

# Mark Pallant's News



## The Call

### Special points of interest:

- Bonaire has two transmitter sites: Shine 800AM and 89.5 FM, Voice of Hope.
- Bonaire, an island municipality of the Netherlands, lies off Venezuela's coast in the southern Caribbean.
- Island population was under 19,000 in 2015 and its primary spoken language is Dutch. Other languages are Spanish and Papiamentu.



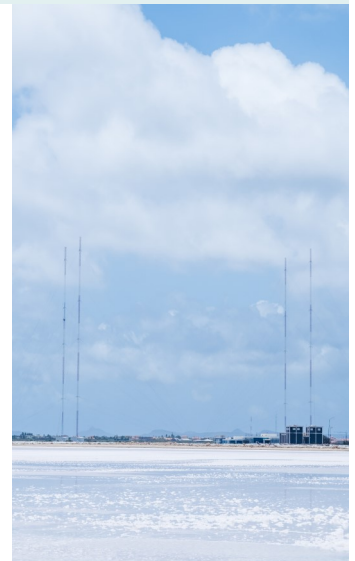
Myself

I heard a song recently that asked if you have left room in your heart for God to write a story; His story for your life. I thought, *what a true idea!* I feel that, at long last, I have made room for Him to write a story that began long ago when an eight-year-old boy lay with his face in the hot sand praying and promising to serve God because he knew he was dying.

That was me. I had prayed for Jesus to live in my heart when I was five, but I didn't commit to service until I told God I would do anything he asked of me so long as I lived past grade 3. I meant it, and though it has been many years since, I am now starting a new chapter, or a whole new book maybe, as I begin my ministry full time as a missionary working with TWR in Bonaire to spread God's love message via radio. The beginning of my story had to have people to show me God. I had it easy then; I had already become a Christian three years earlier and I had grown up in a Christian home with loving parents who brought us to church each week. I had Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, and my own Bible. But that's not how it is for millions of other people around the world!

Pastor Carlos, a church planter in Colombia, shared his story of conversion that began when he had accidentally cut his leg with a machete. He was looking over some land where he and his employees were going to plant another crop of cocaine, a job at which he had been very successful. He had read about Jesus in a Bible, but there was no church, no missionary, nobody to lead him. He sat there alone and bleeding and turned on his radio, since he would be there awhile before any help would come. He tuned to TWR's broadcast and heard the gospel being preached. The pastor on the radio invited him to receive Christ and he prayed along and truly gave his life over to Jesus in that moment!

Like me, God had to put a little trouble in Carlos' path so that he would pay attention to His calling on his life. Stories like this one show how important it is for Christian radio to continue to be made available in many languages. There is trouble all over the world and not everyone has a pastor or missionary to speak to them.



The Bonaire AM broadcast antenna array sends the message of hope to a potential listening audience of 100 million.

Source: [www.twrbonaire.com](http://www.twrbonaire.com)

I'm sharing these two stories with you because you can be part of them and a lot more as you pray for TWR ministries and for me as I prepare to leave to join the team in Bonaire. Would you prayerfully consider partnering with me in this ministry?



Speaking Hope to the World

Things to pray about:

For my ministry partnership development (raising support in prayer and finances); I hope to join the team quickly.

For the team in Bonaire:

For encouragement, for a station director, and for Jonas (technical director) and Salome's daughter who will have to start school in April but there are no openings.

**My Vision:** I serve God with TWR by supporting systems for broadcasting His truth and hope to listeners in their heart language.

## DID YOU KNOW THIS ABOUT TWR?

- Broadcasts in 230+ languages on 1,500+ local AM, FM and other outlets worldwide.
- Has partners, offices or working representatives in 80+ countries and regions.
- Distributes programs by satellite in Africa and Europe.
- Provides online audio, video and text in 70+ languages via web portal TWR360, which receives over a half million visits monthly from 220+ countries and territories.



Source: TWR

## Shine Bonaire's Reach

In the months since the Power Up dedication, responses from listeners indicate those goals are being realized. One message to Shine 800 AM, the newly adopted name for the Bonaire broadcasts, came from

a listener more than 2,000 miles away, beyond the expected to reach of the new signal. "For the first time, I was able to tune into your station, arriving loud and clear in Mexico. Thanks to God for this

radio ministry, now with more power, to bring the message of salvation to more people!"

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Shine AM800 coverage map (Orange is new coverage after powerup in 2018)

Source: TWR

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