



Welcome to Eric's Heart Language Explorer!

*Exploring a mission to see the Bible in the heart language of all nations;
Expounding the devotion God is writing upon the hearts of all peoples*

A suitable assignment

Rejoice with me in the Lord: I am now a **missionary with Wycliffe Bible Translators!** In May, after four months of a thorough application process, I accepted an invitation to be a **Software Developer** for **Wycliffe's Language Software Development team** at the International Linguistics Center in Dallas. Language projects around the world depend upon computer technology to shorten the time it takes to translate the Bible into the heart language of people groups who need it. Of course, **none of this is possible without friends like you.**

I can see how the Lord prepared me through four years of developing software with Hewlett Packard and studying the Bible with Westminster Theological Seminary in Dallas. I'm now ready to design software to aid Bible translation!



Computers work for missions

Data Notebook is a powerful database that helps language researchers document, analyze, and share what they learn from cultures otherwise unknown. People from minority language groups are often surprised that anyone would be interested in studying their culture and preserving their language in writing. Since culture provides the social context in which language has meaning, translators need to know the culture for Bible translations to be meaningful.

In March, I volunteered to test the latest version of [Data Notebook](#) before its major release. I learned not only about the software, but also the software team (and especially their prayers) behind it!

My first project

Lord willing, I will begin my assignment with the

software team in Spring, 2004, as a specified-term member for *five years*. However, before I can develop software, I must first develop a **partnership team**. Just as the oak tree depends upon the support of strong roots, this ministry will depend on the **prayers, encouragement, and financial investments** of its partners. I would appreciate your prayers about how you or your church would like to be involved. Please keep in mind that Wycliffe has identified my monthly financial needs to be \$2,100. You may respond through my "Invitation to Partnership" brochure (enclosed) or by contacting Wycliffe directly, indicating the type and regularity of support (see Invest below). As your partner in ministry, it will be my joy to share with you the fruits of translation efforts, as we work together to see God's Word published in the heart languages of all nations.



Support of friends

I'm excited to explore the "impossible" that God will accomplish in Christ through your prayers, encouragements, and financial investments.

Pray

that God would

- Root my ministry with partners
- Embolden me to serve churches creatively
- Cause me to be disciplined in planning
- Grant me faith to trust Him in my finances
- Enable me to maintain and mature my computer and Bible skills

Encourage

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