Igala Language Project Snippet
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Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for all you do! Your support, encouragement, and prayers enables me to keep going! Amid all the upheavals, changes, and challenges of life, work on the curriculum for Igala school children continues.

My co-worker, Crystal Gosnell, is amazing! Besides developing all aspects of the orphanage's primary school, literally from the ground up, she cares for a very large family and does it beautifully. Here you see all five of the youngest children wanting to help feed the newest arrival. Aren't they sweet!

In a recent newsletter, Crystal wrote about the work on the Igala curriculum. She said:

Another exciting development this summer, was the progress we were able to make on the development of an **Igala Language curriculum**. Aided by visits from Mrs. Esther Nordman (a former MK who grew up in Nigeria and has a passion for promoting Igala literacy and **the furtherance of the Gospel in people's heart language**) and Mr. Salem Ejeba (a linguist from the University of Port Harcourt), work has begun on **basic nursery level picture books**, beginning reading lessons, and a **primer for teaching students how to read tones**, as Igala is a tonal language.

Please pray that the Igala language community can work in unity on this project and that each of those working on this project will have the freedom of time and the wisdom necessary to see the project through to completion. It is a daunting task, and one I feel **I am ill-equipped** for, but I am super excited to see how the Lord will continue to open up opportunities and connections to make this dream a reality.

There is currently **no curriculum for teaching Igala in the schools**, and very few resources, especially at a beginning level, available for people to read in their own language.

Please do keep us all in your prayers!

Esther Nordman

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For fluency and comprehension in reading the Igala Bible