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Dear Ministry Partner,

"And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world."

1 John 4:14

SAVIOR OF THE WORLD!

A Samaritan woman sat and spoke with Jesus at Jacob's well. Wondering why a Jewish man would even speak with a Samaritan, she drew him water to drink. She listened with great astonishment as Jesus told her about her life, specific things a stranger would never have known. He spoke to her about "Living Water" and never thirsting again.



John and Heather in Metula, Israel overlooking Lebanon. The VOICE OF HOPE is broadcasting into Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Israel from the Galilee. Over 40-million people can hear Christian radio for the first time!

She acknowledged Jesus as the "Savior of the world" and ran back and told everything to the people in her village. As a result many believed because of her testimony. And many more believed because they heard Jesus speak words of life and were transformed.

As a mixed race of Jews and Assyrians, the Samaritan's were outcasts and shunned by the Israelites. Even the disciples were concerned at the optics of Jesus speaking to this Samaritan woman. But Jesus was demonstrating His purpose. It was Jesus' Word, the *Living Water*, poured out on just one person who was locked into a helpless and hopeless situation that would bring about an awakening in the Samaritan village. He admonished his disciples who could easily tell the expected seasons of the local crop harvest, for it was just four months away and everyone was talking about it. However, the people of the Samaritan village, who had heard the testimony of the Samaritan woman, were now on their way to see Jesus, walking across the fields to meet the Savior of the World. Something was stirring within them as they were being drawn to the presence of Jesus.

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Please pray about coming with us to Israel! 70th Anniversary of Israel – Study Tour and VOICE OF HOPE dedication October 29 – November 9, 2018.

As Jesus saw the crowd approaching, he said to his disciples, *Look up! The fields are already white unto harvest!* You see, when God's Word, His *Living Water* is poured out, we can expect a harvest! This is true in our own lives as we speak the Word of the Lord Jesus over personal situations and circumstances, our sin and over our relationships and finances. God's living Word is transformative

and nothing stays the same! When we hear God's word we must deal with its message and the Spirit. Some will choose to dismiss Jesus outright. Others are moved by the message of love, forgiveness, mercy, healing and hope.

Today, as "Living Water" is pouring through our VOICE OF HOPE radio stations and falling like rain upon the millions of listeners in Israel, the Middle East, Africa and Latin America, we can expect and are right now receiving a Harvest of those meeting Jesus for the first time. Still others are renewing their life with Jesus and maturing under its teaching. Still others are considering and pondering the words of Jesus, as it takes root and begins to grow from the inside out. John 6:44 says, *No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him.* The Holy Spirit is attached to God's Word. It is the work of the Holy Spirit to draw us to Jesus. And He does! Our part is to introduce Jesus, share His word by example.

This is just how it works when we broadcast. We pour out God's living water over the airwaves. A listener receives it and the Holy Spirit begins to do a perfect work. Isaiah 55:11 says, *So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.* This is an incredible promise!

<u>Thank you for standing with us this month and for your prayers and support for</u> <u>Strategic Communications Group and our VOICE OF HOPE WORLD RADIO NETWORK</u>. Your gifts allow us to introduce the Savior of the World to our listeners in Israel, the Middle East, Africa and Latin America. Please continue to give, as the Lord will direct you. We are so thankful to be serving the mission field along with you. Together, we are reaching the nations with the love and Hope filled message of Jesus.



CHURCH OF GOD PARTNERS WITH VOICE OF HOPE RADIO

CLEVELAND, TN: Church of God, in partnership with the Israel Initiative, recently announced a historic partnership with VOICE OF HOPE RADIO, located in Israel. As part of the partnership, Voice of Hope will air the reading of "Just a Minute" in the Arabic language. "Just a Minute" is a weekly video devotional program led by the General Overseer of the Church of God, Dr. Timothy Hill.

The Church of God's Israel Initiative Senior Representative Shawn Baker stated, "Israel's first government-sanctioned 50,000-watt Christian Radio Station is on the air reaching Israel, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan and Cyprus! This is the only Evangelical Christian radio station in the Middle East and they will carry a Church of God program. Together, we have the opportunity to reach over 40 million Muslims with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to give hope and support to millions of Christians living under persecution throughout the Middle East! The majority of these Muslims are hearing the message of hope for the very first time. One minute can mean eternity for these Middle East listeners!"

Heather and I am excited to welcome our friends and colleagues at the Church of God as a strategic partner of the VOICE OF HOPE and look forward to working alongside them in the Middle East Harvest.

In His service,

John and Heather Otis Tayloe President and Founders Strategic Communications Group – Voice of Hope



REGISTER TODAY - ISRAEL TOUR



Richard and Velda Horner Veteran Missionary Broadcast Engineer

Richard and Velda Horner are retiring from their missionary service as our VOICE OF HOPE -**AFRICA Senior Broadcast** Engineer in Zambia. Richard has raised up a generation of mission-field engineers, pouring into them his experience and wisdom. Richard's faithful service with Strategic Communications Group in Zambia (VOICE OF HOPE -AFRICA) came after a full career in mission broadcasting to China, Asia and Haiti. I want to thank the congregation of Living Word Christian Center in Oregon for providing missionary support and prayer for the Horner's on the field. Heather and Lare so thankful and greatly honored to have worked together with Richard and Velda these many years. We bless them as they make this transition and speak the powerful word of the Lord over them... We love and honor you Richard and Velda! The Lord loves and honors you! Well done!"

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