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The Good News Network



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Special Programming

FOUNDER'S WEEK

February 7-11

THE HOPE WITHIN US

featuring



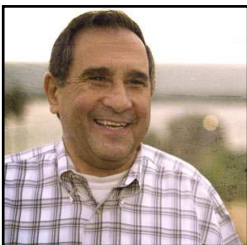
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Francis Chan



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Moody Bible Institute celebrates *The Hope Within Us* for Founder's Week. From February 7-11, WRGN listeners will be challenged to seek God's heart through biblical preaching, reverent worship and



Ravi Zacharias

uplifting fellowship. Founder's Week will be sure to encourage and inspire you. This event has been held annually since 1901, commemorating the February 5 birthday of world-renowned 19th century pastor, preacher and Moody Bible Institute founder, D.L. Moody. WRGN's regular programming of *Love Worth Finding* with Dr. Adrian Rogers will be preempted at 9:00 pm to air the following speakers beginning with **Paul Nyquist** on Tuesday; **Erwin Lutzer** on Wednesday, **Francis Chan** on Thursday, **Don Sunukjian** on Friday, and **Ravi Zacharias** at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday evening.

WatersEdge live in the studio



Noontime Music host Jonathan Broschious interviewed the musical group, WatersEdge. They will be performing at the Faith and Family Night sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Penguins on Saturday, February 4. They shared how they were “discovered” by Jeromy Deibler of FFH at Knoebels in Elysburg, PA when they opened for FFH.

WatersEdge performed two

songs live in the WRGN studios. Videos of their time with us can be seen at WRGN’s website.

They also explained the origin of the groups name from Joshua 3:15 when the priests were told to carry the ark of the covenant to the edge of the waters of the Jordan river and lead the people of Israel across on dry land.

Special Gifts

Kristy Evans in memory of Tom & Linda Biggs

Robert & Sheryl Phillips in memory of Blythe & Marlette Evans

The Mary Dutko Memorial Fund from The Luzerne Foundation

The Richard Tomek family in honor of Edith Daron’s 85th birthday

Please pray with us

PRAISE that WRGN met its Share-A-Thon goal of \$150,000 at the end of December 2011.

PRAY for wisdom concerning technical difficulties experienced during the cold temperatures of early January.

PRAISE for WRGN supporters who faithfully send notes of encouragement to brighten our days.

PRAY for Operations Manager Jonathan Broschious and his wife Johanna who are expecting their second child in March.

PRAISE for the opportunity to broadcast the Good News of the gospel over the airwaves to NEPA and the Lehigh Valley and around the world via the Internet.

PRAY for the upcoming WRGN President's Day skate that young people will be ministered to.

PRAY for Jon and Tiffany Bowman serving at WIVH in St. Croix and for their family.

PRAY for the employees and families and the entire island of St. Croix affected by the recent announcement that the Hovensa oil refinery will cease operations and become a holding facility. This will mean a reduction in employees of approximately 1800 people.

PRAY for the men who will watch the movie *Courageous* to take a stand and be better dads and husbands for their families.



Here at the studios



While we have been blessed with a very mild winter – if you don't like the cold! – cold temperatures in early January caused issues with the studio transmitter link (STL) at the tower site in Sweet Valley. The low temperatures caused the STL to cease working. Tim and Jonathan put a spare unit into operation and the station was only off the air for about two hours.

Our Operations Manager Jonathan Brosscious enjoys hosting *Noontime Music* and from time to time he is able to interview an individual about an event or ministry that they are involved with. Just before Christmas he spoke with Bill Birch from *Providing Hope Ministries* about a program called *Christmas Angel* which provides gifts to children whose parents were in the Luzerne County Correctional Facility. The number of children in the program had dramatically increased last year, and Bill was looking for more people to provide gifts and shop for the children. As a result of the interview, a Freeland listener called and volunteered to provide gifts for all of the children in the Hazleton area. Thank you to our Freeland listener for answering God's call.

We also had a live report from David Madeira at the *National Right to Life March* in Washington D.C. David said the streets were packed and buses lined

Constitution Avenue. He had traveled to the U.S. Capital with his church from Pittsburgh. He was encouraged by the crowds of people of all ages calling attention to the sanctity of human life. David and his wife, Melanie, have a seven-year old son with Down syndrome who was featured on our January 2012 *Radiogram* cover.

Connect Live! was busy throughout the month with ten new callers. We received two calls from residents of Tortola which is a part of the British Virgin Islands. One had just discovered WIVH that very day. David from St. Thomas was a first time caller who had also just discovered WIVH. We learned of a couple from St. Croix who live on a 38' boat in the harbor at Christiansted and run Good News Clubs during the school year. The wife had called in just as she was about to take a swim off the boat! During Burl & Shirley's recent trip to St. Croix they were able to meet this couple.

We heard from Jack in Montoursville who was listening to WRGN on his iPad. He thanked the staff at WRGN for all the work that we do. Chris Frey was one of the winners of the devotional book offered in January and sent a note after receiving the book: "...your station is not only a tool but I consider you guys like a family. Keep doing what you guys are doing for the Glory of God!"

The Bookstore is popular feature of the Good News Library



Cailley and Kaitlyn Zarnowski, Dupont

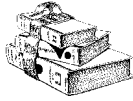


Caleb and Roger Boston, Shickshinny

A (BIG) trip to the Library



Josia Thomas, Benjamin Thomas, Rebecca Thomas, Hannah Thomas, Ashley Bowman, Cody Cragle, Jakob Daum, Koltun Hummel, Jarrett Daum, Sherry Daum, Lillie Bowman, Dawn Hummel, Edith Thomas (baby)



New at the Library



The Good News Library was very busy during January with members stocking up on books and DVDs to enjoy during the cold winter nights. Several individuals renewed their membership and we had many who stopped by for a new membership. The Library has nearly 15,000 items for people of all ages to enjoy.

There are books for the theologian, the new believer, and the mom trying to schedule homeschooling in amongst the laundry and meals. For children, there is everything from board books for toddlers to biographies of missionaries serving overseas. There is something for everyone at the Good News Library.

Just in time for Valentine's Day, *Small Things with Great Love – Adventures in Loving Your Neighbor* by Margo Starbuck will open your eyes to the people around you and the huge impact you can have on them through small acts of love. Starbuck shares, “The regular stuff of our lives – the commute to work and the potlucks and home improvement projects and errands and play dates – are the exact places in which we express and experience God's love for a world in need.”

Acclaimed worship leader Darlene Zschech has written *The Art of Mentoring – Embracing the Great Generational Transition*. Zschech says that the “church needs large-hearted leadership willing to move beyond personal struggles and emotional triggers for the sake of others. It needs passionate, relational leaders, willing to mentor and be mentored, to give a thriving, living legacy to future generations.” Join Zschech for a journey into the heart of mentoring and see how intergenerational leadership radically impacts the kingdom in ways you could never do alone.

A true story, *The Color of Rain*, by Michael and Gina Spehn shares a remarkable story of faith, hope, and love in the midst of tragedy. When two childhood classmates die of cancer just weeks apart, the shared experience of the loss brings their grieving spouses together. The unlikely pair builds a trust, a love and a shared life. This book illuminates the stepping-stones of healing that lead to a joyful new beginning for the spouses left behind and their five children. They discovered that God can restore the darkest circumstances and even from death, He can bring new life.

William Bennett is one of America's most important, influential and respected voices on cultural, political and educational issues. Bennett served as Secretary of Education under President Reagan in the 1980's. His new book, *The Book of Man – Readings on the Path to Manhood* uses stories, essays, historical vignettes, and contemporary profiles to explore and explain what it means to be a man. *The Book of Man* defines what a man should be, how he should live, and to what he should aspire in several key areas of life: war, work, leisure, and more. “Whether we take up the sword, the plow, the ball, the gavel, our children, or our Bibles,” says Bennett, “we must always do it like the men we are called to be.”

A new addition to the Library for children who are fans of *Adventures in Odyssey* is an audio CD entitled *Life Lessons – Citizenship*. Through radio dramas of the Revolutionary War and experiencing the inner workings of government, kids will learn what it means to be a patriotic American.

**Search the library
online at wrgn.com**



Cub Scouts Visit WRGN Studios



Tyler McGuire, Casey Sheager, Ernie Pendler, Dillon Major
(missing from photo: Luke Josuweit)

The Webelos Pack 241 recently visited the WRGN studios as they were working on their Communicator Pin. Bob McGuire, Scout Master, and Angela Harman, Scout Leader accompanied their Pack where Operations Manager Jonathan Broschious led them on a tour of the WRGN studios. The boys were fascinated with the behind-the-scenes knowledge they gained.

Jonathan let them record their voices in the production studio and gave a demonstration on how to manipulate their voices using the audio software. One of the moms accompanying the group became a member of the **Good News Library**. If your school or civic group is interested in touring the WRGN studios, call us at 800-245-3688.



Moody Radio has produced the *Treasured Moments in Black History* series to celebrate Black History month in February with a new special series hosted by Pastor James Ford. Each two minute feature is voiced by a variety of Moody Radio talent and presents a piece of American history which WRGN will air that will inspire, enrich and encourage its listeners in their faith walk.

This series highlights the people or events that have shaped American History. Not all the people being highlighted will be well known, but they are recognized as Christ followers who have inspired and made a difference for God's kingdom. **This special series airs each weekday in February at 7:45 a.m., 2:45 p.m. and 8:40 p.m.**

From us to you...



February 2012

To the WRGN listening family,

Life, Love, and Other Mysteries. It's the title of an album by Point Of Grace, but to me **it also describes the first three months of the year.** How, you ask? Well, January was **Sanctity of Life Month**, February is of course the month we celebrate **Valentine's Day**, and March...what are the **Ides of March** anyway? No matter how many times I look it up, I forget, and so it remains a mystery to me!

Another mystery is God's love for us. No matter how many times I read it, I continue to marvel at **Romans 5:8** "*but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*" This wonderful mystery is what we share each day on the Good News Network. The message is heard woven throughout the music, the teaching, and even the times we gather with our listeners at events like **this month's showing of the *Courageous* movie on February 3rd at Misericordia University.** Everything we do at WRGN is oriented towards sharing that message.

We are grateful for each of you who help make this ministry possible, realizing it could not be done without you! As we move (very quickly, it seems) through the first three months of the year, we are reminded of Jesus words to his disciples in Matthew 9:37-38... "*The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.*"

We pray often at WRGN for those who listen, call in, and labor together with us in the work of the harvest, and ask that you would do the same for us!

Tim + Heather

Tim & Heather Madeira

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WRGN's Presidents' Day Skate

Monday, February 20th
Skateaway, Blackman Street,
Wilkes-Barre.

6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Admission is \$3.00
skate rental is \$2.00

