

Greetings!

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Firstly, I have work news. I have a new boss at work. He's British; he lives in the UK. Also, I now have a bigger team at work (see sidebar for teensy tiny pictures of everybody except Dallas, Wade, Bruce S, and Scott N who will be accosted and their mug shots added later). My new team is called IT Infrastructure Services. The people mostly live in Dallas and Waxhaw. Obvious **prayer request**: work relationships with people who live in other time zones. (Not that I didn't have work relationships with people in other time zones before; however, never been in a different time zone than my boss or people I directly supervise).

I went to Dallas last week because I'd never even met some of the Dallas contingency. I'm impressed. All of these guys (Dallas and Waxhaw) are amazing. They're amazing IT people and they're impressive followers of Christ. Yes, I realize: I should not be surprised that someone who made a decision to devote their life to the cause of Bible translation kind of bubbles over with enthusiasm for becoming more like his Lord and savior. But, even being an IT person myself, I stereotype IT people as more one-dimensional, just techy types only. "Humbled" is the correct word to describe how I should be feeling about the prospect of leading this group.

More prayer requests: Wycliffe uses this green circle, yellow triangle, red square method to assess our financial status. On our internal website, I can see my own financial status and the financial status of anyone I supervise. There are lots of red squares (the \$ short status) in this group. I know that financial status is not a sign of God's blessing, spiritual maturity, or success. But my preference is that everybody be a green circle. Given a choice, I say no red squares, just green circles.

Meanwhile, my dad seems convinced that I ought to include in a newsletter information about my own financial status. Although I am a green circle, I used what money I had in savings to pay medical bills. I have a \$3000 hospital bill left to pay and a car with 225,000 miles on it and a leak in its compressor. (and hail damage, but the hail damage is just cosmetic; I'm telling people the little pit marks make it aerodynamic). Just sharing, none of this is depressing: I have an amazing car that lasted way longer than anyone thought; my mechanic charged the A/C and thinks it will last me through the summer (my mechanic who lives in my neighborhood (super convenient) and an added benefit, I have a mechanic I trust), AND my medical issues are resolved. Seriously, how amazing that doctors can fix human bodies? Also, did you know that ibuprofen (aka miracle drug) has existed my entire lifetime? I looked it up because I decided I should know who invented it. It was a British guy, Stewart Adams, (along with a team). I heart Stewart Adams for making sure that I never had to live in a world without ibuprofen.








I'm good. God is very, very good.

And the guys on my team, red square people included, have YEARS of stories of God's faithfulness in providing richly for all of their needs. I was curious so I just now added up everyone's years of service - 432 years in Bible translation altogether, an average of 15 1/2 years a person.





In other news of British people I like: my new boss is an endless source of amusement for me: the cool accent, funny words and phrases. I realize it is not culturally sensitive to think British people are amusing by virtue of their funny words and phrases. Don't tell anyone, 'kay? But how can I not be amused when he says things like, "it's gone wonky" or "someone needs to tell him to grow up and put on his big boy trousers"? I forget them faster than he says them. I need to write them down.

Meet the Teams







Dallas Desktop Services (Customer Service)

 Gordon Dallas Desktop Services Mgr	 Jason Computer Help Desk Staff	 Marty Computer Maint Technician	 Dick IT Maint Technician
 Paul Computer Maint Technician	 Dallas Computer Maint Technician	 Bob Computer Maint Technician	












Waxhaw Desktop Services

 Wade Waxhaw Desktop Services Mgr	 Cliff IT Consultant, Network	 Pete IT Consultant, Network	 Jay IT Consultant, Network
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Email Admins

 Bob IT Consultant, Email	 Jon IT Consultant, Email and Network Admin	 Dan IT Consultant, Email, Spam, SysAdmin	 Mark IT Consultant, Email, Sys Admin and Manager, Infrastructure Services
 Bruce S IT Consultant, Email	 Keith IT Consultant, Email, Network Admin		

Network and Server Admin

 Chuck Network Architecture Manager	 Jared Sr Network Administrator	 Ken Network Administrator	 Bruce B IT System Administrator
 George Network Manager	 Terry Backup Administrator	 Scott IT Sys Admin Manager	 Scott IT Sys Admin
 Barry Network Telecom Specialist	 Paul IT Network Engineer	 Russ IT Project Consultant	

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