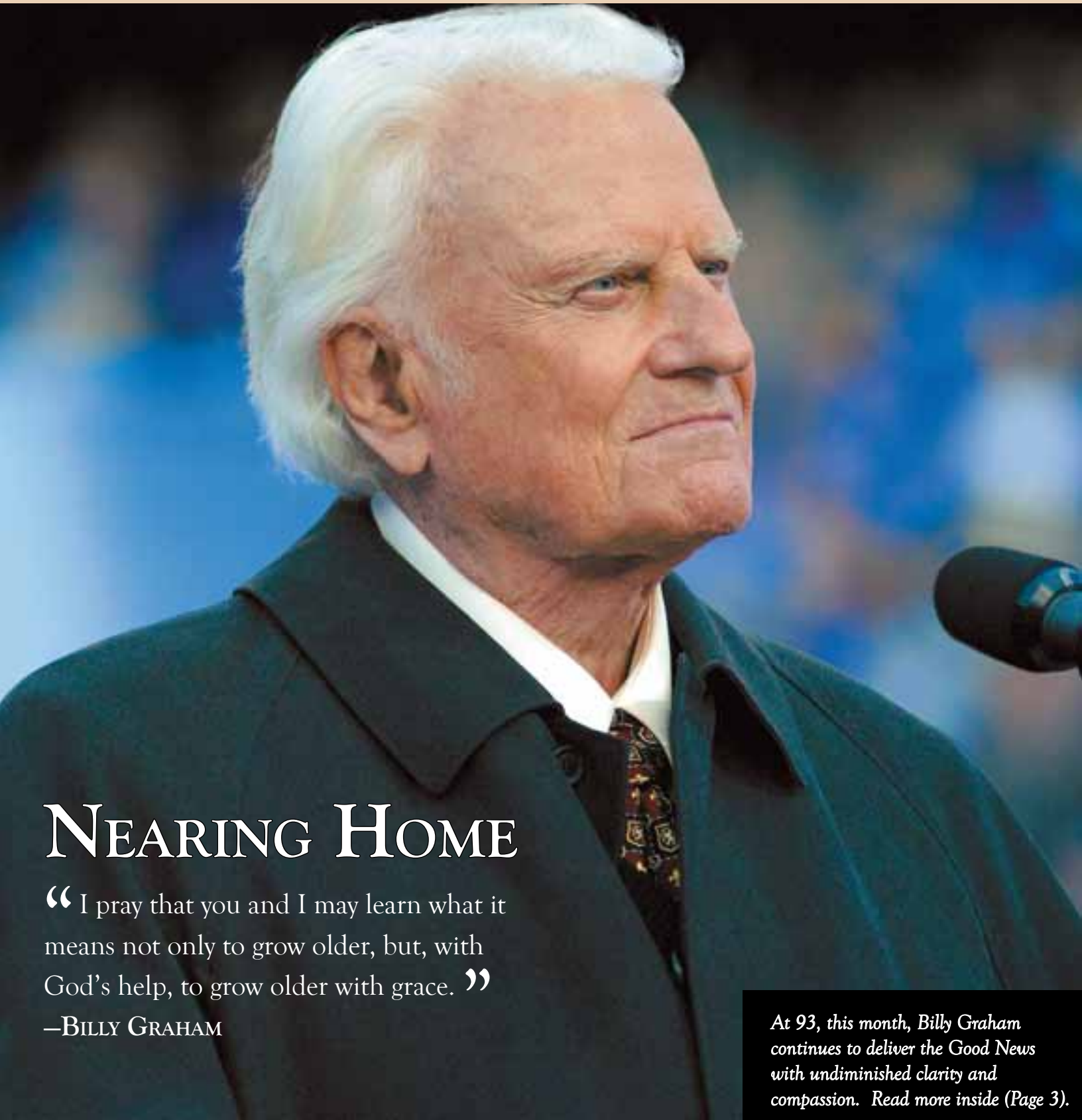




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NEARING HOME

“I pray that you and I may learn what it means not only to grow older, but, with God’s help, to grow older with grace.”

—BILLY GRAHAM

At 93, this month, Billy Graham continues to deliver the Good News with undiminished clarity and compassion. Read more inside (Page 3).

CONGRATULATIONS



"We Kids" radio marks 25 years on the air this month! Congrat's to Ken Boone and the team — it's a privilege to serve the ministry through Amb-OS delivery every week! wekids.org

SAVE THE DATE



Revive Our Hearts is ready to help bring in the New Year with a brand new 2012 calendar focused on "Seeking Him." Contact jennifer@ambaa.com to request your own complimentary copy.



Ken & Joni Tada

FAST FACTS

JONI AND FRIENDS

- ✱ The photo under the description for "multi-tasking" surely must be Joni's! Speaker, writer, singer, painter ... lover of Jesus above all.
- ✱ An outstanding TV series is also part of the outreach; "Joni and Friends" is aired on the NRB TV network in addition to other facilities.
- ✱ More than 1500 radio outlets partner in airing either the 4:00 daily "Joni and Friends" and/or the 1:00 daily devotional "Diamonds in the Dust."
- ✱ When not working on any of the above, Joni says you're likely to find her "looking for online deals on ColdwaterCreek.com, relaxing with Ken and watching our backyard birds, or training my Dragon (Dragon NaturallySpeaking, that is)."
- ✱ The work of the International Disability Center includes Family Retreats, Wheels for the World (wheelchair delivery around the globe), equipping churches with resources for disability ministry, and much more.
- ✱ After a bout with cancer last year, how is Joni doing? "Absolutely amazing. They say I'm not supposed to feel this strong, enjoy this much stamina, or be this healthy — but I am! It can only be the amazing grace of God!"
- ✱ Joni's latest book is *A Place of Healing*.



JIM SANDERS *tech* UPDATE

Open Sores

Actually, I mean Open Source such as the operating system in an Android phone being "open." ("Open Sores" is shamelessly much more attention-grabbing as a headline.) If you're anywhere near the fringe of the tech industry, you're aware of the many open source options for virtually every piece of software you can find on a Mac or PC. In fact, both hardware platforms will operate open source software, such as Open Office, a superb and free alternative to Microsoft Office. Rivendell, an open source (and free) automation system for broadcasters, is another excellent example.

All that to say that Amb-OS has an updated version of our User Interface (which we call "Amb-UX") which runs on Linux, and several other open source operating systems. If you're interested, please come by the support page of our website: <http://www.amb-os.com/ui>. You'll be amazed at all it can do!

Backup the Truck

I hope you have a regular habit of running backups on your network as well as home computer(s). As you may know from painful personal experience, all computer drives will die. The only question is when. So whether you use a cloud-based backup system (like Carbonite) or one which utilizes a local USB or jump drive, backups are a vital necessity. At Ambassador and Amb-OS, we subscribe to Peter Krough's superb advice to follow the 3-2-1 principle for backups: 3 copies of your files, stored in 2 different types of media, and 1 of the backups is kept off site. It's a great rule of thumb.

This is true for AMR-100 users too. You can back up the system information and configuration of your receiver(s) to your local machine or network drive through the local User Interface. This makes the restoration of a receiver as easy as can be. Since all the firmware is stored on the motherboard, in the case of a hard drive failure, a simple replacement drive and restoration will immediately have you back in business.

But the really great news for AMR-100 users is that if your UI PC is connected to the Internet, we're performing backups for you each Friday evening and storing 10 weeks' worth of configuration files. We've been able to assist stations in the restoration of a receiver by accessing these files. While it shouldn't be the primary backup method for your site, it's good to know we can, and are happy to help, in case of catastrophic failure!

INBOX

"Boy are those cookies good! And so is God for blessing our ministry with your partnership over the years!! This is an especially meaningful benchmark for me personally. I am honored that God has chosen me—with all my shortcomings—to reach His people with the truth about abortion and the life issues. The glory goes to God and thanks goes to the entire team of people involved. And what a joy to serve with the Ambassador gang!"

—Brad Mattes, host of "Life Issues" which recently reached 1,000 radio outlets.



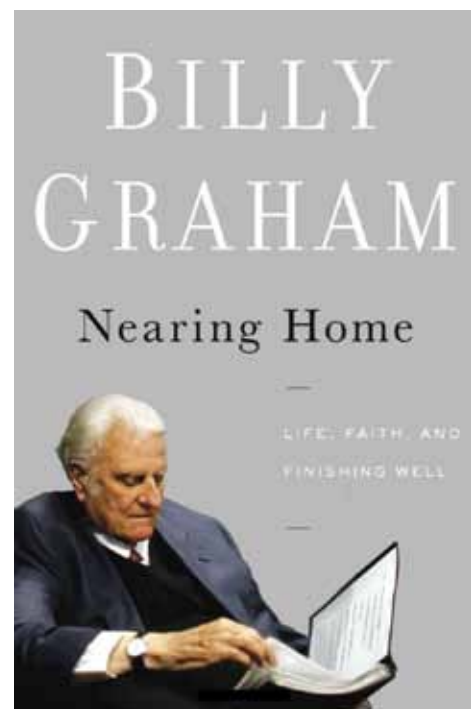
{ Billy Graham on Life, Faith, and Finishing Well }

He's spoken to audiences around the globe in person, on TV, over the radio, and through his many books . . . now, he shares how we can cope with the fears, struggles and limitations that life's realities bring—from the perspective of a long life in Kingdom service.

"Nearing Home" will inspire anyone who fears the changes that aging—that life—brings. And, as you might expect from this veteran evangelist, all the while making sure that the reader is ready to meet God at life's end, whenever that may occur. It's a timeless message in this new and very personal volume from the pen of Billy Graham.

"Life is seldom easy as we grow older, but old age has its special joys—the joy of time with family and friends, the joy of freedom from responsibilities we once had, the joy of savoring the little things we once overlooked. But most of all, as we learn to trust every day into His hands, the golden years can be a time of growing closer to Christ. And that is life's greatest joy."

—Excerpted from "Nearing Home: Life, Faith, and Finishing Well," by Billy Graham



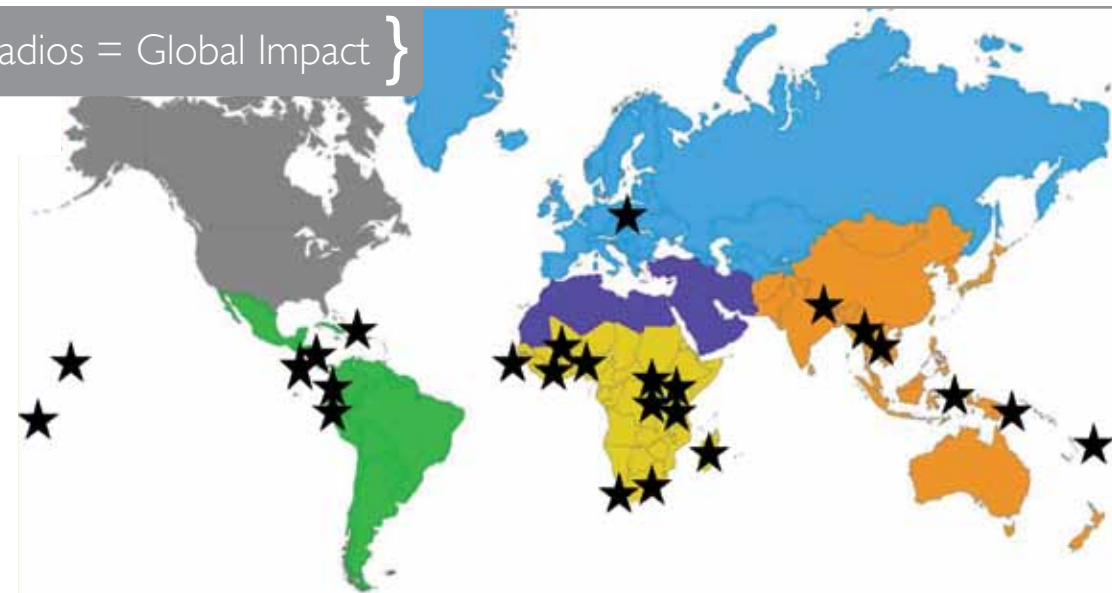
{ 10 Years + 45,000 Radios = Global Impact }

The idea was simple: give radios to people who could not afford them in countries where partner stations were broadcasting.

Make the radios lightweight and small, with solar-rechargeable batteries and (probably most importantly) make them fixed-tuned so that listeners could listen to the Christian messages from program producers in their own languages.

And so, **Turn the Radios On** was born.

In 2001, the first radios were shipped to Burundi. A few years later, HCJB Global's Technology Center in Elkhart, Indiana, designed its own solar-powered, fixed-tuned



radio, calling it "the SonSet®." HCJB Global began partnering with community stations around the world to distribute the radios and spread the gospel message.

In places like the United States, radio is just one of many entertainment options to choose from. In many countries, radio is the primary means of entertainment

and information.

Families have been known to travel several miles on foot to obtain one of these radios. "The people are crying for the radios," one South African woman told a local radio station manager.

And because the radios are small and portable, they can go places

where missionaries often can't go or would be unwelcome.

Thanks to station partners like Moody Radio, WMIT, KPOF and others who have partnered by providing their listeners the opportunity to give someone a radio which is fixed-tuned to a local Christian station. More details: turntheradioson.org



The A~Team & FRIENDS



It was a joy to have **Emilie** (“Keep It Simple”) and **Bob Barnes** with the AAA crew recently. After hearing from them both in our staff devotions, we enjoyed our own “simple” breakfast fellowship thanks to the day’s hostess, Account Executive Sheri Cooper (also in photo).



Always delightful when there’s a “gathering of the minds”—pictured are friends from **Family Talk**, **One Place**, and **Premier Fulfillment** (L-R): Jim Sanders, Lindsey Leffler, Travis Messer, Sean Hulin, Katie Burke, Megan Goodyear, Lee Ann Jackson, Rebecca Davis, Betsey Coffey (and Noah & Reid Hulin, tool).



There’s nothing better than getting acquainted with a ministry’s team and realizing how much you’re going to enjoy working together! With us for the first time last month was **Jeff Kramer**, VP of Resource Development at Mercy Ships, and co-worker **Alicia Robbins**, Gateway Education Director.



It was “Howdy” in Austin TX for the “Revive Our Hearts” 10th Anniversary celebration and donor retreat. In addition to **Nancy Leigh DeMoss** and partner ministry leaders, **Bob Lepine** was attending as part of the ROH Advisory Council.



Helping to host the event from ROH were **Sandy Bixel** (C) and **Angela Temples** (R)—here with **Mary Ann Lepine**.



One of our favorite devotions speakers is longtime friend, **Elaine Crane**, who recently spent time in China, retracing steps of ministry in the years she and her husband, Dave, spent there and in Hong Kong. For a special dose of authenticity, she had us all wearing Chinese hats—these from an even larger collection!



We love all our visitors! Because of her deep involvement at Azusa Pacific University, it was a special treat to greet **David Bixby** (Executive VP at APU) for a first-time visit to the AAA facility.



After 27 years at KKMC (Salinas/Monterey CA), **John** and **Lorraine Dick** will be retiring at year's end. Nearly 30 years ago, it was their joy to sign-on the station which has maintained a strong Christian teaching & talk format since inception. Longtime friends, particularly over the many years of "WNRB" involvement, John & Lorraine will be missed! (Pictured here with Michelle who welcomed the couple on a recent trip to PA)

It was field trip day for Katie and Jennifer when they enjoyed a trek to San Diego for KPRZ's annual Pastors' Luncheon. Hosted by GM **Dave Armstrong** (photo), the event's speaker was none other than FamilyLife's **Bob Lepine** (who then headed to KGNW-Seattle to do the same there!).



Compassion's theme was *One on Purpose!* And it was Evelyn's privilege to be part of their weekend of celebration in Colorado Springs on October 7/8 launching Compassion International's 60th anniversary in ministry. It was, in her observation, the crème de la crème of Compassion leadership both here in the U.S. and worldwide, and yet the entire emphasis was and is, on the children of Compassion—they are the heroes of this 60-year-old story!



It was Evelyn's added privilege on October 11, to be part of a group from Compassion and others invited by The White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships to participate in a discussion on global poverty and a premier screening of Compassion's powerful vision for the church—"58: The Film." (Pictured here with **David Dahlin**, Executive Vice President for Compassion at the DC film premier)



New Prison Fellowship President **Jim Liske** stopped by Ambassador along with **Steve Cummings**—who formerly served PF at Ambassador but was "stolen away" to serve the organization's development efforts (and we, as supporters of the ministry, couldn't be more pleased!).

We Salute You!

As we mark Veteran's Day this month (November 11), we want to recognize several of those now working in Christian broadcasting who have previously been employed in the Armed Forces. Count the Ambassador team among those who are grateful for your service!

Jim D. Adams (WNKJ-Hopkinsville KY)
USAF; Pilot-F-4 Phantom II

Dan DeBruler (WCLN-Fayetteville NC)
US Army; Communications

Yisrael S. Freedman
US Navy; RM3, Radio Operator

John P. Johnson (KUMC-Rupert ID)
US Army; Armor/Infantry

Ron Malone (WSEW/MWPC-Sanford ME)
US Navy; Electronics Technician

Joseph Mann (KROH-Port Townsend WA)
US Army; Signal Corps

Tom Sommerville (Formerly KGBI-Omaha NE)
US Army; Engineer Reactor Group

It was a bit of "harmonic convergence" when we realized that there were less than six degrees connecting two current West Point Cadets:



Richard Price (on the left) is the son of Carol and Glenn Price, formerly with Mercy Ships and serving now with YWAM.



Rae Anne Payleitner (third from the left) is the daughter of Rita and Jay who is a veteran producer for Family Facts (The Heritage Foundation) and others.



{Did we miss including your name? Let us know and we would like to include recognition in our next "salute to veterans"!

CHRISTMAS 2011

Are you ready? 



NEW RADIO SPECIAL
FROM ELIZABETH GEORGE

Christmas: What's a Mom to Do?

Finding that balance between a Christ-centered Christmas and real life is a challenge. And "mom" often finds herself right in the middle! Popular author and speaker **Elizabeth George** uses Hannah (the mother of Samuel) and Mary (the mother of Jesus) as role models for moms today—both of these women were women who responded to God as servants of His!

Contact Anna Sinclair at 949.681.7640
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details/clearance.



Elizabeth
George

MAX LUCADO
presents

GOD'S STORY YOUR STORY

A CHRISTMAS SPECIAL
WITH Sheila Walsh & J.J. Jasper

This is a time of year when we speak of another story. The virgin birth. It's more, much more than a Christmas story. It's a picture of how close Christ will come to you.

Hosted by **Max Lucado** with special guests Sheila Walsh and J.J. Jasper, "God's Story, Your Story" is available in both 28:00 and 55:00 extended versions.

Contact KiYong Kim at 949-681-7626 or kiyong@ambaa.com for details/clearance.



Max
Lucado



Sheila
Walsh



J.J.
Jasper



OGRE-RIFIC

To celebrate Jim Sanders' BD, the AAA "extended" family headed to nearby OCPAC to see Disney's stage musical, Shrek! Among the cast of our own characters attending the event were the Lee & Jackson families—and Shrek enthusiast Brandon (age 6), grandson of John & Jani Williamson.

Open Invitation

This Thanksgiving, if you could invite anyone from history (with the exception of Jesus) to come to dinner, simply for the purpose of saying thank you for their impact on your life ... who would be eating turkey with your family this year??



A lot of names come to mind, but as a self professed “mama’s boy” I have to pick my mother. My mom was delivered into the loving arms of Jesus thirty-three years ago. Before she left, she showed me the real love of God and although she suffered with arthritis, she loved to cook a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for our family. This year I would love to pass the pumpkin pie to a mom that has been healed of arthritis and can slice the turkey without an ounce of pain!

Teri Billiter, WCHP radio

The first person who comes to mind is Rich Mullins. I'd ask him about his ministry to the Native American community, how evangelicals and Catholics can see eye-to-eye, and why he shied away from certain aspects of Christian culture. His songs are still so real and moving.

Josh Shepherd, The Heritage Foundation
(in red, pictured with his brothers and Grandmother Ruth)



I would enjoy spending an evening with Samuel Clemens (aka Mark Twain). As an observer of the human condition and a gifted writer, he understood people, which is key to understanding life. I've gained something from everything I've read of his. I think the conversation could be wide-ranging, fun and informative.

Cecil Van Houten, Family Life Network

If I could invite someone from history to Thanksgiving dinner to thank them for their impact on my life, it would be Isaac Watts. The theology and imagery of hymns he wrote help fill my mind with wonder about our great God. What an encouraging meal it would be to have him lead us in giving thanks in song.

*Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!*

Bill Fickett, Grace to You



updates



Welcome **Elly Grace**, firstborn for David (HAVEN Today) & Marci Wollen, born in September. What a joy!

Acknowledging the distinctive aspects of Prison Fellowship and BreakPoint ministries, the organization's Boards have recently completed appointments in



oversight of its three primary facets of outreach. In addition to Jim Liske serving as PFM CEO, Garland Hunt will serve as President of PF and Pat Nolan as President of Justice Fellowship.

Alan Terwilliger (pictured here) has been elevated to the position of President of The Colson Center/BreakPoint to provide leadership for the Christian worldview component of the ministry. Alan says, “God has given me the privilege to work with a great visionary Christian leader of our day, Chuck Colson. Our teams complement the great work God has joined together as we come along side His Church in advancing the Kingdom.”



WOODY VAN DYKE

For nearly 25 years, Woody Van Dyke's name was synonymous with Christian radio in Lubbock TX, managing KJAK-FM where many of the programs Ambassador is privileged to serve were aired over the years. We're grateful for Woody's legacy in service to KJAK's listenership, and to the local community where he was also active in high school and college sports. Woody went to be with the Lord on October 16.

november dates



* **NOV 3-5:** Anne Graham Lotz ministers in Kampala (Uganda) while Jim Garlow participates in “Lion’s Roar 2011” (Dallas TX) with the Christian Men’s Network

* **NOV 4-5:** “True Woman / Revive ‘11”—a conference especially designed for women’s ministry leaders—from “Revive Our Hearts” (Indianapolis)

* **NOV 10-13:** BGEA’s Festival with Franklin Graham heads to Hyderabad (India)

* **Looking ahead to DEC 2-3:** Nancy Leigh DeMoss is in Lancaster PA for WDAC listener rally and a local women’s Christmas event.



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2011 VERSE: "Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father." —Colossians 3:17



Niles, Michigan

WHERE IN THE WORLD?

OK, we're having toooo much fun with this "Where in the world are people reading Update" feature! Take a look:

On a break while doing video for "Revive Our Hearts" ministry, **Nancy Leigh DeMoss** shares a copy of the publication with **Holly Elliff** and **Dannah Gresh**.

Meanwhile, in Chile for outreach to men impacted by abortion, **Brad Mattes** takes time to digest the latest from home.

Another **Glenn Price** assist—pictured with a YWAM team in Japan (Iwaki City) for relief work and distribution of the "Ear Bible."

He gave up a desk at Ambassador and off went **Art Black** to "trot the globe" (and create content for HAVEN calendars). Here pictured in Berlin, Dresden and Prague. So much for "retirement"!



Santiago, Chile



Iwaki City, Japan



< Berlin Dresden >
Germany



Prague,
Austria