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PUBLIC AFFAIRS



Speaking Out! TBN/WRBJ-TV has had the one of the most exciting months ever as we connect with ministries reaching out to all citizens of Mississippi. The John and Vera May Perkins Foundation, Palmer Home for Children, Pete Carullo Construction Ministries, and networking groups like Maids and Matrons, and Mission Mississippi are incredible examples of this.

WRBJ attended Reverend John Perkins' large monthly dinner where community leaders throughout Jackson convene at the foundation's campus to discuss progress in church and race relations, and to enjoy a meal together. Mississippi is profoundly pro-life as evidenced by strong backing from the Legislature, Voters, and our Christian Governor to draw attention to this issue and close the state's last clinic devoted solely to abortions. The Capitol rotunda was the scene of a large prayer gathering on January 21st, followed by a reception at St. Peter's Cathedral to address the issue of abortion.

TBN/WRBJ-TV taped a new interview with Terri Herring, long time pro-life activist who now works with Choose Life Mississippi. This networking organization serves as an information center for any girl or woman faced with an unplanned pregnancy. More and more pastors and volunteers are coming forward to speak out and make abortion nonexistent in Mississippi.



## JOY IN OUR TOWN



New *Joy in Our Town* programs were taped in January with guests Miranda Beard, President of the National School Boards Association which oversees over 50,000,000 schoolchildren; Reverend Jerry Durr of Brookhaven Outreach to the homeless; Dr. Freda Bush, physician and sexual abstinence counselor; Wendy Seals of Angel Wings food bank; and Tina Hayward of Mountain of Faith ministry to homeless women and children in Warren County.

Another key *Joy in Our Town* interview was with Susie Harvill, founder of Advocates for Freedom, which works to stop child sex trafficking in our state. This hidden evil lends itself to Mississippi's geographic location and its high transient population.



The children who are fortunate enough to find refuge and protection receive assistance from Drake Bassett, former New York business executive and director of Palmer Home for Children; Del Herrington of Mustard Seed ministry; Catholic Charities; and dozens of shelters and orphanages that assist in freeing children from abuse.

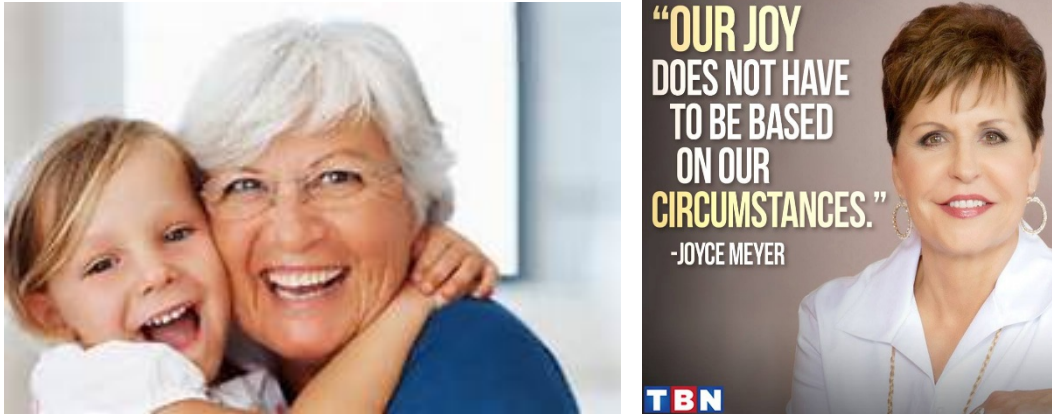
WRBJ is always searching across central Mississippi to find organizations, churches, ministries, and individuals who are actively doing the work Jesus commissions us to do! These people join TBN in proclaiming His salvation and love to those most in need. These faithful Christians have an urgent calling to reach out and assist those who are struggling.

The ministries who are invited to WRBJ have been eager and delighted to share their story with the TBN audience. Every program produced here strives to

fulfill the mission of TBN which is to share the love of Jesus and spread the good news of His salvation!!



## SUCCESS OF NATIONAL TBN PROGRAMMING



A great grandmother in Brookhaven writes: "TBN is an important part of my life. The first thing I do in the morning is thank God, turn on TBN, and listen to what the Lord has for me. He always has everything I need through His Word and His messengers. I thank God for you and TBN!"

Another viewer writes: "I have watched TBN since 1992. I love the newsletter I receive! Thank you Matt and Laurie and TBN staff for keeping on!! Jesus loves you!"

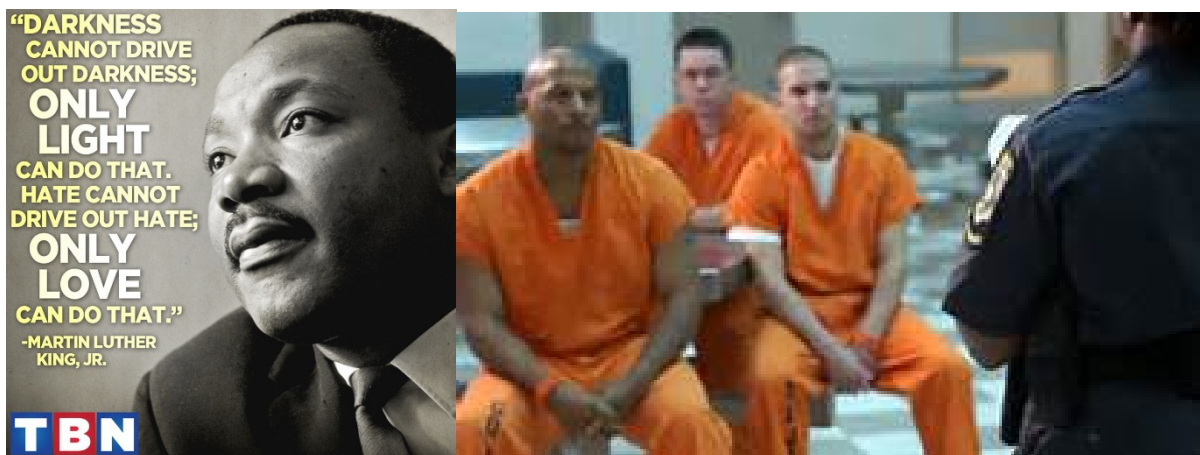
Another viewer reports, "I am an inmate at Central Mississippi Correctional Facility. We watch TBN EVERY morning!"



## MAJOR ISSUES IN THE MID-MISSISSIPPI AREA

A series of devastating storms with multiple tornados ripped through southeast Mississippi in late January. The Mississippi hub city of Hattiesburg was hit with maximum force causing a number of deaths. William Carey University, a Christian campus located within our broadcasting area, sustained extensive damage but miraculously no deaths. The moving image of a garden statue of Jesus next to the damaged school buildings (below) illustrates the total trust which we can place in Him.

When we have unconditional faith in Jesus we know that He is present with us in every storm. TBN/WRBJ-TV is committed to broadcasting this assurance all across the central state. NO storm can stop His grace, mercy, and love! Therefore we can call upon Jesus in every situation.





Without a doubt, street violence, drugs, organized human abduction, sex trafficking, domestic assaults, and child abuse continue to be serious issues in central Mississippi.

Though many of our great ministries serve the entire state and beyond, Jackson is our capital and the deterioration in safety and quality of life for its residents must be halted. WRBJ will continue to seek out those ministries that are reaching people where many are reluctant to go.

Mississippi has some of the most compassionate, God loving, committed Christians on the planet! There are literally churches on every other corner. Sometimes we worship and serve Jesus only within our local congregations and our church buildings can function as fortresses rather than lighthouses. WRBJ/TBN will continue to broadcast local programs that inspire more people of faith to step out and help their neighbor!

