

May you have a happy & blessed New Year



Celebration of The Lord's goodness

This month we celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary and serving the Lord together with TWR for 40 years.

Swaziland. We arrived safely back in Swaziland on the 28th September. Lorraine is back into her stride with auditioning English programs to ready them for broadcasting. She is now up to date with answering the Dx letters too. Stephen began officially as the TWR Station Director for Eswatini (Swaziland) on the 1st November. He has had several meetings with the staff and is very encouraged, which is a praise item.

We praise the Lord for a warm welcome from all the staff and a good transition so far.

After prayer and looking around, we seem to have found a home church and possible home Bible study group. church.

Antenna repair. One of the antennas was damaged Please continue to pray for the preparations and permanent repair to go well.

Staff -Urgent -Please pray for the Lord to provide us with two engineers because one left at the end of October and another one is leaving some time this year. We also need an office manager and maintenance manager.



Programming. We are excited because TWT (The Word for Today) has approved sponsorship for the production of programs in five new languages. Goun for Benin, Senoufou for West Africa, Yao for Mozambique, Malawi and Tanzania, Kirundi for Burundi, Juba Arabic for South Sudan and other East African countries. Please pray that the production would go well.

West Africa Transmitter Station(WATS). Stephen continues to assist via email and WhatsApp. Things are moving ahead and we hope that one container with the transmitter will be shipped from Europe soon and one container from the USA in February. There will be more containers of equipment to follow. Please pray that all will go well because the local authority in West Africa has given us a deadline to meet.



With TWR founder, Dr Paul Freed, many years back, taken on the property where we now stay.

“Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come.....” Revelation 1:4

We thank the Lord for each of you, for your support and partnership with us in the Gospel.

Stephen & Lorraine

sstavrop@twr.org lstavrop@twr.org

Listener response

Pastor Isac Silvano and his wife Helena reported:- “We are back from our annual trip to **Angola**. Although these frequent trips, and the work we do, can sometimes become repetitive or “nothing new under the sun”, God’s Word is still transforming lives through our radio ministry. From the individual who professes to be from “a non- evangelical denomination”, but keeps a radio under his pillow so he won’t miss the *Character First* program at 6 a.m.; to the family who regularly uses the *Yeva Ondaka* program as their main source of spiritual nourishment every evening; every testimony is powerful and unique. “

On Sunday the 16th of September, at 6 AM, Helena and Isac were interviewed by the local radio station in Benguela-Angola. At the end of the live program, the presenter asked the listeners to say something about Isac and Silvano.

Here are some excerpts from the listeners' telephone calls.

“The air time is too short. Some of the messages I heard seemed like they needed more time. May this couple continue in this difficult task. We have learned a lot through the teachings that they transmit to us”.

“To speak of this couple is a blessing because they are a picture of Mark 16, where Jesus speaks of going into all the world with the gospel. Some of the young people that go overseas have such big dreams and they end up deviating. But this couple, even living in the United States, continue to worry about us and invest spiritually in Africa”.

“I really like Ms. Helena’s messages and the emphasis she puts on women based on Proverbs 31. My suggestion is that she talks more about the family and not just the woman. It would be good if they could increase the length of the program because it is too short! May they not give up because we are here to listen to them”.

“There are many people who listen to the radio and this couple are messengers of God. Their messages reach everyone, including those in authority”.