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Carey Jo has worked with numerous churches and missions to assist with their development of Bible-content adult literacy materials in more than 60 local languages. To do so, and to assist with the training of volunteers to teach adult literacy and English as a Second Language, she has traveled to 20 countries outside the United States and Canada. Those countries include Peru, Brazil, Ecuador, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia, Sudan, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Nepal, India, Pakistan, South Korea, and Philippines.

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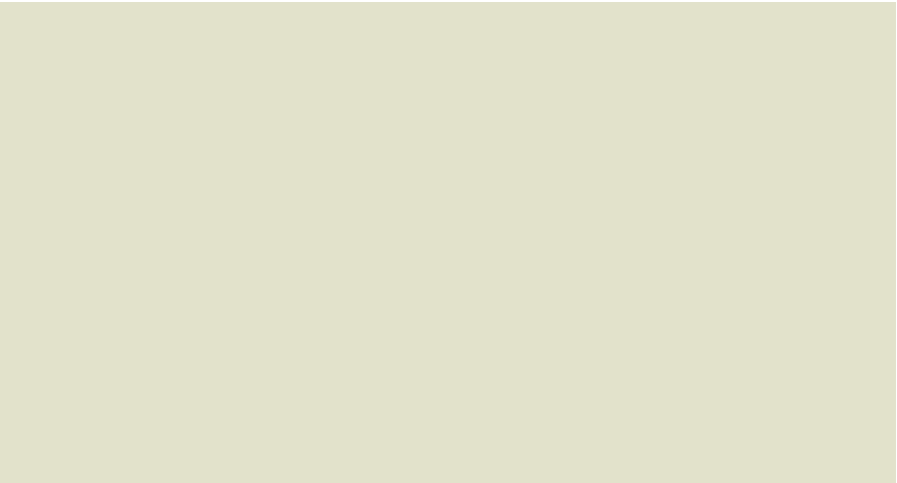
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