

## **UPDATED VERSION OF THE BIBLE BY 2011**

The Global Board of Biblica announced its intention to update the New International Version of the Bible - its first revision since 1984. The Committee on Bible Translation (CBT) is expected to finish this revised translation by next year. When Zondervan publish this updated version of the bible by 2011, it will mark the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publishing of King James Version. The announcement came on September 1<sup>st</sup> at Trinity Christian College in Palos Heights III. This was the sight of the historic first meeting of the Committee on Bible Translation in 1965. Biblica is a global ministry focused on transforming lives through God's Word, while Zondervan stands as the world's leading Bible publisher.

Keith Danby, the Global President and CEO of Biblica said that, the purpose of this translation is to reach English speakers across the globe with a Bible that is accurate, accessible and that speaks to its readers, in a language they can understand. The Committee on Bible Translation alone has the authority to revise and update the text of the NIV Bible. This Committee represents the very best in evangelical biblical scholarship, which exists to ensure that the NIV articulate the word of God accurately and meaningfully. The CBT is looking for clarity, where understanding comes naturally, so that readers can quickly grasp the original author's ideas. This, they believe, would help Christians to study bible easily and reach out to others to share the word. The CBT also is open to scholars and bible readers to receive input. Suggestions can be presented in writing to the CBT before the end of this calendar year.