



REACH BEYOND

VOICE AND HANDS

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One Life Changed is Just the Beginning

We have a great team of staff and volunteers in Kununurra whose work ethic, passion, and commitment to the vision of Reach Beyond is inspiring.

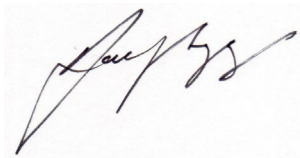
But what motivates them more than anything else, is hearing some of the incredible stories and testimonies we receive from those who hear the Good News of Jesus in their own languages. Our team know that for this to happen, it is important that our antennas and equipment are kept in great shape. This includes the repair of broken antenna components and the painting of numerous insulators that are a vital part of the antenna (see front cover).

It is the faithful efforts of those behind the scenes that is integral to our vision to see Jesus known and loved by unreached individuals and communities in tangible ways. The fruit from one life transformed through the love of Jesus often far exceeds our expectations, and the stories we hear are only a reflection of the wider work the Holy Spirit is doing.

We recently received this encouraging report from our Matu team:

“This month we interviewed Rev B P, who is highly respected among the Matu people. He shared how his life changed in Christ when he heard God’s call, and spoke about his need to repent from his sin and the process of accepting Christ as his Saviour and Lord. He also shared how Jesus changed his life. Many listeners who heard this interview shared how God touched and changed their lives, and requested us to include more interviews in subsequent programs.”

Thank you for standing with us in prayer, believing that through the faithful efforts of our staff and volunteers in helping us to steward the resources we have, the love of Jesus is shared with the unreached across the region.



Dale Stagg

CEO



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Unlimited Happiness

By Jonas Santos – Media Manager

Referred to as the happiest country in the world, Bhutan’s landscape and lifestyle have attracted tourists from every continent.

While more openness to the world appears to be taking place, a recent change in the Constitution restricting public meetings of any sort has been interpreted as an attempt to curb faith-related gatherings that are not Buddhist - the religion followed by most of the population there.

Despite these severe restrictions, there is a growing network of underground churches all over Bhutan, with local travelling pastors encouraging believers and sharing the good news throughout the country.

A few months ago, we were introduced to one of those pastors. He told us how shortwave radio could help his efforts. With internet connectivity unreliable out of the big cities, radio offers a steadier way to deliver the good news of Jesus to villagers, complementing his periodical face-to-face ministry. After prayerful consideration, the pastor assembled a team of locals we were able to train in radio production. This was a massive operation given the precautions we had to take so to ensure the security of everyone involved.

Since then, this dedicated team have been working hard on writing and voicing over the newest program to be aired by Reach Beyond Australia. And its name couldn’t have been more appropriate: ‘Unlimited Happiness’, a reference to the country’s ‘happiest country in the world’ motto.

Spoken in Dzongkha, the language used by the majority of Bhutan’s population, ‘Unlimited Happiness’ presents listeners with talks, music, and short stories that point to the joy that can be found in Jesus.

Thanks to the immense help of these new local ministry partners, we are now able to get closer to the ears of the Bhutanese. This is just the beginning. Plans are underway for a distribution of shortwave receivers in the country. Please pray for these bold initiatives and for everyone involved. Should you wish to learn more about the project, feel free to contact us.

*“But how shall they ask Him to save them unless they believe in Him?
And how can they believe in Him if they have never heard about Him?
And how can they hear about Him unless someone tells them?”*

ROMANS 10:14 (TLB)



**“...God
bless you
all...”**

“I am grateful for these WhatsApp programs that helped me at the right time else I would have been sucked into depression. Thank you and God bless you all for getting God’s word to us.”

**— English & Tamil
listener, India**

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Reaching the Unreached with a Message of Hope

"Many years ago, I used to listen to Christian radio broadcasts. A group of friends had formed a radio listeners club. Then slowly the programs stopped. Recently I heard a young man share about Chhattisgarhi, Punjabi, Hindi and other language programs in a church group. I got a program schedule and I am so happy to hear your programs. I am praying for all of you. I share about the programs with many people. Keep up the good work."

— **Sukhdev, listener from Delhi, India**

"Dear brothers and sisters, thank you for airing good programs full of hope and advice on how to live a balanced life. Please pray for our family. We are praying for all of you. May Jesus continue to keep us all safe."

— **Amardeep, a regular listener of 'Pearls from the Deep' and 'Thoughts from the Bible', Punjab, India**

"One of my friends in Kerala wants to hear the Word of God. Please help her with Malayalam programs. My friend Mohini also is listening to the program along with me once weekly – pray for her also. She is praying to the Lord. None of us go to the church. We depend only on this radio program. Please do continue to pray for us as we need guidance and blessing from the Lord."

— **Vanitha, Kannada listener, India**

"I am regularly listening to your audio program. It is a real blessing to us. Last week I was very tired of what is going on in our family and was so vexed. One or the other problem was coming our way and as a family we were broken. At the right time, the Word of God came through WhatsApp. It was like God himself speaking to us. We got our hope back and looking forward to more such Word of God."

— **Padmanaban, Tamil listener, India**

Every day over 23,000 people receive our FRESH devotional via WhatsApp in the Tamil language.

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GIVE, GO & PRAY

GIVE: Help us continue to be the VOICE and HANDS of Jesus to the unreached. **GO:** Has God been speaking to you about serving or volunteering with Reach Beyond? **PRAY:** Pray that God will continue to open doors for us to be able to share the love of Jesus to the unreached.

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