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Happy New Year,

"He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many will see and fear and will trust in the LORD."
Psalm 40:3

This sounds like a wonderful way to start a New Year: Praising the Lord. It is better than New Year's resolutions and much more effective.

We really do have many, many reasons to Praise the Lord. One year ago, the TWR Cary office was just at the very beginning stages of recovering from a terrible fire that left the building uninhabitable because of extensive smoke damage and parts of the building were condemned. Following massive numbers of work hours, the building was rededicated in October.

TWR News:

Recognizing China has more people groups that are unreached by the Gospel than any other country except India, TWR is working on a new transmitter project—the Silk Road Transmitter. The goal is to put a 200,000-watt AM transmitter along the ancient trade route from China to Europe. This will have the capability of reaching roughly 60 million people in 10 countries across Central Asia. Because of the

politically and culturally diverse dynamics of the area, radio—which can overcome barriers and be heard privately—is the perfect tool.

TWR is working to reach more than 100 unreached people groups in China with the SON-Lift Project by sharing the dramatized story of Jesus in 15 indigenous languages by shortwave radio, digital audio players and the internet. Project plans include utilizing regional follow-up teams to visit many of the groups giving them the digital audio players and much-needed encouragement.

TWR is building a second transmitter at the West Africa location. The signal from the new 200,000-watt transmitter will be broadcasting Hope into all of Nigeria, as well as parts of Cameroon, Benin and Niger. For 10 years radical religious movements have ravaged northern Nigeria with horrific acts of violence. TWR's goal is to launch programming with the powerful transmitter by the end of 2019. The total cost of the project is \$1.3 million for installation, upgraded power and antenna, and the first year of operations.

Praise that the results of the upgrade of the Bonaire transmitter is effective. TWR is hearing from people in Mexico, Cuba and Venezuela who were not within listening



Speaking Hope to the World

range of the old Bonaire transmitter.

Listener Story:

"Dear TWR staff, I am so grateful for TWR. I started listening to your program a few years ago. I tuned to your station while browsing among different stations only to find that your program was exactly what I needed. I was not in a good place at that time. It was dark in my heart. However, TWR blessed me and to this day it continues to lift me up. I enjoy the omnibus [program] on Saturdays. Your program is the last thing I listen to when I go to bed at night and the first when I wake up in the morning. God bless you, and may he help you to grow from strength to strength. You are always in my prayers. Thank you."

An encouraging word

Benny, one of the native Bonairians that Randy worked with on Bonaire retired in August 2018 after 32 years with TWR. You can read the entire article at TWR's website. We would like to

include the final paragraphs of the interview: "I had one more question for Benny: You've talked about a lot of things that you learned over the years, from welding to tower rigging to English to growing in the faith. What one life lesson would you want our readers to take away from this conversation? "Do everything you do, without complaining," Benny says. "And do your work as for God. Then you will see him answering your questions. If you do your work as for God, sooner or later you will see a difference in your life. When you do things while complaining, you will not see results."

His encouragement could hardly be better for every one of us, so let's close with the source of Benny's wisdom, the apostle Paul's words to the Colossians: "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men."

Family News:

Sarah's smile shows how much she enjoys reading books to children. Winter weather has been cold and snowy in Missouri, a change from NC.

Pictures: top; Sarah reads a story, middle; Daniel's truck with more leaf springs in the rear, bottom; Randy and Joseph at Grandfather Mountain, Right; Daniel, G.T. Joseph and Rose at Grandfather Mountain.



Daniel continues working full time and spends much of his remaining time maintaining and improving his truck.



Joseph continues to learn and grow. It seems slow at times, but then we realize just how much he has learned and we Praise the Lord for progress.



G.T., who now would prefer to be called Gordon, is learning too. His passions are drawing and puzzles. He has completed a number of 500-piece puzzles and several latch hook rugs.

Randy and Rose completed the flooring projects that began 18 years ago. The maple flooring is beautiful.



Until the whole world knows

Randy & Rose

Randy and Rose Sieg
Sarah, Joseph, G.T. and Daniel

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