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## **RIO GRANDE VALLEY ON THE AIR!**

Dear Partners:

As I write this letter to you, little Eagle One has just lifted off from the Harlingen, Texas airport. I can see across the border into Old Mexico—millions of souls on two sides of this international border where the southern most tip of Texas juts out into the Gulf of Mexico.

My soul is rejoicing because I have just come from a corn field where a renovated trailer house sits beneath a 400-foot tower. In that unusual place is the temporary new home for your newest sister station—**CHANNEL 44!** Licensed to Harlingen, Texas but covering a vast portion of the Great Rio Grande Valley!!! **PRAISE THE LORD!** Humble beginnings for a full broadcast station—much work yet to do like increasing the power, building a production studio, raising the tower to 1,000 feet, but at least we are **ON THE AIR** and already souls are coming to Jesus because we have reached out together, again, and staked out a new claim for the **KINGDOM OF GOD!** Satan loses again as the Light of the Gospel drives back the darkness of the evil one! Principalities and Powers of the air are being **PULLED DOWN** by the mighty power of our victorious Lord Jesus Christ! *Hallelujah!*

There is a new sense of urgency in my spirit **NOW!** The Holy Spirit is pushing us on faster and faster. Get them **ON THE AIR** is the cry of the Spirit of God. Work out the other problems and needs later, but **GET THEM ON!** There are days when my flesh cries - no more! How can we go further or faster, but then another Macedonian call comes—another door, **WIDE OPEN**—and the Spirit says **GO!** Beloved partners how can we say no? How will we face the souls who reach out to us when we stand at the judgment bar of God? *By His Grace and through the Power of His Spirit we will go to the very ends of Planet Earth!* North America, now Central America, the Carribean, Africa, Europe, the Orient, **THE WORLD** is opening up to us through Christian Television.

I remember a few years ago this story that still haunts my memory. A call came from a Christian brother in the Baltimore-Washington, D.C. area. A permit from the FCC was imminent. All they needed was a few thousand dollars to prove to the FCC that they could build the station. Jan and I went back to speak at a rally that had been organized to try and raise the needed support. It fell short and TBN seemed to be the last resort—but TBN was very new—we had huge needs and problems of our own. I wavered, “how can we do it,” I cried? We drew back in fear and the dream collapsed. There is no Christian station on the air on that channel to this day. I remember stepping off the airplane as I went to visit my Christian brother one last time to see if just maybe we could yet do something, but the crestfallen look on his face told the story. “You’re one day too late,” said Brother Phil Zampino. “My permit expired yesterday—we cannot build the station now.” My heart sank and a cold anguish gripped my very soul as I sensed the powers of darkness actually laughing at our defeat. But a Holy anger arose within my spirit and I cried—“**NEVER AGAIN!**” Never will I say **NO** to another door opened by God to us! **NEVER!** and by his grace and power we have not refused another call.

*But Partners, we are stretched to the limit!* I wait for God to move on your heart to help us explode into all the world. The needs of TBN are more than met. We could settle down and live happily ever after. I could try to salve my conscience by saying we are reaching millions and doing a great work for God—and this is absolutely true. But OH—the darkness grows deeper. The cry of the lost pierces my very soul. How can we face them on judgment day if we ever say **NO** again?

One thing I will *never do*, and that is to run TBN into debt. Someone once wisely said, “If God guides, He provides.” But God has chosen to “provide” through his children so that they will receive the rewards of spiritual conquest. If I ever have to say *no* again (and I do not receive or confess that) it will be because someone has failed to respond to the spirit of God. But beloved

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Partners, as the apostle Paul once said, "I am persuaded of better things concerning you." We **ARE GOING FORWARD**, at dizzying speed! Whole TV stations are breaking forth at a pace we never dreamed possible! In the natural all of this is impossible but I challenge all of us today to claim the promises of God and GO, GO, GO into all the world!

*Behold I am the God of all flesh,  
is there anything too hard for me?" Jeremiah 32:27*

If you are going through deep trials and difficult spiritual battle, stand on the Word and declare its power to meet your need. Jan and I will be your prayer partners and together we will be victorious in every situation.

*"He giveth more grace, When the burden grows greater  
He sendeth more strength, When the labors increase  
To added affliction, He addeth His mercy  
To multiplied trials, His multiplied peace  
His love hath no limits, His grace hath no measure  
His power hath no boundary known unto man.  
For out of his infinite wisdom in Jesus,  
He giveth and giveth and giveth again."*

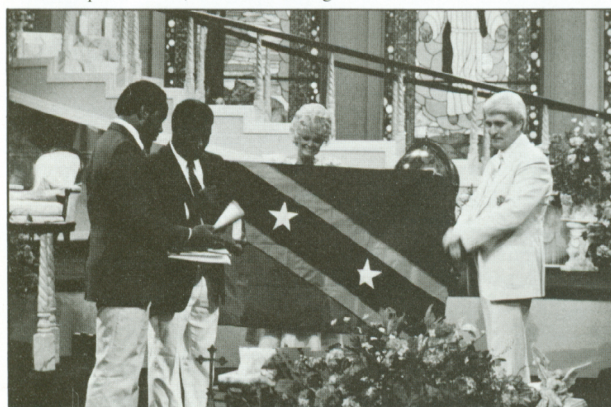
Jan and I love you, our precious partners, and we **ARE** going to make it. Write to us this month, we need to hear from you!

Yours for 100 new stations,

*Paul*



Paul gave us a breathtaking around the world report after his trip to Israel, Africa and Europe on Eagle I. A miracle meeting with Mr. Zaporri, Head of Communications in Israel! Meetings with the President of Ciskei, Lennox Sebe, and the entire assembly. Meetings with officials in Kenya. Meetings with the Green Berets of Germany, and making contacts with TV stations all over Europe. Partners, hold on — let's go!



What a JOY to welcome Premier Simeon Daniel, Premier of the Isle of NEVIS in the Caribbean. Premier Daniel has given TBN the permission to build a 24-hour-a-day Christian TV station on his island. They have already put a TV set in every classroom in Nevis! What a miracle this is—3,000,000 will hear the Gospel!



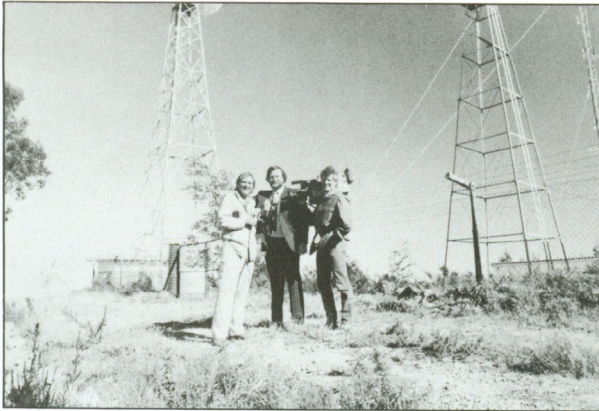
Africa — dark, dark Africa — Jesus died for YOU and me! Ciskei, S. Africa is where God has chosen to put the 1st Christian TV Lighthouse to beam light of the Gospel into that beautiful land. 2,000 years has come and gone since Phillip led the treasurer of Ethiopia to Jesus. He was the first to tell Africa of Jesus — are we the last? Help us tell them. What if no one had ever told you about Jesus!



*Delight thyself also in the Lord and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart. PSALMS 37:4* A promise from God was fulfilled for Paul, as he had a life-long desire of his heart fulfilled! Not only did he get to speak to the Green Berets, but he was made an *honorary* Green Beret in Germany! You make a handsome soldier, Paul! Congratulations on this fantastic honor!



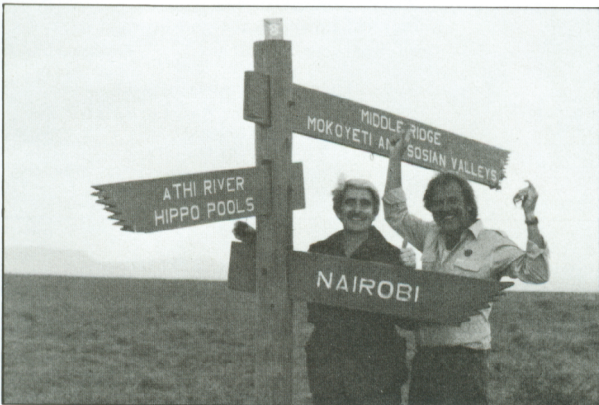
# PARTNERS, WE ARE CHANG



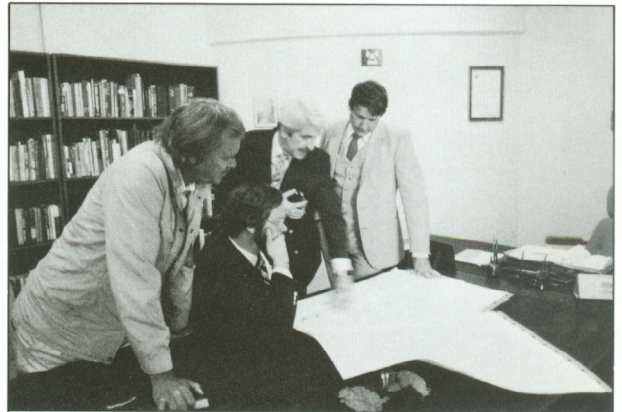
High atop Kemp Mountain in Ciskei, So. Africa, Arthur, Ben and Matt examine the spot where TBN's tower will rise and shine and beam the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout all of South Africa. From this mountain you can see the Indian Ocean. From this mountain you can see thousands of beautiful people who have never heard the name of Jesus. Please help us reach them — please!



Paul & Arthur had the privilege of being interviewed on Voice of Kenya Radio Network. Paul told of his vision of 24 hour Christian TV all over the land of Africa & Arthur led them in a Jesus cheer & prayed the sinner's prayer! The trip was a beautiful success — souls were saved everywhere they went. God went before them on every leg of the journey. Thank you for your prayers!



Paul and Arthur making the big decision — should we go to Nairobi, Kenya, or to the Hippo Pools! Well, Paul went to Nairobi to cut the deal for Christian TV there. We'll be "on the air" with PRAISE in August! Arthur chose the Hippo Pools to tape JOY. Some hippo in Kenya somewhere has a real orange Arthur Blessitt JESUS sticker on his nose. Really he does!



Paul, Arthur and Ben Miller, TBN's Chief Network Engineer, met with the Head Engineer for Television in Ciskei, So. Africa. Everything is moving beautifully to get Christian TV in that beautiful land! Partners — God has entrusted us with one of the greatest opportunities in the world! This awesome task must be covered everyday with prayer! Be covered every day with prayer! Equipment is being ordered NOW!



To just let us know we are right on target with our next big adventure into winning souls — Christian TV in Ciskei, Africa. As Paul & Arthur were finishing up their interview on top of the mountain where our tower will be, God sent a precious family who serve as the look out for the fires from that spot & Arthur had the joy of leading this precious family to Jesus. Right on the very spot where our tower will be! The first souls are already in the kingdom from that spot!



Paul had the honor of meeting Mr. Dawson Marami, head of the Voice of Kenya TV Network. Paul told of the vision he had for 24 hour a day Christian TV for the land of Kenya, East Africa. We have been offered 2 hours a week free on the Voice of Kenya TV station. Praise God for this open door in Africa. We only had to buy a \$65,000 piece of TV equipment to dub our TV programs into Kenya TV standards. Praise God for this miracle.



# ING OUR WORLD TOGETHER!



General Crouch and Field Marshall Lindsey making plans to INVADe SATAN'S territory again & again! 1/3 of the Bible is Prophecy and of that 1/3, two-thirds has *already* come to pass 100% accurate! How can this be? But God! Watch Hal on TBN every week, starting soon! 1



Paul and Arthur standing in front of the Green Beret Training Camp in Bad Toltz, W. Germany. Paul was made an honorary Green Beret. They ministered to our precious military heros who are helping to keep our precious America free! Several Berets received Jesus as their personal savior. Pray for our military men and women. We could *not* have this TBN Network if someone had *not* fought to keep America free!



A used trailer, a portable satellite dish, a homemade 44 sign & lots of weeds — but from this spot is going the gospel of Jesus Christ 24 hours a day! Harlingen, Texas — help us make this place beautiful for Jesus! We need lots of help in Harlingen! This is the first of 100 educational station miracles! Thank you Jesus!



Harlingen, Texas — CH44 our newest baby. We have a temporary trailer studio & an old used tower, but it's ON THE AIR beaming the Gospel to that whole part of America. We need new equipment. We need a new tower. We need a little studio, but why wait! Souls are being saved today. The winds over Harlingen have a MIGHTY VOICE saying JESUS SAVES — JESUS SAVES!



We've got our own team! We've got the Holy Beamer—we've got "Follow Me"—we've got the "Devil Bustin' Satellite"—we've got our partners with us. . . So what's stoppin' us? Let's GO GO GO GO GO Partners! Satan hasn't got a CHANCE! Your loved ones are saved—some just don't know it YET!



Paul and Arthur Blessitt and Matt having the time of their lives taping "BEHIND THE SCENES" and "JOY" programs in the Wild Animal Reserve in Kenya, E. Africa. The guide told Arthur & Matt that lions & rhinos had not been seen in that area for over 2 years, but after prayer they ran into both animals & were able to get film with Arthur closing out the taping saying "LET EVERYTHING THAT HATH BREATH PRAISE THE LORD." A good man is concerned for the welfare of his animals. PROV. 12:10



# Love Letters From You, Our TBN Family

Dear Jan,

Hi! My name is Kelli I am seven years old. I excepted Jesus about two weeks ago. I said that new believers prayer on 21 with Doug Clark. I got my new birth certificate too. I got six teeth pulled today so will you pray for me and so my mom will have enough money to pay for me and my sister's dentist. I want to give some of my First Communion money to T.B.N. so it can stay on T.V. and tell people about Jesus. A Miracle happened to my Dad cause he said he new Jesus but he didn't really so I gave him a prayer that I got from T.B.N. and he had a new T.V. and one Saturday I made some dinner cause my dad had a stroke so I made it and the T.V. was on and we were in the kitchen and the T.V. was on 21 and he said, "Turn it up I can't hear it." And I couldn't believe my ears, he came to the Lord!

Praise the Lord! A Miracle happened tonight, there was a lighting storm and I was singing and when I got finished with the song the storm stopped and there was just a breeze.

Love your sister in Christ,

Patrica

P.S. I have a tape that I put with the letter please play it cause it was my Christmas Play. It was produced and directed by Mary Kay O'brien our School Music Teacher.

Dear Paul & Jan,

I JUST WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE. The week of your Spring Praise-A-Thon, I was down and was thinking of killing myself. I was having all kinds of problems in my life. On April 14, 1984 I was going to marry a wonderful girl—I thought, but on January 13, 1984, we broke up without any kind of reason. I'm having money problems and health problems, so I felt I just could not go on living.

I had a gun and a bottle of pills, but one night I was watching your show and I asked the Lord back into my life . . . and He told me to put the gun away and pour the pills out! I am so thankful to the both of you and for your show.

I don't have a job yet, but when I do—TBN will always get the first \$25.00 of each of my checks—SO YOU CAN SAVE SOMEONE ELSE LIKE YOU HAVE ME.

So thank you both and thank you, Channel WHFT-TV #45. I watch your show every day now.

Thank you—  
your friend always!  
Evan  
Hollywood, Florida

P.S. Please pray for my needs and the needs of the world.

Dear Paul & Jan,

So many things have happened since I've given my life to the Lord!!! Praise God!!!

You're such a true blessing to me! When I'm sad, depressed, angry or lonely, but mostly when I want to know more of Jesus and what He has in store for me—all I have to do is switch on Ch. #21 and know—someone who's sensitive to the Spirit and my needs, will be on to help me through whatever my need is.

I like the way LOVE flows through the TBN ministries. You've blessed me by just being there no matter what hour—thank you.

I'm now 3 months out of the drug world here in Mesa, Arizona. I have a 15 inch scar for a memory of the 15 or so years I spent loosing myself in drugs, booze and the likes.

There are so many times that Jesus has worked to save my life whether it be suicide, drug overdose, fighting, car accidents—whatever the situation was, He was always there. Even though He saved me in those times, it wasn't until I surrendered, submitted and gave my life to Him that truly good things started happening.

First off, He forgave me of everything I had done. Then, He healed me of all the damage done in those years and He put me in touch with several Christian support groups, Gospel Echoes Church, Teen Challenge and others. He made it possible for me to eventually go into the schools and possibly prisons to tell others about Jesus and what He offered me, as compared to a life on drugs—the difference being LIFE with Jesus!

Well, I could go on for quite awhile (PTL!). I just want to thank you for your part in Jesus saving me. God bless you and your ministry. Praise God, He's given me \$10.00 a month to put into 24 hour Christian television INSTEAD OF DRUGS!

In Jesus,  
Greg  
Mesa, Arizona

Dear Paul & Jan,

Since I last wrote you, I have received some good news that I wanted to share with you.

First of all, last week I was listening to PRAISE THE LORD, where you all were at the revival in Florida, and I was listening to Brother Schambach as he was preaching a sermon on the first laugh recorded in the Bible, and after he related the story of Abram and Sarai—he sort of put out the challenge to THOSE IN PRISON to get down on their knees and laugh at satan. Well he hadn't even finished getting it out before I was down on my knees laughing at satan and then thanking God. The following evening, I was making a tape to a Christian friend (Rosalie) who had gotten my name from TBN as a prison pen-pal. Anyways, I was making a tape to her and was telling her of Proverbs 3:5, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding."

I was telling her that if I allowed myself to lean on my own understanding of the judicial system, then I might be led to believe that I indeed would be executed—but that I don't lean on my understanding, but I put my trust in the Lord.

Well, THE NEXT DAY, I received word that the Arizona State Supreme Court has commuted my sentence of death to LIFE!! Praise be to God.

You know, Paul & Jan, I know in my heart that God is going to deliver me out of prison. In Proverbs 27:1 it says, "Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth." So, I will not boast, for I of myself can do nothing, but instead I will do as in the Psalms. . .

"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear it and rejoice." Psalm 34

In Christ's Love,

Bob

Florence, Arizona



## Why God is Putting Christian TV in Africa

If you ever wonder why God is thrusting TBN out into all the World just read this brief report on the changing conditions of Foreign Missions from a recent article in CHARISMA Magazine June issue. As Oral Roberts once said, "CHRISTIAN TELEVISION IS THE CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS!" It is also the most efficient cost effective way to reach a nation with the "spoken word." In countries where there is high illiteracy and even where there is no scripture in their language, we can reach them through native evangelists preaching through Television and Radio. Praise the Lord! This Gospel SHALL BE PREACHED!

**Editor's note:** Time magazine recently reported that in the past 30 years the number of foreign missionaries from denominations in the National Council of Churches plummeted from 9,844 to 2,813. During the same period as many as 90 nations closed their doors to traditional mission efforts. Other nations, ranging from Marxist "people's republics" to Buddhist mountain kingdoms, from culture-conscious South Pacific islands to Middle Eastern sheikdoms have long been closed to outsiders seeking to teach Jesus' hope.

It is estimated that 94 percent of all ordained preachers minister to English-speaking people — who only make up nine percent of the world's population. In addition, there are an estimated 5,000 languages in the world. The Bible has been translated into only 250. The New Testament has been completed in 500 more languages and portions of Scriptures have been translated in 1,000 other languages. However, that leaves more than 3,000 languages without a scrap of Scripture.

Despite the great need, the church is finding it more and more expensive to send a missionary family to a foreign field. One organization estimates it costs \$1 million to put a family overseas for the course of a career.

Do all these bleak facts mean that the Church has lost its mission zeal, that the mission field is no longer white unto harvest, or that Christians might as well quit trying to reach the lost of the world?

Not at all, Missionary endeavors in 1984 are flourishing around the world.

We have purposefully focused our report on a few interesting, emerging trends among Charismatic and Pentecostal mission organizations and ways that Christians are responding in the 1980's to Christ's command to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

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# Our Love Gift To You!



We have a very special love gift for you this month. As part of an overall campaign to tell others about TBN, we are asking you to be our "promotion manager" in your area during the month of September. As our love gift to you, we will send you this very attractive bumper sticker, plus 5 small brochures that you can hand out to friends or neighbors who don't know about TBN. Help us spread the gospel by promoting TBN in your area!

Please write today and receive your Bumper Sticker and Brochures for your love gift large or small. Send your love gift to:

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