



CELEBRATING THE PAST — CRAFTING A FUTURE



These red bags are full of Gospels of John, which were carried to homes across Quebec City each day.

Quebec City celebrated its 400th birthday last summer. It was an event touted as an extraordinary opportunity for all Canadians to celebrate their history. The Department of Canadian Heritage played a leading role in the preparations; their desire was to ensure that Canadians would learn more about

their past, celebrate their present and craft their future. It was to be an event that Canadians would long cherish in their memories.

This milestone provided a wonderful opportunity for our partner, Aujourd'hui l'Espoir, to proclaim the Gospel in this post-modern city. A vision was born, and an extensive plan was developed for ten days of outreach; this included radio, television and Internet broadcasts, follow-up and the distribution of the Gospel of John to every household in Quebec City and surrounding areas.

Marcel Perron, Director of Aujourd'hui l'Espoir, despaired that the high cost made the vision out of reach. At one particularly low point, Marcel received a call from TWR Canada informing him that \$50,000 had been contributed by TWR friends and supporters in Alberta. This became the seed money for the

production and distribution of 400,000 copies of the Gospel of John. Marcel said he went from discouragement to joy! Through other ministries, God provided the remainder of the funds. He also provided hundreds of volunteers who served before, during and after the ten-day outreach.

Each evening during this outreach effort, Aujourd'hui l'Espoir held three-hour meetings at the Albert Rousseau concert hall. These were broadcast on cable TV and live on the Internet. During the day, volunteers distributed the Gospels of John. Recipients and listeners were encouraged to call Aujourd'hui l'Espoir volunteers to learn more. People responded, and in early 2009, the volume of responses continued to exceed the capacity of volunteer follow-up workers.

God provided all that was needed. He opened hearts and transformed lives! We join Aujourd'hui l'Espoir in praising God that many heard the message of Jesus Christ and many will begin to craft a future of serving the one and only living God.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear Friends,

"And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry." (1 Tim. 1:12) NKJV

On November 3, 1998, this verse was the basis of my morning devotions just hours before being interviewed by the Board for the leadership of Trans World Radio (TWR) Canada. In response to the Board's invitation and obedience to God's call, I accepted the role. Now, my stage of the relay is ending, and I am getting ready to pass the baton along.

Today, it gives me great joy to introduce Ray Alary as the next President of TWR Canada. Many of you have met Ray personally or have heard him speak on tour in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba or Ontario in recent years. It is clear that God has equipped Ray with fresh energy and extensive field experience that will be

a great blessing as he leads this ministry forward in the years ahead!

I firmly believe that God is bringing Ray to us at exactly the right time in our history. Ray's evident heart for the ministry, for supporters and for the people to whom we minister, will be an encouragement to you.

With a genuine passion for Christ and His work, Ray and Sandra have served with TWR since 1987. For the past 13 years, Ray has been a senior ministry leader in South Africa, most recently as Director of Operations and Human Resources for TWR Africa.



I have worked extensively with Ray over the past ten years as TWR Canada's ministry in Africa has grown and have witnessed his gift for leadership. This was particularly evident when he temporarily assumed the role of International Director for Africa upon

Reverend Stephen Boakye-Yiadom's sudden death in June 2007.

Ray has been an integral part of the ministry in Africa and will leave a great void there. However, God, in His great providence, is sending Dr. Emmanuel Mbennah as the new International Director for TWR Africa this month. This makes it feasible for Ray to return home this summer to assume the leadership here. Therefore, I look forward to Sunday, July 12, 2009, when I will officially pass the mantle of TWR Canada's leadership to him.

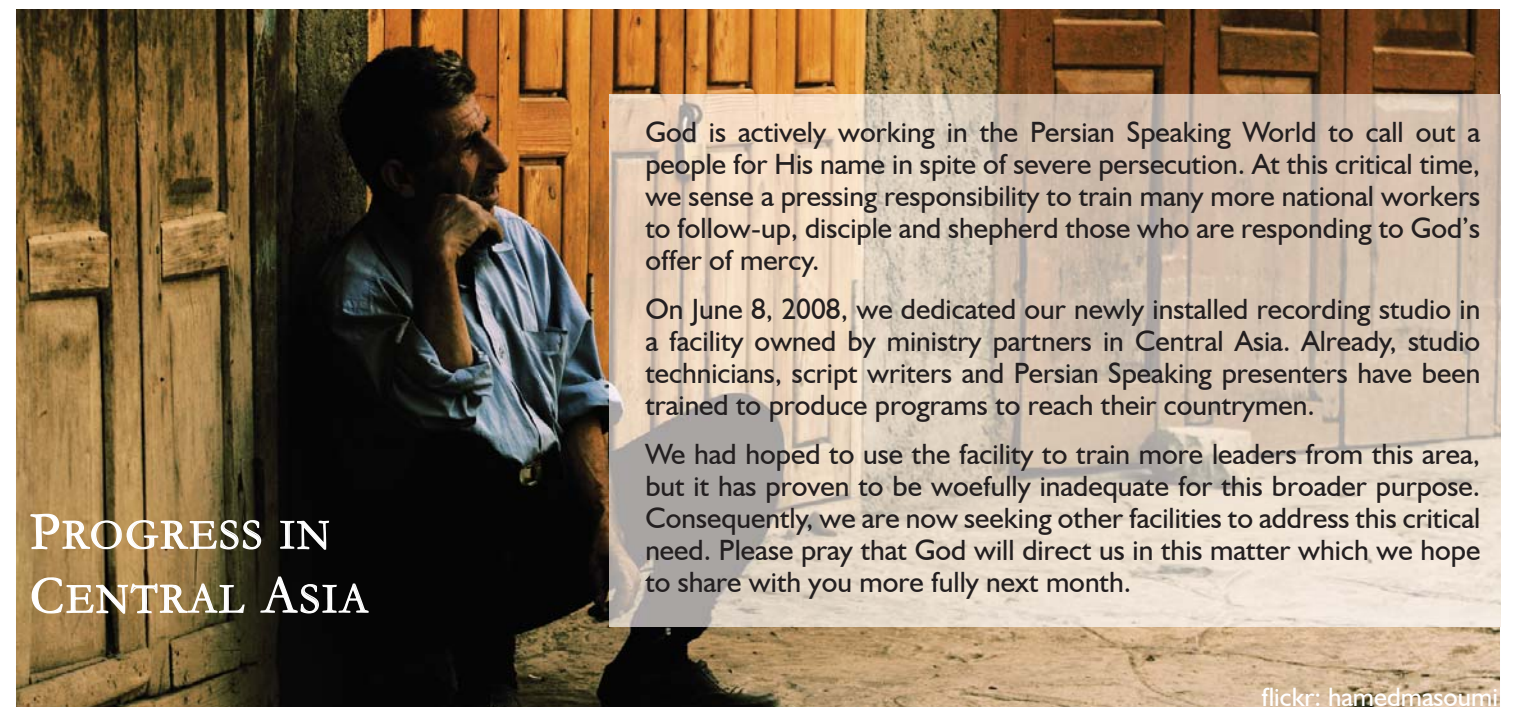
Let us rejoice together at God's goodness and faithfulness to us in supplying all that we need. I also invite you to join me in praying for both Ray and Dr. Mbennah as these men of God transition into their new and exciting leadership responsibilities.

I praise God for allowing me to serve in this vital ministry. May He continue to bless it in the years ahead.

In His Service,



Gerald A.J. Hayes
President
Trans World Radio Canada



PROGRESS IN CENTRAL ASIA

God is actively working in the Persian Speaking World to call out a people for His name in spite of severe persecution. At this critical time, we sense a pressing responsibility to train many more national workers to follow-up, disciple and shepherd those who are responding to God's offer of mercy.

On June 8, 2008, we dedicated our newly installed recording studio in a facility owned by ministry partners in Central Asia. Already, studio technicians, script writers and Persian Speaking presenters have been trained to produce programs to reach their countrymen.

We had hoped to use the facility to train more leaders from this area, but it has proven to be woefully inadequate for this broader purpose. Consequently, we are now seeking other facilities to address this critical need. Please pray that God will direct us in this matter which we hope to share with you more fully next month.

TWR INTERNATIONAL ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP CHANGES



LAUREN LIBBY, PRESIDENT & CEO

On October 21, 2008, Lauren Libby was officially announced as the new President and CEO of Trans World Radio (TWR) International. Libby's 30-plus years of experience primarily come from an extensive career with The Navigators. He became the fourth President on Dec. 1, 2008.

"I am pleased and excited about the appointment of Lauren Libby as the President of TWR," said Thomas J. Lowell, TWR's chairman of the Board of Directors. "In my conversations with Lauren, I sense that he is a man with a passion for serving the Lord and that he has a strong interest in the people who serve in this ministry as well as those who support TWR. He brings to our organization significant knowledge of radio, experience in leadership of a mission organization and a strong desire to lead TWR into the future."

A farmer's son from northern Kansas, Libby holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Kansas State University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from Regis University. Libby accepted the Lord as His Saviour while in college. He and his wife, June, have one adult son.

When asked about his future with Trans World Radio, Libby remarked: "I'm looking forward to an exciting future with the Board of Directors, staff and donors of TWR. From a Christian media standpoint, TWR is positioned to touch most of the world with the good news of Jesus. That's TWR's calling: To go to the whole world with the gospel for the whole person."



EMMANUEL MBENNAH, ID, AFRICA

On January 16, 2009, it was announced that Dr. Emmanuel D. Mbennah is the new International Director for Africa. Hailing from Tanzania, Dr. Mbennah succeeds the Rev. Stephen Boakye-Yiadom, who passed away in June 2007. Mbennah began his new role April 1.

"Dr. Mbennah is eminently qualified to lead the ministry of TWR Africa, and we're excited to have him on board," says TWR President/CEO Lauren Libby. "He brings a tremendous blend of spiritual leadership and maturity as well as the strategic ability to develop mission."

Prior to accepting his new position, Mbennah served as Country Director for Compassion International in Tanzania. His extensive academic resume includes a postgraduate degree in Biblical Studies. Dr. Mbennah holds a Ph.D. in Communications from Potchefstroom University in South Africa. He also earned a Master's in Communications from Wheaton College in Wheaton, Illinois, as well as a B.A. in Communication Arts from Messiah College in Grantham, Penn.

Mbennah accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour on June 15, 1975, when he was 16 years old. He and his wife, Ruth, have four children.

STAFF CHANGES

Addition: In June 2008, Sharon Gast joined our team part time as Office Representative with the key responsibility of calling to thank donors for their gifts to the ministry. With a background in missions and church ministry, Sharon is a great blessing as she speaks with donors, often encouraging them and offering prayer support.

Change: In February 2009, Kathy Duplessis joined our staff in the part-time role of Bookkeeper. As a business owner and with a bookkeeping background, Kathy brings solid skills and experience to fill this vital role. Kathy replaced Carmen Ocampo who had been in the role from 2006-2008.

IN HONOUR OF GERALD HAYES' RETIREMENT

After 10 years of faithful service, Trans World Radio Canada's President, Gerald Hayes, is retiring. To honour and thank Gerald and his wife Gloria, a special evening service and reception is being held at The Peoples Church in Toronto. Everyone is warmly invited.

**Sunday, July 12, 2009
6:00 pm**



EXPERIENCING GOD'S PROVISION



In February, Gerald Hayes, Ray Alary, Shannon Irwin and Greg & Ingrid Clarke attended TWR events across Alberta, sharing highlights of what God has been

doing through their investment in this ministry. They also focused attention on the need for additional funds to support the Makhuwa and French *Women of Hope* broadcasts for the last half of the year. This extreme need was also presented in an appeal letter we sent out in March.

Once again, we were overwhelmed by the generosity of God's people during the tour and in response to the appeal letter! As a result, we have committed to continue each broadcast throughout the year. Thank you to everyone who gave and prayed. Your partnership is a vital part of this ministry, and you are making a difference for His glory.

What a mighty God we serve!!

MISSION

The purpose of Trans World Radio Canada is to assist the church to fulfill the command of Jesus Christ to make disciples of all peoples, and to do so by using mass media to:

- proclaim the Good News about Jesus to as many people as possible;
- instruct believers in biblical doctrine and daily Christ-like living;
- model our message through our internal and external relationships.

VISION

To reach the world for Christ by mass media so that lasting fruit is produced.



SUPPORT TWR

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RADIO ORGANIC LIVE - INTERNET RADIO



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Last Thanksgiving was a special day in the life and ministry of Deborah Maak and TWR Canada. Why? At 12:00 midnight, our new Mandarin web radio station was heard by young Chinese people around the world for the first time.

Deborah had joined us in April 2008 with a vision to make this a reality. She assembled a team of volunteers in Toronto to record and edit radio programs to address the emotional and spiritual needs of a Chinese audience ranging in age from the late teens to late 30s. As well, she developed arrangements with ministries and studios overseas where our co-workers could produce radio blogs and other program elements. She recruited additional volunteers in Hong Kong, Singapore and Taiwan to produce programs locally; these would be sent via the internet to Deborah's team in Toronto for final editing and posting to the website. The

programs could then be heard live on www.radioorganiclive.com 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

We are seeking to reach young people where they are: travelling on public transit, doing their homework, etc. Therefore, programs feature music, testimonies and spiritual advice based on *Hope For The Heart* content. For example, current programs include topics such as guilt, time management, lying, worry, stress management, self-esteem, dating, decision-making, forgiveness, employment, stealing, friendship and hope.

Responses have already been received from listeners in more than 15 countries! This spring, Deborah met with partners in Asia to strengthen our follow-up counseling for all who contact us, whether in China, Canada, or anywhere else around the world.