

PROFILE



SEAN AND LEZLIE ALLISON CAMEROON

(ASSOCIATE MISSION STAFF)

Sean and Lezlie Allison are working on language analysis, development, literacy and translation with the Kotoko people of the Logone-et-Chari department of the Far North Province of the country of Cameroon in Africa. The Kotoko are one ethnic group that speaks six different languages.

Sean began a doctoral program in linguistics at the University of Colorado at Boulder in the fall of 2007. He anticipates completing the program in the spring of 2012. He has met all his program requirements and is working to finish his dissertation, "A Reference Grammar of Makary Kotoko." Writing the dissertation will help Sean to accurately and naturally express the message and meaning of the Scriptures in his translation work.

Upon completion of the program, Sean plans to continue translation work for the Kotoko people while providing linguistic training to others interested in language documentation, language development, linguistic analysis, and scripture translation.

Lezlie recently published a book "Hiking Home" which shares many of her thoughts about her journey and mission so far. A number of stories from the Allison's experience in the mission field are told within the book.

Sean and Lezlie have four children, Josiah, Nate, Drew, and Annie.

The Allison's' work is carried out through Wycliffe Bible Translators and SIL International. They receive some support from *Presbyterians Sharing*.

