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**On May 3, 2018, millions of Christians will gather and unite in prayer for our nation.** Prayer brings people together. Prayer builds bridges between opposing persons and political parties. Prayer reminds us that we are created in God's image and He desires for us to represent Him everywhere we go. Prayer brings UNITY. **In 2018, our theme will be *Pray for America - UNITY***, based on the verse: *"Making every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace,"* (Ephesians 4:3).

Our hope is that individuals, churches, and spiritual leaders will humble ourselves and unify in prayer for the next great move of God in America. We can come together in clear agreement that this is our greatest need. We can pray more than ever before, and practice extraordinary prayer for a great move of God that will catapult the message of the gospel nationally and internationally.

**Circle the Square with Prayer**, on Public Square in Wilkes-Barre, is the local event in conjunction with hundreds of events held across the nation each year on the first Thursday in May for the National Day of Prayer. This is a tradition

that began in 1779 with a proclamation from George Washington. Circle the Square with Prayer has included participation from over 40 local churches over the past several years.

**The main event is a prayer service at 6 pm.** The interactive corporate prayer service will bring us together as we humble ourselves and unify in prayers of humility, repentance, dependence, petition, and commitment.

Other events during the day will be Prayer Walks at 12 pm and 5 pm and Prayer Walls which will be open from 12 pm - 6 pm. The 60-minute prayer walks, departing from Public Square, and moving through the surrounding communities, will be a way to intentionally observe people, situations, and locations so that we can pray specifically about the needs we see.

**A full schedule and more detailed information is available at [circlethesquarewithprayer.com](http://circlethesquarewithprayer.com).** If you or your church would like to get involved in Circle the Square with Prayer, email [laura@wrgn.com](mailto:laura@wrgn.com). **WRGN will host a live broadcast of the 6 pm Prayer Service from Wilkes-Barre.**

## *From us to you...*



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To the WRGN listening family,

What lesson have you learned lately? Our youngest daughter is completing her senior year of high school, and I know she is looking forward to graduation when the lessons *stop*, at least for a while. The thing is, fall will mean even more challenging lessons as she begins her college studies. I guess the lesson there is that the lessons never really stop!

I'm still learning the lesson of trust, as in "*Trust in the Lord with all your heart...*" (Proverbs 3:5). I have trusted Him for salvation — I did that a long time ago. I guess the thing I'm still learning is the second part "*...And lean not on your own understanding.*" My recent trip to St. Croix revealed to me that while I trust God for the 'big things,' sometimes I still want to figure out the 'little things' for myself. When things happen that are beyond my control, how do I respond?

There is another Scripture, Proverbs 16:9, that tells us "*A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.*" When I traveled to WIVH in March, I had certain things I planned to accomplish. When I completed them all, I was ready to come home. When WIVH went off the air the morning I was scheduled to leave, *my plans* went out the window, and the Lord's direction took over! In those three extra days on island, I accomplished more with God's provision than in the previous week.

I would love to say I adjusted immediately to this 'interruption,' but while it may have appeared I adjusted outwardly, inwardly I was struggling. Maybe you are too. God knows our struggles, but still says in Proverbs 3:6, "*...In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.*" We can trust when we don't understand. We can trust when we don't see the end. We can trust because God is trustworthy!

At WRGN and WIVH, we strive to trust Him to provide the finances to do His work! We are blessed that you also trust Him to provide when you step out in faith to give to the ministry here.

Trusting Him,

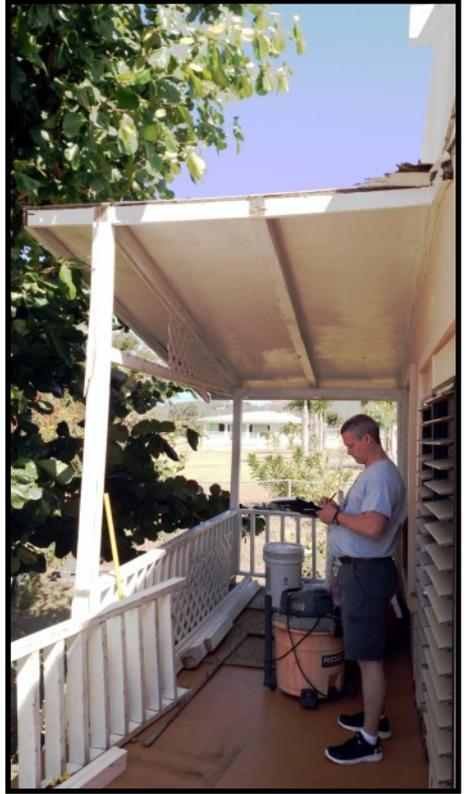
Tim & Heather Madeira

# Damage Assessment at WIVH

Plans are being made for a work team to go to St. Croix in early May to make repairs to the WIVH studios damaged by Hurricane Maria. WIVH resumed broadcasting just 3 months after the hurricane devastated the islands. Many other radio and TV stations have yet to go back on the air.

Danny Brubaker of Pennco Contracting accompanied Tim Madeira on the trip and put together a list of jobs that need to be accomplished as well as a list of tools, materials, and manpower needed to get them done. We are in particular need of electrical and masonry skills to put the studios back in order.

If you are interested in helping and have those skills, please call us at the studio. This work trip is coming up quickly and will mean raising about \$500 per person for the trip. Call Tim at 800-245-3688 for details.



**WRGN'S**  
MORE THAN A

# YARD SALE

**Saturday, June 2**

8:00 am till 3:00 pm

Saxe's Barn off Rt 118  
211 Bethel Hill Road  
Sweet Valley, PA 18656

# HERE AT THE STUDIOS



Spring has sprung here at the WRGN studios. Just like so many changes that will occur outside with leaves starting to bud and flowers beginning to grow, things are busy here as we prepare for Circle the Square with Prayer, our annual Big Book Sale, Mission Possible, our More Than a Yard Sale, and our Ride for Radio!

We know our listeners love giveaways and we partnered with Centricity Music for a "Win It Before You Can Buy It" giveaway for the latest Jordan Feliz album, *Future*. Winners were Carrie, Bloomsburg; Lenette, Moosic; Leann, Nanticoke; Robin, Wilkes-Barre; MaryAnne, Plymouth; Joan, Kingston; Tannette, Kingston; Felix, Frederiksted; and Carey, Harding. We hope you enjoy your CDs!

It will be 25 years this July that the ministry of WIVH began on the island of St. Croix in the US Virgin Islands. In the beginning the ministry was fully supported by loyal WRGN listeners who believed in spreading the gospel through radio. Over time, listeners in the islands were able to support the majority of the WIVH budget with just a supplemental part coming from WRGN listeners. Due to the back-to-back hurricanes that caused so much destruction last September, many on St. Croix and St. Thomas lost everything. Some were not affected beyond losing electrical power for several months. Many others are trying to put their homes and lives back together and we anticipate donations from residents in the Virgin Islands to be down this year. If you believe in the power of Christian radio, would you be willing to make a one-time donation to the ministry of WIVH? Donations may be sent to

WIVH, 2457 State Route 118, Hunlock Creek, PA 18621.

We are now accepting book donations for the Good News Library's upcoming Big Book Sale. Donations will be accepted during our regular business hours weekdays 9 am - 4:30 pm as well as Saturday, May 5 from 9 am-1 pm. If you have gently used Christian fiction and/or non-fiction books as well as non-fiction books on cooking, history, or gardening that you would like to donate to support the mission of the Good News Library. Unfortunately, we cannot accept textbooks, encyclopedias, dictionaries, magazines, cassettes, or VHS tapes. Our Big Book Sale will be Thursday and Friday May 17 & 18 from 9 am - 7 pm and Saturday, May 19 from 9 am - noon.

We hope you have marked your calendars for Saturday, June 2 for WRGN's More Than a Yard Sale! It's a great day hunting for bargains in the barn and under the big tent, searching through the book tent, discovering new Christmas decorations in our holiday tent, and of course, enjoying breakfast, lunch, and homemade ice cream!

We'll begin accepting donations at the Yard Sale grounds, 211 Bethel Hill Road, Sweet Valley, from Monday May 14 through Thursday, May 31. Donations will be accepted weekdays from 10 am - 3 pm or by appointment by calling 570-357-1688. We cannot accept large furniture items, TVs, computers, or clothing. Spend a day in the country fellowshiping with WRGN listeners, enjoying food, and supporting your favorite Christian radio station!

# MercyMe, Tenth Ave, Tim Timmons



Dan Close, Doug Hamilton, Tim Timmons, and Tim Madeira at the WRGN booth!

# WRGN Volunteers Staff Concert Tables



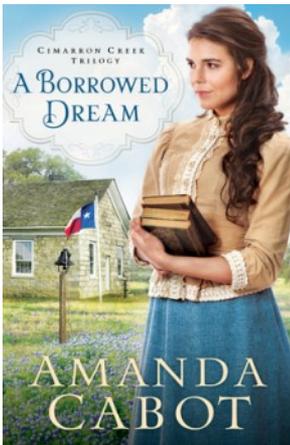
Following a few quick phone calls and social media messages, WRGN's fantastic volunteers were there to fill the need for people to work the merchandise tables at the MercyMe, Tenth Avenue North, and Tim Timmons concert. Nearly 3,500 people filled the arena in Wilkes-Barre for a night of great music, worship, and fellowship. It was great to meet many WRGN listeners in person, and hand out window stickers to replace those that did not make it through our harsh winter. If you need a new sticker call us at 800-245-3688 and we will drop one in the mail to you. They're free, and a great way to share your favorite station, WRGN, with others!

# New at the Library



Now that the threat of bad weather has passed, we hope to see many more visitors to the library over the next few months! Annual memberships are just a \$5.00 donation and members may borrow up to five items each visit. Books may be borrowed for 30 days and DVDs and audio books for two weeks. The Good News Library is open the first Saturday of each month (except June) from 9 am - 1 pm as well as weekdays 9:00 - 4:30.

Since April is National Poetry Month, our bulletin board features poetry selections from books found in the Good News Library. We're also encouraging you to participate in Poem in Your Pocket Day 2018 which is April 26. Share a selection of poetry with someone - the book of Psalms is a great resource!



Amanda Cabot's second book in her *Cimarron Creek Trilogy* series is ***A Borrowed Dream***. Historical fiction fans will enjoy the way the author weaves strands of love, deception, and redemption in this charming tale of dreams deferred and hopes becoming reality. Catherine Whitfield is sure that she will never again be able to trust anyone in the medical profession after bleeding treatments killed her mother. She carries bravely on as the town's dutiful school teacher, resigned to a life without love or family. Austin Goddard is a newcomer to Cimarron Creek. Posing as a rancher, he fled to Texas to protect his daughter from a dangerous criminal. He's managed to keep his past as a surgeon a secret. But when Catherine Whitfield captures his heart, he wonders how long he will be able to keep up the charade.

A second historical fiction novel is ***The Lacemaker*** by Laura Frantz. When Williamsburg explodes like a powder keg on the eve of the American Revolution, Lady Elisabeth "Liberty" Lawson is abandoned by her fiancé and suspected of being a spy for the hated British. No one comes to her aid save the patriot, Noble Rynallt, a man with formidable enemies of his own. Liberty is left with a terrible choice. Will the Virginia belle turned lacemaker side with the radical revolutionaries, or stay true to her English roots? And at what cost? With a meticulous eye for detail and her knack for breathing life into the characters she has created, Laura Frantz engages her readers with a suspenseful story of love, betrayal, and new beginnings.



Our author of the month for April will honor the late evangelist Billy Graham. Graham wrote many books over the years and several are part of the Good News Library's collection.

# Reading Challenge Winner!

Estelle Shingler, age 9, was our winner for the Winter Reading Challenge at the Good News Library! Estelle and her eight brothers and sisters are regular visitors to the library. Estelle won an Adventures in Odyssey audio CD as well as an AIO download card for the episode of her choice!

There are many great materials available for readers of all ages at the Good News Library. Make sure you take advantage of these wonderful resources!



## CarePortal Opportunity



**Mandy Chapman of CarePortal**

Mandy Chapman joined Tim on-air to talk about a new ministry called CarePortal. This ministry is now up and running, and brings the needs of hurting children and families in our area to the local church. This gives the church a real-time opportunity to respond. If your church would like to minister to people with some of these basic needs, email [mandy.chapman@goproject.org](mailto:mandy.chapman@goproject.org).

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Good News Library

**BIG  
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SALE**

Thursday, May 17 9-7  
Friday, May 18 9-7  
Saturday, May 19 9-noon

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Hunlock Creek 18621  
800-245-3688

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**Thursday, May 3**



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