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HOPE TO IRAQ



Representative photo

Following is a recent report from the Baghdad Beacon a radio station in Iraq that airs HOH programs.

“After many years of broadcasting, the stories of people who contact our radio station have become almost repetitive. The reason for this is that many who call the radio station want to know more about the Lord or to express their

joy regarding a program they heard. We are grateful to the Lord for His loving kindness that many continue to call our station in response to programs in both Arabic and English.

Last week a man by the name of Ismaïl (Ishmael) contacted our radio station, introduced himself, and asked if Pastor Maher could meet with him. Because of the fact that this man was unknown and a Muslim, I decided to pray for Maher’s protection. It would not be the first time someone entered the church carrying a weapon.

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Upcoming HOH Programs

Thu. Apr. 30 6:30pm Chambersburg Menn. Church (Gym) Chambersburg, PA**

Dinner reservations required. Call Peter Zucconi: 717.532.9691 or HOH offices: 717.485.4021

Sun. May 3 9:30am Mattawana Mennonite Church Lewistown, PA

Sun. May 3 7:00pm Tuscarora Chapel Walnut, PA

Wed. May 6 7:30pm United Bethel Mennonite Church Plain City, OH

Wed. May 6 7:30pm Haven Fellowship Plain City, OH

Thu. May 7* 6:30pm Dayspring Menn. Church Fell. Hall Berlin, OH

Dinner reservations required. Call Phylis Wenger: 330.828.2069 or Ruth Yoder 330.674.7152

*The dates printed in blue are dinners and require reservations.

**The April 30 dinner at Chambersburg is scheduled for 6:30pm it was incorrectly printed in the Prayer Guide.

BIBLE & LITERATURE THANK YOU!

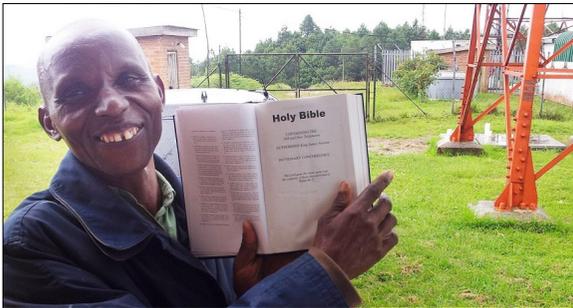
Malawi:

“Recently we visited one of the transmitting sites 300 kilometers away, and I met Marcel Chirwa who is a guard on the transmitting site. Because of his work, he could not go to church. As I chatted briefly with him, I sensed he needed a Bible. Thankfully I had taken 3 copies with me knowing that in some rural areas, there are many listeners to TWR who are in need of spiritual materials for their walk with God.

As I handed the Bible to him, he could not believe he was getting a Bible like that. He told me that his own copy in English is one he had bought 23 years ago and now is very worn out. He actually asked me to autograph the new Bible. (See photo.)

He reads and understands English very well as he has gone to secondary school using correspondence learning. He said that hearing me on radio will always link me to the Bible.”

- Victor



Transmitter site guard with his HOPE Bible

Nigeria:

“It is a great thing for us to get a faithful pastor such as Pastor Mike. He is the one who placed God’s Word into our hands freely after preaching the Gospel to us.

The moral decay which was common in our college is reduced to a minimum since Pastor Mike preaches the Gospel to us. We wondered how this man of God provided Bibles to us freely and he told us the Bibles are from Heralds of Hope in USA. God bless the ministry of Heralds of Hope many-fold now and to eternity.

On behalf of all the Christian

students of St. Louis College,

- Agwara



Pastor Mike and students with HOPE Bibles

“May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and every one that labors in the ministry. Thank for the Bible.” - *Brother Gekea*

“Thanks for the Bible you sent to me, but when are you coming to visit us over here?” - *Sister Tope*

“May God keep blessing you for sending me a Bible.” - *Brother Wole*

“Greetings in the name of Christ and to all the members of your great ministry. I got your Bible.” - *Segun*

Kenya:

“I’m safely back in Kenya and I was anxiously looking forward to receiving the books you sent for the kids while I was in the United States. I did receive them safely. We are so excited to get to feed our spirit more. We did a lesson today with kids at the Orphanage then the kids did a review of what they had studied.

We are also sharing the Gospel books with other people we meet. Today I shared with a Muslim and gave him one at the end of our meeting.

We are blessed to partner with you in this Ministry.”

- *Pastor Willis*





THE PRESIDENT'S VIEW

THE WORD AND WORSHIP

I'm using my column this time to highlight a recent report from Bro. Anand Sinha in Nepal.

Recently while the Hope Outreach Team was distributing tracts and booklets, a devout Muslim man named Mohammed received the literature. He heard for the first time that Jesus is not only the prophet but the Living God and Savior. He requested a Bible. One of our brothers gave him a Bible the next day, and he was very happy and thankful. He now reads his Bible and keeps it wrapped in a clean cloth after reading it. Bro. Ashish was amazed by his respect for God's Word. Mohammed has requested Bro. Ashish to visit him every Wednesday and teach him from the Word. So, Bro. Ashish is having Bible study with him.



Bro. Ashish and Mohammed

Kindly pray that God will open his heart and mind, so Mohammed could see the truth and accept Christ in his heart. He is a married man who has three children. He has a small clothing shop.

God has added three men and one woman in our church through our Church member, Bro. Ramesh. He shared the gospel to two young men and one middle aged man. He also shared the gospel to his mother, Chiri Maya. They were very interested to know more about Christ. He invited them to attend the church service so they could hear more from the Word of God. These three men and his mother have attended the church service for the last three weeks. One of the young men, walks one hour for the church services. Chiri Maya has confessed her sins and accepted Christ in her heart during our last church service.

Please pray that the other three men will accept Christ in their heart and they will be able to witness to their family members also.

Sincerely in HOPE of the Gospel,

J. Mark Horst, President
HERALDS OF HOPE, INC.

Stewardship

New Life in Christ!

Spring reminds me of God's promise in Gen. 8:22, "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

The warmth and new life of spring after the cold and deadness of winter is inspiring to me. Creation comes alive! What a wonderful season to celebrate the powerful meaning of Easter!

As I Cor. 15 teaches, the Gospel we've received, and wherein we've believed and stand, saves us. New life in Christ Jesus gives us resurrection power to live for Him who died for us; and a glorious living hope!

Praise God for new life in Christ we can preach to the world. Through the radio, internet, Bible, and literature distribution, the Word is going forth! Your faithful prayers and financial support make this possible. We thank God for each one of you!

I've had the wonderful privilege to talk and pray with some of you older prayer warrior Partners recently. I have been blessed as you shared your prayer needs and offered words of encouragement.

Recently some of my family brought my 87 year old mother from Indiana to attend our program with Soner Tufan from Turkey. Her prayers for me and the ministry mean so much! Let's all be faithful stewards of living and sharing the new life we have in Christ Jesus!

Rejoicing in HOPE,

Bob Kauffman

Joyful Skies

Here are some testimonies from Bethlehem Israel!

“You know how much we love Joyful Skies. We will keep tuning for all broadcasts on Joyful Skies. Why do you not increase your power to reach more people?”

“To tell you the truth, sometimes when I listen to the Joyful Skies programs, I feel that my soul is resting.”

“My family and I love listening to your radio broadcasts, especially the night and morning programs.”

“I appreciate what you are doing with the radio broadcasts. I really like listening to your programs at night and I wake up listening to your programs. It is really good and helpful.”

“I listen to your radio program on the internet every night and I like what you are doing. It is good to hear Christian programs from Palestine. Thank you again for this radio station.”

“Just keep us tuned to Joyful Skies. Remember, there are Christians in the Holy Land.”

“Please tell the programmer to preach programs deep in faith. That is what me and my friends like.”

HOPE TO IRAQ Cont.

When Ismail came to the church he opened his heart up to Brother Maher. He told him that for some time he has been seeing the Lord Jesus in his dreams. This led him to buy a Bible and read it. While reading the Bible he also bought a book about Islam. As he was reading the book on Islam he noticed that it was filled with contradictions and that a lot of the facts in the book did not make any sense.

So he decided to come to our church in Baghdad and speak with our Pastor. Brother Maher answered all his questions and toward the end, Ismail knelt down and accepted Christ as his Savior.

When Ismail left the church premises, Brother Maher could not wait until the morning. He called me that very night to tell me about the salvation of this Brother.

Many Muslims in Baghdad continue to respond to the Word of God. In the month of May, a large number of people from all different denominations contacted our radio station and asked for prayer requests. Four of them were Muslim.

Please continue to pray for the protection of our church and radio station.”



PARTNER PROFILE



Erion Prendi (pictured above) lives in Tirana, Albania. He gave his life to Christ at a young age and has been serving in full time ministry for the past 15 years. Erion is on the founding board of Radio 7, the largest Christian network in Albania.

His passion is to advance God's Kingdom and see the church rise up by living a missional lifestyle. This passion has taken him closer to the local church where he is motivating young professionals to act and put their faith in action.

Erion is an adjunct instructor of leadership and Islam at ISTL Albania (International School for Theology and Leadership) and holds a degree in Electronic Engineering and an MA in Global Leadership and Business from Dallas Baptist University. His passion is to see the young generation live missionally in a global and local context.