



PRAISE FOR PASHTO

On July 3, 2016 at 9:15pm local time, our Pashto language broadcast aired for the first time! There are more than 200 million in this unreached, predominately Muslim, people group in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and northern India.

TWR India has already created 52 programs and we have approved the production of additional programs. This is a volatile region of the world and the environment can change quickly; so we think it wise to work ahead. TWR began broadcasting into this region on AM radio in 2014. In 2015 they received 23,000 listener responses ranging from antagonistic to supportive. According to TWR's South Asian director, "The programs are gaining traction and people are starting to respond."

In God's perfect timing, He prompted a businessman to fully sponsor this vital addition to the outreach of Heralds of Hope. Please join us in praise to God for the great things He's done! And, join us in prayer for the effectiveness of this outreach.



Afghan Man

HOPE TO NEPAL

The following testimonies are in response to HOH radio programs via TWR Nepal.

"I was born in a Hindu family. We worshiped stones, trees, the sun and moon, animals, and the earth. I always thought there must be a creator who made these things worshiped. I had many questions about God.

Once I got to read a booklet titled, *You Must Meet Him (Jesus)*, from my Christian friend. I became so interested to know about Jesus. There was a small card inside the booklet. So I sent it to the follow up center.

I got a New Testament, and when I completed reading it I finally got the answers about my questions. "God, has created everything, the whole universe."

Later on I discovered the corresponding center was TWR Nepal. In my hand was a schedule of radio programs and I started listening to it. It was amazing!

I am the only Christian in my family, but I praise the Lord for choosing me from millions of people. I am certain that my family will realize the love of God for them someday."
- Kishanlal Sunar



Fishing Women in Nepal

TESTIMONIES & LISTENER LETTERS



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China:

“May God bless you with happiness and good health. Please pray that God will help my injury to heal properly with no more infection.

Because my body is weak, the cream that I use for the infection is very effective. I asked my family to help me to buy it, however they could not buy any. Please pray for God’s help to help me buy it.”

“It is not convenient for me to write a letter to you and so I can only send text messages. Please pray for God’s healing for my digestion and my weakening muscles, so that I can hold a cane or sit on a wheelchair in order to take care of myself.”

“May God bless you greatly and watch over you. Thank you for showing me your love. My older brother is willing to listen to the Gospel programs on the radio. Please pray for God’s healing to be upon him, and would bring him to know Jesus.”

“Teacher of *Hope for Today*, Shalom. Sometime back, I was not able to listen to TWR and Far East radio programs, I thought there is some restriction in our nation, although

TWR has put a lot of the programs onto the Internet, there are still many who do not have computers and can only listen to your programs using radio. Sometimes there is interference. In the past, it was not so bad, but this year the interruption is more serious.”

Kenya:

“Heralds of Hope, thank you for today’s program. I have received the Word very well and I will put it into practice. God bless you.”

“Thank you for your program that has always blessed me every time I listen to it. My desire to know God has increased and I would like to know Him as my Lord and Savior! Please pray for me.”

“I thank God for using your program to bless me and my family. I have seen my marriage being blessed as we continue to pray and to share the Word of God as a family. May God continue to give you strength and grace as you teach us His word. God bless you.”

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You can probably think of more tips, but I encourage you to start with these few simple ones. Becoming a better listener will assist you in your goal to “grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,” II Peter 3:18.

BIBLE BULLETIN

Ghana:

“Thank you very much for sending the Holy Bible to me which I safely received a few days ago. I have been praying for a Bible for some time now, and I thank the Almighty God for answering my prayer in allowing you to send a copy to me. This is going to be a turning point in my life. This Bible contains many useful things which is going to help me to draw closer to Christ.”

- Bismark, Ghana, Africa

Nigeria:

“Dear pastor of the living God, I want to greet you this day from the highest throne of Grace of God. My heart is filled with great joy as I decided to e-mail you. The main reason I am writing you is to thank you for the giant print bible you sent to me through brother John Obinna. I can now read better the Bible and I am saying thank you very much! Thanks!”

- Pastor Olabamiji Opeyemi



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THE PRESIDENT'S VIEW

ARE YOU LISTENING?

One of my memories from childhood is week-long revival/evangelistic meetings in my home church. There was one brother, though I can't remember his name, who would ask the audience numerous times throughout his sermon, "Are you listening?" He wanted to make sure we were following the content and course of his preaching.

In 2014 I used this column to explore the subject "Why Johnny Can't Preach." I noted repeatedly the need for biblical, expository preaching in order to develop spiritual maturity in the church and in the individual lives of Believers. But the question asked by that long ago evangelist reminds me that spiritual growth/development in the congregational setting has at least two parts: preaching and listening.

Are you listening? With the proliferation of electronic media, people suffer from self-induced attention deficit disorder. Expecting people to sit and listen to a 30 to 45 minute sermon is just too much! Is it really? I don't think so.

Let me offer several tips to help you become a better listener.

Make a commitment to become a better listener. Desire and discipline are two key ingredients.

Do not use Sunday morning as a time to sleep late. Get enough rest and get up early enough so you don't need to rush around to arrive at least 10 minutes before the service begins. Most people get to sports events long before the start time.

Spend time in prayer before the service for those who are leading out, and especially for the one who will share the Word.

Leave your cell phone/tablet at home. Or at least turn it off during the services. Carry a "hard copy" of the Scriptures; there are no other apps in it for your carnality to stray to.

Take notes on the sermon each week. For most of us, this forces us to pay attention even if the sermon is not the most interesting or the speaker the most dynamic. It provides a resource for further study and verification (Acts 17:11). I've been able to develop my own outlines of a text while following someone else's preaching.

Sincerely in HOPE of the Gospel,

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J. Mark Horst

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

Stewardship

CREATING A WILL

I trust all of you have a Will or Estate Plan of some kind if you are no longer living with your parents.

Taking time to create a Will and to keep it up-to-date is an important part of being a faithful steward. It is one of the most important financial steps you can take.

It is also crucial if you have minor children to establish guardianship and care decisions for them in case that's ever needed. If you don't have a Will, a court could make those decisions for you and they might not be the best for your children or match your wishes for them.

Even if you don't have young children, your Will is a vital tool for indicating distributions of your possessions and final charitable desires. Even in the closest families, disagreements can break relationships when people have to decide who gets what.

An estate planning attorney can help you think through difficult decisions and help ensure that your will matches your desires. Please do not allow cost, the busyness of life, or procrastination to get in the way of this important act of stewardship. It will be well worth the cost by providing you with peace of mind; knowing that you have fulfilled this important step of stewardship.

Your prayerful consideration of including Heralds of Hope, Inc. in your charitable planning would be greatly appreciated and affect eternal souls.

Grace & Peace,
Bob Kauffman

HOPE TO NEPAL CONT.

“I was born into and grew up in the Hindu religion, but now I am the only Christian in my family. My parents follow so many Hindu rituals and goddesses. I followed this way until the age of twenty-nine.

I had a classmate who was a Christian and he gave me literature called *Help from Heaven*. Then I started to study it and after completing it, I got some winsome words about God from Psalm 68:19: “Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loads us with benefits, The God of our salvation!”

Then I declared that no other besides God can remove my load of worries. Reading this booklet, I wanted to know more about God through the Bible.

Now I am hearing the HOH program regularly. In this way, my relationship has been strong with the mighty God and I have put my burdens to His Son, our Savior, the Lord Jesus. Now I am completely free and living happily on a godly path.”

- Sapana Karki



Believers' Baptism in Nepal

Pastor Anand reports on the current worsening situation in Nepal.

“Thank you very much for your prayers for us and the hostile situation for Nepalese Christians. Things are getting tougher than before. The government is trying to ban evangelistic outreach work. Even running orphanages/ children’s home might get difficult as the government is accusing Christians of proselytizing poor orphan children. So the government is targeting orphanages run by Christians.

However we trust in the Lord that whatever the circumstances will be, He will help us to endure the hardships and the difficult situations.”

PARTNER PROFILE

Pastor Tahir

“I was born in a nominal Christian family and since childhood I participated in religious activities. I accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal savior on Sunday 29th October 1995 and started my walk with the Lord Jesus. I am the first believer in my family and the Lord used me to win my whole family. By the grace of God my entire family is saved. My family is a missionary family and they have a passion for others. Three of my younger brothers are helping me in the ministry and one of them is in his 2nd year studies in Bible college.

I started the ministry in Pakistan with a small team in 2002. Its primary focus is The Great Commission and glorifying God through spreading the Good News and equipping the youth and saints.

I got married in 2006. My wife is a good gift of God for me. She is a believer and also part of this ministry. God has blessed us four children.

As a front line leader, there are risks but we are growing in the Lord. We are serving Him in any way possible and want to continue doing so.”