

Meet the (NEW!) Staff



Dan Close

Background: Wyoming Valley native, currently lives in Shavertown; fan of the Phillies, Eagles and Flyers; worked in radio news.

Personal: Married to Jeri for 12 years, they have a 4-year old son named Elijah, and two cats.

Favorite Verse: Galatians 2:20

Favorite Quote: It is finished! (Jesus)

Favorite Food: Seafood (especially lobster!)

Dream Vacation: The Holy Land

Hobbies: Drumming/music & cartooning

"I grew up in a Christian home and was saved at a young age. I never had an exact date or an amazing story as to when I trusted in Jesus as my Lord and Savior - but, I remember questioning my mother at many bed time tuck-ins about what I needed to "do" in order to be saved. I've always pointed to one of those chats with my mom as "the hour I first believed."

As the years go by, I can look back at how the Holy Spirit has guided me through life in the decisions, actions and reactions I've had and made. I've come to realize it's not about an amazing salvation story, just His amazing grace!"



Jessica Harvey

Background: Grew up in California, but her time in Colorado made her a Bronco fan; has lived in the Wyoming Valley for the past 16 years.

Personal: Married to Steve, pastor of the Hunlock Creek Brethren in Christ Church, two grown children and five grandchildren, two parrots, two cats and one dog.

Favorite Verse: Daniel 12:3

Favorite Food: Mexican

Dream Vacation: Alaska

Hobbies: leading ladies' Bible studies & spending time with grandchildren

"I was raised in a Christian home so prayer and Bible reading were a regular part of my life. My two sisters and I would even play church. As a teenager in CA the big tent revivals were taking place. They would show Christian movies and Christian bands would play. It was a wonderful time in my life.

I must have gone up five times for the altar calls before a nice youth leader told me "I think you're already saved." I told him I wasn't sure, so that is why I kept going up. He explained things to me, and shortly after I was asked to be at the altar to pray for those seeking salvation. It was just awesome!"

From us to you...



August 2013

To the WRGN listening family,

We face challenges every day. For some, it can be as simple as the challenge of getting up in the morning...for others it can be a diagnosis we don't want to hear, still others face a daily struggle with work or an unbelieving spouse.

Many times, how we face those challenges depends on where we place our trust. In 2 Thessalonians 1:4, **Paul writes about the faith demonstrated “in all your persecutions and in the afflictions that you are enduring.”**

Our goal at WRGN is to build you up in that faith, whether it be through teachers like Chip Ingram, music that encourages and brings peace, or the chuckle you get hearing Doug and Tim together each weekday morning. Individuals and families need to hear positive and uplifting messages to strengthen their faith through the Word of God that brings life to all who believe.

The phone rings daily here at the studio with people suffering physically, emotionally or spiritually. Rest assured that, as Paul goes on to say, “*we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling... so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.*”

We, too, desire to be worthy of the calling, and ask that you pray for us, and continue to support the ministry of Christian radio. We cannot do this without you and your faithfulness.

Giving thanks to God for you,

Tim + Heather

Tim & Heather Madeira

Can you do missions...at home?

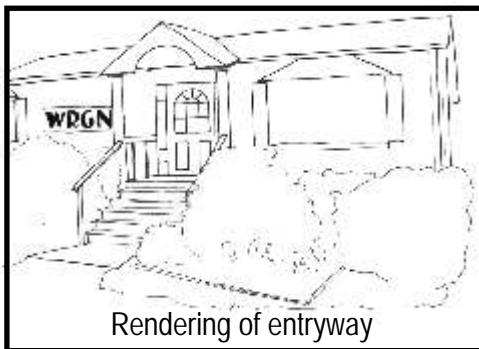
The weather has taken a toll on WRGN's front door and our listeners have taken notice. Last week, one of our supporters who does construction stopped by with a catalog of doors and told us to pick one out and he would install it for us! What he didn't know was that someone had already donated money for the purchase of the door (see **R e c e n t B l e s s i n g s** below) and we just needed someone to put it in.

As we spoke, we mentioned the need to repair the railings as well, and as with most projects, it grew. Protection is needed to cover the landing at the top of the stairs, and that led to discussion of re-shingling the roof, which is over 20 years old! Have you had projects around your house that

grew that way?

This is where you come in. We are looking for experienced volunteers who can help. Can you shingle? Can you provide food for the workers? Can you paint? Call us! We are putting together a list of volunteers for this fall project. If you have ever thought, "I would love to do mission work but I can't

get away..." well this could be your opportunity! We expect the project to take 2 - 3 days under the direction of our "project manager."



Rendering of entryway

Call today if you would like to have your name added to the list of potential volunteers. We are in the planning stages, so the exact date for the project has yet to be determined, but it will be this fall. Call 1-800-245-3688 to be kept "in the loop!"

Current Needs

- Copier
- Sound deadening material for the production room
- Re-shingle the station roof
- Seal Coat Parking Lot
- ~~New Front Door~~

Recent Blessings

- Copier from Roaring Brook Baptist Church
- Sound Equipment from Back Mountain Harvest
- Laptop Computer
- \$1000 towards new front door project

Save the Dates!

~ **Saturday, August 17** ~
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
WRGN Ride for Radio

~ **Sunday, September 15** ~
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
See You At The Pole pre-Rally
at Baptist Bible College, Clarks Summit,
with Sidewalk Prophets

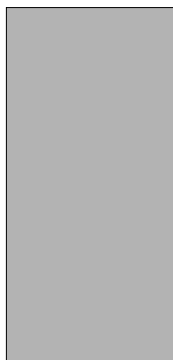
~ **Wednesday, September 25** ~
7:00 – 8:00 a.m.
See You At The Pole LIVE!
on WRGN

~ **Monday, October 14** ~
6:30 – 9:30 p.m.
WRGN Fall Skate
Skate-A-Way in Wilkes-Barre

~ **Tuesday - Friday** ~
November 5th - 8th
WRGN Share-A-Thon

~ **Saturday, December 7** ~
Christmas Banquet & Concert
with Damaris Carbaugh
Ramada Inn, Wilkes-Barre

Marcus Hernandez, Emily Mattocks & Luke Mattocks



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Shirley Tobin, Josiah, Kerilynn & Madelyn Frey



Here at the Studios



Once again it has been a very busy month at the WRGN studios - and that's just the way we like it! As you read in the last month's Radiogram, two new employees began at WRGN. We hesitate to use the word employee because we tend to think of our staff here at the studios as more of a team effort.

Judie spent 2 1/2 weeks training Jessica Harvey with administrative tasks at the station. Halfway through that training Dan Close joined us and has picked up production work that Judie had been performing since Jonathan Broscius left back in April. Dan also had on-air experience when he worked at a talk radio station doing the news. He has been joining Tim at the microphone during *Connect Live* in the mornings and will also fill in for Doug Hamilton on the morning show, *Wake Up Right* from 6:00 - 9:00 a.m. when Doug takes a well-deserved vacation to New Hampshire. We've enjoyed getting to know Jessica and Dan better and hope that you will stop by the studios and make them feel welcomed!

We had quite a few guests throughout the month who were interviewed during *Wake Up Right* in the morning. Carla Garrigan was featured in last month's Radiogram with her endeavor to pack 4,000 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. On the air, she shared with Tim her heart for this project and to see the lives of thousands ministered to as they receive a box filled with personal hygiene items as well as some fun toys. WRGN is a drop off point if you would like to share in the effort.

Elizabeth Clark from Children's Evangelism Fellowship visited the studios and told how she and her team of volunteers minister to children throughout the entire year. Summer has them sharing the Gospel through VBS programs at local churches as well as week-long camps at

Grace & Glory Camp in Hunlock Creek. During the school year they work with local school districts to provide release time for children to receive Christian education. They also conduct after school programs at various churches. If you are interested in ministering with them, visit www.cefluzerne.com for more information.

Lisa Moyer and Brenda Johnson from the Keyston Rescue Alliance shared their needs for non-perishable food pantry items to provide for those in need. Join the food drive at www.krmalliance.org

The Friends of WRGN met for their July meeting at the home of Randy and Maureen Parry in Hamlin. The Friends discussed plans for the upcoming Ride for Radio scheduled for Saturday, August 17. The 2nd Annual Ride is organized by Wendy Saxe and her faithful volunteers. Charlie Franklin, Ride Master, will coordinate a ride through beautiful NEPA and a delicious lunch will be served under the WRGN pavilion followed by an afternoon concert with the A.W.E. band. If you are interested in volunteering for the event or would like to participate, please call us at 800-245-3688.

Towards the end of July, a going away party was held for Judie May, our faithful secretary for the past seven years. It was a wonderful (almost) surprise event held in the basement of the WRGN studios. A scrapbook was presented to Judie filled with memories, well wishes, and photos from members of the Friends, mailing volunteers and other friends of the ministry. Judie has now joined her husband in Tennessee where he had to relocate for work. We miss her greatly, but pray that God will allow her to bless others there just as she had blessed us here.

Stop by the studios weekdays between 9 and 4:30 and we'd be happy to show you around the studios!



New at the Library



July was a busy month at the Good News Library as members came to check out books and videos as they prepared for summer reading and vacation. Many audio CD's were checked out for long car trips. We hope you'll come visit the Library and enjoy the thousands of resources the library has to offer. There's still time for summer reading before autumn arrives in September!

Praying God's Word for your Life by Kathi Lipp gives women the direction and Scripture we need to bring purpose and power to our prayers. Lipp shares more than 100 specific prayers for our lives, relationships, worries, mistakes, faith and more. The simple strategies she reveals will help each of us create a habit of praying with renewed boldness, consistency, and expectation.

Dr. Benjamin Carson, director of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions is also an accomplished author. In his book ***America the Beautiful - Rediscovering What Made This Nation Great***, Carson helps us learn from our past in order to chart a better course for our future. From his personal ascent from inner-city poverty to international medical and humanitarian acclaim, Carson shares experiential insights that help us understand which fundamental beliefs have guided America from her founding into preeminence among nations.

Jesus said we should focus our minds and hearts on God above all else. "Wisdom tells us to sit at the feet of our elders rather than the latest ministry fad." In Kyle Strobel's new book, ***Formed for the Glory of God - Learning from the Spiritual Practices of Jonathan Edwards***, we find deep thought balanced with deep passion. Through his writings and practices, Edwards provides us with the tools - the "means of grace" - that make us receptive to God's work in our lives as we learn to abide in Christ.

Steven Curtis Chapman and his wife, Mary Beth have authored the children's book, ***You Were Always in My Heart*** which tells the life-changing adoption experience of the Chapman family. Readers will fly along with a little ladybug named Dot as she stumbles across a mysterious bundle - a baby girl left on a pathway near a Chinese village. Dot promises to stay with the little one as she journeys across oceans and continents to a place she will finally call home.

Toddlers will enjoy reading the book ***Lift the Flap Bible Stories***. The book is filled with charming illustrations for each of the featured Bible stories. Little hands will enjoy peeking under each of the flaps to find hidden objects.

Visit the Good News Library located at the WRGN studios, weekdays from 9:00 - 4:30.



(above)

Ruth Moose brought her daughter, Sarah Mokwa, and granddaughters, Ella and Anna, to the library



(right)

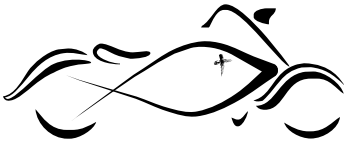
Jennifer Miner with her children

Summertime Reading!



Too late for a T-Shirt, but not too late to go!

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Ride for Radio

Registration Form

Please fill out and mail in the information below or register online at www.wrgn.com/rideforradio.php

We'll see you at 10 A.M. on August 17th!

If you have any questions regarding your registration, please contact us at

Please complete all information:

Driver Name: _____ \$25.00

Passenger: _____ \$20.00

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

phone: _____ email: _____

***Don't ride but want to join us for lunch and the concert?
Call 1-800-245-3688 for details!***

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