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This is an unofficial manual for *Pocket e-Sword*.

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e-Sword Resource Format Specification 2

e-Sword Resource Format Specification 1

Pocket e-Sword

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0.3: Notes On This Document

This document is a complete rewrite of *The E-Sword Utility Program FAQ* and *The Ecology Of E-Sword*. Very few, if any screenshots, notes, or other information from that set of documents was used in the writing of this set of documents.

This document contains the *Obtaining Support* section of *An E-Sword User's Manual*.

0.3.1: *Intended Audience*

e-Sword was originally created for the novice computer user that was either a new Christian, or a potential convert.

An E-Sword User's Manual was written to cover the entire range of potential users.

The second section *Obtaining Support*, outlines the available documentation, and other types of support that are available for *e-Sword*.

This primary audience of this document --- *Obtaining Support* --- is the general *e-Sword* user.

0.3.1.1: Accessibility Issues

I have tried writing this set of documentation[2], so that individuals with accessibility issues can learn to use *e-Sword* adequately[3]. My initial focus is upon individuals with visual impairments, motor, mobility, or dexterity impairments. I do not have access to the hardware, or software, that is required for most accessibility issues.

Accessibility issues will be covered in greater depth in a later volume[4] of *An E-Sword User's Manual*. If a description of how to replicate the experience[5] of an individual with accessibility issues is provided, I will

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2 *An E-Sword Users Manual*.

3 Blind people can legitimately claim that this document is of no help to them. Increasingly, *e-Sword* is relying on its Graphical User Interface, and dropping keyboard support.

4 *An E-Sword Users Manual: Volume 9: Accessibility Issues And E-Sword* will be the last volume in this series to be written. It covers the various accessibility tools that I have available, and how they work, or more frequently, fail to work, when using *e-Sword* .

5 For example, to replicate the experience a blind person has, one installs a screen reader, throws away the mouse, and disconnects the screen monitor. To replicate the experience a person with extreme tremor has, one replaces the mouse

edit/rewrite this set of documents to include how to work around those issues.

From an experiential point of view, *e-Sword 8.x* is more accessible[6] than *e-Sword 9.x*.

0.3.1.2: Training

This set of documents has been written for use as a textbook in teaching people how to either use *e-Sword* or create resources for *e-Sword*, or simply to study the Bible, using either other software, or hard copy books. I have tried to minimize the amount of material that is repeated in the different documents that comprise *An E-Sword User's Manual*.

0.3.2: Scope Of The Series

An E-Sword User's Manual attempts to cover all issues related to using *e-Sword*, and creating resources for *e-Sword*, using either *e-Sword,* or the various utility programs that have been created for it.

0.3.2.1: Scope Of This Document

This specific document covers:

- † Documentation;
- † Videos;
- † Web forums;
- † Mailing lists;
- † Other types of support;

0.3.2.2: Document Limitations

Sources of support in languages other than English and Spanish may have been accidentally overlooked.

Unauthorized clones of *e-Sword*, and their support sites are not covered in this document.

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with a joystick. In extreme instances, a virtual keyboard replaces a physical keyboard. To replicate the experience a person that is both blind and deaf has, one installs a Braille display unit and a Perkins Keyboard. The mouse, regular keyboard, and video monitor are disconnected.

6 *Berean Bible*, available from http://www.berbible.org is probably the most blind friendly, currently available Bible study software.

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0.3.2.3: Screen Shots

Screenshots in this documentation may look slightly different than you see on your system. Three major reasons why this is the case are:

- *e-Sword* was created as a native *Windows*[7] program. I use *Linux*, not *Windows;*
- *e-Sword* picks up its color scheme from the window manager theme[8]. I typically use themes that utilize green as a key color;
- I typically use the *XFCE Window Manager*. This has four icons in the upper right hand corner, rather than three. These icons are for rolling the program up or down; minimizing the program; changing the program window size, and closing the program. Despite these icons, and the functions they control being a minor detail, they can cause some people to wonder why their system doesn't display them;



- A minor reason for not using *Windows* is that *Microsoft* claims to hold the copyright in all screenshots created of applications that are running on a *Microsoft Windows* Platform;

The specific operating systems and distributions used for screenshots for this documentation is:

- *Xubuntu 11.04 (64 bit);*
- *Xubuntu 10.10 (64 bit.);*
- *Zenix 9.10 (64 bit)*[9]*;*

The window mangers used are[10]:

- *Enlightenment*;
- *XFCE*;

This documentation was created with the office suite software:

- *LibreOffice 3.3 RC x*[11];
- *OOo4Kids 1.0*;
- *OOoLight 1.0*;
- *Oxygen Office 3.2.1*;

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7 To be specific, it is a 32 bit program that can run on *Windows95*, *Windows98*, *Windows 2000*, *Windows XP*, *Windows Vista*, and *Windows 7*.

8 For the *Microsoft Windows operating system*, there is only one window manager. Consequently, *e-Sword* inherits its colour scheme from the installed *Windows* theme. For **Nix*, the theme to pay attention to, is the one for the window manager that is being used.

9 Upon start-up, the splash screen proclaims it to be *Zenix Christian Edition*. This is because *Ubuntu Christian Edition* was installed into *Zenix*.

10 When previously writing *e-Sword* documentation, I used the *Gnome Window Manage*r.

11 Release Candidates 1 through 4. This is software that is being beta tested, and as such, should not be run in a production environment.

Screenshots were edited using:

- *Gnu Image Manipulation Program* (*The GIMP*);
- *Gwenview*;
- *Inkscape*;
- *KolourPaint*;
- *Screenshot*;

This documentation was written for the following versions of *e-Sword*:

- *Pocket e-Sword*;
- *e-Sword 9.7.2*[12];
- *e-Sword 9.8.1*[13];
- *e-Sword 9.8.2*[14];
- *e-Sword 9.8.3*[15];
- *e-Sword 9.9.0*[16];
- *e-Sword 9.9.1*[17];

12 Functionality that is only available in this version is marked as such.
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0.3.3: Glossary

Some of the definitions provided here are over-simplifications.

Anagignoskomena

This refers to the material[18] in the Orthodox Canon that is not found in the 66 book Protestant Canon.

Anglican Canon

The 76 Books found in Anglican Bibles[19].

Bidi Writing System

This is a writing system that moves from right to left. Examples are Hebrew and Arabic.

Catholic Canon.

The 73 Books found in Catholic Bibles[20].

Catholic Christianity

This is the branch of Christianity that is headed by the Bishop of Rome. It traces its spiritual leader to St Peter.

Confessional Christianity

This branch of Christianity is derived from the works of Martin Luther. It is usually considered to be a sub-group of Protestant Christianity

COE-81

The Ethiopiac Canon Of Eighty One. This can be further refined by adding "BC" or "NC" to the abbreviation. "BC" refers to the Broader Canon, whilst NC refers to the Narrower Canon. The Narrower Canon is a subset of The Broader Canon, but both canons contain eighty-one books[21].

Indus Valley Writing Systems

These are the writing systems that developed in the Indus River Valley. Examples are Sanskrit, Devangari, and Nepali. They are also known as "Complex Text Languages", because

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18 A list of these books can be found in *An E-Sword User's Manual: Volume 5: E-Sword Internal Numbers*:

19 A list of these books can be found in *An E-Sword User's Manual: Volume 5: E-Sword Internal Numbers*:

20 A list of these books can be found in *An E-Sword User's Manual: Volume 5: E-Sword Internal Numbers*:

21 A list of these books can be found in *An E-Sword User's Manual: Volume 5: E-Sword Internal Numbers*:

the glyphs can change radically, depending upon the letter combinations found in the word.

Oriental Christianity

This branch of Christianity was cast out of Orthodox Christianity, as a result of the *Council of Chalcedon*, in 451 AD. The specific issue is what this group terms “Miaphysite”, and Orthodox Christianity terms “Monophysite”. In essence, it concerns the nature of Jesus, and whether or not He is of one nature, or two natures[22].

Orthodox Canon

The 78 – 81 books[23] found in Orthodox Christian Bibles.

Orthodox Christianity

The branch of Christianity found in Eastern Europe, and the Middle East. This claims to be the oldest branch of Christianity, from which Catholic Christianity split.

Pericope

“Pericope” is the name given to a self-contained passage in the Bible. For example, The Parable Of The Sower, in Matthew 13:1-23. These are the headings that are found in print Bibles.

Protestant Canon

The sixty six books found in the Protestant Bible[24].

Reformed Christianity

This branch of Christianity is based upon the writings of John Calvin. It usually is considered to be a sub-branch of Protestant Christianity.

Restoration Movement Christianity

This branch of Christianity is based upon the theological imperative is that only the practices, teachings, and doctrines that are explicitly taught in the New Testament and Old Testament are to be adhered to.

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22 A similar issue was the foundation for the separation of Orthodox Christianity and Catholic Christianity.

23 Each Orthodox Christian Church selects the books it considers to be canonical. Consequently, different churches will contain a different number of books in their canon.

24 A list of these books can be found in *An E-Sword User’s Manual: Volume 5: E-Sword Internal Numbers*:

STEP

Standard Template For Electronic Publishing. This is a file format that was proposed by Craig Rearden in the mid 1990's. It gained some traction in the market place, but most of the companies that initially supported it, had dropped their support by 2005.

SQL

Structured Query Language. This is a language used to communicate with databases.

0.3.3.1: E-Sword Resource Format Specifications

E-Sword Resource Format Specification 0

This is my term to refer to the criteria to create resources that can be created for *e-Sword 7.9.6*;

E-Sword Resource Format Specification 1

This is an official specification. This specification refers to the criteria to create resources that can be utilized by *e-Sword 8.0.0* through *e-Sword 8.0.6*;

E-Sword Resource Format Specification 2

This is an official specification. This specification refers to the criteria to create resources that can be utilized by *e-Sword 9.0.1* through *e-Sword 9.9.x*;

E-Sword Resource Format Specification 2a

This is my term to refers to changes in the specifications that result from increased functionality for resources in *e-Sword 9.7.2*. These specifications apply to *e-Sword 9.7.2* through *e-Sword 9.9.x*.

ESU Specifications

This is my term to refer to the specifications for resources that were distributed by *e-Sword-users.org*.

0.3.3.2: The Volumes In This Series

The following is provisional list of volumes titles, and approximate size:

- *Volume 1: Program Introduction*: 500 pages;
- *Volume 2: Obtaining Support*: 53 pages;
- *Volume 3: Your Spiritual Journal*:
- *Volume 4: Bible Study Methods*:
- *Volume 5: E-Sword Internal Numbers*: 5,000 pages;
- *Volume 6: Creating Resources*: 1,000 pages;
- *Volume 7: Best Practices*:
- *Volume 8: The 2009 SBL Bible Software Shootout*:
- *Volume 9: Accessibility Issues And E-Sword*:
- *Volume 10: Scabbard*:

0.3.3.3: The Road Map Ahead

Add more information about:

- Non-English, non-Spanish documentation;
- Non-English, non-Spanish *e-Sword* support venues;
- Social Networking Sites;

The goal is to provide quarterly updates of this document on the following dates.

- 1 January;
- 1 April;
- 1 July;
- 1 October;

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0.4: Document Statistics

Number Of Pages:	XLIX
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Number Of Objects:	0
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0.5: Info Box Notes



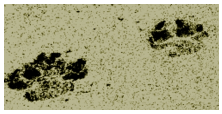
- If you do not heed this advice, you will run into problems;



- This indicates where you could run into a problem;



- This probably is useful information;



- This is something that should help you;



- This point is for people with accessibility issues;
- ♿;
- Ux267F;



- This applies *e-Sword Resource Format Specification 0*;
- The image is also used by itself, to indicate documentation for *e-Sword 7.8.6*;



- This applies *e-Sword Resource Format Specification 1*;
- The image is also used by itself, to indicate documentation for *e-Sword 8.0.6*;



- This applies *e-Sword Resource Format Specification 2*;
- The image is also used by itself, to indicate documentation for *e-Sword 9.0.1*, or later;



- This applies to *Pocket e-Sword*;

☎ This point is for novice computer users;

☏ This point is for beginner computer users;

† This point is for new Christian, or potential convert.

☨ This point is for intermediate Christian.

☧ This point is for mature Christian.

ΑΩ
אש This point is for Biblical language users.



This point is for people who use *e-Sword* on a *Linux* platform;

0.5.1: *Alternate Box Note Formats*

Warning	If you do not heed this advice, you will tun into problems;

Caution	This indicates where you could run into a problem;

Note	This probably is useful information;

End of Box Note Formats

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1: Documentation

1.1: e-Sword.net

1.1.1: Written

The official *E-Sword FAQ* can be found at http://www.e-Sword.net/faq.html.

To a limited extent, the content on http://www.e-Sword.net/features.html can be considered to be written documentation on using *e-Sword*.

1.1.2: Audio

No official documentation is available in an audio only format.

1.1.3: Video

The following training videos can be obtained from http://www.e-sword.net/training.htm:

- *The Basics for getting started with e-Sword;*
- *Downloading additional resources for e-Sword;*
- *Rearranging views on the e-Sword desktop;*
- *Using e-Sword to search the Bible for a specific phrase;*
- *Search for all occurrences of a specific Greek or Hebrew word;*
- *Using the Study Notes editor for creating your own commentary;*
- *Using the Topic Notes editor for creating sermons, studies and other writings;*
- *Using the Scripture Memory tool to memorize the Word of God;*
- *Using the Prayer Requests tool for a consistent prayer life;*
- *Create a Bible reading plan to encourage you to read the Bible each day;*
- *Using the STEP Reader to view STEP format libraries;*

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1.1.4: Resources

This site is the only authorized vendor of gratis *e-Sword* resources. Some non-gratis resources are also available at this site. With one exception[25], all resources can be obtained by using the built in *e-Sword Resource Download Manager*.

This site also is only authorized vendor of gratis *Pocket e-Sword* resources. *Pocket e-Sword* is no longer officially supported. All installation is at the user's risk.

1.2: eStudySource.Com

1.2.1: Written

A page of *e-Sword* tips, stories, articles, and reviews can be found at http://www.estudysource.com/platform/site/homepage/view_share.aspx. Alternatively, go to the home page (http://www.eStudySource.com/platform/site/homepage/index.aspx) and click on *Tips/Articles*. New material is added monthly.

An email newsletter *The EStudySource Review* also contains tips and articles about *e-Sword.* This publication is most useful for its announcements about new resources for *e-Sword*. Subscription information can be found at http://www.estudysource.com/platform/site/myaccount/FreeNewsLetter.aspx.

1.2.2: Audio

No official documentation is available in an audio only format.

1.2.3: Video

No official documentation is available in video format from *eStudySource*.

1.2.4: Resources

This site is the only authorized vendor of commercially distributed resources for *e-Sword*. Most of these resources are also listed in the *e-Sword Resource Download Manager*.

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25 *Sermon Illustrations*, obtainable from http://www.e-Sword.net/illustrations.net.

This site is the only authorized vendor of commercially distributed resources for *Pocket e-Sword*[26]. *Pocket e-Sword* is no longer officially supported. All installation is at the user's risk.

1.3: e-Sword-Users.Org

This site aimed at being a one stop shop for all things related to *e-Sword* and *Pocket e-Sword*. This site shut down on 13 May 2011. The following information is provided for historical purposes only.

1.3.1: *Written*

This is not a comprehensive list of documentation in PDF format, or in blog posts, that is available at *e-Sword-users.org*.

The Pocket E-Sword FAQ: 20061203

This document was issued in December 2006. It has not been updated. When it was originally distributed, it contained some inaccuracies. It is now extremely out of date. It was hosted on e-Sword-uses.org for historical purposes only.

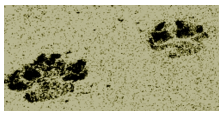
E-Sword Resource Creation, Updated

This was one of the first documents about *e-Sword* to be publicly released. The information is this document applies to *e-Sword 7.x* only.

BeST HowTo's

This is a list of documents on how to do various things using *BeST*:

- Text File;
- Adding a New Localized Bible Book Name to be recognized by BeST;
- Creating a Devotion from an Excel File;
- MSWord and BeST: Making a Commentary, and Commentary Introduction;
- Using Custom Import Formatting;
- Using localized Bible Abbreviations for Tooltips in BeST;



☩ This was the most comprehensive publicly available documentation on using BeST;

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26 http://www.estudysource/Pocket%20e-Sword/.

MFC Creator Documentation

This describes creating Map/Graphic resources for *e-Sword 7.x*;

SMM's Text2DAO Documentation

This describes creating resources using *Text2DAO*.

1.3.2: Audio

No documentation in audio format is available from *e-Sword-users.org*.

1.3.3: Video

The videos in this site require one to download them, and decompress them to view.

There are also links to third party sites that contain documentation in video format. As a general rule of thumb, those links are to streaming videos.

Video: Basic Bible Study Using Colossians 1:15

This video could be downloaded from http://www.e-Sword-users.org/users/node/3050.

This video runs for 14 minutes and 56 seconds.

Video: How To Use E-Sword: E-Sword 101: Parts 1. 2, And 3

This video could be downloaded from http://www.e-Sword-users.org/users/node/2893.

These videos run for 10 minutes 24 seconds, 7 minutes 25 seconds, and 5 minutes 44 seconds, respectively.

Video: E-Sword 101: On E-Sword

This video could be downloaded from http://www.e-Sword-users.org/users/node/3057.

This video runs for 14 minutes and 56 seconds.

Video: E-Sword 101: Searching Hebrew Using E-Sword

This video could be downloaded from http://www.e-Sword-users.org/users/node/3062.

This video runs for 6 minutes and 37 seconds.

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1.4: BibleSupport.Com

This site went live on 12 June 2011.

One project it is working on, is creating an independent set of user documentation for *e-Sword*. Some of this documentation will be posted as "stand alone" tutorials, before the complete set of documentation is released.

Content that was on *e-Sword-users.org* is being migrated to this site.

1.5: DoctorDaveT.com

This site went live on 9 May 2010. It focuses on Baptist theology.

1.5.1: *Written Documentation*

E-Sword Scripture ToolTip Tool

http://www.doctordavet.com/t3instructions.html. This web page describes how to use the Tooltip Tool.

Doctor Dave T's Toolbox

http://www.doctordavet.com/toolbox.html. This web page describes the tools that Doctor Dave uses to create *e-Sword* resources.

Bible Reading Plans

http://www.doctorDaveT.com/biblereadingplans.html. This web page describes how to create, and use *Bible Reading Plans*.

1.5.2: *Audio Documentation*

This site does not currently offer audio only documentation.

1.5.3: *Video Documentation*

This site does not currently offer video documentation.

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1.6: Spanish E-Sword Resource Creation Team

This group consists of several people who use Spanish, and have banded together to created Spanish language resources and documentation for *e-Sword* and *Pocket e-Sword*.

For various reasons, this group distributes content on various places on the Internet. Announcements tend to be made on blogs run by their members.

1.6.1: *Written*

E-Sword-español

This is a mailing list. Whilst not explicitly run by a member of the team, it carries announcements about the team. *Resource Creation Team* members frequently respond to posts, explaining how to do things using *e-Sword*.

1.6.2: *Audio*

As best as I can determine, no Spanish language audio only documentation has been released.

1.6.3: *Video*

Several videos at YouTube.com have been created by members of this group. However, they typically are not identified as such.

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1.7: Codeweavers.com

If you purchase *CrossOver* to use *e-Sword*, head over to eStudySource first, to get a discount coupon[27].

CodeWeavers also distributes a version of *e-Sword* that has been specially modified for greater integration with *CrossOver*.

1.7.1: Written

I could not locate any written documentation for *e-Sword* on this site.

1.7.2: Audio

I could not locate any audio only documentation for either *e-Sword* or *CrossOver* on this website.

1.7.3: Video

A single video, showing how to install *e-Sword* on *CrossOver* is available at http://www.codeweavers.com/via/e-Sword. This video can also be found on YouTube.com.

1.7.4: Web Forum

CodeWeavers maintains a webforum where people discuss issues in using Windows Software under *CrossOver*, that can be found at http://www.codeweavers.com/compatibility/browse/?app_id=1459;forum=1.



- This forum is for *CodeWeaver* support issues only;
- This is is not a general *e-Sword* support forum;

27 When it was first offered, the coupon was for 40% off.

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1.8: Other User Created Documentation

1.8.1: Written

A number of documents on using *e-Sword* and *Pocket e-Sword* can be found on the Internet. As a general rule of thumb, teach article describes how to do one thing, and only one thing.

1.8.2: Audio

Several talks at BibleTech discuss *e-Sword*, and aspects of using it. Those talks are available in MP3 format at BibleTech.org.

1.8.3: Video

1.8.3.1: YouTube.com

This site allows anybody to upload videos of pretty much anything. There are a number of videos here that show how to use *e-Sword* in various situations. I've listed a few representative samples.



- Searches for "*e-Sword*" and "*eSword*" often produce hits on videos of Krystal Meyers;
- Searches for "*e-Sword*" also produce hits on Manga, and various video games;

1.8.3.1.1: Albanian

E-Sword Albanian Tutorial.mp4

This is a 7 minute 34 second tutorial, in Albanian, created by Qendra2005. This is the only *e-Sword* documentation in Albanian that I am aware of.

1.8.3.1.2: English

Basic E-Sword Tutorial – Part 1

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0dK0og6TL3g.
This video is a basic introduction to *e-Sword*.

Advanced E-Sword Tutorial

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6hNi7fVQOIg
This tutorial covers the Graphic Viewer, Menu Toolbar, and advanced features of Bible and Commentary Views.

Job 19: The Making Of My Rainbow Bible

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V5frLzYVb0k.
This describes how to highlight Bible verses. There are several other videos in this series.

E-Sword Bible Program – Learning Greek

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=st6ZfzNM-k.
This is a tutorial on how to learn Greek, from using e-Sword.

Install E-Sword On Mac Using Crossover

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rk7gfrXwckw
This video was produced by CrossOver.

1.8.3.1.3: Spanish

Paquette E-Sword En Español

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2KC-1T9d9dk
Introduction to *e-Sword* for use by Catholics.

SuperPack E-Sword

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qlocB7640z.
This describes installing a package of *e-Sword* resources.

1.8.3.2: Flickr.com

This site hosts still images, not videos. It is listed because there are a number of screenshots of *e-Sword* are available here.

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2: Interactive Support

This chapter is not a comprehensive list of each URL that provides support for *e-Sword* or *Pocket e-Sword*. Rather, I have restricted it to those that either provide specialized support, or are the most active.

2.1: Mailing Lists

The most reliable way of obtaining support is to use a mailing list, specifically eSword@yahoogroups.com, espanol@yahoogrupos.com.mx, e-sword-espanol-modulos-pocketpc@yahoogrupos.com.mx, and pocket_esword@yahoogroups.com.

2.1.1: YahooGroups

In June 2008, there were seventy lists[28] on YahooGroups, that provided support of one type or another for *e-Sword*. Whilst there are currently thirty two publicly available lists, the majority of them are either spam havens, or inactive. The following are the most active publicly available lists.

List Name	Language
Biblical_Module_Developers_from_Romania	Romanian
Blindesword	German/English
E-Sword_nederlands	Dutch
E-Sword-br	Portuguese (Brazilian)
E-Sword-espanol-modulos-pocketpc	Spanish
E-Sword-espanol	Spanish
E-Sword-german	German
E-Sword	French
ESword	English
Pocket E-Sword	English
Proyecto_esword_espanol	Spanish

Table 2: Lists At Yahoogroups.com

These lists can be accessed by http:// (listname) .yahoogroups.com.

2.1.2: GoogleGroups

E-Sword-slovakia is the only list that contains *e-Sword* related content. The most recent message to this list was sent in mid-2010.

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28 In 2010, most of the lists migrated to *e-Sword-users.org*.

2.1.3: Other E-Mail Lists

At least a dozen support lists for *e-Sword,* were hosted on sites other than *YahooGroups* and *GoogleGroups*. For various reasons the organizations that provided the hosting have ceased to provide that service. As best as I can determine, none of those support lists migrated elsewhere.

2.2: Web Forums

Web forums that are covered elsewhere in this document may not listed here.

2.2.1: UbuntuForums.org

The forum for *Ubuntu Christian Edition* allows discussion about *e-Sword*, provided that the discussion is restricted to issues in using *e-Sword* on a Linux platform.

The thread, http://www.ubuntuforums.org/showthread.php?t=324792&highlight=e-Sword, is specifically for support of *The e-Sword Installation Script for Ubuntu Christian Edition*.

2.2.2: Puppy Linux

There are half a dozen puplets of *Puppy Linux* that are Christian orientated.

The thread, http://www.murga-linux.com/puppy/viewtopic.php?t=53250&sid=f4ec9ff9aa5dd603fd56490fb35f5b7f, is specifically for discussion about installing *e-Sword* on *Puppy Linux*.

2.2.3: Cafe.Naver.com/e-Sword.cafe

This website is in Korean. Registration appears to be required to do anything other than read the first message in the thread.

2.2.4: Other

Discussion about *e-Sword* on sites such as Carm.org, forum.catholic.com, and Bible.org can be found. This discussion usually is incidental, relating either to the release of a new version of *e-Sword*, or a specific resource, or group of resources.

2.3: Wikis

As best as I can tell, all of the wikis that were created specifically to provide support for *e-Sword* have been either deleted, or abandoned by their creator.

2.4: IRC & Online Chat

As best as I can determine, there are no IRC rooms for either *Pocket e-Sword* or *e-Sword* support.

3: Social Networks And Related Objects

I do not recommend any social networking sites. The risks[29] outweigh any virtues[30] that social networking sites may have once offered.

This list of social networking sites where *e-Sword* users are known to gather, is very incomplete.

Dating sites are a subset of Social Networking sites. I do not list any Dating sites in this document. At least one dating site includes a question about *e-Sword* usage, as part of its questionnaire in matching people.

Some online games are listed here, because attempts to establish an *e-Sword* user community have been made. In this respect, the online games are akin to small social networking sites.

Facebook

There are a dozen pages on which one can "like" *e-Sword*. Several pages purport to be the official *e-Sword* FaceBook page.

Farmville

In mid-2009, an attempt to construct an *e-Sword* user community was made.

MySpace

There are 48.300 hits for “e-Sword” on my space. There are two or three pages that claim to be the official *e-Sword* site.

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29 Every social networking site has had substantial amounts of information about its users released to individuals and organizations, without the authorization of the company that runs the site. This data release is in addition to the company authorized transfer of information about users to third parties.

30 In June 2011, *Social Intelligence Corp* received the OK from the FTC, to provide “background reports” of individuals, consisting exclusively of content posted to Facebook, Twitter, Orkut, and similar social networking sites.

They all appear to have been abandoned years ago.

Orkut

There are five *e-Sword* groups listed here. They all appear to be either abandoned, or disused.

Second Life

As best as I can tell, all *e-Sword* sites on *Second Life* have been either abandoned, or dissolved by their creator.

4: Other Types Of Support

4.1: Instant Messaging

Currently, no individual, organization, or group has announced regularly scheduled times for Instant Messaging support for *e-Sword*[31].

No support via IRC is available.

4.2: Microblogs

A microblog is usually defined as a place where one can post messages of under 200 characters, that can be viewed by anybody. *Twitter* is the best known microblogging platform.

4.2.1: Twitter

Bible_study_software

Tweets generally are announcements of new blog posts at *A Scabbard For E-Sword*.

4.3: Telephone Support

Support via Skype is no longer available[32].
Support via other SIP vendors has never been available.
Support via regular telephone has never been available.

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31 From 2006 through 2010 there were IM support requests initiated by users. This led to a trial period of “office hours”, when support requests via IM, Skype, and other means of communication via the Internet were immediately responded to. Due to a lack of requests, this service is no longer offered.

32 There were no callers during the “office hours” trial period.

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4.4: Text Blogs

This list contains all of the blogs I am aware of, that focus either exclusively, or mainly upon *e-Sword*[33].

A Scabbard For E-Sword

http://www.Sword_and_Scabbard.blogspot.com. Probably the oldest blog on *e-Sword*. The focus is on documentation for *e-Sword.*

Biblioteca E-Sword Católica

http://www.bibliotecae-eswordcatolica.blogspot.com. This blog focuses on new resources in Spanish.

E-Sword En Español

http://esword-espanol.blogspot.com. This blog focuses on Spanish language resources.

E.Sword.Biblioteca.Hispanica

http://eswordbibliotecahispana.blogspot.com. This is another blog that focuses on Spanish resources.

The Word És E-Sword Magyar Modulok

http://baranyilaszlozolt.blogspot.com. This Hungarian blog covers *TheWord* and *e-Sword*.

4.5: Video Blogs

Esword101

This video blog at YouTube describes using *e-Sword*.

33 There are a number of other blogs that mention *e-Sword* in passing.

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5: *Third Party Resources*

In light of the demise of *e-Sword-users.org*, this section lists the major third party sites[34] for *e-Sword* resources.

This is by no means a comprehensive list of sites that offer e-Sword resources.

5.1: Bible.Org

http://bible.org/downloads

- $ *NET Bible® Premium Version e-Sword* ® module. First Edition 2 NET Bible® for *e-Sword* ® module with all 60 000 footnotes displayed in the commentary window and 2 full NET Bible texts (with and without note markers for copying into your personal studies). 13.5 MB Download, Desktop *e-Sword* only $19.95 Updated 20090500;
- ☩ *Net Bible ® Pocket e-Sword Premium Edition* with 60,000+ notes 6.4MB $19.95 updated 20080400[35];
- $ *The Revised English Bible* (REB) is a 1989 update of the New English Bible of 1970. As with its predecessor, it is published by the publishing houses of both Oxford University and Cambridge University. 1.9MB $19.99 updated 20100500;
- † A free version with the full NET Bible text and a sample of the NET Bible notes available to registered users of bible.org;

5.2: BibleSupport.com

http://www.BibleSupport.com
This site has replaced *e-Sword-users.org*[36].

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34 There are other sites, such as *E-Sword For Unitarian Universal Christians*, that might warrant inclusion. *Currently Available E-Sword Modules* provides a more complete listing of resources, and the sites that offer them.

35 This is the only currently available commercially distributed resource for *Pocket e-Sword*.

36 Technical issues are delaying the migration of content from *e-Sword-Users.org* to BibleSupport.com.

Date	Total	E-Sword 8.x	E-Sword 9.x	Pocket E-Sword	MySword	Utility
20110612	0	0	0	0	0	0
20110624	2385	5	2363		17	
20110701	4482	1926	2549		17	
20110717	4629	1977	2609		27	16[37]

Table 3: Growth Of Resources At BibleSupport.com

5.3: Doctor Dave T

http://www.DoctorDaveT.com/modules.html
This site focus on Baptist resources, with an emphasis on fundamental, evangelical, christ-honouring resources.

5.4: e-Sword En Espanol

http://www.e-Sword.esp.vg
This site focuses upon resources in Spanish.

5.5: e-Sword For Catholics

http://www.esnips.com/web/esword-catholic/
This site focuses on resources for Catholic Christianity.

5.6: E-Sword For Unitarians

This site provides *e-Sword* resource from a Unitarian / Universal point of view.

5.7: e-Sword.FR

http://www.e-Sword.fr
This site provides *e-Sword* resources in French.

5.8: e-Sword Module Database Library

http://www.davidcox.com.mx/e-Swordmodules/index.html
This site contains resources in Spanish and English. The emphasis is upon fundamental, evangelical, Baptist resources, with a slight emphasis in Landmark Baptist theology.

37 Prior to this date, utility programs were included in the *e-Sword 9.x* count.

5.9: Original Languages Library

http://www.forananswer.org/
This site contains links to most of the known *e-Sword* resources that are in one of the Biblical languages.

5.10: Premium e-Sword Resources

http://www.BlessedTruth.net/modules.asp
This site contains links to all of the commercially distributed *e-Sword* resources.

5.11: Sharpening The Stone

http://www.sharpeningthestone.net
This site focuses on Seventh Day Adventist Theology.

5.12: Tools4e-Sword

http://sites.google.com/site/tools4esword/
This site focuses as much on tools for creating *e-Sword* resources, and in providing *e-Sword* resources.

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6: Intellectual Property Rights

6.1: CC-BY-SA-NC 3 (Unported)

6.1.1: Human Readable Summary

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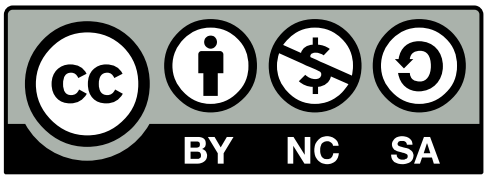

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0.E0.0.0.7	20110602	Third Party Resources
O.E0.0.0.8	20110624	Resource Update
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