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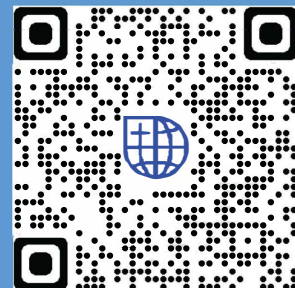


We Love our Visitors!

The AIM (Adventures in Missions) group from Lubbock, TX visited our Franklin, TN office for a tour. If you're in the area, feel free to stop by.

Introducing our new
internet radio station.
Check it out and enjoy the
broadcast.

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SAVE THE DATE Annual Benefit Lunch & Dinner

April 25, 2024
Details coming
soon!





Welcome to the Team!

Join me in welcoming our new Vice President, Bryan Basham.

Bryan grew up in the Cincinnati, OH area and then moved to middle Tennessee after college in 1996. He and his wife, Angie, have three boys, two are in college and one is in high school. As a graduate of Harding University, Bryan preached for 15 years and became an elder in the church in 2021. For the last six years he has enjoyed his time as a board member for the Tennessee Children's Home. Outside of preaching, Bryan has worked in training and development for many years as well as non-profit organizations.

Bryan said, "I have had many positive influences in my life that helped guide me to God and working in ministry. I have family that are ministers and preachers as well as missionaries. Growing up, I also had a preacher and youth minister that were tremendous positive examples for me. As if that weren't enough, I ended up marrying a preacher's daughter, which has truly blessed me during my ministry years. I love the work World Christian Broadcasting does and am honored to be a part of the team."



AIM - Adventures in Missions is looking for 18-25 year olds who love the Lord and would like to enter into an adventure that leads them into being lifelong workers for the harvest.

We love to have visitors! (Have we mentioned that before?) Our office is in Franklin, TN and people stop by periodically to visit. Sometimes it's one person and sometimes it's a group. What an amazing surprise when we found out the AIM group from Lubbock, TX was going to come by for a visit. These young adults are dedicating a couple years of their life to learning more about missions and ministry with AIM. Some of them will find that they want to be full-time missionaries after finishing the program. President and CEO Andy Baker welcomed the group with an introduction to WCB and our history. We finished the tour with some singing in one of our recording studios. It was an honor to host these young Christians, to learn more about the AIM program, and to share our ministry with them. When will you be coming by for a visit?



WALK4 WATER

We had our second annual Walk4Water on September 30th! What a blessing for the people in Madagascar. Thank you to everyone who came and walked with us, supported our efforts, and prayed for us. We continue to make progress in drilling wells in both North and South Madagascar. Our MWV station is in North Madagascar, and we have been able to help the communities close to us with clean drinking water. The drilling crew was in South Madagascar in the Spring, and they began drilling wells in 3 regions that have been greatly affected by the drought. The villages we touched were so excited to have clean water within their area. We plan to return to the South in the Spring to begin drilling in other regions.



WHERE?



Where in the world is Andy Baker?

The Lord has blessed this ministry many times through the years. It has never been more apparent than this past summer. Travels took us to Seoul, South Korea for an 8-day trip to meet and visit with our team who puts together our Korean broadcasts. We have a tremendous, highly professional team of singers, script writers, and teachers. I was blessed to speak at two churches in Korea and baptize a young man whose great grandfather was the first baptized believer in Korea. He was soon martyred for following Jesus. You can feel confident about the two hours of Korean broadcasts into North Korea every day.

God also blessed us with an 8-day trip to Belo Horizonte, Brazil to spend time with our Portuguese Senior Producer, Romulo Donte, his family, and the excellent team he has assembled to broadcast the gospel in Portuguese every day all over Brazil. We were blessed by spending time on the Brazil campus of the Tennessee Children's Home. With the translation skills of F. H. Gates, I was able to preach to the Central Church of Christ in Belo Horizonte. Along with the daily broadcasts, they are using a website, an App, What's Up App and streaming the daily broadcasts. It was so encouraging to meet this great team of professionals using their talents to share the gospel with Portuguese listeners scattered all over the world.

On July 23rd, we celebrated 40 years of broadcasting with the staff, volunteers, and supporters of Station KNLS in Anchor Point, AK. Nancy and Kevin Chambers, our 40-year staff team, took us down memory lane remembering key events of our 40 years of broadcasting. We also celebrated in Franklin with supporters and former workers coming together to remember how God's hand has been on this ministry through the years. Past Senior Producer for Chinese programming, Edward Short and Past President Charles Caudill spoke to the 50+ people gathered for the celebration.

The world is covered every day with the gospel. The countries that make the news every night are covered with messages of hope and encouragement. To God be the glory.

Andy Baker, President



Let me Tell You A Story

During the summer of 2023 I had the privilege of meeting Barbara Kee in Searcy, AR. She has an interesting story that started in Geneva, Switzerland and brought her and her husband, Doyle, to Madagascar.

Doyle and Barbara were missionaries in Geneva and didn't speak the local language of French. This difficulty with the language led them to start with written Bible studies through the mail. When one of their first students, a 14-year-old girl, finished her lessons, they went to her house to present her with a Bible. It just so happened that her father realized the Kees were Americans and asked if they would teach the Bible to his whole family. After studying the Bible using the Jule Miller film strips, the whole family became baptized.

The father was a diplomat, working at the United Nations in Geneva and was later transferred to Washington D.C. He said after retiring, he wanted to go back to Madagascar and spread the Gospel. The Kees said when the time comes, let them know and they would go with him. Before the diplomat's retirement in 1996 the Kees were placing newspaper adds for Bible studies through World Bible School courses in French. By the time the diplomat retired, they had over a thousand students in the city of Antananarivo who were ready to learn more.

During one visit to Antananarivo, Madagascar, Doyle had a local driver who was a schoolteacher. He was a chauffeur during the summer months and his name was Romain Rakotomalala. Romain would attend the conferences and speaking engagements to hear what Doyle was preaching as he drove him around Madagascar. When the trip was over, Doyle left a gift bag with Romain, containing some cheese, bread, and 11 lessons of the course "What the Bible Says." One evening, Romain grabbed the bag to see what was in it. He started reading through the Bible studies and was so consumed by God's Gospel message, he didn't want to stop for supper, so he ate the cheese and bread. Romain continued to read through the 11 course lessons until the morning hours. Romain said, "This is what my soul has been searching for," and was baptized that week.

When the school year started back, Romain was given permission from the school director to use the classroom to talk to his students about Christ. With the addition of these students to the kingdom, the church of Christ in Madagascar began. Romain traveled further north to the city of Majunga to evangelize. This became the location of our second radio transmission tower.



It's humbling to think back and see how God can take a conversation with a 14-year-old girl or a gift bag left in the back seat of a taxi and grow the church to thousands of Christians in Madagascar. I am reminded of the apostle Paul's words in I Corinthians 3:6, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." At World Christian Broadcasting, we are communicating with eight different languages through short-wave radio, websites, and hand-held device apps. We are planting the seed every day across the world. Let me stress that "WE" are doing this together! We can't do it without your help and we thank God continually for your support.

- Bryan Basham, VP

A Remarkable Legacy

I had a very unique opportunity recently to hear an address from a man who was once at 'the tip of the spear' in the historic civil rights struggle of the 1960's. Fred D. Gray is a lawyer who has spent most of his life in Montgomery, Alabama. As an accomplished attorney, he represented Martin Luther King, Jr., and Rosa Parks after they had been charged with crimes in the hostile environment that existed sixty years ago. He was successful in both cases in gaining acquittal for each of them in these racially charged trials. This would have been remarkable for any seasoned veteran. However, these cases – which were of such huge national importance - occurred before Mr. Gray attained the age of 30.

He also won cases on the state and federal level that allowed the NAACP to operate in Alabama and led to the de-segregation of Alabama schools. While still a young man, he won three cases before the United States Supreme Court that were significant in the battle to gain equal rights for all peoples.

Interestingly, Mr. Gray's first ambition was to become a preacher. Having grown up in the Church of Christ, his mother encouraged this dream and guided him to enroll in the Nashville Christian Institute. This was a Church of Christ supported school whose president was the noted African American preacher, Marshall Keeble. At this time there were no colleges supported by Churches of Christ that accepted black students. Mr. Gray preached for several churches, encouraged by Mr. Keeble who recognized the special talent of this gifted young student.

Because of his burning desire to destroy segregation, he soon decided he needed to become a lawyer. Again, he was limited in law schools where he could attend. There were no schools available in his native Alabama. So, he attended the Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio. With his JD degree in hand, he returned to his native Montgomery, AL home. He set up his law office one block from the infamous plaza in downtown Montgomery where slaves were once brought to be bought and traded.

Mr. Gray has received many prestigious awards and honors. The most notable was when he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom on July 7, 2022, from President Biden. Now, at 92, Mr. Gray is still active in his church, his family, and his law practice.

His is a great American story. His legacy is a testimony to the power of an individual living out what he had learned and believed about his God – a God that said in His kingdom there is "no Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female." Although the Emancipation Proclamation was a full century earlier, Gray led this nation to finally understand what it meant to live by the standard it had declared was a self-evident truth – "that all men are created equal."

It would be easy to stand in awe and amazement at the legacy of this incredible individual. Yet, in one sense he simply lived his life pursuing the fulfillment of a principle that he considered to be ordained by God. An expert in the law asked Christ how to inherit eternal life. Jesus' reply was to 'love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength and with all you mind'. It is appropriate that centuries later another lawyer, this one was from Alabama, lived that way and changed the world.

-Ben Powell, CFO

A NOTE FROM THE HALL-PERRY LEGACY SOCIETY: This is just one example of a testimony of a faithful walk with the Lord. We all have a story. We all have the opportunity to live and leave a legacy. While we are walking and breathing in this world, we are able to share the Gospel with our families, friends, co-workers and the ones we worship. There is a way to leave a lasting legacy even when we pass from this world by giving the gift to others in spreading the Gospel all around the world by becoming a part of our legacy society. Feel free to call our office to speak with someone who can help answer your questions. Blessings.

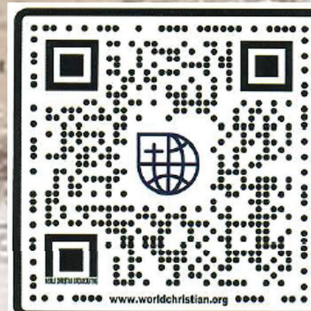


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Andy has been this
year.**



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