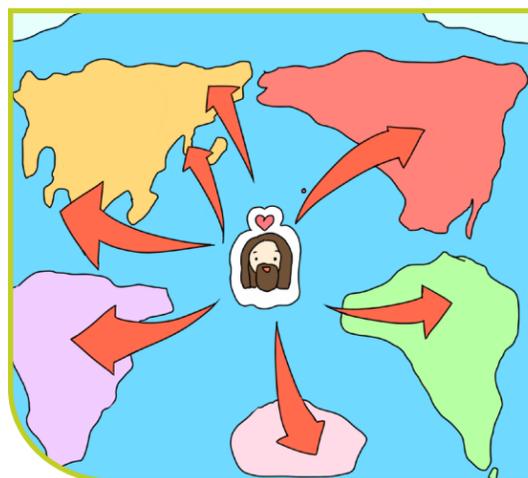
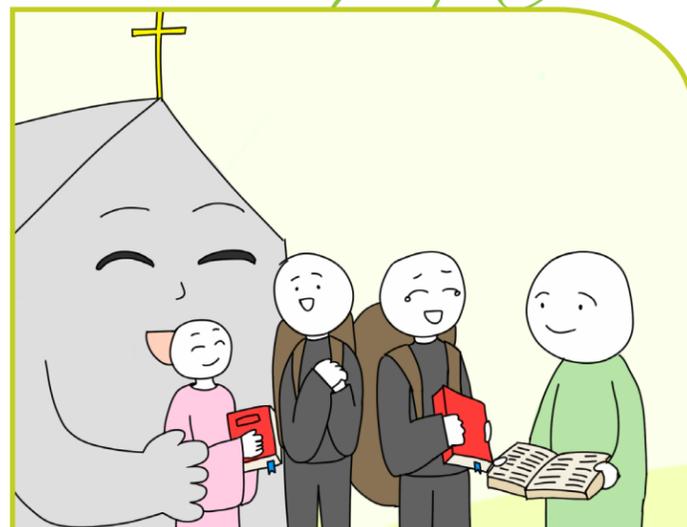


Hold Hands & Run Together



Let's read the Bible

2 Kings 25:6-17
1 Chronicles 9:1-16
17:1-4

We consider together

Have you ever tried, as a whole family or with your friends, a good work that pleases God?
Can we try such a work together?



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There was a child who was always last in the race because of his bad health. One autumn field day, everyone in the race stopped running and held hands with the sick child, then started running together. They all finished in first place. What a beautiful story! (<http://economy.hankooki.com/lpage/society/201410/e2014100811174093760.htm>)

It is the same in Kingdom of God; even if one is slow, people hold hands and walk together. All the churches need to work together to help all nations worship Jesus. When Paul from the Bible set up churches and helped them, many churches became friends and helped each other out. When the Jerusalem church was troubled, the Macedonia church prayed wholeheartedly and gave offerings. They filled the needs of the Jerusalem church with their love (2 Corinthians 8). Because they helped each other, everyone was overflowing with joy. God was glorified (Philippians 4:10-20).

2,000 miles away from Russia's capital city of Moscow there is a town called Salekhard. It is terribly cold and in the middle of a Siberian wilderness, with nobody living close by. 100 years ago in Russia, there was a dictator named Stalin. He disliked people who believed in Jesus, and drove many of them out to Siberia. It was a cold and hard place to live, and Christians were forced to build railroads. People called those railways "The Railways of Death." Salekhard was a town where the people driven out worked like slaves. But the people kept their faith and prayed all the time.

An amazing event is taking place in Salekhard right now. There are translations of the Bible being made in the Nenets and Khanty language, and the people there are

encouraged to read the Bible and put it into practice in their everyday lives. God did not forget the prayers of the people who kept their faith. God created a heart of love for those two minority groups in Wycliffe Russia. God made it so that the local churches and churches around the world were able to work together with the Nenets and Khanty so that they could hold hands and run together.

God has called together missionary organizations and churches from all over the world. Wycliffe Russia, Wycliffe Finland, the Helsinki and Moscow branch of the Bible Translation Association, SIL International, and Pioneer Bible Translators (PBT) as well as many others are coming together and making missions come true. Churches from countries like America, Korea, and Italy are funding these missions. Everyone is working together in Jesus' love.

Anatoli Marachevis the pastor of Good News Church, and he is also the grandchild of a Salekhard prisoner from 100 years ago. Anatoli spoke strongly as he said, "The works of God need to be started in the church, and be connected to the church. If a bible translations mission is needed, the church needs to do it. The church needs to send missionaries and pray as they give them supplies. And the world's churches need to know this and participate in it together. Paul taught the church that helping weak churches is a great blessing, and glorifies God.

Today, it is the same. God wishes desperately for all nations around the world to be healed and to worship Jesus. Let us pray so that all the churches in the world will gather hearts and pray as they hold hands and run together.