

The Wartburg Project



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*Grass withers, flowers fade, but the Word of our God endures forever.
Translators come, translations go, but the Word of our God endures forever.*

A Milestone

God willing, the expected date of availability of the whole EHV Bible is July 1, 2019. We hope that by the time you receive this, the printing of the completed EHV Bible will be reaching the first purchasers in a smooth timely manner.

NPH has issued pre-order forms for bulk purchases of the whole Bible. This is the way to get the best price for your members and students and for gift copies to institutions.


ORDER THE COMPLETE EHV



**Or call NPH Customer Service
at 800-662-6022**

Check the NPH site for ordering electronic formats like Kindle and Nook. Watch for announcements of other formats like BibleGateway and LOGOS. Watch for a pending announcement from NPH about a leather edition.

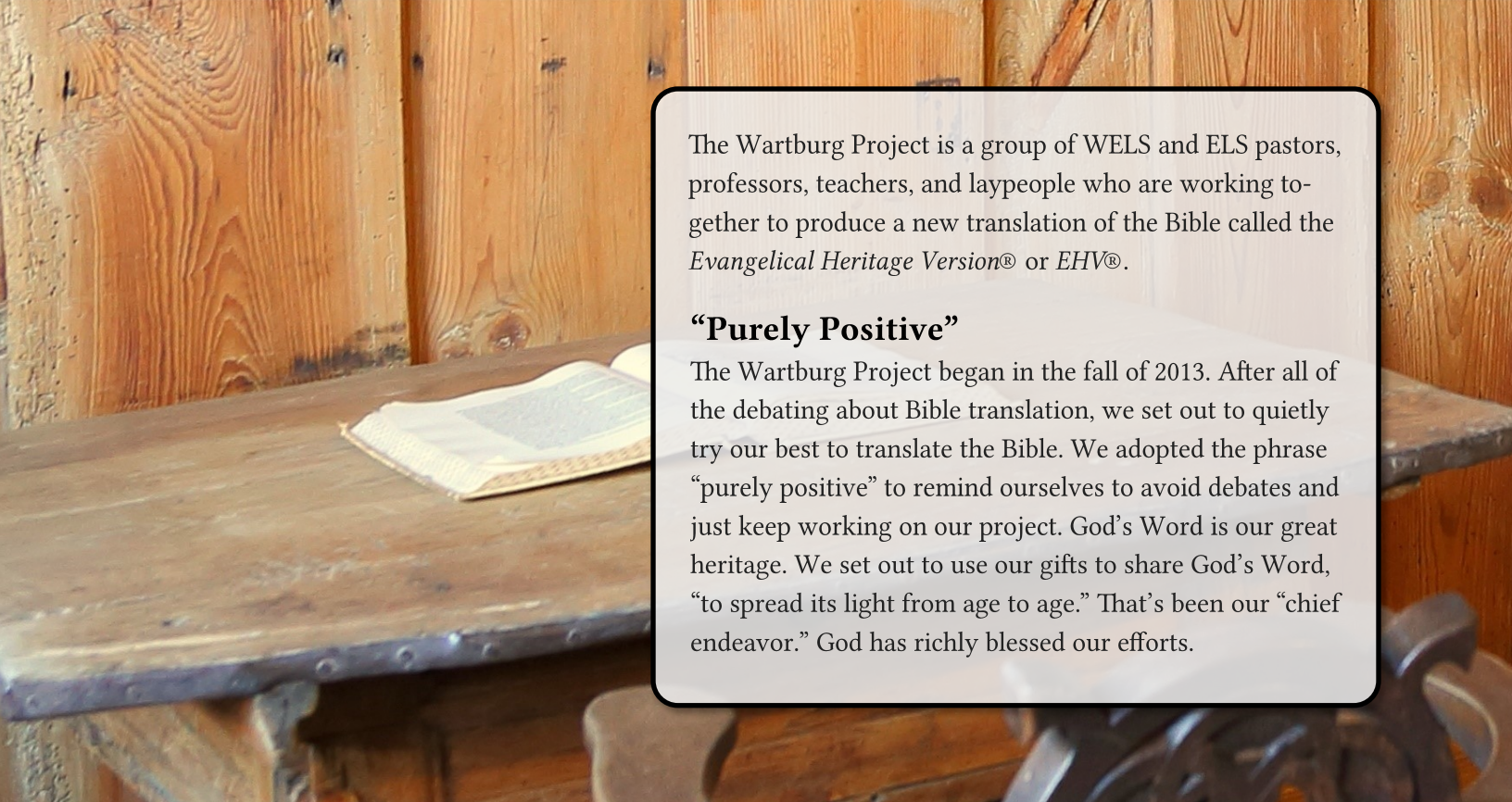
This Month's Free Books

Getting Ready for the EHV 

This is a rerun of last month's offering. This free 35-page booklet is a collection of four articles which introduces prospective readers to some of the main issues to consider concerning *the Holy Bible: Evangelical Heritage Version*. The four articles are:

1. Why should I try the EHV?
2. What were the greatest difficulties encountered in producing the EHV?
3. What are some of the features that distinguish the EHV from other translations?
4. Tips for becoming accustomed to a new translation.

We encourage you to share this booklet with as many people as possible. This booklet also appears in the *Academia* data base.



The Wartburg Project is a group of WELS and ELS pastors, professors, teachers, and laypeople who are working together to produce a new translation of the Bible called the *Evangelical Heritage Version*® or *EHV*®.

“Purely Positive”

The Wartburg Project began in the fall of 2013. After all of the debating about Bible translation, we set out to quietly try our best to translate the Bible. We adopted the phrase “purely positive” to remind ourselves to avoid debates and just keep working on our project. God’s Word is our great heritage. We set out to use our gifts to share God’s Word, “to spread its light from age to age.” That’s been our “chief endeavor.” God has richly blessed our efforts.

Preview of the Study Bible of Acts

This preview edition of the electronic study Bible of Acts gives an indication of the progress being made on this project. At present only electronic computer editions and a LOGOS version of the study Bible are scheduled for production. To make production of a print version of the study Bible feasible, promote use of the regular print edition of the EHV and express your interest in a print edition of the study Bible to NPH.

Preview of the Study Bible of Acts

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The files are intended to be viewed in the 100% mode in Word or pdf. Viewing the file in Word enables you to test the pop-up notes mode, but changing the size of the text may distort the formatting of the notes. (The layout of the text and pictures must be adjusted for each format.) The pdf does not enable the pop-up notes, but keeps formatting stable.

Coming Studies

In preparation for the publication and distribution of the first edition of the complete EHV, we will be providing you with a fairly steady diet of articles, booklets, and other materials about the EHV. Among them will be:

1. An updated catalog of our library.
2. More new FAQs.
3. Also see the many FAQs and the library of articles on our [Wartburg Project website](#). [🔗](#)

Interesting Statistics on our Wartburg Project Website

- Our site has been visited over 1.6 million times.
- We've been averaging about 1,700 users per month, or 43 per day
- 66% of users view the website from a computer, 27% from a mobile device, 7% from a tablet.
- So far this year the top ten countries for visitors are: United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, India, South Africa, Philippines, Singapore, Germany, and Ghana, in that order. Numbers drop pretty swiftly after the US though, so the US makes up over 87%, and Ghana involves only 25 people.
- Our most popular FAQs in the last 30 days are #7 "Why do you capitalize the Devil?", #31 "Did the Israelites eat cheese curds like ours?", and #39 "Why do you include the long ending of Mark?"
- In the last year, the lectionaries page is the second most popular after the home page. The third most popular is the article "Why does Jesus say 'Amen, Amen, I tell you?'" The interesting part about that is that this article was moved to a FAQ and the original page can no longer be found from our website, but because it was a popular as a web search result we left the page up. It continues to be one of our most popular pages.
- It appears that our FAQs are a way to introduce the EHV to new people, as we are getting quite a few people finding them from search results. Most of those people aren't browsing the whole website, but some do, and you never know when others might come back. At least they are being introduced to the EHV.



Website

See our website (wartburgproject.org) for more information relating to the EHV. See FAQ #15 on the name EHV. A paper explaining our name is posted in the "Library" section.

Sign up on the "Contact" page to receive free e-reports. Like us on Facebook to receive the latest updates posted there. (The purpose of our Facebook posting is not debate, but we've been able to share information with many people very quickly that way (sometimes more than 10,000) Recently many more people are liking and sharing our Facebook posts which present Bible passages from the EHV with an appropriate picture).

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