

## Third Transmitter For Kununurra

Good news! A third 100kw transmitter is on its way from Elkhart in the USA and is expected to be delivered in March 2016. Our opportunity to share the good news just got better.

It is expected the first broadcast using our newly refurbished transmitter will air in the first half of 2016. This will give Reach Beyond Australia added transmission capacity as well as greater flexibility to deliver programs at the best listening times.

Many of you will be aware of our DRM project. It consisted of refurbishing and modifying

an existing HC 100 transmitter plus upgrading it for digital shortwave operation. The refurbishment is complete; however, the digital technology that is required has not progressed to the extent expected and is still at least 2 years away. Significant distribution of digital receivers across Asia is also well behind schedule. This has helped in our decision to bring the transmitter to Kununurra as soon as possible.

Derek Kickbush, Reach Beyond Media Manager said, "We're not dismissing a move to digital shortwave. It just means it will be later rather than sooner.

What is evident is the need for our third transmitter ...NOW!

We have a great opportunity to enhance our reach into India and the arrival of a third fully refurbished analogue transmitter will greatly assist that. That's the mandate God has given us, to reach the unreached with a message of hope."

Our goal has always been to get the gospel out to as many people that will have ears to hear. In Mark 4:9 it says 'And He said to them, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"' The response below, sent from Dehradun, Uttarkhand, in Northern India was received only recently and is one of hundreds we are receiving each month.

"I am happy for the good programs that you make. The programs about Jesus asking to forgive your brother 70 times 7 helped me to forgive my brother who cheated me. God bless you for the good programs you make."

Come next March we trust our third transmitter will be added to the fray!



# Project Updates

## Light Up a Village

Christopher and Dolly Kirubakaran, our partners in India, are continuing to manage the installation of the 'light up a village' packs into villages throughout Chhattisgarh. We have just received the latest report, following a long and arduous trip, that more villages now have solar panels, LED lights and shortwave radios. 35 villages have now been 'lit up' and can tune into Reach Beyond's shortwave radio programs.

They wrote: *"By God's grace we were able to install Solar Panels and lights, a joy and heart-warming it was to see and meet people that have committed lives to the Lord in just the past few months praising and worshipping God and testifying to how their lives, families and the community is being blessed and changed."*

Also, one of the people travelling with them said...  
..*"Thank you for giving me an opportunity to see firsthand,*



*what reaching out and working with people who are actually 'not reached'. It is so humbling for me. Blessings to your team."*

The installation process is long and difficult due to the remoteness of the villages and the uncertain political climate in India. Please keep

this project in your prayers. We thank you for your overwhelming response and support for 'Light up a Village'.

With God's help and your valued support, we know that the light will shine brightly for a long time to come as we strive to deliver a message of hope.

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## Nepal Relief Appeal

Your generous donations have been allocated to the global efforts of Reach Beyond to make a difference in the lives of those in Nepal who continue to face tough times.

Work teams that were planned to begin the rebuilding in Harmi, Nepal in November have been postponed amid political disputes. In late September, there was a blockade on all sorts of goods on the Indian border (including gasoline, cooking gas, food, etc), and the country literally came to a standstill. Please pray that the work teams will be rescheduled for early 2016.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. You are a vital part of this ministry; helping us reach the unreached with life changing radio.



## Our Kununurra team continues to grow!

Allow us to introduce you to Alfred and Shirley Schinkelshoek (Left side) who have joined Reach Beyond as self-supported missionaries at our Broadcast Facility in Kununurra, far North Western Australia.

Alf was born in the Netherlands and came to New Zealand in 1970 where he met and married Shirley. They have been married for 33 years and have three grown children; Rochelle, Ryan and Aidan.

Alf is a qualified technician in telecommunications and radio with 30 years of experience in the communications and electronics industry. He has a high level of technical ability in maintenance and installation, is a self-motivated person,

loves the outdoors, relating to people on a personal level, and sport—particularly cricket and rugby. Shirley has been a teacher's assistant/aide for the past 15 years involved in the area of special needs and disability for children, particularly in languages. She is a good communicator and relates well with people from all walks of life. Both Alf and Shirley have participated on various committees and ministries through their involvement in church, and served the board of the Canterbury Christian Schools Association (CCSA).

Alf serves as a Broadcasting Technician and Shirley as



support to the team wherever needed. They arrived in Kununurra in July and have quickly become an integral part of our team. Alf's primary area of responsibility is to maintain and ensure the smooth operation of the complete broadcast system and provide technical support to Stephen Sutherland, our Broadcast Engineer. Please pray for them as they settle into life in the outback.

## Are you coming to visit?

Over the years many volunteers have travelled to our Broadcast Facility in Kununurra, far North Western Australia, to help with its establishment and completion. Volunteers are the backbone and lifeblood of Reach Beyond. Without them, much of the work we do would not be possible. Each year, many volunteers generously give time, skills and energy to support our ministry.

### Planning a trip?

Our Broadcast Facility is located in the beautiful Kimberly region. There is no spring, summer, autumn or winter, which can be confusing for people visiting the tropics. There are two distinct seasons, the wet season (November to April) and dry season (May to October). The dry

season is characterised by clear blue skies, Easterly winds and balmy days with some chilly nights. The weather is stable, and outdoor events can be planned years in advance. It won't rain. Every day is so perfect and beautiful, it is almost boring! The wet season is a different story – hot, humid, sometimes violent and above all unpredictable.

When planning your holiday around Australia next year, keep us in mind. June, July and August are the best months in this region; we would love to see you! We are not a tourist

caravan park but we can offer free accommodation places for those interested in a working holiday. We need to continue to develop, maintain and keep our facility operational. There is much to be done and we still need your financial support and the continued flow of volunteers at Kununurra.

Please contact us on 1300 653 853 or email [meloffice@reachbeyond.org.au](mailto:meloffice@reachbeyond.org.au) if you are interested in discussing a short or long term volunteer role and getting involved with Reach Beyond in this capacity.



## Farewell to Board Chairman, Wes Taylor

Wes became interested in the ministry of Reach Beyond back in 2004 after visiting our Broadcast Facility in Kununurra. He was appointed to the Board in May 2007.

Wes has formed an integral part of the team at Reach Beyond and has provided strong leadership on the Board as a member and then as Chairman for the past

seven years—a total of 8½ years. Wes has been a great support to Dale Stagg, CEO of Reach Beyond Australia and a wonderful ambassador. His vision and wisdom has been a valuable asset to the ministry.

We wish Wes well for his future endeavours and pray that God blesses him and his family abundantly. Thank you Wes for the countless hours you



have so graciously spent in the ministry to see the gospel preached around the world. We will miss you!

## Listener's Comments

### From a listener in Tamil Nadu

*I listened to your program today for the first time. I was tuning in to listen to some cinema songs; somehow I ended up listening to your program. I want to know more about this Jesus. Please send me your address, I would like to come and meet you personally. I have many problems in life. I have heard you saying that Jesus is the answer. Sir I believe that He can help me. I need a Bible and more teaching from the word. I want to go to a church. Please could you kindly introduce me to a church? Will they accept me if I go? Please help me and guide me. I have a son, who is wayward. Please pray that he will be an obedient child. Thank you.*

### An excerpt from a recent telephone conversation in India...

Listener: *"I heard your program just now, my daughter is suffering from a fever. Please can you pray? I have been consulting many doctors it has not helped? Do you do this for free?"*

Response: *"We will pray with you, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. We are not asking for any donation. Keep us informed. We pray together."*

## Jonas Santos

We are excited to announce that Jonas Santos will be joining our team in Melbourne later this year.

Jonas will be working from our offices in Kilsyth from mid November 2015 as our Assistant Media Manager, supporting our Media Manager, Derek Kickbush. Jonas is from Brazil although he recently spent 7 years in Australia where he obtained his Master of Divinity. Jonas has an extensive background in Christian radio ministry including 20 years as a radio announcer. He has also worked as a TV reporter. Jonas is qualified to teach English as a second language and served in his 'local' Perth church as an interpreter to the Portuguese Community.

Jonas has known of HCJB (now Reach Beyond) for a long time from our Brazilian ministry and is excited to join us.

Jonas is being 'sent out' by his home church in Brazil to serve with us. His church is also partially supporting Jonas financially. Jonas will travel to Australia with his wife Claudette. A feature story on Jonas will be included in our next newsletter.

As part of their move to Australia, Jonas and Claudette will need a place to live and items that will help them 'set-up' house. If you know of anyone that has a house for rent, at a good rate for a missionary couple, in close proximity to the Kilsyth offices, or a reliable car for sale, we would love to hear from you. Also, we are looking for good quality household items that could be donated to assist them, i.e., whitegoods, furniture, kitchen appliances and other household essentials.

If you are able to help, please contact us on 1300 653 853 or send us an email to [meloffice@reachbeyond.org.au](mailto:meloffice@reachbeyond.org.au)



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We thank God that the new antennas have added so much strength to the reach of our programs in India this year, and with the arrival of the third transmitter in 2016 we are uniquely placed to reach even more people with the gospel. These include Chhattisgarhi and Kuruk which have been part of our Light up a Village Project in central India, helping to improve the lives of hundreds of families through the installation of solar powered lights and shortwave radios.

Last month we also highlighted three important Indian languages that we are hoping to develop and expand. They are Urdu, Punjabi and Bengali. As you may recall, there is a combined total of 145 million people that speak these languages as 'their first' language in India. That's more than six times Australia's entire population! It's hard to comprehend isn't it?

We prayerfully set a target of \$75,000 to help us achieve this goal. I am excited to share with you that \$15,000 has already been received. Praise God, only \$60,000 to go!

I am grateful for the many people who stand with us in prayer and financially giving, and ask that you continue to pray with us that the Lord will provide what we need so that others might know Jesus.

*Thank you for being part of the Reach Beyond family.*

*Thank you for helping us reach people like Charan.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Stagg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

**Dale Stagg**  
Chief Executive Officer