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It's one of the highlights of the WRGN year: our annual "More Than a Yard Sale!" This year's event is Saturday, June 2 at the Saxe homestead, 211 Bethel Hill Road, Sweet Valley (near Ricketts Glen State Park) and our volunteers are already hard at work preparing to make this year's sale the best yet! Mark your calendars and make plans to attend the sale from 8 am to 3 pm.

Start the day with a delicious breakfast of pancakes & sausage or a breakfast sandwich, coffee and orange juice from our food stand. Then, stroll through the various tents to search for holiday decorations, children's toys, gently used books, or craft items. Visit the barn filled with household items including dishes, glassware, tools, electronics, small appliances, picture frames, lamps, and so much more! Homemade ice cream will be available beginning at 10 am! Our famous plant stand will feature vegetable plants, annual and perennial flowers, herbs, houseplants, and beautiful hanging baskets. Have your gardening questions ready and our plant experts will be happy to give you some horticultural advice! Visit the baked goods stand and enjoy some delicious homemade items from our amazing volunteer bakers.

The WRGN Yard Sale is cohosted by Art & Barb Saxe and Ray & Sharon Cease and their huge team of volunteers. From sorting and cleaning donated items to setting up tents, to pricing, to serving food, volunteers are the backbone of this event. While there is much work to be done, volunteers have forged new friendships around the common goal of supporting WRGN.

In order to make this year's sale a success we need your donations. Items may be dropped off at the Yard Sale grounds beginning Monday, May 14 from 10 am - 3 pm weekdays or other times by appointment by calling 570-357-1688. We do not accept clothing, large appliances, TVs, old computers, or upholstered furniture. To volunteer or make a donation, call the WRGN studios at 800-245-3688. See you for WRGN's More Than a Yard Sale on June 2!

#### From us to you...



May 2018

To the WRGN listening family,

Decisions. Some are hard and some are easy; some have a big impact and some don't seem to matter much at all! Do you find decision making hard? For me, the hardest decisions to make are the ones that affect others. We recently celebrated a wonderful Circle the Square with Prayer in conjunction with the National Day of Prayer. There was a lot of consideration and counsel that went into the event itself, but it was the decision making the day of the event that caused the most stress!

As you may remember, the day started out beautifully. However, thunderstorms raced across the state and by late afternoon it became evident that there was a good possibility they were going to hit here just as the prayer service on Public Square in Wilkes-Barre would begin at 6 pm. Those who were there huddled to talk about what to do, and ultimately, at about 4:45 pm we made the decision to move the service to Mt. Zion Baptist Church—now I just had to let Pastor Michael Brewster know we were moving it to his building! He was very gracious as about 300 people crammed in for the prayer service. Unbelievably, we were even able to start on time! One man told me afterwards it was the most amazing thing he had ever been a part of, and I have been hearing from others that it was an awesome display of the theme of the day, which just happened to be UNITY!

It's not always easy to get everyone on the same page, but the book of Proverbs speaks several times about the wisdom that is to be found in counsel. Lately, whenever anyone asks how they can pray for me, I have been saying, pray for WISDOM! The work here at WRGN and the work at our sister station, WIVH, is Kingdom work, and it does indeed affect others. Our desire is to be good stewards of what God has given us, but not be afraid to step out in faith. It was a leap of faith that caused us to increase our Mission Possible goal by \$10,000 due to the effects of Hurricane Maria, and it was God's provision, through you, that allowed us not only meet that goal but surpass it by over \$4,000!

Please continue to pray for wisdom, strength, and unity as our work team heads to St. Croix from May 15-22. It is our desire to get the job done and be a good testimony in the process!

Thankful for your prayers,

Tim + Heather

Tim & Heather Madeira

### **Mission Possible Reaches Goal**



Praise God from whom all blessings flow! We praised God on Friday, April 27 as we set aside our regular programming and dedicated the day to raising funds for WIVH, our sister missionary radio station in the US Virgin Islands! And what a Mission POSSIBLE it was! We reached our goal of \$25,000 just after 7:15 pm and were able to return to regular programming at 7:30 pm. Since then another \$4,000 has come in above and beyond the Mission Possible goal!

Most of those funds will go towards the repair of the WIVH studios which lost a portion of its roof during last year's Hurricane Maria, as well as replacing damaged broadcast equipment and preparing WIVH for the next 25 years of ministry! The remaining funds raised will go toward the annual operating expenses of WIVH.

We anticipate that donations from residents of St. Croix, St. Thomas, and St. John may be down this year as they are putting their own homes and lives back together following the hurricanes. We know that some island residents lost everything in the storms.

Our general manager, Tim Madeira, will be traveling to St. Croix this month with a work team including Danny Brubaker, Terry Daltroff, Wayne Morgan, Scott Pearson, and Alan Williams. Please keep these men in your prayers as they have much to accomplish in a short amount of time!

# HERE AT THE STUDIOS



It's the most wonderful time of the year! While we usually think of that line from the song sung around the holidays, we at WRGN think that it applies to spring as well! It's the time of year when we have the most face-to-face contact with our listeners between the National Day of Prayer event, our annual Book Sale, Mission Possible, the Yard Sale, and our Ride for Radio, all held in the span of 10 weeks!

The Good News Library's annual Big Book Sale is set for May 17-19 and we will accept donations for the sale until Tuesday, May 15! Our special thanks to the Good News librarian Terry Perrine for all of her work in sorting through the books that have been generously donated by our WRGN listeners! She was recently helped by our faithful volunteers from the Campbell family! Mom, Leisa Campbell, and her two sons, Ethan and Aiden, helped sort through hundreds of books.

All of the books are then categorized to make them easier for our buyers to find during the sale. We have Christian books for men, women, books on marriage and parenting, social issues, devotionals, prayer and Bible study. We also have books for Pastors on various ministry

topics as well as theology and assorted commentaries. Our sale also includes christian fiction, and general nonfiction books on gardening, cooking history, and biographies. We have extended hours on Thursday & Friday until 7 pm so our bibliophiles can stop by after work and of course, Saturday hours from 9 am - noon.

Our "More Than a Yard Sale" is set for Saturday, June 2 and we're looking forward to a great day of fellowshipping with our listeners! Read the cover story of this month's Radiogram for all of the details!

The first Saturday of summer is our 7th Annual Ride for Radio. We'll meet at the WRGN studios for check-in and kickstands up will be at 10:30 am as motorcyclists will depart for a 70-mile ride around NEPA's beautiful countryside! Riders will then return to the WRGN studios and enjoy a grill-style lunch and live music! See page 7 to register.

It's an exciting time at WRGN and we hope to see you at one of these events. If you are interested in volunteering or have a donation for the Book Sale, Yard Sale, or our Ride for Radio, call WRGN at 800-245-3688!





Students from CRU at Misericordia University, pictured with Promotions Director Laura Madeira, prayed for educational institutions during the noon prayer walk.

Nearly 300 people and 15 churches participated in Circle the Square with Prayer, the National Day of Prayer event in Wilkes-Barre on May 3. At noon, during prayer walks throughout the city, groups prayed for families, educational institutions and systems, businesses, government, and more. Although rain required us to cancel the 5 pm prayer walks and move the 6 pm prayer service to Mt. Zion Baptist Church, hundreds gathered there to pray and worship in unity. The service focused on humility, repentance, dependence, petition, and commitment, and included interactive elements of corporate prayer, testimonies, an object lesson, history, worship, and spoken word. We are overwhelmed with thankfulness to God for His leading, guiding, and enabling as so many believers gathered together in unity to pray for our region and our country.

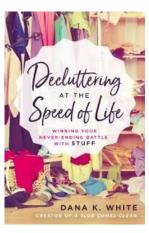
### New at the Library



The Good News Library's author of the month is John Piper. Piper served as Pastor for Preaching and Vision of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota for 33 years. His online organization, desiringgod.org, came out of his tape ministry while preaching. The organization has blossomed into an international web ministry with 12,000+ free resources and 3.5+ million monthly users. Today, Piper serves as lead teacher for the ministry.

Our monthly theme is **Travel Back in Time** as we highlight historical and biblical fiction as well as historical non-fiction books. Be sure to check out the weekly Librarian's Pick at facebook.com/wrgnfm each Thursday as Terry shares about one of her latest reads!

Just in time for spring cleaning, Decluttering at the Speed of Life, by Dana K. White is one of the new additions to the Good News Library. While the world seems to be in love with the idea of tiny houses and minimalism, many of us simply can't purge it all and start from nothing. The author identifies the mind-sets and emotional challenges that make it difficult to declutter. Then, in her signature humorous approach, she provides workable solutions to break through these struggles and get clutter out for good! As long as we're living and breathing, new clutter will appear. The good news is that decluttering can get easier, become more natural, and require significantly fewer hours, less emotional bandwidth, and little to no sweat to keep going. You don't have to live overwhelmed by stuff--you can get rid of clutter for good!





Fans of Susan May Warren's contemporary fiction will be thrilled to check out her latest novel in her Montana Rescue series, *Storm Front*. This novel focuses on Ty Remington as he searches to rescue his mentor, Chet King, along with a group of students who are missing following a tornado. Journalist Brette Arnold, blogger for Vortex Storm Chasers, didn't expect her adventures to land her in the same place as Ty, the guy who she walked--no, ran--from over a year ago. She had her reasons--good ones. The kind that tell her that falling for him again would only lead to heartache. But Ty isn't the kind of man to give up--not on the missing students or on her. This book is sure to be a popular read this summer at the Good News Library!

Remember to stop by the WRGN studios for the Good News Library's Big Book Sale from May 17-19. The sale is open Thursday and Friday, 9 am - 7 pm and Saturday, from 9 am - noon!

## **Big Book Sale May 17-19**



Volunteers Ethan, Aiden, and Leisa Campbell sorted and categorized hundreds of books for our upcoming Big Book Sale. Bargains galore will be waiting for those who still love the feel of a good book!

## WRGN's 7th Annual Ride for Radio!



#### **Registration Form**

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

#### We'll see you at 10 am on June 23

If you have any questions regarding your registration, please contact us at 800-245-3688 or email wrgn@wrgn.com

Please complete all information:

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Passenger:		size	\$25.00
Address:			_
City/State/Zip:			
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Saturday 9am - noon Thursday & Friday 9am - 7pm