



Entering our 35th Year!

Did you know that the story of WRGN is a love story? It began with WRGN founder Burl Updyke's love for radio. If you have heard him talk about the station, you can hear his passion for using this technology to reach the lost.

The story continues with the station's current general manager Tim Madeira's love for news, which led him to discover the test broadcast of WRGN while scanning the radio dial for

news, and meeting Burl Updyke for the first time.

Of course, none of this would matter without God's love for the hurting and lost as well as His body, the church. It is because of His love we do what we do, both to bring unity to the Body, and reach out to the lost.

We are **All In**, and hope you will be as well during this year's Share-A-Thon. Call and make your faith promise today at 800-245-3688.

The banner features a background of blue water ripples. At the top, the words "ALL IN" are written in large, bold, blue capital letters. To the right of this text is a circular icon containing a white silhouette of a swimmer in motion. Below the "ALL IN" text, the words "SHARE-A-THON 2018" are written in white, spaced-out capital letters. Underneath that, "NOVEMBER 7-8-9" is written in the same white, spaced-out capital letters. At the bottom of the banner, the text "Text WRGN to 66866 to partner with us in ministry!" is written in a white, italicized font.

From us to you...



November 2018

To the WRGN listening family,

What choices are you making today? We all make them from the moment we get up, to the moment we go to bed. What will we wear? What will we eat for breakfast? Which roads will we take to work? On and on the decisions go. If we woke up in the morning and pondered every choice we would have to make throughout the day, we may never get out of bed!

Our choices, big and small, impact each day in ways we may never know, but we know that those choices do have an impact. Born with no arms and no legs, Nick Vujicic has overcome many of life's challenges through strength & hope found in Jesus Christ. You may have heard him recently on *Focus On the Family* on WRGN. He shares this:

"Often people ask how I manage to be happy despite having no arms and no legs. The quick answer is that I have a choice. I can be angry about not having limbs, or I can be thankful that I have a purpose. I chose gratitude."

Gratitude, a choice? Yes, as we come into this Thanksgiving season, I encourage you to choose gratitude. As easy as it is to find someone who has more to be thankful for than we do, we can also find many with much less, who are still more thankful than we are! If nothing else, we can be thankful for the message of salvation in Ephesians 2:8, *"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God."*

Every day we share this message on WRGN, and every day we hear from listeners who are thankful for the broadcasts! We are grateful for your support of this listener supported station. YOU make this ministry possible!

With much thanks,

Tim + Heather

Tim & Heather Madeira



Promotions Director Laura Forrester gave our first *Wake Up Right* “Thank You” mug to Kristin Edwards, who stopped by the WRGN studios in person to give her pre-Share-A-Thon gift. Get yours today with a pre-Share gift of \$200 or more! Call 800-245-3688. Remember to listen to Share-a-thon, November 7-9!



Tim Madeira interviewed Tony Tophoney, Northeast Area Director of Wycliffe Associates, about their MAST Bible translation workshops. Tony will be in Scranton on November 12 to share what happens when Scripture is read to people in their heart language for the very first time! For information, or to register for this free event, call 800-475-1062.



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November - one of our favorite months of the year here at WRGN! This month we have the opportunity to connect with our listeners in a very direct way... Share-a-thon! WRGN is entering its 35th year of broadcasting and has been supported by its listeners from the very beginning. We hope you'll join us November 7-9 for our **All In** Share-a-thon as we, the staff here at the station, go **All In** by working to provide you with the latest music from your favorite Christian recording artists and programming that will help you in your daily walk with Christ. In return, we hope you will go **All In** by supporting the ministry of WRGN! Donate online at wrgn.com, text "WRGN" to 66866 or call us at 800-245-3688 to make your faith promise today!

Make plans to not just call WRGN during Share-a-thon, but also to stop by and visit us as Share-a-thon is open house at WRGN!

Matthew West joined Tim Madeira on *Wake Up Right* to talk about his song *All In* which is our theme for Share-a-thon and shared the story behind the song. He also shared about his parody on Instagram as he ushered in autumn while singing about pumpkins and fall decorations as he toured his home singing "Fall in"!

WRGN celebrated its 34th birthday on Friday, October 19. It was actually also a Friday back in 1984, when WRGN signed on the air for the first time. This year our

General Manager, Tim Madeira, played the actual audio file from the sign-on featuring Burl Updyke on both *Wake Up Right* and *Connect Live* for our current listeners to hear. Prior to 1984, there was no Christian radio in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Our deepest thanks to founders Burl & Shirley Updyke for their vision to build a Christian radio station from the ground up!

On Tuesday, October 2, a powerful thunder and lightning storm moved through our listening area. Shortly after 7 pm, a lightning strike in close proximity to the WRGN studios, took out our signal, three computers, and a switcher. Tim Madeira was in the studio when it occurred and he said, "the control room was filled with electricity!" He and Dan Close worked into the wee hours of the morning and were able to restore two of the computers. Without our switcher, the station had to be operated manually until a new one could be installed! After some very long days and nights, a used one was found in Indiana and shipped to us overnight! By Friday evening, we were back to normal operations!

The phones were ringing off the hook for the Big Church Night Out concert as WRGN gave away 40 tickets to the concert featuring Crowder, Jordan Feliz, Sarah Reeves, illusionist Brock Gill, and worship leader Jamison Strain. We're looking forward to seeing you at the concert on November 4.



Tim Madeira met with Adam Agee who lead worship prior to the recent Newsboys United concert at the Mohegan Sun Arena. Adam is a former member of the band, Audio Adrenaline.



Heather Madeira is pictured with Sandy and Steve Scarbriel, Kingston, at the recent Hope Encounter concert. Steve's mother, Kathy, is a resident of St. Thomas and enjoys listening to our sister station, WIVH in the US Virgin Islands.



The Catawissa translator is back on the air! Thanks to Don and Terry Perrine for being volunteer technicians! Fortunately, Terry didn't see any rattlesnakes like the last time they had to go there, or it might still be off the air!!



Danny Gokey with "Ma Kim" from the Keystone Mission. She was a guest of the winner of our "Make A Difference" contest for the Hope Encounter concert. Ma Kim was honored for her work with the mission.

New at the Library

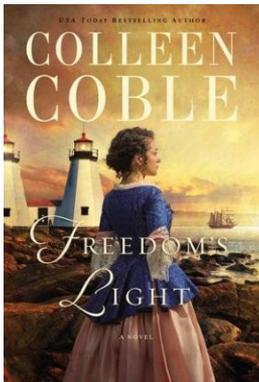
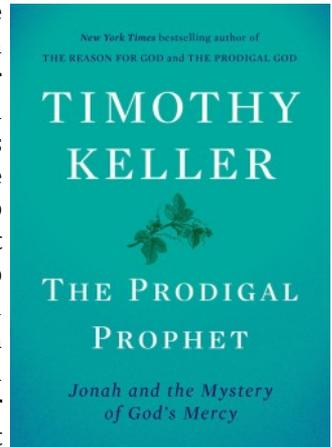


November begins a season of thankfulness and we are certainly thankful for the Good News Library! The library recently celebrated its 16th anniversary. With nearly 15,000 items in the Library's collection, there is something for everyone, from fiction and nonfiction books and DVDs to an entire section of books just for kids! Visit the library weekdays from 9-4:30 or Tuesday evenings until 7 pm. Annual memberships are just a \$5 donation.

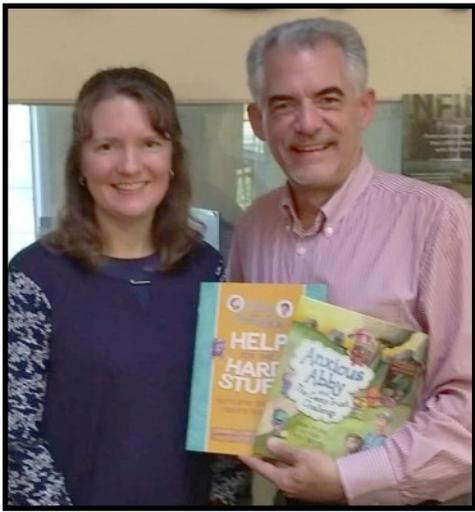
The theme for this month at the library is Salute to Service as we honor Veterans and America this month. Our authors of the month are theologians Timothy Keller and D.A. Carson who also co-founded The Gospel Coalition. Stop by the library and check out items from our theme or authors of the month.

In the the brand new release from Timothy Keller, *The Prodigal Prophet: Jonah and the Mystery of God's Mercy*, Keller reveals the hidden

depths within the book of Jonah. He makes the case that Jonah was one of the worst prophets in the entire Bible. Yet there are unmistakably clear connections between Jonah, the prodigal son, and Jesus. Jesus in fact saw himself in Jonah. Jonah's journey also doesn't end when he is freed from the belly of the fish. There is an entire second half to his story--but it is left unresolved within the text of the Bible. Timothy Keller provides an answer to the extraordinary conclusion of this biblical parable--and shares the powerful Christian message at the heart of Jonah's story. If you missed Tim Madeira's interview with Pastor Keller about the book, check it out at soundcloud.com/wrgnfm.



Colleen Coble's novel *Freedom's Light* is also a new addition to the library's collection. Hannah Thomas' world is upended when her husband is killed in one of the first battles of the Revolutionary War. Hannah is allowed to continue the difficult task of tending the twin lighthouses in her husband's place. A stormy night brings a shipwrecked sea captain to Hannah's door, and though he is a Tory, her heart is as traitorous as the dark-eyed captain. Even though she discovers he isn't the enemy he seemed at first, Hannah isn't sure their love will ever see the light of freedom.



Children's author and counselor Alyssa Cathers visited the WRGN studios and the Good News Library and shared about her children's books. Her workbooks have been distributed to children who were affected by recent hurricanes by both Convoy of Hope and chaplains with the Billy Graham Rapid Response Team. Alyssa lives in Lehigh, PA.

 A poster for 'NEW LIBRARY HOURS'. At the top is a large clock icon. Below it, the text reads:

NEW LIBRARY HOURS

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MON | 9 am - 4:30 pm
TUES | 9 am - 7 pm
 WED-FRI | 9 am - 4:30 pm
 SAT | Closed

November Features:
 Authors | Timothy Keller & D. A. Carson
 Theme | Salute to Service




Not only did teens go out to share the Gospel, 6 teens dedicated or rededicated their lives to the Lord at this year's Dare2Share LIVE! Area youth pastors are already working together to plan next year's event.

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