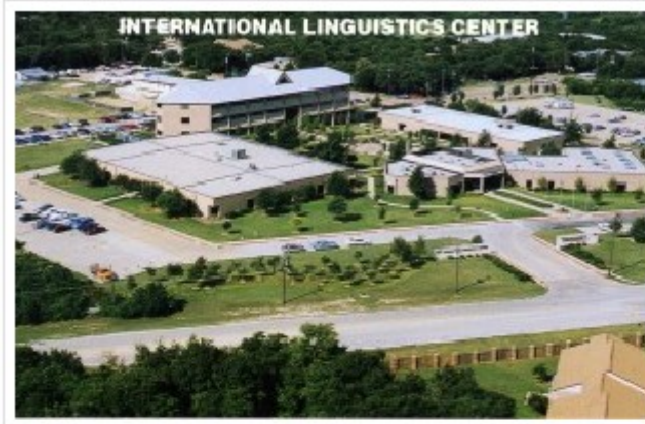


Dallas, here I come!



Yes, in a couple of weeks' time I (Steve) will be travelling to Wycliffe's International Linguistics Centre in Dallas, USA, to do some '**recurrency training**' on the latest computer programs and publishing procedures at our Global Publishing Services HQ.

This is part of the preparation needed for the new role I expect to take up soon, co-ordinating the production of Bibles, New Testaments and other publications across sub-Saharan Africa. Here in the UK I've been using software dating back to 2006 — which, as we all know, is mediaeval in computer terms. In future I'll be working with typesetters using more up-to-date

programs, and it'll help if I have some familiarity with them!

I'll be in Dallas from **20th June to 4th July**; and in addition to new typesetting software I'll be looking at a variety of different procedures for getting **draft copies** of Bible translations printed locally for checking in the community. I.e., not the expensive, high-end programs needed for the final Bible or NT, but simple down-to-earth methods of producing a reasonably good printout for local use. And my recent work preparing the **Burunge booklets** (Acts, James and Revelation) has shown the need for **in-service training** when teams first prepare for typesetting. I look forward to discussing this and related issues with experienced colleagues.

Johanna and I would both appreciate **your prayers** in the run-up to my departure on the 20th. This is a very busy time for both of us: for me, getting the Burunge project finished before I leave; and for **Johanna**, first, presenting her vision for partnership development at our Wycliffe annual conference (9th-11th June); and then attending a course on 'Learning the Lasts' which will provide a useful background for her ministry (13th-18th). She will be staying at the Wycliffe Centre near High Wycombe for both of these events, so the rest of the family will be coping as best we can!

But we are grateful to God for the new avenues of service He has opened up for us.



Don't worry, they're statues! Steve admiring the famous 'Cattle Drive' in Dallas (2000)



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