

THE FROST FILES

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Dear friends,

Greetings from Cary, North Carolina! Spring has sprung here in the Tarheel State and is one of the nicest times of the year.

Life (Somewhat) Returning to Normal

I grew up in Maine and there is a road sign on I-95 as you enter the state on the Piscataqua River Bridge in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The sign reads, "Maine- the way life should be." For those of us who serve here in the Cary office, life is slowly returning to the way it should be.

I'm finally back in my office after almost two months of displacement due to the December 22nd fire. I would say that the situation was very unsettling for a significant part of the staff and perhaps the most difficult situation with which I've been personally involved in 37 years of fulltime ministry. However, the Lord has been faithful with His grace and the staff has worked together to make the most of a stressful time.



Most of the staff have returned to their offices, however the southwest wing of the building is in the process of being completely reconstructed. The TWR Women of Hope and Spanish Department ministries will continue working in the dining room for another few months. The building has been re-carpeted, newly painted and the furniture and cubicle panels have been replaced. The insurance deductible and uncovered expenses has been fully met by TWR's generous donor friends. Praise God for His marvelous provision!

Off to the Races Again

Last month, I visited 27 churches in Virginia, Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina! It's a typical trip in the southeast US, which I call a "grand tour." These four states are close to North Carolina, so I don't need to travel by plane. I still drove over 1500 miles in four days continuing to build relationships with churches that I have visited on two occasions in the past.

This month Shelley and I will travel to California for some visits with personal missionary supporters and churches that support TWR. We'll spend some time with our daughter Rachel and her husband Matt in Riverside, CA. Shelley will return to North Carolina on April 15th and I'll continue on to the Sacramento and San Francisco areas to visit churches. Overall, I'll connect with 21 churches on this trip. In May, I'll participate in InterChange 2018, which is a conference of churches and mission agencies in Philadelphia and connect with 19 churches during this trip.





Shine 800 AM Taking Gospel to Millions More

A new era in Christian broadcasting to Latin America and the Caribbean started on January 30th as TWR dedicated the most powerful radio station in the Western Hemisphere. TWR President Lauren Libby joined ministry staff, board members, supporters and invited guests on the island of Bonaire to celebrate the launching of the new 450,000-watt transmitter. When the transmitter at Shine 800 AM was turned on, the potential audience for gospel broadcasts to places like Cuba, Venezuela and Brazil doubled to 100 million.

Listeners in areas previously unreached by the Bonaire broadcasts have long hoped for a stronger signal. In Venezuela the need is even greater amid the country's political and economic crisis. Gabriel Fernandez, director of TWR's RTM Venezuela, said many local radio stations that carried RTM programs have been closed by the government, making Shine 800 AM's upgraded coverage of the entire country especially critical.



A far-reaching radio signal can minister deeply to those who are dealing with hunger, drug addiction, loneliness, the stronghold of false religions, or who simply love to study God's Word. Shine 800 AM Bonaire will take the gospel farther and stronger throughout Latin America.



Guam Diesel Generator Project

Since the 1970s, TWR has been broadcasting across Asia from our shortwave station, KTWR, on the island of Guam. More than 10 hours of programming are aired daily in 18 languages that reach into 22 countries in central and east Asia and Australia. TWR's team of missionary engineers, mechanics, and computer technicians maintain six antenna arrays and three high-power transmitters.

Having a stable electricity supply is the most important factor associated with broadcasting programs from the Guam broadcast site. The greatest threat to a stable electricity supply is a typhoon that can knock out power lines or cause damage to the power plants on the island. Many typhoons have struck Guam over the years and having a backup generator is a necessity to stay on the air at full power.



The current generator is 23 years old and requires us to reduce the transmitters to 50 percent power, and its age means it is increasingly difficult to get the parts needed to maintain it. We plan to increase our broadcast hours at KTWR, so it is becoming even more critical to have a generator in place that can power all the transmitters in the event of a power failure or unstable supply. Pray for God's provision of \$135,000 toward replacing the KTWR backup generator.

Thank you for your prayers and support for our missionary work! God bless you!

Serving the King,

Wayne and Shelley

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