

PIONEER BIBLE TRANSLATORS

Pioneer Bible Translators® (PBT) bridges the gap between the church and the Bibleless people around the world. Our team is composed of Bible translators, literacy evangelists, church planters and a variety of support personnel working to see transformed lives through God's Word in every language.

In 1981, PBT had 15 members and now has 622 adults and 276 children working in 32 countries in 123 languages that impact 189 million people.

Pioneer Bible Translators will continue to follow the Spirit's lead to fill the gaps in the Bible translation movement so that we and our partners will see churches with Scripture transforming every language group on earth by 2050. We have set the audacious goal of starting and finishing 300 projects by 2050.

PBT is based in Southeast Dallas (adjacent to Duncanville, TX) with its global operations center for church mobilization, recruitment, training, missionary care and overseas administration. See https://pioneerbible.org for more information.

RONDAL & JANICE SMITH

Rondal and Janice Smith serve as Director and Administrative Assistant for the European Recruitment and Development Department. The vision that God has given us for the European Recruitment and Development Department is to envision and enlist believers and churches in Europe to join hands with the world-wide church to finish the task of the Great Commission to take God's message of salvation to every ethnic and language group on earth.

The Smiths are working with developing a PBT organization in both Ukraine and Poland to recruit and assign members to work with 5 translations for the Roma people in Ukraine and Moldova as well as help establish a translation into Polish Sign language for the Deaf in Poland. They are now working with contacts in Germany to establish a PBT to recruit and send missionaries to the multitude of immigrants there from difficult-to-enter countries in the Near and Middle East and south Asia.

PRAYER REQUESTS

• Pioneer Bible Translators in Europe

- a. For God to lead a German immigrant to step up to help with translation from the following groups: The Laki of Iran, the Luri of So Iran and the Lachi of Northern Vietnam
- b. The Action Bible Sign Language translation project for the Deaf of Poland
- c. Recruits from Germany to assist in projects

• Janice and Rondal's Physical Health

- a. We are very aware of our physical body's needs at our age. We moved from our house in SE Dallas, near Duncanville in 2023. We moved to the Landon of Lake Highlands, a long-term Independent Living apartment with an in-house Med assistance service as needed in North East Dallas near Garland on Sept. 28 of 2023.
- b. Janice, in particular, has been suffering from a fall in Summer 2023 which caused fractured bones among other damage leading to 7 weeks of hospitalization and rehab nursing. Then due to severe infection, 12 days of hospitalization was followed by 30 days of rehab.

• Janice and Rondal

- a. Pray for our efforts in establishing a body of worshiping believers in the PBT building for our community and surrounding neighborhood by giving wisdom in our weekly Discovery Bible Study and online worship.
- b. Pray that God would raise up patterns in Germany
- c. Pray for our home to be filled with the Holy Spirit
- d. Pray that God help Janice, through Home Health Care rehab visits, to reach goals of regained habilitation.
- e. Help us both deal with neuropathy issues in legs and feet