

*Happy New Year! (Just a little late!)*

*But Happy Chinese New Year (on time!)*



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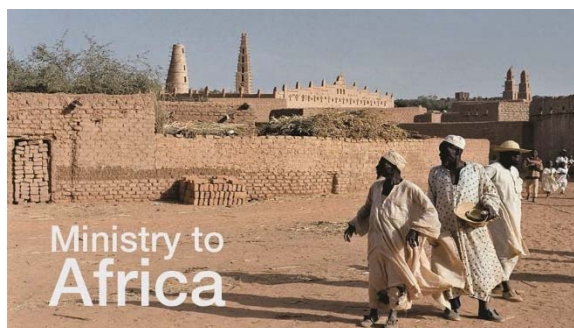
*Dear Partners, Friends & Relatives,*

*Our last letter to you was actually sent in Nov. so we did not get to wish you Merry Christmas and now we have missed American New Year, but we can wish you Happy Chinese New Year, which is the Year of the Pig, this month! No matter what the year, we hope that this year of 2019 will be one of your best yet. For TWR it seems that it really will be. Some of the things that we look forward to this year are:*

*1. The “Silk Road Transmitter” which has been funded; government permissions granted; on its way to the place of installation; and is hopefully actually being installed by the time you get this letter. This 200,000-watt AM transmitter will open the door to renewed and expanded broadcasting of God’s Word to 60 million people in ten countries across the heart of Central Asia. Many parts of this rugged land of deserts, mountains, steppes and oases are populated by unreached people groups and are hostile to Christians.*



*2. An upgrade of the West Africa Transmitter which will greatly enhance Gospel broadcasting to Nigeria, home of the terrorist group, Boko Haram. You may have heard of the kidnapping of hundreds of school girls in the last few years, or attacks on the nomadic herdsman of Nigeria or Christian churches. It is our prayer that many from not only Nigeria, but Boko Haram, also, will hear God’s word more easily now and turn to Christ. Preliminary construction is already underway.*



*3. And you will remember just before Christmas hearing of the tsunami that hit Indonesia. It often takes a few months for survivors of such tragedies to be recognized as traumatized, as they are so busy trying to survive and get back to a normal lifestyle. But as the months go by trauma begins to manifest itself in various behavior problems and therapy is needed. But not all survivors can go to a therapist in Indonesia. Therefore, TWR Asia will be using TWR Guam’s transmitters this spring to reach out to the traumatized tsunami survivors through the 70-episode program, Therapy for the Soul. These programs will also air over some Indonesian local FM stations. This special program not only gives encouragement to how the traumatized can cope but also offers Bible-based hope to stand strong amid the devastating challenges they continue to face. But TWR Asia is not only helping through broadcasts, they have reached out with other aid and are giving SW radios to pastors to hand out.*



*4. Online in the Middle East: Amos, a young Middle Eastern man, saw an ad online about how Arab lives have been changed through the Bible. Curious, he reached out to the team behind the ad on a social media page and asked for a Bible. The team sent him an e-book of one book of the Bible. A few days later, he*



messed the team with a detailed question about Exodus. The team was perplexed because they had not sent him Exodus. He told them that he had downloaded the entire Bible app and began reading in Genesis. In three days he had read almost all of the Bible! The team pointed him back to the New Testament and shortly after Amos messaged back: "Now that I am a follower of Jesus, what do I do?" Praise the Lord, God is not just using radio, but Internet and Social Media, also! Church planters are engaging with people online in the M.E. which includes Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, and Palestine.

5. Videos: You might remember that we have mentioned the video made for a North African people group called *Share the Story*, which is a short video of selected Bible stories from Creation to Christ that can even be viewed on a smart phone. Now the next step is to put that video series in the Jordanian language, which will begin sometime this year. Church planters of another mission have asked for this.

So, you can see that 2019 for TWR has a lot going on. Wish we had time to tell you more of what the Lord seems to have planned for TWR this year. But one page isn't enough. We look forward to seeing the Lord bring all these projects to fruition this year. Pray with us for each of these and that the Lord Jesus will begin to prepare and open hearts in these regions when they hear His Word.

Thank you for your faithfulness to us with your prayers and financial support this past year of 2018. We trust you will continue to partner with us in this coming year of 2019. We will still continue with TWR OneStory and TWR360. Just a side note: Dan is so interested in all the new technical stuff he is learning as he gets more involved with TWR360. But he is always coming to Rose Ellen and telling her something that he has heard or read on TWR360. So, he is not only growing more internet savvy but spiritually as well.

God bless each of you in this coming year and we pray you will have good health; spiritual growth; great peace and joy as you serve Christ this year.

Because of the Kingdom,

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