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Information about a project to produce an accessible Bible was

available at the Disability Conference in October.

At Biblica (previously known as the International Bible Society) we know that many people face a number of barriers to reading and understanding the Bible. In the UK alone there are:

- ? An estimated 1.8 million people with learning disabilities
- ? Around 360,000 people registered as blind or partially sighted
- ? More than 800,000 people who are severely or profoundly deaf

That is over 2.5 million people in the UK who could potentially benefit from a more accessible Bible. That's why we're partnering with organisations including Prospects, Urban Saints and The Torch Trust to develop and produce a Bible which is more accessible to these groups and others.

Many Bibles previously published simply haven't gone far enough. It's not just about large print - paper quality, colour and page layout can all have a major impact on reading experience. This Bible will use Biblica's NIV translation and will feature a larger font size, adapted layout and accompanying illustrations, include an audio and e-book version, aiding understanding and making the text clearer and easier to read.

How do I get involved?

Find out more- you can read more about the project at <http://www.biblicaeurope.com/accessible-bible> [1] and you can also sign up to our newsletter to be kept informed about the project at <http://www.biblicaeurope.com/> [2] (scroll halfway down the page to find the relevant box)

Donate- Without your support this project will simply not happen. We need to raise £150,000 to enable us to meet the extensive development costs and order the first print run of 25,000 New Testaments. This is our first step on the journey to make the whole Bible available in this format - a format that we believe will make a real difference in the lives of all those it will reach, not only with disabilities. You can donate at www.biblicaeurope.com/donate

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Talk to us- we want this Bible to work for the people who need this Bible most. If you have any questions, feedback or want to be involved with testing out this Bible email becky.miles@biblica.com [4]

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