



News From The Hollingers



For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. - 1 Corinthians 3:11 ESV

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Dear Friends,

This will be a rather brief letter. While much has taken place in the last three months, it won't take much space to share with you what has happened. Thanks again for your prayers and support of our ministry.

Ministry

During my years in TWR I have had the opportunity of leading a team in starting a ministry project. We then turn that project over to a national partner for them to fully develop. While it is fulfilling to hear that a project we started gets developed into multiple languages it can be a bit of a let-down to know you did not have the opportunity to finish the project in English.

That is why we were excited to work on the Sonlift project for TWR-Asia. We were asked to produce 60 dramas on the life of Jesus. These dramas will be used in programs to reach people in Asia for Christ. The English versions will allow the listener to help learn English. Our team finished the project at the end of January. When we started the project we knew we would have to count on our staff to help provide the voices. Many of the staff participated in this project including our president, Lauren Libby. With phase one of this project completed we look forward to the impact it will have in Asia and beyond.



Sonlift Production Team: Marvin Heath, Valerie Smith, Sandi Goodrich, Scott Hollinger

As I write this we are in the midst of battling the Corona Virus(COVID-19). During times like this many people globally rely on radio for news. Early on TWR realized the impact the virus could have globally. TWR Producer Andy Napier interviewed a medical specialist who provided a lot of good basic information on COVID-19. This program has been aired in English and Spanish from Bonaire, in Europe and has been translated to Farsi for broadcast to Iran. In Asia a series of programs titled "From Despair to Hope" has been produced in Mandarin and aired from KTWR as well as other outlets. The plan is for the programs to be made available in a number of languages including Hakka, Japanese and Korean.

In March TWR was contacted by former missionary, Rev. Shuji Kondo about a special project he was involved in; the translation of a new Bible in the Cambodian language. Rev. Kondo is on the board of Global Bible Initiative (GBI) and using special software GBI is able to translate from the original language into another language. Rev. Kondo knows that TWR has the network to ensure Bibles are able to get to listeners. He is also a friend of ours and wanted Naren to receive the first new Bible in her language. It was an amazing moment for Naren to receive this new translation!



Family

We are doing well and so far have had no bouts with COVID-19. The big news is that on January 31 I had knee replacement surgery on my left knee. I first injured the knee in March 1983 playing basketball on Guam. I tore the ACL ligament then. Through the years the knee slowly degenerated until it became clear that I would need surgery. The surgery went well though I had complications afterward which caused my doctor to delay therapy for nearly three weeks. As of this writing I am seven weeks past surgery. My strength at seven weeks is good but motion is behind most people who have had this surgery. I will appreciate your prayers as I continue the journey to recovery.



Naren holding the new Cambodian Bible. Rev. Shuji Kondo pastors the Hamadera Bible Church in Osaka, Japan. Rev. Kondo is a good friend of ours. Rev. Kondo and I worked together on Guam and were also housemates for a time. He has always been a blessing to the ministry of TWR.

Thanks for your continued prayers and support for our ministry and our family. You are a blessing to us.

Blessings,

Scott and Marlin



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