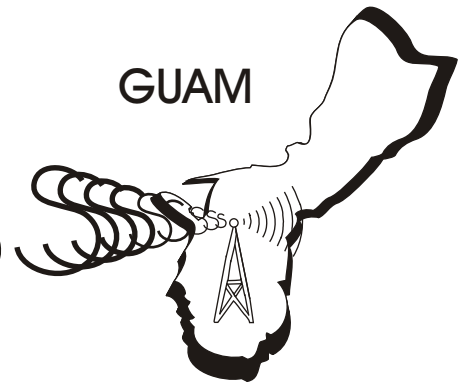




# SIGNALS



*A news letter from the Gregsons*

Quarterly Vol. 11 Number 3

June 2001

Dear Special Friends,

Do you believe in coincidences? Often listeners express that "by chance" they happened to tune their radio to our station or something similar. But we know that the God of the universe is in control of all these things. "Our God is in heaven; he does whatever pleases him." (Ps. 115:3) Have you ever experienced a time when God seemed to be speaking directly to your particular situation or need through a sermon? You thought "how did he (the preacher) know about my situation?" You probably later realized that it was the Lord who was at work. He is intimately involved in our lives and knows what we need. "When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him..." (Ps. 8:3)

Letter response to the broadcasts encourages our hearts so much as we learn a bit of what God is doing in lives around the world. Trans World Radio receives over 1,400,000 letters per year from listeners in some 160 countries in response to the broadcasts. Consider the following letters and story as examples of God's sovereignty in our lives...

From Vietnam:

*"I was in despair! I had been struggling with life and eventually everything collapsed! However, I did not commit suicide because I am a Christian, even if only in name. I turned away from God when my parents separated. Then one day, by chance, I found a New Testament and read it over and over. I tried searching for something to lean on, but when I closed the New Testament, I remembered nothing of what I read. I lost patience. One day, while tuning past some stations on my radio, I heard your program. Since then, I have listened carefully twice everyday. Gradually, I understood that without the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, I cannot understand God's Word. I also learned that the salvation of the Bible is only revealed through faith in Jesus Christ."*

from Thailand:

*"I am an engineer who left my homeland to go to Thailand for a construction project for two years. Upon arrival, I realized that reality is far different from my ideal. Since I have not officially signed the contract, no salary has been paid to me yet, and I am only given a small amount of living subsidy. Every day, I leave early and return late. After work, I stay at home alone. Furthermore, I am working alone for one part of the project. I feel trapped in a cage. I am very bored and homesick. Accidentally, I tuned into your programs. I am greatly inspired and encouraged by them. I have heard about the stories of the Bible before. Now I want to learn the Bible seriously. In fact, I want to become a child of God as soon as possible. I do not have any materials. I hope you can send me a copy of the Bible and other relevant materials."*

**“Accidentally, I tuned into your programs...Now I want to learn the Bible seriously.”**

from Indonesia:

*"I didn't know there was a Christian refreshment program until one day when I accidentally tuned in to it while going through the shortwave radio frequencies. Through that incident, I heard the program that talks about the words of God from the Bible. Since then, I've been making a point to tune in to that program."*

A story from India:

A 7.9 magnitude earthquake jolted Gujarat on January 26, 2001. TWR airs a Thru the Bible program into Gujarat. Interestingly, the broadcast heard on the day the disaster occurred, recorded six months earlier, was based on Mark 33. The text mentions that earthquakes will occur prior to the second coming of Jesus Christ. The Director of TWR-India shared the following: "As I was visiting the collapsed buildings, an elderly man came forward and said, 'Just this morning I heard your radio program that there will be earthquakes before the second coming of our Lord, and it came within one hour!' The man [then] wept!"



News Bits:



Doug and Sarah visit the USS Kitty Hawk while it is in town

In April a special friend of ours, Agnes, came to visit us from Pennsylvania. We had a great time hitting the beaches, snorkeling, visiting the historical sites and shopping! Sarah enjoyed all the extra excitement of having a visitor in the house (and someone else to read to her!). Agnes noticed how Sarah's vocabulary - which includes words like gecko, coral, carabao and puffer fish - is a little different than that of other two year olds she has known. Life sure is interesting and there never is a dull moment with an enthusiastic toddler in the house! Sarah is doing well with learning the alphabet, her numbers, potty training and many other things. We consider her our little "sponge"! We would appreciate your prayers as we pursue something that we feel God has laid on our hearts -- to adopt a child locally. Pray that if it is His will He would lead us to the child He wishes to entrust to our care.

We are looking to return to the States for our furlough in the summer of 2002. We will be happy to meet with churches and individuals at that time so we would like any feedback from you regarding potential appointments. We will have other needs such as housing, vehicle etc. so we ask you to join us in prayer as we plan our time.

*Oops!*

Thanks for your responses to our recent prayer letters. It is nice to know that they are being read! On our "mid-term exam", question number 10 had an error with two "B" responses and no "C". The correct answer as to the main target area for KTWR's broadcasts is Asia and the Pacific.

In His Sovereign Care,



*Guam address;  
PO Box 326326  
Agana Guam 96932*

*Headquarters Address;  
Trans World Radio  
PO Box 8700  
Cary NC 27512-8700  
<http://www.twr.org>*



Internet:  
E-Mail Address: [dgregson@guam.twr.org](mailto:dgregson@guam.twr.org)  
www page: <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/7831>