FILL THEIR SHELVES



Equip Bible teachers and future church leaders by providing libraries in French for Christian colleges and universities in the developing world.

Can you imagine a college library without any books? That is the case in many Christian universities and Bible schools in the world's poorest French-speaking countries. Synergie Francophone wants to change that!

The French-speaking world is big, very big! Here are all the countries where French is spoken:



However, the part of the French-speaking world with access to Bibles and Christian books is small, very small!

French is the world's fifth most used language. 321 million people in our world use French, and this number is increasing every day! **This huge people**

group is largely without God's Word and books to help them understand it. Even in places where the Gospel is preached, false teachings abound because leaders lack biblical tools.

Will you help us equip Christian college libraries and church leaders being trained right now?

There are several ways you can do this:

1. Provide a digital library on an SD card.

For \$25 plus \$15 shipping, you can provide a collection of 130 books for a Christian college. Stored on an SD card, the collection contains:

Bibles · study guides · commentaries · books on theology · Christian life · the church · preaching · conversion · disciple-making · and nearly 40 books specific to ministry in Africa and other developing countries.

There is a snag, though. For reasons of copyright, the SD card



can only be used on one computer, tablet, or portable phone, which means only one teacher or student can read at a time. This could be overcome by providing several SD cards to each school.

2. Provide a digital library on an SD card for a graduating student, so that he or she will have a Christian leader's library for life.



In each of the Christian colleges with which we partner, we dream of providing a graduation gift for each student heading into a life of ministry. The dream can be as big as donations allow. The cost per student is \$25 plus \$15 shipping for the digital

library of 130 books.

3. Provide a physical library

A physical library with printed books on its shelves is still an essential, invaluable service to teachers and students. It allows the whole college community to consult and borrow books at the same time. In some countries, a well-stocked library helps a school to gain accreditation.



Printed libraries are expensive to purchase and ship, even when Synergie Francophone is given discounts by Christian publishers. We are asking God to call generous donors to purchase a whole or partial Christian library for a Christian university or Bible college. Do you wish to be one of them?

A library of 50 to 60 basic books costs \$600. We'll add more if we can by seeking discounts. Shipping of those books from France or Quebec costs \$400. So, for \$1,000, you can start to fill shelves with physical

books that will be used by hundreds of teachers and future leaders. What a great legacy! Donating a library multiplies your gift - and ministry - over and over until a book wears out from frequent use, a real and healthy risk in any small library! But the knowledge goes on being applied in hearts and ministries long after.



For every library purchased, Synergie Francophone will include an SD card and a printed copy of la Bible d'Étude – Perspectives africaines, the French version of the Africa Study Bible to

which 150 African theologians and scholars have contributed notes, applications, and articles that relate to the cultural contexts in which the Gospel will be taught.

4. Provide pdfs of scholarly Bible tools

Distributions Évangéliques du Québec has created some unique Bible dictionaries, concordances and other tools for studying the Bible that are available as pdfs for purchase. There are no shipping costs. Your gift of \$30 will allow us to provide one or more of these large reference tools to a Christian university or Bible college in an economically challenged French-speaking country.

My response:

I want to equip teachers and students by providing:

130-book college library on an SD card @ \$40. How many? _____ Total gift: _____

10 x 130-book graduates' library on SD card @ \$400. How many? _____ Total gift: _____

50-60 printed books for a college library @ \$1,000. How many? _____ Total gift: _____

A Bible dictionary or concordance as pdf @\$30. How many? _____ Total gift: _____

TOTAL OF ALL GIFTS: \$___

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