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McGui Report

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Bonaire Power Up – ON AIR!! –

We assisted at TWR Bonaire from January 4 to February 4 with the last phase of this project – the installation of the new, higher power, 400,000-watt AM transmitter, plus the preparations for the dedication that occurred on January 30.



◀ **19 Jan.** – The transmitter is tested at 200,000 watts into the dummy load. Here, Jonas and Dave review the readings of the power modules to make sure all are working properly.

20 Jan. – Josh ▶ and Tom King make the final adjustments to the four-tower antenna system in preparation for applying high power.



◀ **22 Jan.** – The transmitter was able to reach full power. Here, Jonas observes the transmitter's computer screen showing 440,000 watts, the maximum limit.

23 Jan. – 'All ▶ eyes were on deck' while tone tests were done at 440,000 watts to test all parts of the system to their maximum. This included the electrical system, transmitter and antenna system.



◀ **26 Jan.** – As Dedication Day neared, the inside and outside of the transmitter building was cleaned and 'spruced up'. Here, Virginia is cleaning concrete splatter from the window by the new transmitter.

30 Jan. – Food ▶ was served by Joyce, Sandy and Virginia at a reception held before the dedication ceremony.



30 Jan. – TWR's president Lauren Libby met with Governor Edison Rijna of Bonaire just before the dedication. The Governor mentioned in his speech

that his father had worked for TWR Bonaire climbing and painting towers in its early days of ministry.

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A group from ► the International Bible Church provided the music for the service. Most of the group are members of the Francees family.



Cuban broadcaster Pastor Alberto Gonzales was the featured speaker on Dedication Day. He is greatly encouraged that the more powerful signal more adequately covers even the western end of his country.

With the increase in power, reception reports have been received from Norway and Montana (in the northern hemisphere) and from Argentina. The signal is clear in Florida and Colombia and was heard even in Elkhart. **Please pray** that the improved signal will result in many more souls being saved by the Gospel of Christ!

Family Updates

As always, we greatly appreciate your prayers not only for us and for TWR, but also for all five of our sons, their wives, and 15+ grandchildren!

This letter is being written from our son Philip's home in Bonners Ferry, Idaho. We left Indiana on April 4 and traveled to LeTourneau University for Larry's 50th



◀Cardboard and duct tape boats race across the pond at LeTourneau.

class reunion. From there we traveled to see relatives in Colorado and Boise, Idaho, plus visit three national



A wall of uncovered bones at Dinosaur National Monument

monuments and one national park. After almost 4,000 miles of driving, we arrived at Bonners Ferry, where we plan to spend two weeks with Philip's family, before beginning the 2,000+ mile trek back to Indiana. We hope to be back home by May 7 after visiting several more national parks and monuments along the way. **Pray** with us for a trouble-free return journey.

Allan – and his family are looking forward to having Mark home for the summer after his first year at Cedarville University. **Pray** for a summer job for him.

Joshua – and family moved into their 'new' South Bend, Indiana home in late March. **Thank you for praying!** The closing on their former house occurred about a week before the closing on their 'new' one. Josh is grateful for the 10-minute drive to work instead of the hour one from our house. **Pray** as they are expecting their second child in July.

May–July at TWR Cary?

With the fire that occurred at TWR headquarters just before Christmas [<https://twr.org/americas/news/twrs-us-office-building-catches-fire>], work on an ongoing third floor construction project was postponed as those workers were reassigned to the fire repair project. Lauren Libby would like both projects completed by early July. Earlier this week, Larry, plus two other TWR missionaries (living in the U.S. but not in Cary), received an urgent email from TWR Cary requesting help as soon as possible. With our current travels already underway, this means starting later in May. Please **pray** for us (Virginia can also help) as we consider plans for this unanticipated project and trip.

Listeners' Responses to TWR Programs

India 2018: Celebrating 40 Years

By TWR Canada President Ray Alary

I'm in India for two specific reasons. First, I am here to be part of TWR India's 40th anniversary celebration. All those years ago, they started in five languages; while we are here, they are launching their 100th language. That sounds like a lot and it is, but for this country there is still a long way to go. Their goal is to be in 150 languages by 2020.

The celebration was the largest I have ever seen in all my years with TWR, with over 2,000 people in attendance. I met one man who had traveled four days by train from the Punjab region to be a part of the celebration. To see these 2,000 people all together was a sight to see all by itself. The final service was on the beach, and most of the people simply sat on the sand for the service, which lasted almost three hours.

TWR India broadcasts in major languages into India from three locations. This radio ministry has received incredible response rates over the years. Over the last 40 years, there have been times when they received over 50,000 responses in a single month! More recently, TWR India has been able to establish over 5,000 radio home groups in the country.

What is a radio home group? New technology allows TWR India to produce programs in local languages and put these recordings on an SD card, which then goes into a media player. Seven to ten people then come together in local communities once a week to listen to the programs, discuss them and learn together. The impact from this has been amazing with over a thousand new groups being established each year! *[Many of these have become established churches]*

TWR India is unique in another way. In spite of the poverty in the country, the local people cover 50% of the cost of running the ministry. This is exceptional for a country where financial resources are scarce. It is a clear indication of how important reaching the nation with the gospel is to them. TWR Canada assists financially with the media players. For every dollar we raise for the players, they raise the same amount in India. This is a wonderful model as it clearly demonstrates partnership in ministry.

Being in India for the celebration was wonderful; seeing the radio church leaders and their excitement to evangelize the nation served as an encouragement to strengthen the partnership and to be part of helping them achieve their goal of broadcasting in 150 languages and having radio home groups in those languages. I can see the day when there will be not 5,000 radio home groups but many times that number!

I saw Matthew 28:19 being fulfilled right before my eyes. People from every tongue and nation were rejoicing before the Lord. The exciting part of all of this is that Indian Christians are evangelizing their own nation, and we get to be part of that by supplying the technology to make it happen.

Source: TWR Canada Speaking Hope Update – 22 March 2018 [excerpts from]

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West Africa – “Pastor, you cannot know how much your messages teach me. The teaching you give is fundamental to the life of every child of God. It was through your messages that I knew Jesus who transformed my life. Before I did not go to church; I spent my Sundays in beer parlors. Today, thanks to your broadcasts, I am reconciled with God and the body of Christ. Thank you very much.”

Source: Stav's News – Easter 2018

South Africa – “Greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. It is indeed a great honour for me to find an opportunity to communicate with you at TWR. I always wanted to, yet I relied on my Christian brothers who were here next to me, in the same section of the prison. I used their material and the information you shared with them, to feed my soul with your spiritual teaching and encouragement.”

“I am now left alone here, like on an island since my brothers are no longer in the same section, they have been moved to other sections and prisons. I used to listen to TWR and pray along with you and learn from God, through your material and the radio programs. I would therefore, like to request from you, if possible, to send me Christian material and help me with a radio. Since, it is near impossible for me to get one in this situation. I have been born again since 1992 and fell, for I was no longer fellowshiping. I associated with bad company. I am a 41-year-old father of five and husband to my dear wife, whom is a Christian too. I repented since my incarceration in 2009, and I am now sentenced to 20 years from 2016. I miss my family but I am holding on to God's mercy and grace! In Psalm 37:25 David says, “**My times are in your (the Lord's) hands.**”

“Thank you very much for your spiritual contribution in my life and the enlightenment by your Christian material.”

Praise God for those in prisons, whose lives are transformed by God through the ministry of TWR.

Source: James Burnett – TWR Testimony – 8 March 2108

Ivory Coast – “I live in Abengourou where I listen to your programs in Baoulé Language. Your messages do not only work spiritually; God uses them to heal and restore homes. I had repudiated my wife and for two years she's been living out of my house because she went to an evangelical church while I'm a Muslim and Allah does not permit a woman to disobey her husband. I got sick, and in my sick bed, I started listening to your programs and I understood that Jesus can heal. I wanted to tell my wife to ask her pastor to come and pray for me, but shame prevented me from doing so. Then I asked the pastor of another church to come and pray for me, ordering him not to say anything to my wife or Muslim brothers. After the prayer, I got my healing. Today, I know that the God of the Christians is real. Today, I have decided to follow this God, and bring my wife home. I know that it is a decision that could cause a lot of confusion in my extended family and in the mosque. Please pray for me.

Source: Stav's News – Easter 2018

West Africa – “This month, I invited my elder sister to listen with me to the good news of Jesus Christ through your broadcast. My goal was that God would touch her heart. I bless the Lord: she gave her life to Jesus Christ. Pray for us so that we may remain strong to face the anger of our father who is a Muslim and especially that he does not push my sister into forced marriage.”

Source: Stav's News – Easter 2018