



Thanksgiving

"I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers, because I hear of your love and the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints." (Philemon 4-5, ESV)

We are entering the season where we are again given an opportunity to focus on thankfulness. I wonder, however, if we really understand what giving thanks means. Do we go about this season in a routine way, or do we really take time to pause and give sincere gratitude to God for all that he has done for us?

These are the thoughts running through my mind as I consider how best to convey my own personal gratitude for all those who support this ministry financially and prayerfully. We rely completely on the faithfulness of our God to supply all our needs, but I am encouraged that he chooses people like you to generously invest your God-given resources in what he is doing through TWR Canada.

The Bible is filled with many examples of people being thankful. Many of the Psalms put the idea of thankfulness into poetry, like in Psalm 86:12 which says, *"I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever"* (ESV). We respond in gratitude when we truly understand and experience the goodness and grace of God. Many of you understand what this is like in your own lives. You have been transformed by your relationship with Jesus and have responded with thanksgiving. Several of the Apostle Paul's letters start off with thanksgiving for the recipients. I especially love how he starts his letter to the Philippians and his very personal letter to Philemon. What a powerful reminder that thanksgiving should be a regular occurrence and a natural part of our daily routines.

As I have had the opportunity to travel in recent months, I observed many people impacted by your generosity. Overwhelmingly, they have a sense of gratitude for the work that God enables us to do. During a recent trip to Cuba, our ministry partner Alberto took me to meet with listeners. I lost count of the number of times people expressed their gratitude for the radio broadcasts they hear from the Bonaire transmitter. In one village, Maria said, *"Every night I sit by my radio and wait for the program to begin. I am so grateful for the people who create the*

programs and those who ensure it stays on the air. It is one of my few sources of hope and encouragement. **I need this.**" Many others referenced their need for sound biblical teaching and commented that they know they can trust the teaching they hear on the TWR broadcasts.

A few months ago, I visited our partner team in the Philippines to see how Discipleship Essentials is being used by the Christian & Missionary Alliance churches throughout the country. We visited a small church high in the mountains where more than one hundred people came out to share with us how DE is impacting their congregation. One of the small group leaders, Roel, shared with our group, *"I sincerely express my thankfulness to God for bringing me to this ministry. Moreover, this ministry provides spiritual guidance and encourages our daily lives especially in strengthening our relationship with God in prayer. I want to express my appreciation to the people behind it. Without your aid and his glory, this ministry would never be successful."*

One of the most impactful field visits for me was the opportunity to participate in a conference at our centre in Central Asia. These Persian-speaking believers come from one of the most challenging countries in the world to be a Christian, where persecution is a daily reality. Often, these brothers and sisters do not know of any other Christians in

their city or town. I was moved by seeing the joy and excitement that was evident when they were able to share their love for Christ openly with newly found fellow believers. In talking with those who attended, they expressed their sincere gratitude for the opportunity to worship freely and to deepen their faith in Christ.

These are but a few of the hundreds of responses we receive or hear firsthand. All of this is made possible through the sacrificial giving of God's people. I trust you see the connection between your financial investment in this ministry and the return on that investment – transformed lives! As we enter this season of thankfulness, would you partner with us to speak hope to the world? As the Lord enables, I encourage you to consider a further generous investment in the ministry of TWR Canada. Your financial gift today allows us to continue giving hope, encouragement, spiritual growth and more to people all over the world who are searching for it.

Thank you again for your partnership in the gospel from your first day until now. May each one of us respond in gratitude for all that he has done for us.

With a thankful heart,



TWR Canada President



Thankfulness

We are thankful to God for showing us what the world needs and thankful to you for helping us meet these needs. Regardless of where we are at in our faith journey, we all need assistance to grow. At TWR Canada, we see fruit harvested from seeds planted when someone receives the gift of hope. This new-found faith then branches into spiritual growth. We see how providing accessible heart-language materials and tools helps meet people where they're at in their spiritual journey. And we also see the importance of providing God's presence through on-the-ground staff and missionaries who provide follow-up, connection, and technical maintenance.

Would you consider giving a gift to speak hope to the world and help more people grow in faith?



Give the gift of...

Hope:

Can you think of a time hope was offered to you when you had none? Do you remember how that felt? Provide this feeling to someone who needs it by giving the gift of heart-to-Christ connection. Media is a cost-effective and accessible tool that enables us to share the good news of Christ with a large number of people, including many unreached people groups. By giving the gift of hope, together we can create enriching biblical content and broadcast educational and encouraging programs such as *Women of Hope* that remind women they are valued in Christ, as well as programs like *Good News for All*, or *God's Unique Book*, that unite individuals and communities with the hope of the gospel. Your gift helps establish and rebuild relationships and heart connections to Christ. [Give the gift of hope today!](#)

Spiritual Growth:

Our faith is a journey and each one of us is at a different point in that journey. But wherever we are at, God desires to connect with each one of us and renew our spirits. Through resources such as Discipleship Essentials, SOTA and CultureCross, God is at work around the world growing the spiritual lives of people. By giving the gift of spiritual growth, you are discipling believers in their faith, training them to disciple others and equipping the Church to further reach out with the hope of Christ. Your gift extends the reach of God's Word in the world. [Give the gift of spiritual growth today!](#)

God's Word:

The heart of what we do is getting God's Word into people's hands and ears. We load hope-filled biblical content onto portable media devices, such as media players, USB drives and SD cards, air programs on the radio, and share content online, all to deliver the gospel to those who need to hear it. Whether that's airing *Bible Stories Alive* in Kenya, or sending media players to a community in Chile, or distributing SD cards to the Persian-speaking world, your gift ensures God's Word lands safely in people's hands, ears and hearts in their own heart language. God's Word lives and breathes into peoples' lives through technology. [Give the gift of God's Word today!](#)

Presence:

We grow in faith best in community! While technology is key in the work of TWR Canada, showing up and being present is necessary for new believers to feel seen and understood in their faith journey. Staff on the ground connect with listeners through phone calls, text messages and social media, building relationships and answering questions. Small groups gather to grow together. And our missionaries support the administrative and technical work required to get broadcasts out and programs distributed. Through the presence of missionaries and staff on the ground, listeners hear the gospel and grow in faith. [Give the gift of presence today!](#)



From Cut Off to Spiritual Connection

"Babitha was depressed and had been living in guilt and regret for the past six months. Her husband left her and she could not stay with her in-laws because they didn't want her around them. Her husband blocked her on all social media channels, so she was not able to contact him at all. She lived with her sister because she didn't want to be a burden to her own parents. We encouraged her to think about her future and shared about the purpose of life with our creator, God. She replied, 'God gave me everything, but I didn't utilize it.' She was very stressed about her problems, so we shared the importance of having a relationship with God and asked if she wanted to know how to have a relationship with him. She agreed and listened to the whole gospel. She then replied, 'I just want forgiveness for my mistakes.' We shared how she could get forgiveness for her sin through Jesus, and through continuing the conversation we offered her to invite Jesus into her life, and she prayed with us and accepted Jesus as her Saviour. We have shared the Bible with her and are praying for God's blessings in her life." - **OUR PARTNER MEDIA IMPACT INTERNATIONAL'S INDIA FOLLOW-UP CENTRE**

Sharing Hope

"I am the leader of the listening group that meets in my house. We listen to the Women of Hope program and I am very touched by the results of our listening time. The programs directly address the needs of the women and they open up more than before, which allows me to get to know them better, to understand them and above all to support them with advice, which relaxes the whole group. This motivates me even more to invite those around me who do not go to church to come and share these moments. I understand that this is an instrument of evangelism that is offered to me. I thank the donors."

- **A GROUP LEADER IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE**

God's Word Changes Lives

"Thank you very much for this teaching. May the Lord continue to inspire you. I am an impatient person and am currently experiencing trials because of this behaviour. This teaching was made for me! I give all the glory to God, and I thank him for his love and the work he accomplishes every day in my life and the lives of all who follow him." - **A LISTENER OF THE DISCIPLESHIP ESSENTIALS RADIO PROGRAM IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE**

Technology Provides a Plug into Faith

"I had been divorced for seven years. I was tired of everything and had become grumpy and hopeless. I would have committed suicide a long time ago, but I have children. I would cry at night and ask God, 'Why do you not hear me?' Until one day I declared I no longer believed in God. The night after that I had an amazing dream: I sensed that someone was hugging me and comforting me. It was very strange to me because I did not see anyone, but I felt that I was changing. Slowly, the heavy sadness I had in my heart faded away and gave way to hope. Happiness entered my heart. One day I met a Christian and he described Christ to me. He talked about Christ's great love and the great work he has done on the cross to save us. This man gave me some page names on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram. One of those was your radio, and listening to it became my daily routine. I thank God for his wonderful ways. I am his daughter now and follow my Lord every day. Thank you for the amazing programs."

- **A LISTENER IN THE PERSIAN-SPEAKING WORLD**

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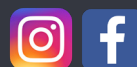
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