

The background of the slide is a close-up, slightly blurred image of the Ethiopian flag. It features a green triangle at the top, a yellow triangle at the bottom, and a blue circle in the center containing a yellow wreath. The flag appears to be waving in the wind.

# Is a Fulbright in Your Future?

Axum, Ethiopia

Janet Lee, Regis University

CALCON 2018, September 13, 2018

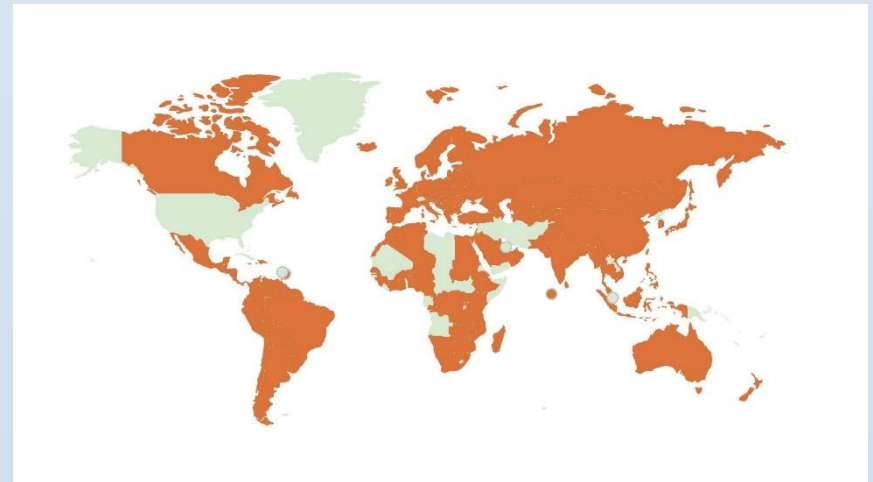


# Application Process

**Determine Eligibility**  
**Letter of Invitation**  
**Letters of Reference**  
**Proposal/Program**  
**Deadlines (August 1)**  
**Writing partner**  
**Revise Revise Revise**  
**Follow detailed**  
**instructions**



<https://www.cies.org/>





# Pre-departure Orientation

**You made it this far!**  
**Meet your counterparts**  
**Meet former Fulbrighters**  
**Fill out forms**  
**Best practices**  
**Ask questions**  
**Learn expectations**  
**Meet Embassy personnel**





# Immigration and housing

**Obtain a business visa and  
work permit**

**Faculty housing/  
community/hotel**

**House help**

**Spouse/dependents**

**Transportation**

**Ex-pat community/  
Nationals**

**Local bank accounts**

**Medical care/prescriptions**

**Holidays**





# Stated Projects

**Open Access Publishing  
Koha (Online catalog)**

**Secondary Projects:  
Children's book publishing  
Axumite Heritage Foundation Library  
Chromebook Lab  
Digital Library Class**



# Health, safety and food

**Preventive medications**

**Vaccinations**

**City/Country life**

**Theft/Cell phones**

**Motor vehicle accidents**

**Food properly cooked/stored**

**Bottled water**

**Enjoy the difference**





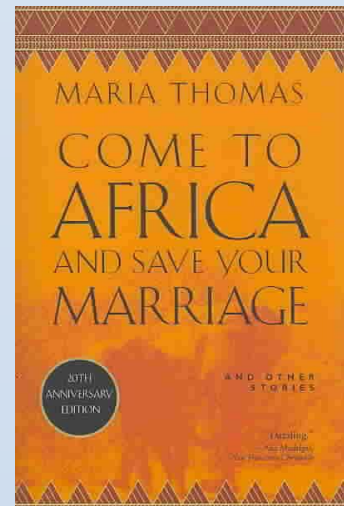
# Departure

**Friendships start to develop**  
**Saying good bye**  
**Expect tears**  
**“Senioritis” or “9 month blues”**  
**Extra demands forthcoming**  
**Trying to finish projects**





“If you’ve ever lived in Ethiopia, you never really put it behind you. You follow the news, any you can get, avidly. You look for people who have just been there. You find Ethiopians on the outside, or they find you. You collect stories. You wait for any chance to go back.” Maria Thomas





# Axum, Ethiopia



Stelae fields





# Axum, Ethiopia



St. Mary of Tsion  
Church





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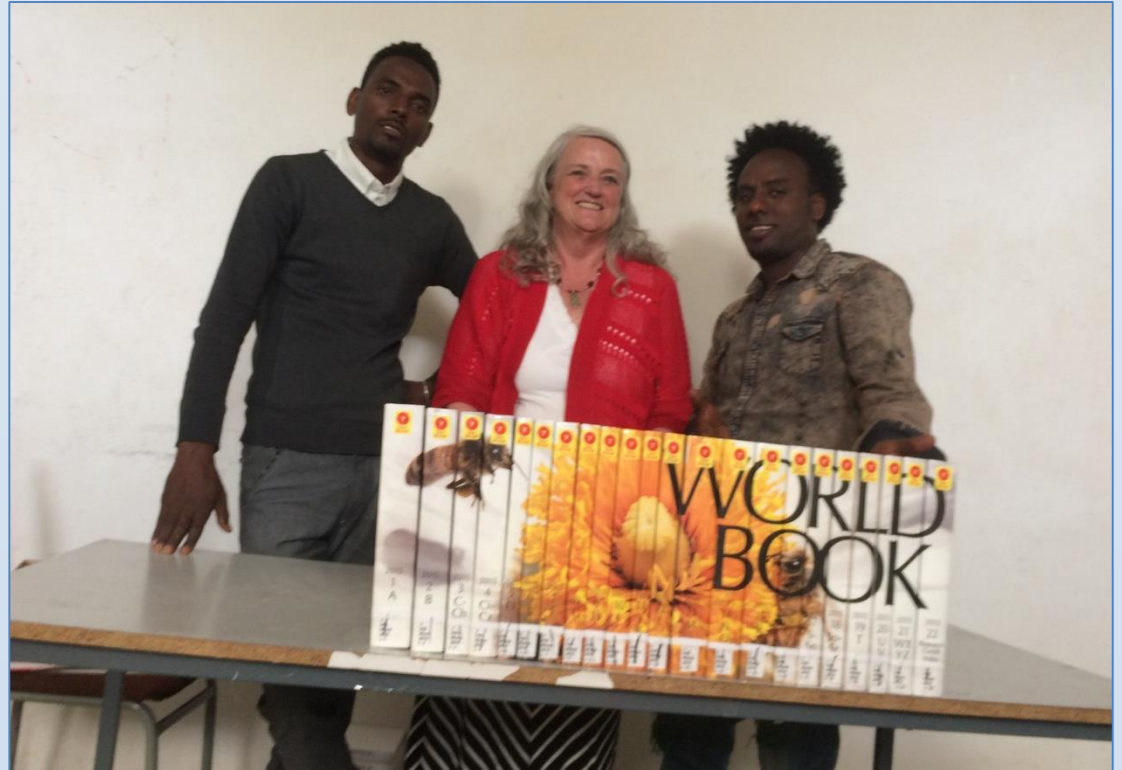


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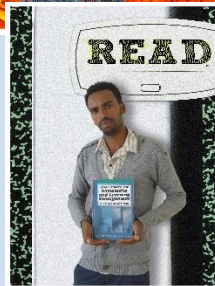
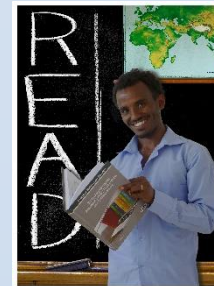
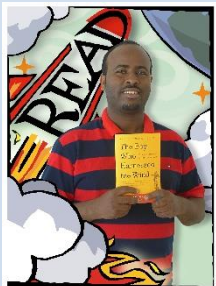
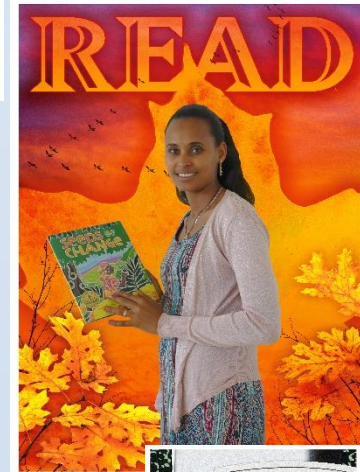
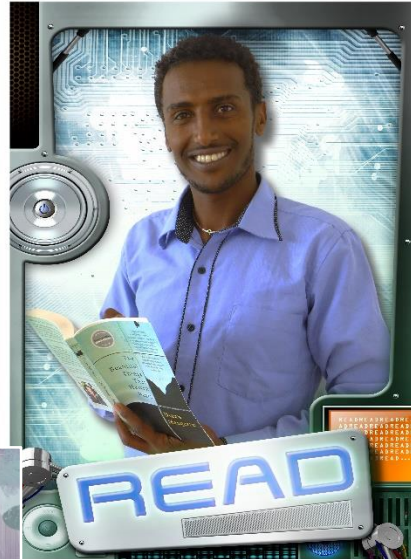
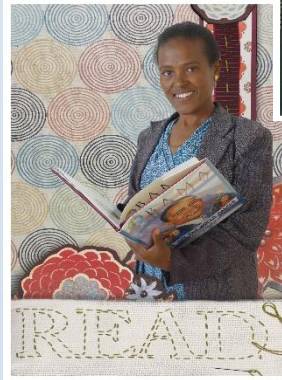
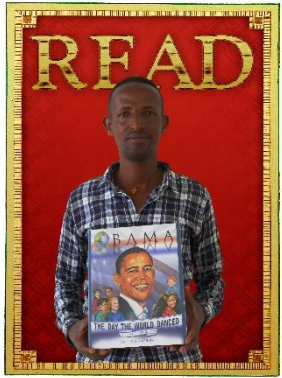
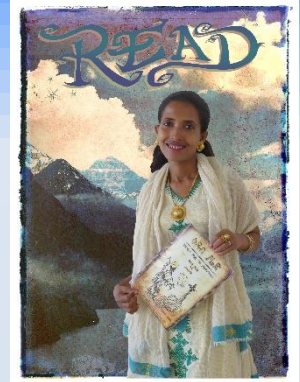
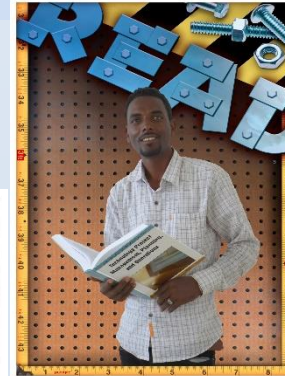
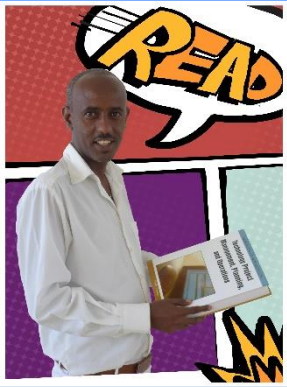


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# Aksum University





# Open Access Journals



At Haramaya University



On the Shere  
campus of Aksum  
University





# Axum Heritage Foundation Library





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Former library in the Governor's Palace



Moving day





# Axum Heritage Foundation Library



Great reading room





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Children's Library



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Auditorium





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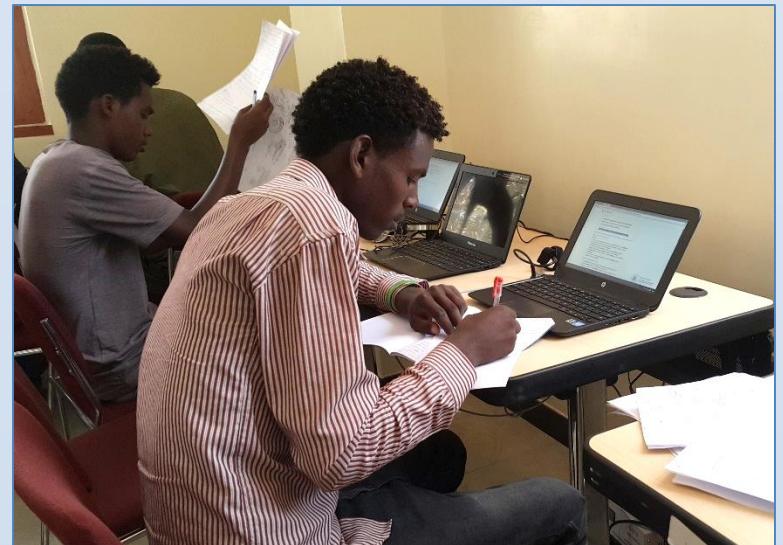
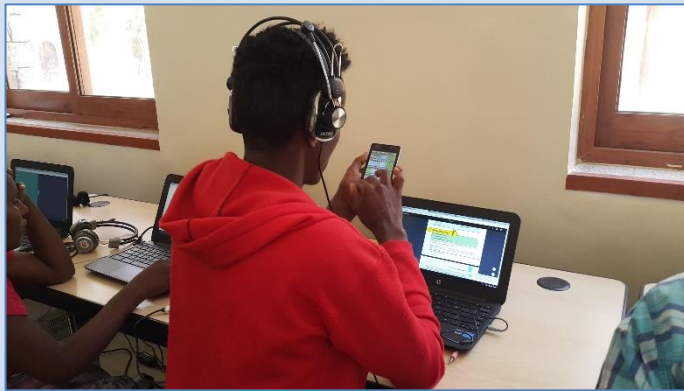




# Axum Heritage Foundation Library



Chromebook lab: Entire Ethiopian school curriculum; Khan Academy and numerous OER textbook databases.





# African Storybook Project

With a grant from the Colorado Association of Libraries  
International Library Cultural Exchange-Interest Group

<http://africanstorybook.org>

The screenshot shows the African Storybook website. At the top, a teal header contains the site name 'African Storybook' on the left and 'HELP AND NOTES' on the right. Below the header is a navigation bar with 'READ', 'MAKE', and 'USE' links, and a search bar on the left. Social media icons for WhatsApp, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube are on the right. A statistics bar displays '153 LANGUAGES', '950 STORYBOOKS', and '4388 TRANSLATIONS'. The main content area features a 'Vision' section with an illustration of an open book and the text: 'Open access to picture storybooks in the languages of Africa. For children's literacy, enjoyment and imagination.' Below this is a 'New stories' section, titled 'Storybooks approved by ASb', which displays four storybook covers: 'Ombonai' (Tracy Ntano), 'Nnhenda Bwende' (Cornelius Wambi, Gulets, Tracy Ntano), 'Wansude na abalongo' (Cornelius Wambi, Gulets, Ofula Tetay Eugene), and 'Alake loves visitors' (African Storybook). At the bottom, a 'Community storybooks' section shows a row of storybook covers. The footer includes the African Storybook logo on the left and the 'Saide' logo on the right.



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153 languages

950 storybooks

4388 translations

Ethiopia has over 80 languages and dialects

Amharic 89 stories in the collection

Afaan Oromo 44 stories in the collection

Tigrigna 31 stories in the collection

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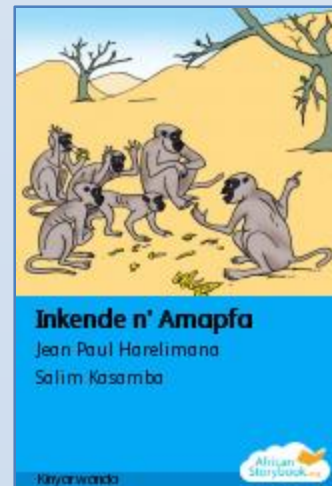
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Read on a device

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# African Storybook Project

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Mezemir Girma, owner,  
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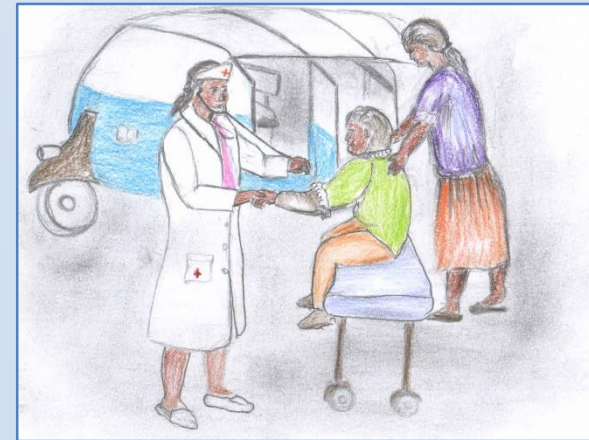
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# Peaceful Transitions

His Excellency Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed receives flag from His Excellency Prime Minister Hailemariam Desalegn

