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50,000 Watt Stations Every Sunday

WLW	6:30 AM	700 Dial	Cincinnati, OH
WLW	8:00 AM	700 Dial	Cincinnati, OH
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WRVA	7:04 AM	1140 Dial	Richmond, VA
WRVA	9:30 PM	1140 Dial	Richmond, VA
WIBC	7:30 AM	93.1 Dial	Indianapolis, IN
WHAS	7:30 AM	840 Dial	Louisville, KY
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(1930 UTC) 6020 kHz on Dial

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(0700 UTC) 5945 kHz on Dial

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Sunday 8:30 AM
(0800 UTC) 9770 kHz on Dial

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Sunday 8:00 PM
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THE LETTER I ALMOST THREW AWAY

The Countdown to the 50th Celebration November 19th



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JEANETTE HEINZE
VICE PRESIDENT
GENERAL MANAGER

October 26, 1962

Dear Mr. Bousman:

Effective November 11th, I will have a Sunday night half-hour segment available for a religious program from 7:30 to 8:00 PM. This would start out at the one-time rate of \$180 per program and at the end of 52 weeks you would be rebated to \$162 per program.

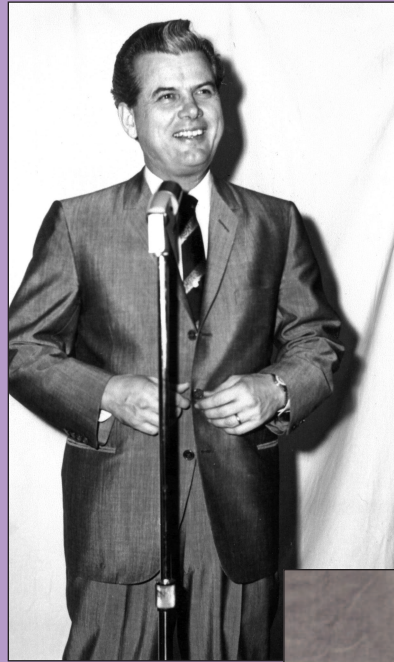
I would appreciate it if you would send a tape to me if you are interested in this segment.

Sincerely,

Jeanette Heinze
(Mrs.) Jeanette Heinze

Mr. Ed Bousman
First Church of Christ
Lynchburg, Ohio

JH:as



Ed in 1962
When GIJAPA began



Ed in 1962
Photo by
Bob Stevens,
Allensburg
Church of Christ

Back in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-two, I was bringing a message on the seventh chapter of the Gospel according to Matthew. It started out with judge not that ye be not judged - then on to cast not your pearls before swine - then to the memorable verses that altered my life completely: "Ask and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you. For everyone that asketh receiveth, and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh, it shall be opened!"

It was at this point that I challenged the congregation at the First Church of Christ in Lynchburg, Ohio where I was preaching at the time in this manner. We don't have to ask God for anything that we can do for ourselves. Where we need God's help is in the areas beyond our reach. We need help to do impossible things. Let's all go home today and ask God for the impossible. I don't know whether anyone took me seriously or not, but I took myself seriously and went home and prayed that God would give me this radio ministry - GOD IS JUST A PRAYER AWAY. In this way with only a small number of the BIG stations we could cover an area greater than the area of several hundred regular powered outlets.

During the night time hours, especially our programs on the super stations can be heard over an area of about thirty-five states each. The money involved would be astronomical, but Jesus said, "Ask and it shall be given you, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you." The existence of this ministry is ample proof that the Lord honored His word and gave us what we asked, sought, and knocked for. For if ye being evil know how to give good gifts unto your children how much more shall your Father who is in Heaven give good things to them that ask Him. We asked and He gave. Shortly after that my prayers began to be answered when I went and talked to WCKY about available radio time. On October 26, 1962, I received a letter that I almost threw away. It was from WCKY, a 50,000 watt radio station in Cincinnati, Ohio, telling me that the time we had asked about was available. I almost threw the letter away because the price they were asking for the half hour time segment at 7:30 on Sunday night was out of my reach—impossible—\$182.00; I was thinking of \$40.00 as impossible. We are no longer on WCKY; we switched to WLW within the year, and a half hour segment today on WLW at 6:30 AM is \$1,100 and a half hour segment at 8 AM on WLW is \$1,300 - now that seems impossible, but YOU make it possible!

After carrying the letter around about a week, I started to throw it on the fire with some trash I was burning. Then I thought it might not be fair to do it without showing it to my first wife, Roberta. When I showed it to her she said, without any hesitation, that we could do it. She got on the phone and began to call a few preachers and told them the story - how we could broadcast the gospel over a twenty-five state area on Sunday night. But everyone else said it could not be done that I had two strikes against me: No one knows you and you have no money.

To make a long story short, that is how it all began. I almost threw the letter away, but didn't. My career from that moment in the Lord's work is hinged on the fact that I did not throw that letter away. The Ministry has grown

since and now instead of one program we have ten on the super power 50,000 watt stations, plus the 5 short wave stations that were featured in the March GIJAPA newsletter. Many have been won to Christ and the good that has been done will only be known on that Great Day.

LETTERS

Dear Ed and Naomi:

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Hope you are both fine. Myself and a brother are running a House Bible Fellowship, we were wondering if you could supply some used Bibles, we are in need for the congregation, we are small at the moment. If you have any old paperback or hardback Bibles and possibly one large print Bible. Any number would help us. I continue to listen to your broadcasts (Bible Voice Europe) and I am on your mailing list and also do your Bible study course. If you could help that would be a blessing: If you cannot I will understand. God bless you both and all at GIJAPA.

Kind Regards, Chris Oliver South Yorkshire United Kingdom

Thank you for sending the second box of used Bibles and Bible Studies. These will go a long way with the other Bibles you sent earlier in helping our fellowship grow in the word of God.. Thanks again for your kindness and prompt help. May God truly bless you Ed & Naomi and all your ministry family.

Kind Regards, Brother Chris Oliver

Dear Sister Naomi,

We have received all the 13 boxes of boxes that you sent. The heart of the giver makes the gifts dear and precious. Thank you very much. We need more Bibles and eye glasses. Naomi is doing very well together with all our children She is fine and saying thank you for all the clothes you sent for her. She is now sitting and eating porridge. Greet brother Ed and the other GIJAPA family for us. We love you very much. Thank you servants of the living God, doing His will. We are so blessed with your ministry GIJAPA, and seeing sisters Barbara Ertel, Amy Cox, Mona Allen, and Glenna Butler standing, and sister Naomi and brother Ed Bousman sitting. This morning, I was looking at the picture for Ed Bousman, that he got in 1922. We thank God for His protection upon His man servant. Soldiers of Christ, we are really happy to see your faces and appreciate the work you are doing in America and around the whole world. We pray for God's protection over you through Christ our Savior. Great is your rewards in heaven. (Matthew 25: 23). Our prayer is that each one of you be in good health in 2011. The Lord will reward you for the good work that you are doing and continue doing. Brethren, rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven. (Matt. 5:12, Eph. 6:8, Dan.12:3). Stay well and God bless you more for the job you are doing. We are praying for Ed Bousman.

Your brother and fellow servant of Jesus Christ

It was on Saturday, new year day, 1st, and Sunday 30th January 2011, that we baptized two sisters—Mpande and Kawisha. It was the most glorious event of baptism we

have recorded this year 2011. The name of our two sisters, together with ours are written in the book of life which is in heaven. We pray and hope that God will continue to bless the work that is done here just as He has since the beginning through your prayers and support. As the church grows, does the need to provide spiritual support for these babes in Christ, not just focusing on winning converts. Some of the members added to the Lord's body are new to the gospel and the plan of salvation, having been raised in religion that teach more on prosperity and repeating the same pray as the way of salvation. As a result, we are spending more hours to teach about Jesus' death, burial and resurrection, mode of baptism and the plan of salvation and who should be baptized. In addition to regular teaching, we are having a door to door campaign to bring back members who don't attend regular Sunday worship. Please continue to pray for the work here in Solwezi, Zambia, that it may continue to grow spiritually in 2011 and unhindered by problems of this world.

John Maseka, Evangelist of Messenger Church Of Christ, Solwezei, Zambia, Africa

Dear Sister Naomi,

We thank God for all that you've been doing for us on this hard soil. We have just received five boxes of used clothing from you today, we appreciate so much. Our good Lord will always abide with you all through Christ, Amen. We keep on praying for our beloved brother Bousman and we do hope he's getting better. To God alone be the glory through Christ Jesus.

Alexander Ofori, The Gambia, a servant of The Most High God

Dear Brother Bousman,



Levuma Church of Christ
Preacher Saidu and Elder Markson holding banner



Levuma Church of Christ
Front and side view of building, newly painted

Greetings from the church in Sierra Leone to you and our many partners in Ministry. Last night I arrived safely in Monrovia from Sierra Leone. We praise our Lord Jesus Christ that the Levuma Church of Christ building project is completed and painted as you may see in the attached photos. The congregation was very helpful in the construction works on the church building. While in Sierra Leone we were privileged to have leadership seminar with the Elders of Levuma, Mandutawahun and Taway congregations every morning for 4 days. We also had crusade meetings during the evening hours and the Lord blessed his kingdom with 35 lost souls from the 3 villages and surrounding towns who gave their lives to our Lord Jesus Christ. They were baptized and added to the church!!! It is sad to report

that the devil is still in the business of using the Elders of the Anglican church in Levuma to ferment trouble for the New Testament Church in the area. Two years ago the devil made us loose one of our original preachers in Levuma Church of Christ in person of Joseph Ben Jusu whom the Anglican principal threaten to sack from been a teacher if he continues to be a preacher at the Church of Christ in Levuma. This time around the only school in the area that is operated by the Anglican church do not allow any student from the whole area that attends that school to participate in any of the activities at any of the Church of Christ congregations. Sometimes the authorities of the school flog or suspend them if found attending the Church of Christ activities in any of our congregations. For Heaven's sake, these children need to know about the Lord's church and his saving grace for all mankind. My prayer request is that a school building at the cost of \$5000 to be one day erected for the Church of Christ members' and all other children to attend and be taught the FAITH of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only foundation for existence.

In Christ, Mike Foday Liberia, W. Africa

Dear Mr. Bousman,

Our kids have collected money during VBS to buy Bibles for kids here who do not have a Bible and the rest of the money they wanted to send to you to use for postage for Bibles you are shipping overseas. They wanted other people to be able to read and learn about God and Jesus. May God bless you and all who are helping you to spread the good news about Jesus?

In Christ, Cheryl Anders and youth from Level Green Church of Christ; Corbin, KY. (Thank you for the \$55.00 for Bible postage)

Dear Ed & Naomi, Greetings from the Pickaway Home for Wayward Boys. I'm writing to let you know that this curious challenge in my life is almost at an end; I will be leaving here on April 19th, never to return (thy will be done). One door is closing but another has already been opened, thanks to you and it all started at 6:30 one Sunday morning as I was flipping through the AM radio stations and happened upon your persuasive preaching of the gospel, "as it was in the days of the Apostles." Your ministry changed my life and I spread the word, not only of Christ, but also of your ministry as often as I can. As I've written to you before, it's hard to be a fisher of men in a place such as this but I believe my new chapter is just beginning in that realm. The evil in the world is building strength by leaps and bounds, for more so than in any of my previous 53 years. I do believe sincerely and the part I must play is becoming clearer just as much so by the days and hours. The destruction of our nation is underway but more importantly what our nation represents is under attack more than anything else, worldwide. This is no coincidence, either. Personally I attribute much of this to the cancerous spread of Islam festering in its predicted way. My career was at sea, I was a Radio Electronics Officer in the US Merchant Marine for 19 years, I sailed the seven seas. How I ended up in the pokey is a story for another day but I can assure you, I'm no career criminal.

I'll drop you a line before I go home so you have my current information. My thoughts and prayers to you and yours. God bless you, and I'll keep the powder dry, we may be needing it sooner than we think!

Yours in Christ, Jeff C. Incarcerated in Orient, OH

Dear Teacher in Christ,

Greetings to you sir and all other brothers and sisters at your Evangelistic Association Inc. Radio Broadcast and your listeners and all Christians of the Church of Christ. I was very thankful for your Bible lessons and I am very glad and happy to have received them and finished the 30 lessons. Your Radio Africa broadcast is also the Church of Christ's voice in Africa too, and I look forward to studying your other Bible lessons both new and old testament and they are parts of the Bible where one does not understand that that's why we need other Christian teachers to help us e.g. Ed Bousman. I look forward to study the lessons "Into All the World" from Acts. Thank you very much and God bless you and your family. I remain yours faithfully in our Lord.

Robert N. from Kenya, E Africa

Dear Ed,

We send greetings from Myrtle Beach, SC. Thank you so much for your service over the years. Thank you for never wavering from the New Testament doctrine. The Lord's message through you has reached many who would never have received the truth. Use this money for Bibles to further the truth, God's word is truth. Pray you are feeling better and hope to see you at Restoration Destination this year.

In His Service, David Jones from South Strand Christian Church, Surfside, Beach, SC

To Ed,

For the radio broadcast: Your (February) newsletter was absolutely wonderful! It was happy, sad, funny, inspiring, because through God you did it. I'm glad that I could

be part of it.

Darryl F., Lynchburg, OH

Dear Brother Ed, You have been ministering to me for 11 months now and have brought me fairly far. I want to thank you for being there for us I am currently in prison and enrolled in a Christ based program for inmates called PAL (Personal Applications for Life). Thanks to you and your ministry I am actually doing well! Again thank you for being there for us those of us who have fallen down and need a hand spiritually. I pray that others like me will be reached and turned around, and with GIJAPA around, I am confident that they will be.

God bless you, Brother Ed, James W. K. from Grady, AR

Mr. Bousman,

My name is Delia and I received a Bible and Bible study from you. I wanted to take the time to show how grateful I am for what you've done. Thank you very much! I pray that god will continue to bless you and your ministry! I can't wait to receive one of your books! (: Will you please pray for the McPherson Women's Unit and the Grimes Men's Unit (my husband is there).

Thank you so much, Newport, AR

Dear Mr. Bousman,

I want to thank you for my Bible; I really, really enjoy it. And I also want to thank you for the Bible studies. I've been wanting a King James cause it helps me to stay into the word to study the word more to dig deeper. I want wisdom and understanding like Proverbs 4:7 and Proverbs 2:5. Please pray for me that my relationship with God will grow stronger and that I will gain wisdom, understanding and knowledge so that I can do His will from now on because my will gets me nowhere. Thank you and your family. May the Lord bless you above and beyond more than you can imagine!

Sincerely, Amy S. Newport, AR



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