

# TBN BRINGS



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TBN has installed satellite dishes in half of the prisons in America. We're going for the other half. —Laurie Crouch



# HOPE IN THE DARKNESS

TBN 2nd Chance is taking the love of Jesus to America's prisons

As America has faced the uncertainty and turmoil of the COVID-19 pandemic and social unrest over the past several months, no population has been more dramatically impacted than the more than two million men and women incarcerated in correctional facilities across our nation. But thanks to your prayer and partnership with TBN, untold thousands of those inmates are being comforted, inspired, and spiritually nurtured every day through the life-changing programming of TBN.

It all comes to them through TBN 2nd Chance, an initiative we launched back in 2007, which provides inmates in prisons across America with four powerful TBN networks: our flagship *TBN* network, the *Hillsong* worship channel, the *Enlace* Spanish-language network, and *Positiv*, one of TBN's newest networks, airing wholesome, inspirational, and entertaining movies 24 hours a day. TBN 2nd Chance pays the total cost of satellite receiving equipment and installation in every prison, giving

inmates access to a wealth of teaching, ministry, and inspirational programming.

The result for countless men and women in prison is the exchange of a lifetime of hopelessness and disappointment for the healing, hope, and joy that come from experiencing the love of Jesus. And as the apostle Paul assures us in Romans 5:5, the hope that comes from knowing Christ will never disappoint, *because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us* (NKJV).

Our TBN 2nd Chance director, Mark Reynolds, told Laurie and me recently that during the heat of the COVID-19 pandemic, a majority of inmates across America were forced into protective quarantine—which meant that their days were mostly spent in isolation and loneliness.

“We’ve gotten many letters from inmates telling us that the programming available to them through TBN 2nd Chance has been a literal life-

saver,” Mark explained. “And what could have been a disastrous period of depression and loneliness, instead turned into an oasis of joy in God’s presence, as so many soaked up the worship, teaching, and encouragement TBN brought them.”

Another of our TBN 2nd Chance team members, C.J. Orndorff, pointed out that whether it’s one of the hundreds of minimum and standard-security prisons across America, or one of the notorious facilities like California’s Folsom and San Quentin, or Louisiana’s Angola State Penitentiary, where most inmates are there for life—TBN 2nd Chance is changing hearts and lives every day.

“I’ve been giving concerts and ministering in America’s prisons for many years,” C.J. told us, “and I can tell you emphatically that for men and women in prisons coast to coast, TBN is all the Christian community many inmates have. It’s a lifeline of God’s grace in an environment where hope is hard to come by.”

## “IT’S AMAZING HOW A THREE-MINUTE SONG COULD MAKE ME REALIZE THAT JESUS LOVES ME JUST AS HE FINDS ME, A DRUG ADDICT AND MURDERER.”

Laurie and I love to read the many notes and letters that come to us from inmates impacted by TBN. One not long ago that really struck a chord with us was from a young man named Jeremy, who told about how he hit rock bottom in prison and had decided to take his life. With drugs on hand everywhere in prison, Jeremy got hold of a gram of heroin, “and I was planning to check out of this world. I was going to turn on some tunes, load the whole gram up, and overdose.”

But when he turned on his radio that afternoon, all that came in was Christian music. “I had my syringe full of heroin, and the needle was in my arm, when a song came on, ‘As You Find Me,’ by a band called Hillsong United,” Jeremy recalled. “It’s

amazing how a three-minute song could make me realize that Jesus loves me just as He finds me, a drug addict and murderer.”

## “I DROPPED TO MY KNEES AND ASKED GOD TO SAVE ME.”

He went on to relate that when the song was over, “I immediately got up and threw the syringe in the toilet and flushed it. I had no idea how to accept God, but I turned on my TV and somehow it was on TBN and a show called *Praise* with Matt and Laurie Crouch.” The guests that day were Brian and Bobbie Houston, founders of Hillsong, and when Jeremy realized that the couple speaking words of life from the TV were connected to the band and the song that had just caused him to turn from suicide, “I dropped to my knees and asked God to save me.”

Since then, wrote Jeremy, “I haven’t turned my TV from TBN.... Whatever you guys are doing, God is blessing you and your ministry. You saved my life.” Jeremy was quick to confess that he still has his struggles. But through the daily impact of what he sees on TV through TBN 2nd Chance, along with the influence of other Christians, Jeremy is living his life for Jesus and is moving in the right direction. (Log on to [bit.ly/2nd-Chance-Jeremy](https://bit.ly/2nd-Chance-Jeremy) to view Jeremy’s entire amazing testimony.)

Dear friend, as a TBN partner you are a big part of what is happening to Jeremy—and to countless thousands of other men and women in prisons across America—through the ministry of TBN 2nd Chance. Only eternity will reveal the fruit of your faithfulness. Thank you for standing with us.



**CHANGED** hearts,  
**CHANGED** lives.

“TBN has really helped me to be grounded in the Word of God while here in prison. **Many times I have wanted to give up while in this dark place, but then I receive a word through TBN and get lifted up.** May God bless you.” — Bertha

“I am the leader of a prison prayer group. I know God has a plan for me in the Body of Christ. I thank TBN for all the resources ... **Your programs are saving lives and touching people.**” — Leroy

“What a wonderful blessing TBN has been for me. I am an inmate, but I consider myself very blessed because **I have time to learn and to grow in Christ daily, thanks to TBN.** I keep TBN on all the time in my cell.” — Kim

“I did not have a relationship with Christ before coming to prison in 2013. **God validated His existence to me at a time I needed Him the most, and I have not looked back.** I always gain wisdom, hope, and encouragement when watching TBN and Hillsong. It’s amazing what your ministry has done for us who are incarcerated.” — Michael

How have you or someone you love been impacted by TBN?  
Email us your testimony to:

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# Praise

## HIGHLIGHTS



Laurie Crouch and Better Together friends share how they found joy in the Lord, even in their darkest times.  
[watch.tbn.org/praise/videos/hd-p062320](http://watch.tbn.org/praise/videos/hd-p062320)



Join Pastors Joel Osteen and John Gray as they share their thoughts on how the church can lead the nation in reconciliation.  
[watch.tbn.org/praise/videos/hd-p061620](http://watch.tbn.org/praise/videos/hd-p061620)



Matt and Laurie sit with David Jeremiah to discuss his new book, Shelter in God, a timely piece that shows how we can find our peace in God through every season.  
[watch.tbn.org/praise/videos/praise-david-jeremiah-june-30-2020](http://watch.tbn.org/praise/videos/praise-david-jeremiah-june-30-2020)



Host Clifton Davis talks with ministry leaders and prisoner advocates about the rising number of COVID-19 cases in prisons and what the church can do to help.

Watch episodes of Praise any time at [watch.tbn.tv](http://watch.tbn.tv)



**1 MILLION**

Each and every day, TBN 2nd Chance is reaching a potential audience of over one million men, women, and teens in correctional facilities across America with life-changing Christian programming—24 hours a day.

**1,300**

In over 40 states and the District of Columbia, we’re reaching hearts and taking hope into nearly 1,300 prisons.

**60**

That includes nearly 60 juvenile facilities in seven states, providing thousands of youth with inspirational, educational, and entertaining content selected just for them.

**\$4,500**

While it costs up to \$4,500 to install the satellite equipment in each correctional facility, the results are profound as untold thousands of hearts and lives are impacted daily through four powerful TBN networks.

**BECAUSE OF YOUR PARTNERSHIP,**

inmates are finding hope in Jesus through TBN!

# ANTENNA MIRACLE

When an EF-1 tornado struck Mobile, Alabama in April, God had a miracle in the making for TBN's full-power station, WMPV, channel 21, which serves nearly half a million people. Before the twister, the station had not one, but two 40-foot antennas attached to the huge 1,200-foot tower that is shared by several broadcast networks in the area.

That's not the norm, explained Larry Haley, TBN's vice president of production and engineering. The backup antenna was needed while TBN's engineers performed some much-needed maintenance and technical upgrades.

But the engineers were in for a surprise when they went to remove the original antenna more than a week after the storm—it wasn't there. The tornado had blown it off the tower!

"The guys said, 'Wait, I thought we had to take the antenna down!'" recalled Haley. "It was such a miracle. The backup antenna was broadcasting during that time. We didn't go off the air. We didn't have to replace an antenna, and no one was hurt. Praise the Lord!"

## Popular Shows About Strength and Courage

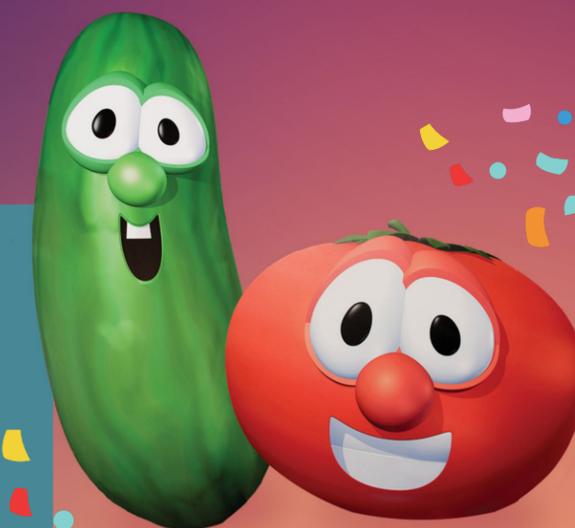


# Yippee™



## Yippee Helps Kids Build Courage Biblically

2020 has been a year of disruption and fear for many, and children are certainly no exception. Children of all ages can sense things they are unable to understand. They can feel the unease and anxiety in the adults around them. With this challenge comes an unprecedented opportunity for parents and grandparents to nurture kids' faith, helping them learn to overcome worry and fear with God's promises. Of course, engaging young ones means making the message fun and appealing. That's where Yippee comes in.



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### The Gift of Yippee

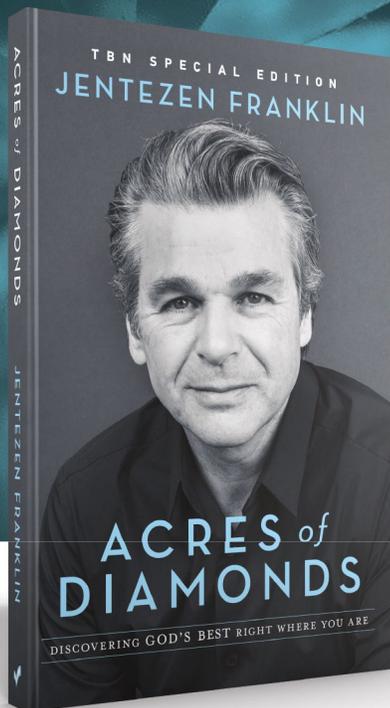
TBN has teamed up with Bob the Tomato, Larry the Cucumber, and many more uplifting characters to bring your family fun, positive programming any time! Grandparents, why not consider a subscription to Yippee today? This is a wholesome way to share God's Word with your grandchildren in ways they can easily receive it.

Visit [yippee.tv](http://yippee.tv) and click Sign Up to watch something good™!



IN APPRECIATION FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF TBN THIS MONTH

2 NEW RELEASES!



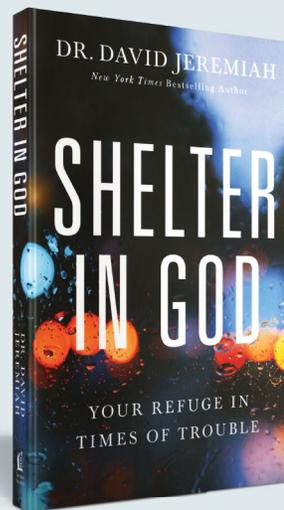
# GOD PROMISES HE WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU!

## You Can Always Find Shelter in God!

Have you ever wondered where God is during your most trying times? In his new book, *Shelter in God: Your Refuge in Times of Trouble*, **New York Times bestselling author and pastor Dr. David Jeremiah** brings together selected Psalms to reveal God's unending presence in your life. In the midst of today's coronavirus and the unknown challenges of tomorrow, you can always find relief and refuge in the God who loves you!

◀ Receive *Acres of Diamonds*, in thanks for your gift of any amount to TBN!

◀ Receive *Shelter in God + Acres of Diamonds*, in thanks for your gift of \$45 or more to TBN!



David Jeremiah on Praise

## Uncover God's Best Right Where He's Placed You

"Your trials serve a purpose, so don't run from them. Stay where you are and make it fruitful," writes TBN's good friend and **New York Times bestselling author, Jentezen Franklin**. In his new book, *Acres of Diamonds: Discovering God's Best Right Where You Are*, Franklin guides you on a fulfilling journey to uncover the marvelous potential that exists in your job, your family, your church, and more!



Jentezen Franklin with Matt & Laurie Crouch

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