

Welcome to ERIC PYLE'S Heart Language Explorer!



Translator in Technology:
Joe Grimes
(Hawaiian Pidgin Project)

Joe Grimes is a Wycliffe Bible Translator serving the indigenous peoples in Hawaii. He and his team have completed a New Testament for the Hawaiian Pidgin language group and are now translating the Old Testament.



I recently had the honor of meeting with Joe and a few of his co-laborers in Hawaii. Joe is interested in integrating computer technology with his translation efforts.

During a translation session, I noticed Joe using a handheld computer to keep track of his notes. He is also working on a software tool that will help translators compare languages in detail. This will be especially helpful for translators who are trying to understand the relationship between dialects.

Thanks to your *prayers and encouragements*,

I have about two-thirds of the financial support needed to begin my assignment as a language software developer with Wycliffe Bible Translators. I lack only \$700 per month. It seems every week I am meeting new people who are interested in how my technical assignment can help bring the Bible to people who still need it in their own language. Please continue to pray that God will open hearts to hear about Wycliffe's work and that He would give me the diligence to help them hear. Please pray also that more people will be moved to join my support team!

Home Base Partners

I am especially encouraged and thankful to God for those who have opened their homes to me over the past several months while I've sought partners for my assignment. Without their help, I would not survive financially. In November, my stepfather, Scott, reopened my old room for me so that I can always have a place to sleep and a room to store my possessions. Rogers and Susan Shaw (Norman, OK) also allowed me to stay in their home for a few

months. The Shaws, my pastor's family, and the Doerfels (another family from my church) have also graciously provided me with several meals and internet access. Just last week, my friend Andy gave me a room in his new home in Oklahoma City. For all they have done for me, it is my pleasure to help them in anyway I can: from fixing computer problems to mowing the lawn; from carpooling to dog sitting.

Language Software Developer Conference (May 10-15)

In May, I attended Wycliffe's annual Language Software Development Conference. There, I got to know several mature programmers and the kinds of issues they are

working together in teams to solve. It was a blessing to participate in morning devotionals that challenged us to depend upon God's grace so that we may work graciously with one another to handle the difficult problems we face, spiritual and material. Among these teams, I felt like a developer again and became even more eager to begin laboring by their side. To that end, Michael Cochran, the director of Language Software Development, wrote you a letter endorsing my future work with them (**see attached**).

Pray

that God will

- Grant me opportunities to speak with more churches about my Wycliffe work
- Lead churches and individuals to commit to praying and giving regularly
- Enable me to maintain and mature my computer and Bible skills
- Place me at my assignment **by the end of the summer!**

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