission's organization, because it is an investment that pays eternal dividends in more ways than one.

Jim Olson, CPA

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