

# Bringing the Word to the Classroom Resource Handout

## Books

- English Lessons from the Bible: Book of Mark, by Glenda Reece and Mildred Blankenship - teacher and student books 1 and 2 available for free download at <https://www.sendrelief.org/poverty/esl/>; teacher's books available for purchase on Amazon (ISBN 978-0840088659 and 978-0840088680)
- Bible Verse Chants: Bible Based Chants For Teaching English As A Second Language, by Glenda Reece (ISBN 978-0984281305) - available for purchase on Amazon.
- Tried and True ESL Lessons, by Barbara Kinney Black - available for purchase on Amazon or at <https://www.triedandtrueeslresources.com/> - this curriculum is designed for church-based programs and has one Bible verse integrated into each English lesson. An additional curriculum from this author is Tried and True Everyday English from the Book of Genesis.
- Bible curricula designed for adult English learners from diverse backgrounds - available for purchase from For the Nations Refugee Outreach: <https://ftnro.org/product-category/curriculum/>
- Basic Bible Study Books in Everyday English (series) and Handbook for Teaching Bible-Based ESL by J. Wesley Eby: <https://www.thefoundrypublishing.com/authors/j-wesley-eby.html> or at [navresources.ca](http://navresources.ca)

## Bibles

- Multilingual Bible resources may be purchased here: <https://multilanguagemedia.org/>
- Simple English Bibles can be accessed and printed from these sites: <http://ogden.basic-english.org/bbe/bbe.html>; <https://www.easyenglish.bible/>
- Bibles in many languages can be accessed and printed from these sites: <https://www.wordplanet.org/>; <https://www.biblegateway.com/versions/>; [https://www.scriptureearth.org/00i-Scripture\\_Index.php](https://www.scriptureearth.org/00i-Scripture_Index.php); <https://find.bible/bibles>; <https://dbs.org/>; <https://www.wycliffe.org/resources/bible-resources>
- These sites allow you to view the same passage paralleled in 2 to 4 languages: <http://unbound.biola.edu/>; <https://www.biblestudytools.com/parallel-bible/>
- Remember that there are often Bible apps and internet radio stations (such as iTunes) available in multiple languages for reading and listening. If you have students with smartphones who are interested in reading or listening to the Bible, this may be a good place to start.

## Films

- The Jesus Film and the Children's Jesus Film are available in multiple languages and with subtitles. You can order copies here: <https://reachingthenationsamongus.org/>
- Nest animated videos show Bible stories in a fun way and may be purchased at <https://nestlearning.com/collections/nest-dvds>
- The Story is a 6-minute animated film explaining the Gospel through creation-fall-redemption-restoration; a free app is also available with multiple languages. <https://thestoryfilm.com/>

## Testimonies

- Overviews of how to write your testimony:  
<https://www.cru.org/us/en/train-and-grow/share-the-gospel/evangelism-principles/how-to-tell-your-story-worksheet.html> and  
<https://www.cru.org/us/en/train-and-grow/share-the-gospel/evangelism-principles/preparing-your-personal-testimony.html>

## Other Resources

- Resurrection Eggs - 12 plastic Easter eggs with small tokens inside that tell the story of Easter. They may be purchased from Amazon or Christianbook.com. This document has simple English explanations of each piece of the story: <https://pcamna.org/ESL/Easter.pdf>
- Story Egg - book by Natalie Ard - with nesting eggs telling the story of Easter: <https://www.amazon.com/STORY-EGG-Colorful-Nesting-Resurrection/dp/0692770445>
- What God Wants for Christmas by Barbara Rainey - this book with audio CD and figurines tells the story of Christmas, but ends with the fact that what God wants today is our own hearts! It's available from Amazon or FamilyLife Publishing (shop.familylife.com). (Be sure to order a set - the 7 gift boxes are important to the story, as the last box has a mirror, showing that God wants our hearts for Christmas.)
- Holiday celebration suggestions for sharing the Gospel may be found here: <https://pcamna.org/esl-ministries/holidayideas/>
- ESOL Bible Study and Devotional Materials may be downloaded here: <https://pcamna.org/esl-ministries/printresources/>
- Old Testament and New Testament Bible stories with questions for ESL students: <http://pages.suddenlink.net/eslbiblestories/>

## Key Points

- Pray, pray, pray.
- Short and focused devotions
- Incorporate Christian jazz chants, songs, activities, and props (when appropriate)
- Special events and activities
- Testimonies
- ESL Bible studies
- Think about this: How are you preparing to disciple your students who do accept Christ?

Since, then, we know what it is to fear the Lord, we try to persuade others...For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. 2 Corinthians 5:11, 14-15