

## Stav's News, April 2019

**May you have a happy & blessed Easter**

**Celebration of The Lord's goodness**



### **Arrival of Transmitter, West Africa Transmitter Site**

**Eswatini.** (Swaziland) We have been house sitting for Greg & Ingrid while they are on furlough. It is time for us to move as they return in a little over a week. The house next door is being renovated, so we plan to move into the bachelor cottage here for about six weeks. It will be a relief for Stephen to hand over the extra hats that he has been wearing for the finance and office manager work.

Lorraine was very a happy to be able to network with some ladies to help the TWR Women of Hope work to move forward in Eswatini. If you would like a prayer calendar, please contact Lorraine at [lstavrop@twr.org](mailto:lstavrop@twr.org)

**Staff -Urgent** -Please pray for the Lord to provide us with two engineers because one left last year and another one is leaving at the end of this year.

We thank the Lord for providing good candidates to interview for local maintenance personnel positions. One looks like a suitable understudy for our maintenance manager who retires in under three years.



### **Programming.**

We are excited to share some good listener response with you from all over Africa including a report on the airing of the Jesus Film audio track.

**West Africa Transmitter Station (WATS).** Stephen continues to assist via email and WhatsApp. The transmitter arrived safely from Europe in container number one. Container number two is now on its way from the USA with essential equipment like air-conditioning to cool the transmitter and a dummy load to test the transmitter and enable further testing after re tuning it to the new frequency. Once that equipment is installed then Stephen, assisted by a second engineer will go to Benin to commission the transmitter. Possibly in July. An inspection by the local authority went well this month when someone came to see how the project was progressing.



Transmitter in position in the building. Lots of wiring, cabling etc. still needed!

“Now that I am old and grey, don't forsake me. Give me time to tell this new generation about all your mighty miracles. Psalm 71:18

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

**Stephen & Lorraine**

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## Listener response

A TWR Africa Medium Wave & TWR Africa App listener from Manicaland, **Zimbabwe**, recently sent this encouraging note to us:

“On March 15 the area where I live was devastated by a tropical cyclone. Certain people I knew perished in the storm. **I found comfort from Dr Stephen Davey's message** (broadcast on TWR Africa March 23rd) entitled Nature Gone Wild. I pray that God may bless your ministry in more profound ways!”

Our area ministry Director for **East Africa** sent this prayer request to us: (Names changed to initials to protect their identity)

Please consider praying for our presenter of the “The Way of Righteousness” in the Nubian language in Uganda. We got the following message from our team in the country:

“I wish I can call you brother, but you are not my brother. You gave up Islam and chose to become an apostate. How can you give up on Islam? I do remember you. We talk about you at your home village often. We listen all your teachings on mp3 and never miss an opportunity to listen to what you have to say. I once asked Sheikh H (whom you admire as he taught you the Quran from the beginning) what he thought of you. Sheikh Y answered, “C was one of the brightest men at this village and I respect him and love him a lot”. Do you see what your own sheikh says about you, even though you gave up Islam? Expect to meet Allah anytime, C. Death might take you by surprise. That is why I love death more than life since it is such a relief from this life and all its pains. May Allah make it possible for you and me to meet together in Al-Jannah .”

*Al -Jannah is the literal term for “paradise”.*

Please pray for C and for this friend of his who wrote to him. That God would touch his heart through him listening to these programs, and change his life!

Sphiwe shared about listener groups in northern **Mozambique**. In March. Of the radio receivers that have been distributed, she learned that several had started three radio listening groups per radio! Listening to SW from Swaziland, they take turns with each listening group having the radio for one week. Then, the fourth week, they get all three radio listening groups together and discuss what they have learned.

In the second attached pdf, you can see a gathering of 270 listeners who take turns listening to just five radios that have been distributed to them. They indicated that there are more that listen, who could not come.

**listeners of the Jesus Film** – across various languages and countries.

Here are the stats with some individual responses.

	<u>2019 January</u>
<b>English Kenya</b>	166
<b>English SA</b>	2
<b>Fulfulde</b>	461
<b>Hausa</b>	1274
<b>Ndebele</b>	7
<b>Shona</b>	10
<b>Somali</b>	564
<b>Swahili</b>	255
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>2739</u></b>

- Elders wrote: In Kakuma we fellowship in three different camps, and each camp heard the Christmas programs. We are asking if we could have some CD recorded with this story so that we watch in our own homes! All in all, the story was heard and most of us the committee heard the stories of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Thank you. Somalia
- You have crowned my Christmas with the lessons on the life of Jesus! You have given me more Hope for the coming year. I have learnt so much about God's love for me and the power of His son. If Jesus performed miracles for others, He can do the same for me. May the Lord bless you. Kenya
- For sure the program has blessed my heart and lifted my spirit in the Lord. On the other hand, it has removed hopelessness and now I am hopeful that Heaven is where I will go. Kenya
- Please pray for me as I heard your Story of Jesus. I am a M\*\*\*\*\* and I will be calling you. Nigeria
- I am happy with the story of Jesus, it touches my heart, and I need to accept Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. Thank you so much. Hausa, Nigeria
- Greetings in the precious Name of our Lord Jesus. I truly, truly enjoyed the series on the story of Jesus as written by Dr Luke. I felt like I was living through it -awesome. So glad I am saved. Glory to God in the highest. South Africa
- I listened to the broadcast with my extended family relatives, the story of Jesus gave me an opportunity to share with them about salvation. What an opportunity! Thank you. Zimbabwe