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For from Him & through Him & to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amen. Romans 11:36

Guam and Singapore

My final international trip this year took me to Guam and Singapore. The TWR offices in these locations are critical to TWR's ministry in Asia.

Guam has been broadcasting the gospel via shortwave transmitters for over 40 years. In Guam I



TWR's Antenna Field in Merizo, Guam.

was able to coordinate with our IT staff member and see firsthand TWR's major broadcast center to East Asia. Mitch Becker, TWR's station manager in Guam explained to me that Guam is the best place in the world to reach the massive population of Asia by radio and that TWR's antenna location in Merizo, Guam, is the best place in Guam from which to broadcast. As a US territory, Guam is a safe and free place from which the Lord has allowed TWR to reach

countries where missionaries struggle to penetrate such as China, N. Korea, Indonesia, Japan, and more.

One exciting development for radio in Asia is the adoption of digital radio standards (DRM) that will allow TWR to provide high quality audio, text, and photos to listeners through shortwave radio. There is still some work to do to get quality DRM receivers to listeners, but TWR's Guam team is prepared for that eventuality to ensure the best possible programming is available.

Returning to Singapore (which had been our home for two years) was a delight. There is always something new to see in Singapore, but in many ways, it was the same as 12 years ago when we were living there. TWR's Asia operations of finance, media services, IT, donor services, communications, and partner coordination all happen from Singapore.

In Singapore, I met with members of the Singapore and Hong Kong IT team to establish some short-term, medium-term, and long-term plans and to spend some time praying together for our work. I also got to meet with the local staff from other departments and learn more about how they support TWR's ministry in Asia and around the world.

What wonderful teams that the Lord has brought together in Guam and Singapore! It was a privilege to spend time with them recently. Thank you so much for your prayers during my travel.

Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray for staffing needs and that God would send the right people at just the right time. Please also pray for one of our IT members who is fighting cancer.

Pray for TWR's staff in Guam and the daily maintenance required for the transmitter and antenna systems there.

Pray for our family to grow in the grace and faith of Jesus Christ.

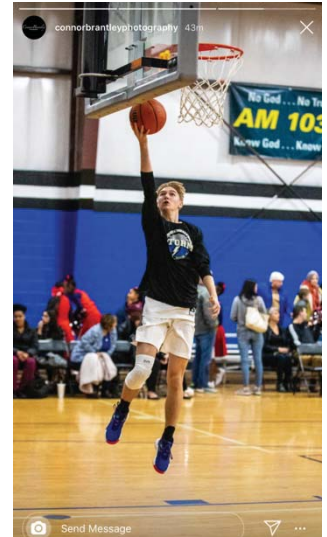
The Main Event

For TWR, the main event is having listeners hear the gospel of Jesus Christ and be given an opportunity to respond. Below are a few samples of the many listener responses that were recorded by TWR this year.

“Tuning into a radio station, seeking some entertainment I stopped at a nice song. The rhythm was soothing though the words were so strange. It talked about a Savior, a Lord, praising him, and I kept listening. Someone came on explaining that he will finish talking about part of a book. Then he said the Holy Bible. I listened more. I really didn't understand the background, but at the end the presenter caught my attention. He said, ‘And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.’ I'm not a Christian. Can you tell me how I can be at peace through Jesus?” – a listener from Palestine.

“I used to worship idols and was also a drunkard. I joined a radio home group and when I listened to the radio program and group discussion, I learned that I was a sinner and that only Jesus has the power to forgive my sins. I put my faith in him, confessed my sin to him and accepted him as my Lord and my Savior.” – a listener from South Asia.

“Yesterday a regular client came in. She was going on vacation and needed to do everything: dye her hair, dye her eyebrows, manicure, pedicure. During this time, we talked a little bit about her latest news. And then she started to listen to the music and said, ‘How much sense there is in the songs. I haven't heard such songs for a long time.’ So, I told her that this is PureWave radio and that there are many such songs like that. Eventually, we talked about Christ and his mission. So, she accepted Christ yesterday as her personal savior.” – a listener from Russia.



It is basketball season. This is Daniel warming up before a recent game.



Ben, Catherine, and Stephanie with the Volleyball State Champ trophy. Catherine's volleyball team won the NC Homeschool state championship.



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