



# Things Are... May 2022

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## Happy Heart

*I left the country for the first time since the pandemic!!!* I went to Germany for work meetings and saw work people I haven't seen in so long. The meeting was productive but we might have been happy just seeing people in person again.



Wetzler Cathedral. Construction began in 1230 and is still unfinished. Also, this church used/shared by the Catholic church and the protestant church in Wetzler Germany since the reformation.

Work buddies outside of the conference center where we stayed, [ka'rimu](#), a ministry of Wycliffe Germany. Outdoor activities, masks, social distancing... but in person!!!!



After I returned from Germany, Scott & I went to Arizona for my sending church's ([Grace Community Church, Tempe, AZ](#)) International weekend. Pro tip: May is not the worst time of year to visit but February is substantially better / less hot.



It was wonderful to be "home" in Tempe. We were able to see a few people / introduce Scott and be at Grace Community. Sunday's sermon, by Outreach (Missions) pastor, Jonathan Shirey, was really good. So good, Scott & I heard it twice. It was also significantly cooler inside than out on the lawn with my display (set up on a table, but we forgot to take a picture while it was setup).

My display was about the need for IT missionaries in the work of Bible translation. I was encouraged to talk to people who were considering either becoming an IT missionary or volunteering their time. Pray for God's will for those individuals. Also I made new prayer cards with my new name, address, email address.

My Arts & Crafts project display (we forgot to get a picture when it was actually set up on a table). The QR codes go to a website, [checkitout.org](#), where we've listed IT staff needed.



Wycliffe interviewed Misriani Balle, Helong language translator, in a four minute video. She is so excited and passionate about her translation work for her language, Helong, and for all people who don't yet have access to Scripture in their own language. I'm a fan.



Watch here: <https://youtu.be/L0iMqjErMuM>  
or here: [wycliffe.org/blessed](http://wycliffe.org/blessed)

#### Pray for:

Thank God for safe travel and staying healthy.

Pray for IT needs: specifically for a Software Development Manager, a Project Manager & a Business Analyst (US-based) and for computer support people for South Sudan (East Africa), Chad, and Niger (West Africa).  
“...pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest” Matt 9:38

Thank God for a successful conference for IT staff in Africa and that I was able to connect virtually for meetings before the conference.

Please let me know how I can be praying for you.

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2022 Prayer Card

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Title photo: Howe St. in Tempe AZ (University/Hardy area).

Trivia on Arizona and my new last name: According to Wikipedia, there are two cities in Arizona with the same name: Nelson: Nelson, AZ in Pima County, 25 miles NW of Tucson and Nelson, AZ in Yavapai County, near Peach Springs on the south side of the Grand Canyon.