

God's Word



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ever changing lives!

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God's Word: Changing lives for eternity



Morgan with Francis Tsui, ministry supporter and friend, in China.

Dear Friends,

God's Word. Never changing...*ever changing lives*. The Word of God is the same yesterday, today, and forever, and ever changing lives for eternity. **We are so grateful for partners like you who have faithfully given of your time, prayers, and financial resources to help make this ministry possible.**

As we enter 2013, we want to update you on the special projects we asked you to help with last year. As a result of your generosity, each of these proved to be a HUGE success!

As you read through this update, I pray you realize that you have a part in each and every transformed life! We are so excited that the way we are recording God's Word is ever changing too. I can't wait for you to turn the page and see how technology can help speed up the process of recording new languages and reaching people around the world in their heart language.

Thank you for being a part of what God is doing through Faith Comes By Hearing.

A Servant of Christ,

Morgan Jackson

Senior Vice President

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Update 2012

Wycliffe Matching Challenge

The goal of this matching program was to record 31 additional Audio New Testaments for people groups in the Americas and Africa. **Thanks to your help, this goal was exceeded and listening groups are already beginning in many areas.**

Truth in God's Audio Word

Our goal is starting Bible listening groups to disciple people in the truth of Scripture and the love of Jesus, so their lives can be transformed. Your generosity made it possible for us to touch every corner of the world with the Word of God. **This initiative helped launch 3,690 Audio Bible programs in 59 countries,** touching the lives of tens of thousands of men, women, and children who are hungry to hear the pure Word.

"No One Forgotten" Matching Challenge

Many people groups are discovering Jesus has not forgotten them because they now have God's Word in their heart language. **Your support has resulted in Bible listening groups being planted in Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, and in countries throughout Africa!**

Honoring Our Troops on 9/11

More than 85,000 Military BibleSticks were provided to our troops through chaplains in all branches of the military last year, bringing the total number to date to 244,000. Your support is providing God's Word for our servicemen and women, and the impact on individual lives is evident in testimonies like these:

"Through listening and prayer I can keep my sanity." – Soldier

"It gets me through the night and inspires me to keep the faith." – Sailor

"To hear is good. It helps me to stay focused." – Marine




Faith Comes By Hearing Ministry at a glance:

- ▶ Bible recordings in more than 700 languages spoken by over 5 billion people
- ▶ Over 710,000 Faith Comes By Hearing listening programs in more than 150 countries
- ▶ 95 million+ people have engaged with Scripture via the Digital Bible Platform

IMAGINE... A GREAT MULTITUDE GATHERED TO RECORD GOD'S WORD FOR ALL PEOPLE!



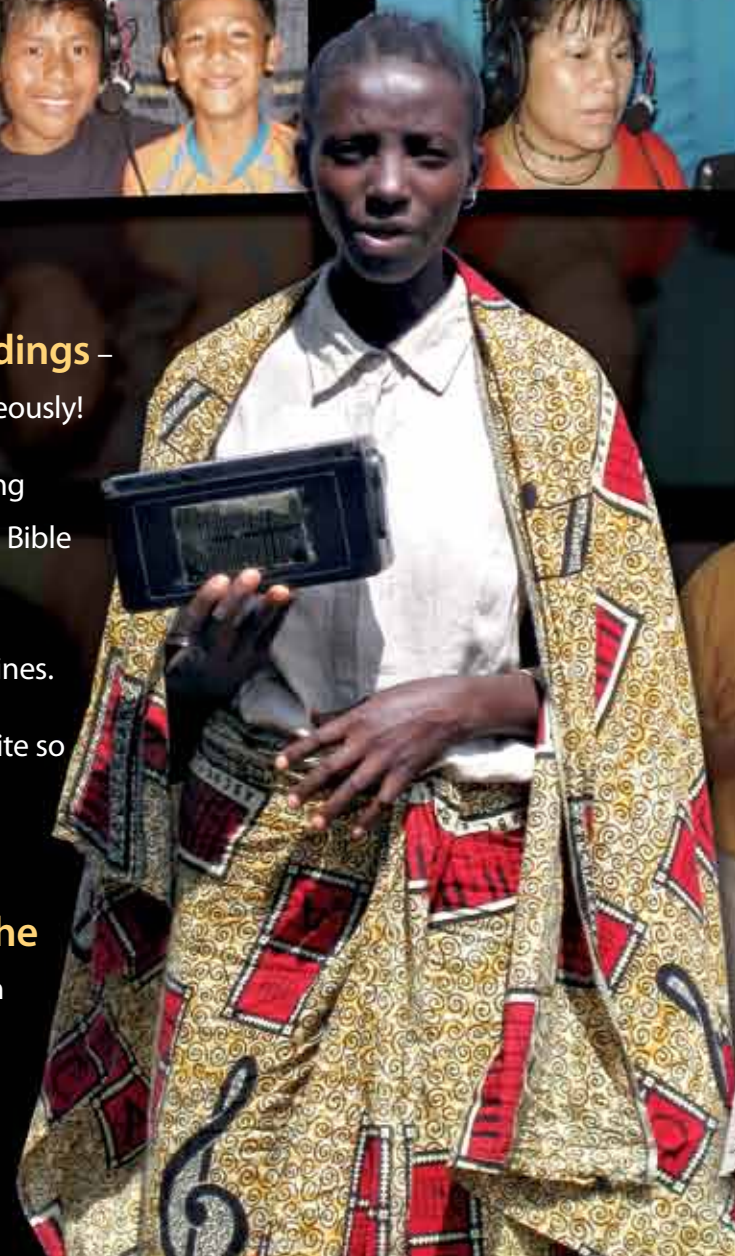
Introducing breakthrough technology in Bible recordings – one that can potentially handle hundreds of recording projects simultaneously!

 **virtualrecording™** utilizes the Internet and social media, allowing language speakers located anywhere in the world to audition for specific Bible recording projects via the Virtual Recording website.

The best readers are then asked to submit voice tracks of their assigned lines.

As these voice files begin streaming in, they are posted back to the website so that the “crowd,” including numerous individuals and translators alike, can virtually proof voice files to ensure accuracy.

The potential of this online system is staggering! **Pray with us for the funding needed to unleash Virtual Recording** so we can quickly complete Bible recordings in hundreds of languages already translated, as well as those being translated now – so that **every person has the opportunity to hear His Word!**



Generous Hearts – Helping Hands



Dr. John Koehler and his wife Dena play a major role in the ministry of Faith Comes By Hearing. We are overwhelmed by their generosity and their heart for poor and illiterate people. They have blessed *hundreds of thousands of people* with their time, expertise, prayers, and finances.

John and Dena Koehler were introduced to Faith Comes By Hearing (FCBH) when, some years ago, Morgan was in Rockford, Illinois, meeting with friends of Campus Crusade for Christ. The two ministries were planning a pilot project in India that shows the *JESUS* film, followed with Proclaimer listening groups by FCBH. When Morgan talked about listening to the Bible in people’s “heart language,” Dena turned to John and said, “This is it!” Soon after that, Dena had the opportunity to go to Ethiopia with Morgan and Mari and see, first-hand, the transforming power of the *JESUS* film and listening groups.

John’s father was a missionary in the 50s and early 60s, so the Koehler’s grew up around Christian ministries. They honor the work of Bible translators, but after learning about FCBH, they realized that if people can’t read, then they can’t truly receive the Word of God. The Koehlers have done extensive medical missions work around the world, from Taiwan to Honduras, to Africa and India. Dena says that everywhere they go, people speak their own unique tribal language, and when they hear the Scriptures in their “heart language” – the one they use at home, in their community, and in prayer – they understand the full meaning of God’s Word.

When the Koehlers visit Faith Comes By Hearing, they see how God is expanding the horizons of the ministry, and “what He is allowing us all to do!” John said to Morgan, “I want you and all the staff to know that Dena and I feel so confident that our investments are in GREAT HANDS with a staff this passionate and committed to the work of the ministry.”

When talking with others about the best investment for Kingdom work, the Koehlers say, **“Faith Comes By Hearing is the most strategic ministry to support when you’re ready to leverage your giving and reach the world!”**

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Church Planting ‘Til all have heard!



Pastor Doug Ripley

Decatur Baptist Church, in Decatur, Alabama, has 2,000 church members in a town of 53,000. A small community has great success when they have a big vision for God’s work, and that’s what Pastor Doug Ripley has promoted during his 26 years as pastor.

“What I’ve done in this church is everything in my power for them to have a world vision. **Missions is not a program in our church. Missions is the reason to live.** It starts at home; it goes to Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. It’s something we live, breathe, and talk about every day of our lives,” Pastor Ripley said.

The church has funded recordings of the New Testament for the people of Nepal, India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. They’ve provided Proclaimer programs for people in Africa, India, and many other parts of the world. They also sponsored the translation of the Kurdish Bedini New Testament and will fund the recording of this language.

“Proclaimers are a major tool in accomplishing our goal of 20,000 house churches. The reason we’re so committed to Faith Comes By Hearing is because of their accountability. We don’t need to just drop off Proclaimers that nobody uses. We want to make sure they’re strategically placed and that we’re getting to accomplish what we want to accomplish. Of course FCBH understands that as well as anybody. You find a man of peace. You’ve now put the Word of God in more hands, which will not only convict them for salvation, but the Word of God will be there to disciple them. So we’ve left the greatest gift we can leave, and that’s the Word of God.”

Listening in India



Setting up the *JESUS* film in Ethiopia

Give a Blessing – Receive a Blessing

You can provide God's Word in audio to people groups who need to hear the Good News – and bless your own family with a regular income – all at the same time.

Establish a charitable gift annuity with Faith Comes By Hearing, and your contribution will begin sharing God's Word with remote people groups...while interest from its investment comes to you as quarterly income.

The rate chart shows you the kind of return you can expect, based on your age when you establish the annuity.

Discover how you can bless remote people groups with God's Word, and bless your family, too!

Find out more.

Contact us at 800.545.6552 or
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Annuity Rates Gift Table

Age	Rate of Return
55	4.0%
65	4.7%
70	5.1%
75	5.8%
80	6.8%
85	7.8%
90+	9.0%

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