

# Our Love Gift to you for JANUARY

## The Urim And Thummim Necklace

This month's love gift was personally selected by Paul several months ago. It brings you a unique reproduction of the high priest's chestpiece as described in Exodus 28:15-30. It also represents one of the mysteries of the Old Testament: the "Urim" and "Thummim," an object that the high priest used to determine the will of the Lord, upon which were fastened 12 precious stones engraved with the names of the twelve tribes of Israel.

"In this way, Aaron will carry the names of the tribes of Israel on the sacred chestpiece over his heart when he goes into the Holy Place... Insert the Urim and Thummim into the sacred chestpiece... In this way, Aaron will always carry over his heart the objects used to determine the LORD's will for his people whenever he goes in before the LORD." Ex. 28:29-30 NLT

There is still debate among theologians as to the entire purpose for which this object was designed. Apparently the beautiful jewels affixed on the chestpiece would glow in certain ways that would let the high priest know the will of the Lord in important decisions for the children of Israel.

This small replica, inlaid with 12 beautiful crystal stones, is an important piece of Old Testament history. It will make an interesting conversation starter as you witness to unbelievers about the Lord! It is yours for your gift to TBN this month of January only—and is sent to you with all of our love!



A limited quantity of love gifts is ordered each month. If we run out of the gift, a substitute will be sent in its place. The love gifts offered are not for sale. Please do not ask for more than one love gift. Please allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery. NO PHONE ORDERS, PLEASE. Keep the lines open for Salvation, Prayer and Pledge Calls ONLY. God bless you!

## Remembering Paul Love Letters from Our Partners

"I was touched by TBN as a young child in the 70s... TBN offered us ministry outside of church and allowed us to grow spiritually in amazing ways. Christians and non-Christians alike, will continue to reap the benefits of [Paul's] labor." —C.S.

"My dad got saved by watching Frederick KC Price in 1986 on TBN. Ironically, TBN was the only station we got on our big satellite. And am I thankful because once dad got saved, he led our whole family to the Lord, including me. I will forever be grateful for TBN and what God has done." —B.C.

"TBN was used profoundly in my Christian walk while I was incarcerated in the Harris Co. jail in the mid-90s... My experience while incarcerated changed from a hopeless position, to one that now can give back in abundance. Thank you Dr. Crouch and Jan for your steadfast determination to reach people like me. I am changed and desire to reach the lost for Jesus Christ. I will praise the Lord forever because of what you made available to me." —J.H.

"What a joy and blessing to life Dr. Paul Crouch was to millions... Thank you Bro. Paul for giving to the Lord. I am a life that was changed." —J.N.

"I feel so honored and humbled to say that because of Dr. Paul's vision my life has been touched again and again by this ministry. I believe Dr. Paul and the saints that have passed on are having a Hallelujah time in the presence of the Lord for all eternity." —G.D.

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"I will bless the Lord at all times..."  
Taping Behind the Scenes from the Taj Mahal in India.

Arthur and Paul walking with the cross in Hollywood.



In Manila, Philippines with TBN-Asia operation's manager, Tony Flores.



Proclaiming the name of Jesus in Amman, Jordan.



Paul and Matt—London Studio

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The article below was written by Paul in March 2013 and is reprinted from TBN's 40th Anniversary book, "The Call: 40 Years of God's Miracles."

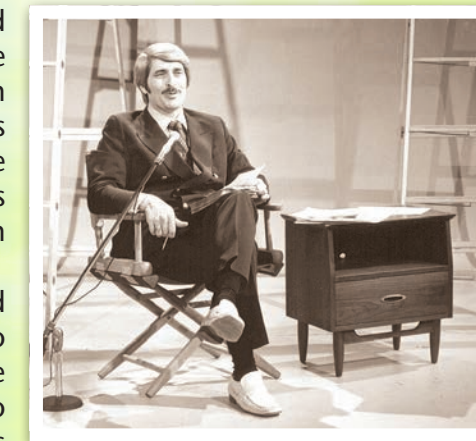
So, how do I begin to describe these past forty years of God's indescribable miracles? As I search for words, there are simply none! Human language could not begin to express the agony and the ecstasy of this giant roller coaster ride. Ah, but many of you blessed partners know of what I speak. You have rejoiced with Jan and me—at the top when our breath was gone—seeing the glorious and dizzying heights of our world. We have screamed with delight, and sometimes terror, as we plunged down through another valley of testing and despair.

Yes, forty years ago, with one borrowed camera, a Sears shower curtain, and two folding chairs, with two hours of time on a snowy TV station we only hoped to buy—you courageous partners dared to help us name it—the Trinity Broadcasting Network!

Why God chose Jan and me for this amazing journey is known only to Him. I have concluded that the apostle Paul's description in 1 Corinthians 1:27-29 answers this question at least in part:

*"But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence."*

Yes, we all know and understand that this great miracle, this great TBN voice, was raised up by God alone for His glory and to send His saving grace to all the world! As I ponder these awesome forty years I am compelled to think of Moses and the forty years of wandering through the wilderness with his partners. What were his thoughts as he stood on Mount Nebo overlooking the land of promise? I cannot help but wonder.



Paul hosting one of TBN's earliest Behind the Scenes programs.

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Watch the special tribute to Paul at [www.itbn.org](http://www.itbn.org)



# Forty Years of God's Faithfulness

So how close are we to our promised land? On the one hand I could almost feel that we have arrived. TBN is proclaiming the gospel around the world in many languages, through 26 networks on over 85 satellite channels feeding TV stations, cable systems, and home satellite receivers, as well as reaching the Internet through streaming and video-on-demand! Who could have dreamed of an iTBN with video-on-demand? Wonder of wonders, through it many of those great souls now in heaven are still preaching and teaching the Word. Yes, even though they are dead, they still speak (Hebrews 11:4).

In one final sense I, too, stand at "Jordan's stormy banks." Will I be blessed even more than Moses who was only permitted to see the Promised Land from afar? Only God knows. But let us agree now—as long as we have life and breath—that together we will cross our stormy Jordan, and we will possess our Jerichos

and lands of promise! Yes, we will continue taking territory away from the evil one until that glorious day when we all awaken in our final land of promise. *Ah, Beulah Land, sweet Beulah Land!*

Dear partners, Jan and I will never meet many of you in this world or lifetime, but I promise you with all my heart that we will have one great TBN rally on that day "JUST INSIDE THE EASTERN GATE OVER THERE!"

*We love you. Godspeed, and Maranatha!*

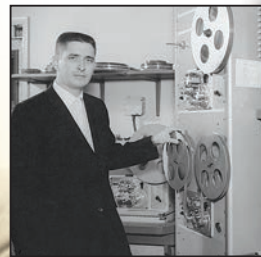
P.S. Sing one last song with me:

*I won't have to cross Jordan alone,  
Jesus died all my sins to atone,  
When the darkness I see,  
He'll be waiting for me,  
I won't have to cross Jordan alone.*

*Paul F. Crouch*



Paul with his parents—Andrew and Sarah Crouch and other Crouch family members.



In 1965, Paul became the general manager of radio station KREL in Corona, CA.



## Paul Franklin Crouch

Paul Franklin Crouch, founder and president of Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN), entered into the presence of Jesus November 30, 2013, at the age of 79.

With a vision to take the gospel of Jesus Christ to every corner of the earth, Paul spent his life and energy using television for that very purpose, building TBN into America's favorite faith-and-family network as well as the world's most influential Christian broadcaster.

The son of Assemblies of God missionaries to Egypt, Paul was born in St. Joseph, Missouri, March 30, 1934. Feeling a strong call to Christian ministry, he attended Central Bible Institute (CBI) in Springfield, Missouri, earning a degree in theology in 1955. While at CBI Paul also got his first taste of broadcast, helping to establish the college's campus radio station, KCBI-AM.

In 1957, Paul married the former Janice Bethany, and the couple moved to Rapid City, South Dakota, where Paul took a position as an announcer at radio station KRSD-AM, quickly progressing to become the station's program director. Before long he was promoted to head KRSD-TV, NBC's new Rapid City affiliate—an important training ground that immersed Paul in the emerging field of broadcast television.



## TBN Founder & President

Four years later the Crouches moved to California, where Paul was called by the General Council of the Assemblies of God to organize and operate its new Department of Television and Film Production, a position that gave him an opportunity to create and oversee a wide variety of Christian films and audiovisual productions.

In 1965 Paul moved on to become the general manager of radio station KREL-AM in Corona, California, eventually purchasing a minority ownership of the station before leaving in 1970 to manage Christian stations KHOF-FM and KHOF-TV, owned by Faith Center Church in Glendale, California.

In 1973 Paul's leadership in Christian broadcasting began in earnest when God called him and Jan to step out in faith to launch Trinity Broadcasting Network with one small, low-power station in Southern California. Over the next forty years, under Paul and Jan's prayerful direction, TBN not only became America's most watched Christian network, but grew into the second largest television broadcast group in America and the world's largest religious broadcaster. Today TBN and its 26 global networks and affiliates reach every inhabited continent on 85-plus satellite



TBN's 40th Anniversary *Praise* program—the Crouches with Arthur Blessitt, Dwight and Zonelle Thompson.

## March 30, 1934 – November 30, 2013

channels and over 20,000 television and cable affiliates, as well as via the Internet.

As the President of TBN, Paul had the opportunity to empower scores of ministries to expand their reach and influence through television. With that leadership he also took an active role in helping to lead tens of millions of individuals to faith in Christ—an eternal harvest that he considered his most important legacy.

For his leadership in Christian broadcasting Paul was presented with three honorary doctorate degrees: the Doctor of Litterarum (D.Litt) in 1981 from the California Graduate School of Theology; a Doctor of Divinity in 1983 from California's American Christian Theological Seminary; and a Doctor of Laws degree in 1985 from Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Paul was also honored with numerous awards over the years by both local and

national organizations, and was appointed by President Ronald Reagan to the Private Sector Initiative Project.

Paul was the author of several books, including the autobiographies *I Had No Father But God* and *Hello World*, as well as the novels *Omega Code*, *Megiddo*, and *The Shadow of the Apocalypse*.

While acknowledged throughout the broadcast industry as the foremost leader in Christian television, Paul maintained a characteristic modesty concerning his role, preferring to emphasize the countless friends and partners who stepped alongside him and Jan to make TBN a successful outreach. Above all, in reflecting on his crucial role in TBN's continuing impact, Paul inevitably pointed to the importance of an undying faith in God, which he characterized as

*"walking to the edge of all the light you have ... and taking one more step."*

*"For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is God's powerful method of bringing all who believe it to heaven. . . ." (Romans 1:16 TLB). | Watch iTBN.org on your internet device 24/7!*

Above left: College days at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, MO. Above right: Working at the Assemblies of God Department of Television and Film.

August 25, 1957—Wedding bells chimed for Paul and his lovely bride, Jan.

Paul and Jan sharing with TBN's partners about the "Holy Beamer," a mobile TV studio.

August 2, 1974—Paul received the telegram from the FCC: TBN's first TV license was granted.

R.W. Schambach, Jan and Paul rejoicing over souls saved during a TBN rally in Phoenix, AZ.

The Crouches with Nelson Mandela in South Africa.

Paul speaking to an audience of over 1 million who attended a Benny Hinn service in Lagos, Nigeria.

To Russia with love—from Lenin Square in St. Petersburg.

Taking the Gospel to China

The Crouches with Dr. Billy Graham.

Paul with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Paul and Matt watching TBN via cell phone in Dubai.

Taping *Behind the Scenes* from TBN's studio in Jerusalem.

Baghdad, Iraq (2004): On the parade grounds in front of Saddam Hussein's crossed swords monument.

Paul and Jan at the Holy Land Experience.



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