

Word from the Wilsons

But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a child.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the LORD. Jeremiah 1:7

February 2008

Greetings from Edinburg, Texas! As I'm writing, it's hard to believe it's February! We've had some cool and wet weather, but today it reached 82 degrees with a wonderful breeze. With the rain, the brown grass is turning green and the trees are beginning to bud. I'm thinking we'll have to adjust the old proverb to say, "January showers bring February flowers."

Where are we now?

In December we finished our missionary candidate training in Philadelphia. We spent several weeks seeing friends and family in the Midwest including a week at [Camp Forest Springs](#) for Wintertainment. In early January, we moved to the southern border of Texas for language school. We will spend a whole school year here at [Rio Grande Bible Institute](#) to learn Spanish.



We're making lots of new friends and enjoying the hard work of learning a language. We so appreciate the focus on using Spanish in a ministry setting by learning to pray and sing in Spanish!

In language study I'm used to memorizing lists of words but the RGBI program is different. Instead of memorizing lists, we memorize dialogs. The dialogs are prescribed and fictional conversations between two or three people. In memorizing the dialogs, we are learning the language in its context. It helps us learn vocabulary, sentence structure, common phrases as well as verb conjugations and more. In addition, we are studying grammar, phonetics, and conversation.

I like the process we're using because I think it will help us really learn the language and not just learn about the language. We're just far enough into it to be finding that our tongues really get tied up in both our Spanish and our English! Hopefully this stage won't last too long.

How are the kids?

Kerra is in language school with us, but she was able to test out of the first semester! She will graduate from RGBI in May and a week or so later, graduate from Northwestern College in St. Paul with her Associate in Bible with an emphasis in Business.



Kyle, Peter, and Joelle are continuing to home school on computer. They are also studying Spanish on computer. They do a lot of the housework since Roxanne and I are going to class all morning and studying all evening. Kyle will be taking guitar lessons, Joelle is taking voice lessons and we are considering trombone lessons for Peter.

Website & Blog

Please check our website to keep up to date on what is happening with us. www.wilsonnews.net Add it to your Favorites and stay connected with us! We appreciate your prayers!

Praises

- ❖ Safety during all of our travels from Pennsylvania to the Midwest and then to Texas
- ❖ The opportunity to give concentrated time and effort to learn the Spanish language
- ❖ A wonderful church that we enjoy every Sunday with Spanish services on Sunday evenings

Prayer Requests

- ❖ God's continued work in our hearts through language study
- ❖ Health and strength while in a strenuous study schedule
- ❖ God's continued provision for our finances
- ❖ Paul's mom who is undergoing treatments for ovarian cancer

Christmas Letters

We were homeless and on the road over the month of December so if you have a copy of your Christmas letter we would still love to receive it.

Our address for most of 2008 will be:

**4300 S. Bus Hwy 281
Edinburg, TX 78539**

Amigos en Cristo,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul & Roxanne".

"For Christ's love compels us"

Paul & Roxanne Wilson

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