

# Matzke Messenger

*October 2011 Update on the ministry of Tim & Martha Matzke*

The record-breaking hot days of summer have given way to a picture perfect fall. Our days are busy and full, and we are thankful for God's goodness in this season.

Tim is spending his days in the SIL International Literacy and Education Office a short distance from our house. Much of his time is spent on various projects, correspondence, and attending meetings with other administrators.

On September 8th, Tim and his colleagues in the office celebrated International Literacy Day by setting up a display in the office lobby. As students and others wandered by, they were reminded that literacy is the key that enables people around the world to access God's Word.



On that same day in Washington, DC, a new literacy website was officially launched. Tim has been a part of the team that has put this important resource tool on the internet. A simple, straightforward website, it contains rich resources that will be invaluable to educators, governments and teachers around the world. The streamlined site will provide easy access in places where the internet is slow and expensive.

Here's what people are saying about this new website:

From an SIL colleague in the field:

*I'm very excited about this new resource! It looks like a great "one stop" site to get a lot of helpful information specific to our field.*

From a national colleague:

*This is very helpful for [those] who are working on Mother-Tongue Based Multilingual Education.*

From an SIL colleague in Africa:

*I like the MLE (Multilingual education) website, and am anxious to see even more resources there.*

From an educator in the Philippines:

*I must say that this site will be a big help here as we are prepare[ing] to have Multilingual education for all Grade 1 next year.*

You can check out the website here: [www.mlenetwork.org](http://www.mlenetwork.org)



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