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NEWS FLASH!

Turkish and Arabic Broadcasts to Begin

God is once again reminding us that HOH is His ministry as He has opened doors and provided finances for two new language broadcasts!

We are currently in the process of working with “Radio Shema,” a Christian FM station in Ankara, Turkey to have our “Hope for Today” broadcasts translated into the Turkish language. In addition, we just signed a contract to broadcast our program in Arabic from the “Baghdad Beacon,” an FM station in Baghdad, Iraq. **This is really a “God thing.”**

After presenting the work of HOH in a local church at the beginning of 2009, a follow-up contact by the leadership revealed interest in the possibility of a Turkish broadcast. This congregation has a mission presence in Turkey and felt that the expository Bible teaching of HOH would be valuable in helping to build the church there. **The congregation has also committed themselves to underwrite the costs of this program.**

In a God-arranged meeting at the National Religious Broadcasters Convention in February, we met the Director of Radio Shema! He was acquainted with our contact in Turkey and shared with us his excitement about finding quality programming for the station. Join us in prayer for the effectiveness of this outreach in a Muslim country.

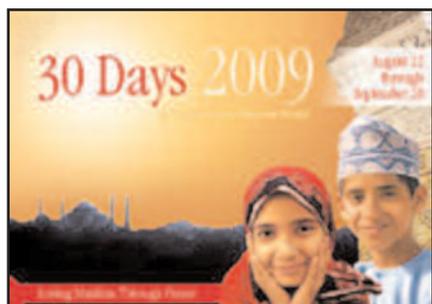
The opportunity to broadcast in Baghdad, Iraq came to us via our ministry partnership with Pan American Broadcasting. They offered us access to “the one and only FM station broadcasting Christian programming within Baghdad, Iraq.” There are more than 7 million residents in Baghdad, including US military personnel. Their invitation stated, “Time is of the essence - we must seize this opportunity as we do not know how long the door will remain open!”

As always, the question arises, “How will we secure the funds needed to secure this opportunity?” **At our Board meeting on July 11th, after some discussion, the Board voted unanimously to move forward with the Iraqi program.** Regarding the question of finances, the Board members agreed that if funds were not forthcoming from our HOPE Family, they, the Board members, would personally underwrite the cost! That’s how strongly they felt about seizing this strategic opportunity.

Again, we covet your prayers as we pursue these opportunities. Rejoice in God’s providence and pray that this may be solely for the **GLORY OF GOD, for the building of His church, and for the salvation of the lost.**



30 Days Muslim Prayer Focus



Join Christians around the world in praying for Muslims during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, August 22 to September 20, 2009. Ordering this prayer guide will assist you in praying specifically and strategically for the salvation of Muslims.

Request your free copy today!

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Sermon of the Month

The idea of economic growth is a modern one. It emerged out of the industrial revolution of the 18th century. With the idea of economic growth came the task of setting goals to be reached.

Energetic people are always looking ahead. Zest in life comes with the forward look. The backward look is necessary to find direction. But the forward look is essential to fire determination.

In the forward look certain ideas or goals emerge. In successful planning, experts tell us goals must be definable and attainable. So they design a process of goal-setting. Jesus addressed Himself to the idea in Matthew 6:19-34

In this text Jesus laid down those **FUNDAMENTALS** upon which successful goal-setting must rest. The first fundamental is,

Consider a Single Loyalty

Jesus said, "Don't lay up treasures for yourself on earth, because time, and the threat of decay and theft are always there." We know what that means. People living on fixed incomes find inflation very devastating. That isn't exactly moth and rust, but that certainly is one way for values to erode. On earth everything wears out or deteriorates.

The heavenly values, Jesus said, are secure from decay and theft. In goal-setting we should make our decisions on the measure of values—earthly or heavenly. Focus on one.

He also spoke about the magnetism of treasure. "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be." It is like the magnetic pole—wherever your treasure is, there your heart will be turning. Listen to a man's conversation and you can tell quickly where his treasure is. Consider a single loyalty.

Then you have to master duplicity. Jesus said it is impossible to divide your loyalty or love or service.

This Matter of Goal-Setting

It's impossible to serve two masters. You either hate the one and love the other, or hold to the one and despise the other. When it comes right down to the bottom, you know whom you are serving. In goal-setting this fundamental is basic. A single loyalty develops direction.

The second fundamental,

Construct a Simple Life-Style

Those lessons Jesus drew from nature are unique and meaningful. Consider the birds. Outside our dining room we planted some flowers. It was very interesting to watch the goldfinches come and sit on a flower and pluck the petals and get some kind of food there.

They don't sow nor reap, nor gather into barns. But they certainly were working, doing their appointed thing. And Jesus said God cares for them. So the little goldfinches were sitting on zinnia blossoms, pulling out the petals and getting what they needed. God was caring for them. And Jesus said, "Certainly, you are much better than they."

Then the lessons from the lilies. The birds had to do with food and the lilies had to do with clothing. Examine them; they are clothed in beauty. I look at the catalogs and the full color beauty of the tulips and the other flowers! Man has been able to improve certain varieties and bring out the brilliancy of the color.

Jesus said, "Look at them, consider how they grow. They do not toil or spin. And yet Solomon in all his glory was no match for the lilies.

And Jesus said, "If God will take the pains to make the lilies pretty, won't He do something for you?" How many times have we stood be-

fore the mirror and wished that we were someone else? Jesus said the lilies don't bother with that. They are what they are. That releases them from worry. It could release us from worry too.

Tomorrow never comes. Why be anxious about the things of tomorrow. Be content with today, and don't be agitated over tomorrow. Construct a simple lifestyle. In goal-setting this fundamental is basic to keep from over-reaching.

And there's a third fundamental,

Concentrate on the Supreme Law

Acknowledge God's care. He said, "You don't need to be anxious about these things." Food and clothing are most people's great concern, but God cares for all. So rest in His care. He knows that we have need of all these things. Why are we so agitated? He knows what we need!

Accept God's right. Jesus put it like this, "But instead of being anxious and agitated, seek first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things will be added unto you."

We were made to seek God, to be partners with Him, to fellowship with Him. When we permit other interests to intercept our relationship with God, we are in trouble. But when we are willing to take that glorious position of being partners with God and being in fellowship with Him, then Jesus said all these things would be added unto us. Put God first. That's the way we were made. The normal Biblical way of life is to put God first.

Concentrate on this supreme law. Adopt His purpose; it's one day at a time. Don't be anxious about tomor-

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The President's View

“Prophetic Convergence”

Look at the rapidly unfolding events in our world. Are they pointing to some sort of climax? Some events, not having much significance alone, take on an enlarged importance when viewed in concert with others. The convergence of these points clearly to the approaching end!

“Pope Proposes New Financial Order Guided by Ethics” Newmax.com July 7, 2009. “Pope Benedict on Tuesday called for a ‘world political authority’ to manage the global economy and for more government regulation of national economies to put the world out of the current crisis and avoid a repeat.” This quote is from the encyclical, “Charity in Truth.” An encyclical is the highest form of papal writing and gives a clear indication what the Vatican thinks about specific issues.

“Israeli Comany Develops ‘Billion Dollar’ Medical Info Patch.” So proclaims Arutz Sheva. ‘The LifeKeeper Patch,’ not much bigger than a shekel coin, contains a microprocessor which can read info about a wearer’s medical condition. The information is transmitted via Bluetooth wireless technology to the wearer’s cell phone. “If the wearer’s health deteriorates to the point of danger, the patch alerts the cell phone to send out an SMS or other message to medical personnel.”

“Temple Institute to Build Sacrificial Altar on Tisha B'av” Dateline July 29, 2009. Said Temple Institute Director, Yehuda Glick, “Unfortunately, we cannot currently build the altar in its proper place, on the Temple Mount. We are building an altar of the minimum possible size so that we will be able to transport it to the Temple when it is rebuilt.”

Even a minimum size altar will work out to be approximately 4 meters tall, 6 meters long, and 6 meters wide. Workers have collected around 10 cubic meters of rocks weighing several tons already. The rocks were gathered from the Dead Sea area and wrapped individually to assure they remain whole and are not touched by metal, as the Bible requires.

“Parade of US Officials Expected to Increase Pressure” A parade of four senior U.S. officials due in Israel this week are expected to increase pressure on Israel to agree to a construction freeze in Judea and Samaria... (US Special Envoy) Mitchell has spearheaded U.S. President Barack Obama’s efforts to pressure Israel into a construction freeze in Judea and Samaria.

The current US Administration should read Zechariah 12:2, 3. “Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

Sincerely in HOPE of the Gospel,
HERALDS OF HOPE, INC.

J. Mark Horst, President

Stewardship

Willing Responses

We’ve been blessed again by the willing response of those who gave to help with our summer fund needs. Following are some encouraging notes we received.

“I saved on groceries this month with the fresh garden food given to me so I’m sending my widow’s mite.”

“Enclosed is \$5. I’m not sure when I’ll have more to send, but I will be praying. I appreciate all who are getting the Word out! When one sees all the corruption in the world and failing finances, it’s good to remember they can’t hinder God’s Word. He is still in control!”

“Enclosed is my monthly Hope Promise offering plus some extra to help with your summer fund needs.”

“I am sending a gift to help with your summer shortfall of funds. I enjoyed hearing of the Muslims coming to Christ through your ministries.”

“Inspired by the testimonial of the couple who gave \$10 for each year of marriage, the attached \$460 is being sent. Blessings!”

“I’m being treated for cancer but will continue to give as long as I can..”

“Thank you for your Biblical sound sermons and lovely music. I look forward to your program and I’m encouraged in my walk with my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

To God be the glory,

Bob Kauffman

Albanian Listeners Praise “Messages of Hope”

This weekend I listened to a program on our sinful nature. I was so attracted to listen to it when I heard the title, “GOD’S CURE FOR SIN.” **This program, brought again in me a great measure of the fear of God. Thank you so very much.** We all must live a Holy life before God. I was so touched by the picture of the doctor and incurable diseases. Thank you for helping me to walk with God in the right way.
Ledina

“Messages of Hope” is a wonderful program I had the opportunity to listen these last months. A friend of mine has been receiving these programs from you in CD and she gave me the CD’s to study at home. I’m so greatly blessed and thankful for this wonderful ministry that is helping me so much to grow up in faith. I hope I could hear the programs daily, as it is easier to follow the different teachings. Thank you for the CD you sent me. You are in my prayers.
Irina

I have been very much impressed by one of your programs on the grace of God. As humans we often forget how important it is to not take God’s grace for granted. God showed me areas in my life where I was being disobedient to Him. I asked God to forgive me and help me live a life that honors him and gives Glory to His name. Grace goes farther than sin and so death is overcome. Thank you for these teachings.
Eleni

I am writing to thank you for your programs. I was so greatly blessed this weekend on your program on Romans. It spoke so much to me. I have been dealing with a difficult time in my life and sometimes it’s so easy to believe the lies we hear, but the Word of God always has a word for me and spoke to me through the

program. I hope the program will be aired more often during the week. You are doing such a great job.
Albana

Your programs on the book of Romans have been a great help for me to understand this letter. **I can’t go to church (even that I desire it so much) as my family belongs to another religion, so radio it’s so important for me.** Understanding the Word of God it’s not always easy when you do not have a teacher, but praise God for my friends through the radio. In the study on the book of Romans, I have seen things which I haven’t seen before, although I have read those passages more than one time.
Klara

I gave my life to Jesus in the beginning of the year 2000. For two years, everything was ok. But, then due to some family problems I have to leave Albania and to go to Italy. After staying there for one year, I returned again in Albania, but I didn’t want to go to church anymore. Seven months ago, a friend of mine gave me a solar radio and invited me to go to the church. Actually, I was very busy, but I took the radio and began to listen to its programs. I really needed to take God seriously, so your study on the book of Romans, was really speaking to me about the huge change I needed in my life.
Genti

“Messages of Hope” program has impacted my life in a wonderful way. **I like very much the way the program is structured. It’s easy to follow and the teaching is clear and to the point.** I was very touched by your program on walking by faith. The example of Abraham, and the way it was presented, really touched my heart and made me think of my walk with the Lord.

Something else I have really learned from the program, is to hear more and to be slow in speaking. I never knew the benefits of hearing. Hearing helps you get acquainted with the needs of the others and helps you taking care for them.
Marjana

I am so blessed by the “Messages of Hope” program. This is a very good teaching and encourages me every time I listen to it. Would you please send me a copy of this study in CD? I would love to listen again and also give to some friends of mine. Thank you for all your job.
Danja

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row because you can’t do anything about tomorrow. You can make some plans about tomorrow, but they must always be fluid enough that God can change them. Learn to live one day at a time and do that to God’s glory, “Sufficient unto the day is its own evil.”

So concentrate on the supreme law. In goal-setting this fundamental certainly is basic to achieve reality in the others. Put God first. It brings order to life.

On the matter of goal-setting, we must operate from these exclusive fundamentals: Consider a single loyalty--no one can serve two masters. Construct a simple lifestyle--learn the lessons from the birds and the lilies. Concentrate on the supreme law--put God first. Goal-setting carefully done on these fundamentals will result in success, for God has promised to bless us.

Remember: **SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD!**

J. Otis Yoder