

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



GOD Is Just a Prayer Away



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BIBLE VOICE				
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INDIA:	Sunday	8:30 AM	(0800 UTC)	9770 kHz on Dial
BIBLE VOICE				
RUSSIA:	Sunday	8:00 PM	(1900 UTC)	6015 on kHz Dial

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Jesus is the Reason for the Season

45th Year Broadcasting ~ 64 Years Preaching the Gospel

Thank you for making it possible for me to begin my 45th year of broadcasting on November 18th and my 64th year in the ministry. Once again we send this special Christmas Issue of GIJAPA in lieu of a Christmas card so we can thank you for your support through your gifts and prayers. Seasons Greetings from all of us here at GIJAPA.

Roberta Burns
Amy Butler
Ed Bousman
Barbara Eitel
Ellen Pennington
Naomi Bousman
Mona Allen

UNDER the TREE

December the twenty-fifth is the birthday of the Lord. It should not be necessary but it needs to be pointed out that we don't know what day the Lord was born, but He was born and it might as well have been December the twenty-fifth as any other day.

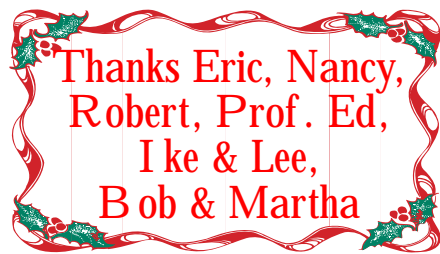
People usually get gifts on their birthday so we need to give the Lord a gift on His birthday. Then there is an additional element when we think of Christmas--there is the matter of the tree. If you are going to give a gift to the Lord on His birthday, put the present under the tree.

Put it under the tree that Peter talked about. Peter said in Acts the fifth chapter, "Whom also they slew hanging Him on a tree." Paul said in Galatians that third chapter in speaking of the crucifixion. "Cursed is everyone that hangeth on a tree." You see, the real Tree is the CROSS. Personally I can think of no better way to celebrate the birthday of the Lord than by placing a generous check at the foot of the cross. Sending that check to the GOD IS JUST A PRAYER AWAY radio broadcast is one way to put your present under the tree, and know exactly where it's going, because you can listen every Sunday.

The Churches of Christ in Liberia have been closed by the government several years prior. This left a great void in the Churches there in Liberia. They not only need Bibles and lessons, but the communion trays that were donated by Person to Person Ministries.



Members of Virginia church of Christ in Monrovia, Liberia with Bibles from GIJAPA Mike Foday, evangelist center.



GIJAPA wants to thank these volunteers for their faithful service through the year: THANKS to our son, Eric Vail of 3z.net, A PCD Company, for keeping all of our office equipment--computers, copiers, printers, scanner, fax machine--working and up-to-date, as well as maintaining the web site, keeping our three GIJAPA e-mail accounts: Sermon of the Week Prayer Chain and Newsletter functioning, and providing technical support for everything. THANKS to Nancy Bravinder, Ed's niece from St. Paul, MN for the many hours she spends proofreading Ed's sermons. These sermons are sent out to those who subscribe to a sermon each week by e-mail. (To be on this list, click on the "subscribe" link on our web page (www.gijapa.org). And these sermons are added each week to the web site under Sermons. THANKS to Robert Bucheler, our friend from Beerwick-Upon-Tweed, England and his mother Kathleen, who listens faithfully every week to our Bible Voice Europe and Bible Voice Russia broadcasts and sends us a reception report. This is such a blessing to have someone listening and reporting back to us, and Robert has done this for over 6 years.

THANKS to Professor Edward Devadoss Karunakaran from the Union Christian College in India who listens to our India broadcast each Sunday and reports back to us. Also note under the letters how he is using our Studies in the Bible lessons for his students. THANKS to Ike & Lee Perty for being our contact in Grana to distribute Bibles and lessons to thousands who request and collect the lessons and send them to us for grading. Read more about their work in another part of the paper. THANKS to Bob and Martha Feathers for continuing to send out hundreds of audiotapes from Hillsboro Family camp speakers to all of the people who have completed 30 lessons of Studies in the Bible. A BIG THANKS to the Pinehurst Christian Church in Marietta, OH for providing the funds for this tape ministry. THANKS to Bob also for keeping all of GIJAPA record-

ing and duplication equipment in excellent condition and upgrading as needed.



THANKS to the Church of Christ at Grissom in Peru, Indiana and George Faull, Evangelist for the truck load of clothes and shoes for Africa. BIG THANKS to Melvin See and Zeke Goff using his truck and bringing them to us.

THANKS to Person to Person Ministries and Kerry Allen, Director for the 9 sets of communion trays that were sent to the Churches of Christ in Liberia and Grana, Africa that had none. SPECIAL THANKS in memory of Lester Woodley who supported GIJAPA generously for many, many years and remembered GIJAPA in death. The first church service I attended in 1939 when I came to Cincinnati to go to school was the Columbia Church of Christ. Paul Holderman a trumpet-playing preacher greeted us. But at the end of the services it was a tall slim young man invited me to stay after services for young people's meeting; that was Lester Woodley. He and I were both born in 1918--he was 3 months older.



If you have not looked at our new web site at www.gijapa.org please do that. You'll not only find the old things but we've added COMMUNION MEDITATIONS, LISTEN TO THE CURRENT BROADCAST SERMON 24/7 for the past 6 months, PRINTED SERMONS that you can read along as you listen. We also have pictures of those who volunteer for GIJAPA, the RADIO SCHEDULE, and you can download the monthly NEWSLETTERS. GIJAPA is now sending the weekly sermons electronically to 8 of the 12 AM radio stations in the US and 3 of the 5 short-wave stations for

broadcasting. This saves us thousands of dollars in postage and supplies as well as time.



PTL! We are in another special month, a month that finalizes all activities in year 2006. Though we fell sick, had problems, suffered in a way, had bad business we are alive and kicking all by the graciousness and mercies of God the Almighty. Every one of us is doing very well here in the family and we are very grateful unto the Lord for all He has done for us bad and good. It was 1 year when the Lord tested our faith with that robbery, but by His own grace, He kept us comforted and strong through your prayers, support and words of encouragements. We are doing the soul winning job God called us to do for Him; and that is what we shall do even if the going gets tougher! Please pray for us!

THE Truth's activities for the year were successful. Our village-to-village work was tremendously better than last year. We talked to several people (approximately 5,000) in 9 small villages and 3 towns. The traditional festival opened the way for us to have more people to talk to, as many people traveled to visit friends and love ones. We are starting some congregations in at least three villages in the next year if the Lord willing. Negotiations are underway for structures or meeting places as well as materials for these congregations. At the moment, souls that have been won for the Lord travel from their various villages to worship with us in our congregation (whose weekly giving is below \$20) supports these villagers with their transportation cost every week.

We say a very BIG THANK YOU for the clothes for the people in the villages around where we work and those in our congregation, as well as, those out side of our congregation--May the Lord richly bless you Ed and Naomi for soliciting this clothes for these people including ourselves. Many people now have something to wear for church and other activities. The children's clothing

especially what we were thinking about; God bless you for the clothes for them too.

The GIJAPA 'T' Shirt is a talk of the town and many are worshipping with us all because of the 'T' Shirt. You may say this is not right but to me it is another way to win souls for Christ. People say the inscription "GOD IS JUST A PRAYER AWAY" on the 'T' Shirt is what 'kills' them. Truly, in Grana due to the economic hardship and the spread news and evil, people are running into and flooding churches and prayer centers for rescue. People are more powerful than before, so with such an inscription, people feel encouraged in the Lord. Unfortunately, the 'T' Shirt is no longer being printed due to lack of funds. (See our picture on web site.)

OUR PRAYER REQUEST AND URGENT NEED

GIJAPA has been very prompt with our requests for materials for the work we are doing here. Today we can boast of thousands of people reading their own Bibles either in English or in their own languages. This includes Bibles sent by GIJAPA, as well as Bibles we buy in our local language. More requests for the lessons are pouring in and we are doing our very best to satisfy everybody who asks for the lessons and a Bible, but with a very special care. Today, elderly men and women are reading the Bible without straining their eyes due to the Large Print Bibles. We still need more Bibles both in English and in Local Languages and also Large Print Bibles. At the time of going to press, we have requests for 3,821 English Bibles, 614 Large Print Bibles and 763 Bibles in our local languages from individuals and churches from Grana, Togo and Ivory Coast. We are traveling on commercial vehicles for all of our activities and we think it about time we get our own vehicle for the work we are doing. The charges are exorbitant by these commercial vehicles--over \$800 yearly. There are many reasons too: The risk involved in traveling on commercial vehicles--no insurance, they over load, the rickety nature of the cars, diseases, the delay in off loading and picking passengers on the way. Please, pray for us to be able to buy our own car in the coming year 2007. I have been involved in 13 automobile accidents since the start of this project. As I am speaking, I have problems with my neck, my chest, cracks in

my head, left foot is not good, and a problem with my left hand, but I am coping with them. Thanks and may God bless you as you keep praying for us.

*THE TRUTH-GIJAPA
Together We Win Souls*

Letters From Listeners



Dear Ed and Naomi,

I have so far got THE STUDIES IN THE BIBLE and given to the people that are faithful in attending Bibles classes, they are filling them out and I will be sending them to you, only to ask is there any certificate that can be awarded to them? (*We reply: A laminated certificate is sent to each person upon completion of 30 lessons and 2 of Ed's NT Sermon books*). Also I request that more Studies in the Bible be sent, as there are some others that have not got; yet they are among the faithful. As for the Bibles am waiting and as soon as I get them I will e-mail you.

Thanks, Raymond from Church
of Christ in Uganda, E. Africa

Later Update: Thanks for the Bibles that you sent to us they are nice ones with good covers we got them on Saturday 10/28/06 and I have given them out today in the service and there was such a tremendous joy. I am sending you the first lot of the lessons for grading. Please send us more Bibles i.e. 50 Bibles and lessons from 11-20 Studies in the Bible.

God bless you all
Raymond from Uganda

Dear Sister Naomi & Brother Ed,

Greetings. Received the package enclosed the Bible Study lessons. I made an announcement at chapel introducing the course of study. (Where more than 200 young boys and girls were present). Right after the service was over they rushed to me for enrollment. I gave away 10 of the first five lessons. They will do it and submit the yellow answer sheets to me. I will send them to you. Let us see how it works. Please pray for the students who will do this course to know the living God. How is Ed? Give my love and regards to him.

Your small servant, (Prof.) Ed,
Union Christian College, India

Later Update: Eight out of ten students have returned the answer sheets of the first five lessons. I am just waiting for the submission of the rest two. I have given them the second set of lessons (6-10). Some of the students told me they enjoy the lessons. It's spiritually nourishing and a blessing. In the meanwhile some other students wanted to enroll themselves for the course. So kindly send 10 (ten more sets of lessons). You may include in this pack 10 sets of lessons 10-15. I took a printout of your last email to me concerning the certificates and books given on successful completion of the course--and put it up on the chapel notice board. Thanks for everything...With warmest regards.

Your small servant, (Prof.) Ed,
Union Christian College, India

Dear Mr. Bousman,

Please use this money to purchase Bibles for the use of Ike and Lee. May they be blessed in their endeavors. We are a small group of ladies who belong to our church and do quilting, garage sales and make noodles & persimmon pulp to sell to support our Missionaries. We try to help those who need our help. Thank you for your assistance.

"Stich & Sew," Robinson, IL

Dear Ed Bousman and Sister Naomi,

Grace of our Lord Jesus, love of our Father and the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Ed, first of all I want to say thank you for your great effort in Christ to minister the people of God by the grace that Christ have given you. And I am greatly delighted for I have accepted the Christian doctrine certificated, old testament sermons number two by Ed Bousman, Angels Do They Exist Today lesson 1-12 by Naomi Bousman that you send me, God bless you abundantly for all your hard and effective contribution in my Christian life. The parcels now sent from United States are rejected by our country. I pray the difficulties to be resolved by our Almighty GOD. I would also like to inform you that I am hungry for the word of God, and if you have or if you can inform me how I can get farther and deeper growth through His word. It would be grateful to me. Love, mercy, peace and the Holy Spirit's leading be with you.

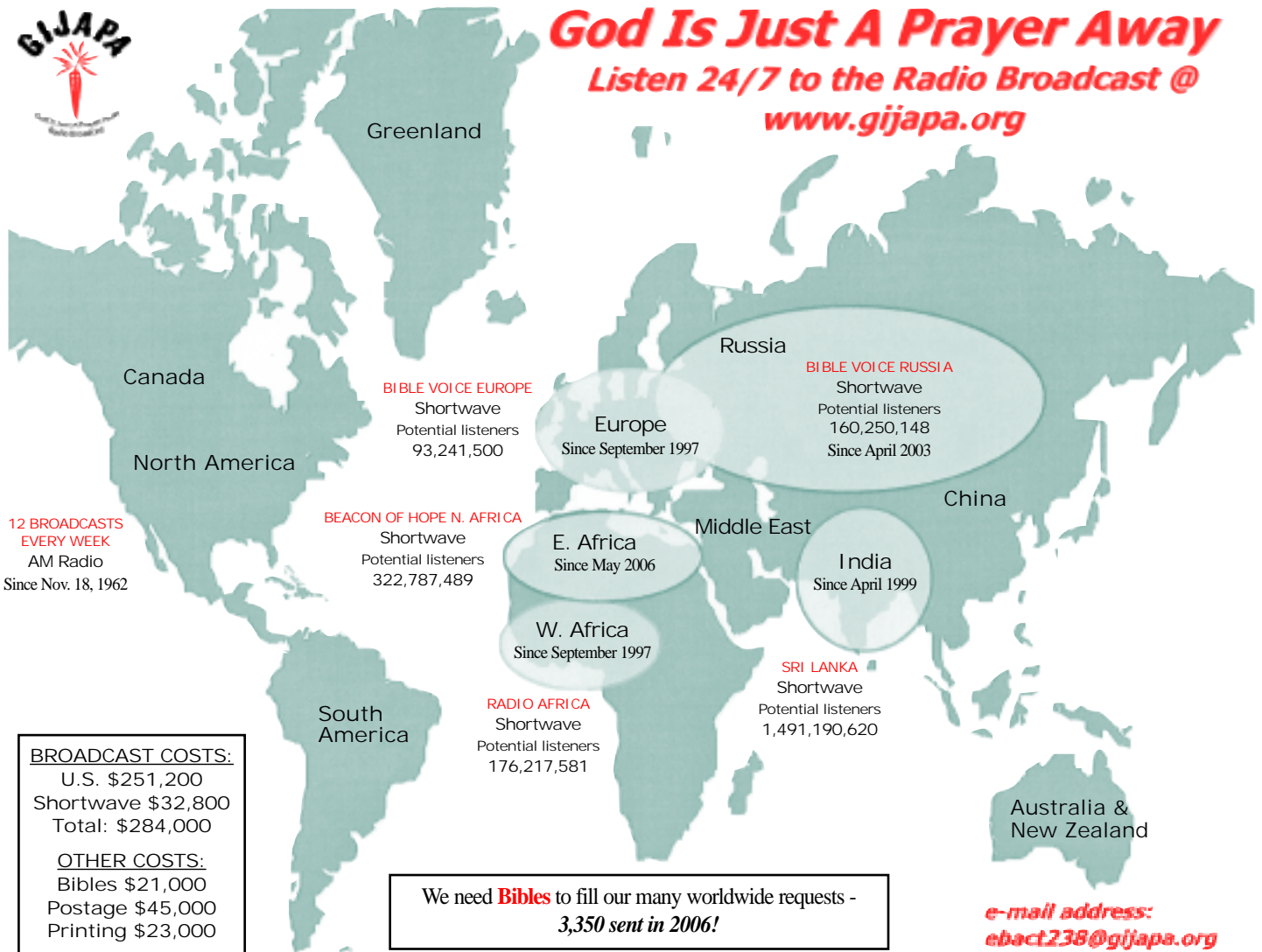
Your sister in Christ,
Azeb in Eritrea, E. Africa



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