



William Carey was born in 1761 in England. He accepted Jesus as his Savior when he was young, and he grew in his faith. William had a special interest in languages and tried to learn as many languages as he could. He studied Hebrew and Latin when he was young. He also learned how to make shoes and worked as a cobbler (someone who makes shoes), but he knew that God had called him to be a missionary.

He moved with his wife and children to India in 1793. The first language he learned was Bengali. When he realized that most people in India had never heard of Jesus and did not know about the Bible, he worked to translate the Bible into their languages. He spent more than 40 years writing down the Bible into other languages for people to read.

William Carey died in India in 1834.

William Carey was a missionary from England who went to India. He spent more than 40 years telling people about Jesus, translating the Bible, and planting churches.

In India, William Carey started schools including a college which is still there today. Serampore College is the oldest college in India.

William Carey opened a printing press so that many copies of books, especially the Bible, could be produced for people to read.

In 1812, a fire in William Carey's print shop destroyed 10 different translations of the Bible that Carey and his team were working on. He had to rewrite all those Scriptures which took many years.

By the time William Carey died, the Bible—or at least parts of it—had been translated into 44 languages.