



# Sounding Out

good news : broadcasting

April - June 2009

## THEY ARE M A D . . .

**Back to the Bible in the Philippines is doing tremendous work helping families.** They do this through radio programmes combined with Family Life Seminars and off-the-air counselling. Combining recorded and live shows, the ministry has been trying to bring spiritual healing and peace to troubled areas rocked by bomb attacks. It has been said that Back to the Bible (Philippines) is MAD - that is - *MAKING A DIFFERENCE*.

However, they need help to keep making a difference for the better. Your financial gift will go a long way to do that. Derek Stringer has been invited to speak and teach at a number of very strategic conferences and conventions. He has accepted the 'call' and will go in July.

Derek's books are popular in the Philippines. We give the local Back to the Bible office permission to publish with all proceeds going to their effective ministry. We would like to give a special financial gift from Sounding Out readers to support their work. Please will you help us to do this? Anything that you give will be passed on in its entirety.

Clem Guillermo writes: *"What you give will go a very long way to help people experience a personal encounter with Christ and grow spiritually. Thank you."*

**[See the Contact Us box on the back page for more details. CLEM GUILLERMO is the radio ministry Director. He is the Pulpit Pastor of Faith Bible Church, and a Senior Trainer of STEP - Systematic Training for Effective Parenting].**

## OPENING DOORS . . .

Joseph Kebbie, our associate in Africa, gave us the welcome news that *Finding The Plot* is to be translated into (African) French. It will be broadcast on a Rwandan station. It could be re-recorded in (European) French for use on the Eurobird Satellite station, subject to approval by Michael Shornborn, our friend running that outlet. Michael uses our 'English' *Word Alive* and *Finding The Plot*. He has reported widespread access to the website mentioned by his station within their programmes, indicating satellite listeners in the Middle East, Russia, Poland, Germany, Italy and Northern Africa.

Other good news is from Bill Anderson, at Revival FM in Central Scotland. He has asked to use our *Bible Focus* programmes on the station based in Cumbernauld. This is in addition to *Word Alive* and *Finding The Plot*. The station covers a very wide area. We keep hearing encouraging reports from their listeners.



TV Actor **Mark Prentice** and his wife **Sally** have agreed to jointly 'front' a new promotional DVD which Sky News cameraman **Andy Dennell** very kindly has offered to shoot and produce for us.



## TEACHING THE WORD AND TOUCHING THE WORLD

### REVIEW AND RENEW . . .

Based in Ranskill, Nottinghamshire we reach around the world with Bible based radio programmes. Dr Derek Stringer is our radio 'voice'. Currently, he is leading a thorough review of our programmes and starting a process for new and updated shows. We have no intention of losing biblical content. However, changes in presentation are being introduced in order to meet the needs of the growing international radio station take-up. New Presenters are now being used. A wider base for programme production will be involved.

### GIVING REASONS . . .

Our programmes range from one to forty-five minutes. *Finding The Plot* is a weekly 30 minute 'magazine-style' programme using word and music, giving reasons for Christian belief. We are regularly adding new contributors to the show. Our latest interviewees are children's worker John Hardwick - meet him at [www.johnhardwick.org.uk](http://www.johnhardwick.org.uk) - and the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders' Padre Colin MacLeod. Recently he preached at a televised service in Canterbury Cathedral celebrating the Brigade's return from a tour of Afghanistan.



**John Hardwick** is a man of many parts - evangelist, children's worker, entertainer, author, singer and now a 'Bible bopper'!

### ARE YOU LISTENING? . . .

Where can GNB broadcasts be heard? Ask us on **Freephone 08000 92 78 92**. Listen anytime on [www.gnba.net](http://www.gnba.net)

### HAS GOD AN AWARD CEREMONY? OR -

*Do you wonder why God isn't acting the way you would like?  
Do you know how to pray in a dilemma?  
What good things do we need to know in tough times? -*



These are just a handful of questions answered in the GNB Email News. Twice a month a sermon is transcribed and sent free to email addresses. Usually it is from the 'preaching ministry' of Derek Stringer. Recent series have covered Habakkuk (5 sermons), Isaiah 43 (2 sermons). Currently it is Titus (5 sermons). A brief news update and opportunity to have weekly radio programme transcripts sent to you is also included. You need only send an email to [news@gnba.net](mailto:news@gnba.net) and you will receive them plus an opportunity to get back copies.

### RESOURCES CATALOGUE . . .

Please contact the office for a catalogue of our Bible teaching CDs, books and transcripts.

## ||| 'Go To Jail' Card . . .

### CHANCE

GO TO JAIL  
MOVE DIRECTLY TO JAIL  
DO NOT PASS "GO"  
DO NOT COLLECT £200

We know what it is to be sidelined unexpectedly, to be imprisoned by a demanding and inescapable problem. Like it or not, life is filled with seasons that make no sense. We are unsure of the future and are concerned by the present. The Old Testament book of Ezra has some great insight for such a situation – *and a whole lot more!*

Starting in May, Derek Stringer will be teaching through Ezra in the MINISTRY PARTNER CD. It also features excerpts from our 'archived' programmes plus current shows. In an audio magazine format, there is something for everybody who wants to keep in touch with GNB and discover lasting help from God's Word.

**When you become a 'Ministry Partner' we will send you these special bi-monthly CDs. |||**

## ||| "I WISH I COULD HELP YOU!"

Recipients of *Sounding Out* contact us to say how thrilled they are with what the Lord is doing. We love to hear from you. Often people say wistfully "I wish I could help you!" Chalmers Dobson writes, "We have news for you – you can!"

- Could you record your testimony for use in our *Finding the Plot* programme?
- Perhaps you have a gift for writing One Minute Messages?
- Maybe you could give practical help at our bulk mailing days?
- Do you have contacts within your local radio station?

### There's an even simpler way you can help –

- Are you a Ministry Partner?

To qualify we ask for a subscription of £30 per year, or preferably £5 per month. That assures us of your interest, your prayers and creates a steady income for the ministry.

### One last thing –

If you haven't yet made a Will, or plan to revise your current Will, please would you consider a bequest? Legacies have proved the Lord's timely provision at strategic points in our 55 year history.

**[Chalmers Dobson is GNB Business Manager and our 'bridge' to the many radio stations using our programmes] |||**

## ||| 'KAMI' . . .

**(An acronym for the Indonesian words for Light of the Truth)**

Not a day passes in Indonesia without an 'English slot' from us. Our good friend Dr Frans Silalahi directs the ministry of KAMI. Radio is strategic in what is often a difficult environment for church buildings to be constructed. Radio programmes have been very effective in reaching remote areas of this vast island nation. Christians and Muslims alike have been touched by the power of God.

**In recent months KAMI has had 2,883 responses to programmes.**

Frans sent us several listener excerpts. Here is a sample –

- "I used to go to witchcraft to seek my future. I realise that I was far away from the Lord. Please help me." (Mrs Y)
- "I am thirty years old and still single. I am struggling with my life. I used to watch blue films and pornography. I am ashamed of myself. I hate what I am doing . . . I need help." (F.T.)
- "Last week I repented and received Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour. I need your guidance and please pray for me as I practice my new life in Jesus." (Umma. Jarkata) |||

## ||| A GREAT GIFT



### Boxed CD sets –

**MEALS WITH JESUS** – Eating with Jesus was life changing. In a fascinating series, Derek Stringer looks at meal-times with Jesus that meant people did more than taste the food. This series of 6 30-minute messages also includes a one-off special titled, "Meals with the Family." **£8.50** (CODE DS108)

**STRATEGIES FOR LIVING** – Derek Stringer offer tips that help you keep your balance in an insecure world. Drawing insights from 1 Samuel and Nehemiah 4, in 2 30-minute studies Derek addresses handling our fears and stresses. **£3.50** (CODE DS101)

**POSTCARDS** – Four small New Testament letters carry a powerful message which is not to be overlooked. Derek Stringer reveals how we can stand for the truth and grow in Christ's love. 4 30-minute messages. **£6.50** (CODE DS88)

**UNSTOPPABLE TRUTHS** – Living life with meaning - life at its best. Neville Patterson explains how in 5 10-minute messages. **£3.50** (CODE NP01)

**COPING WITH STRESS** – Talking from a wealth of experience of Christian leadership, Mark Tanner gives biblical insight. 5 10-minute messages. **£3.50** (CODE MT01) |||

## ||| SPECIAL OFFERS IN THIS SOUNDING OUT -

### Book by Derek Stringer –


**OVER CONQUER** – Tried and tested biblical insights for when one faces discontentment and worry. USUAL £7.99 **SPECIAL £6.99** (CODE DSB93)

**GREAT BIBLE QUESTIONS** – Questions the Bible asks us! It also supplies the answer. Lots of practical help. USUAL £8.99 **SPECIAL £7.99** (CODE DSB94)

**THE 'HOW TO' OF CHRISTIANITY** – Great reviews for this book. USUAL £8.99 **SPECIAL £7.99**

**REIGNING IN LIFE** – Great principles of God as He works in His people. USUAL £7.99 **SPECIAL £4.99** (CODE DSB55) |||



 **Mark Williams** (photographed here with his wife **Ruth**) is busy producing a set of one Minute Messages and an edition of *Finding the Plot*. We are most grateful for Mark's help.

## THIS IS YOUR INVITATION

- COME AND BE PART OF OUR BIBLE TEACHING CONFERENCE. LOTS OF GOOD FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, LAUGHS, TIME TO RELAX, AND SPECIAL TIMES IN GOD'S WORD.
- It's all happening at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire.
- Friday Evening October 30 to Sunday Afternoon November 1.

The weekend costs £125 per person. Single room occupancy £130  
Day Visitors - £23 Friday includes dinner, £35 Saturday, includes lunch, dinner and refreshments at breaks, £23 Sunday includes lunch.  
Deposit £20 per person

## 'HEAVENLY MINDED AND EARTHLY GOOD' . . .

**That is the theme for our Autumn Conference. Derek Stringer tells a story (strictly tongue in cheek) but it makes a good point . . .**

A couple, married 60 years, died in a car crash. They had been in good health the last ten years mainly due to her interest in health food. They were taken to their mansion. Amazed, the old man asked how much all this was going to cost. "It's free," they were told, "this is heaven."

They viewed a championship golf course that the home backed up to. Each week the course changed to a new one representing the great golf courses on earth. The old man asked, "What are the green fees?" Again he was told, "This is heaven, you play for free."

They went to the club house and saw the lavish buffet lunch with the cuisines of the world laid out. "How much to eat?" asked the old man. "Don't you understand yet? This is heaven, it is free!" "Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol tables?" the old man asked timidly. He was told, "That's the best part -- you can eat as much as you like of whatever you like and you never get fat and you never get sick. This is heaven."

With that, the old man looked upset. Turning to his wife he said, "This is all your fault! If it weren't for you stopping my breakfast fry-ups, I could have been here ten years ago!"

**If only we knew what lies ahead, we might not be so hesitant to leave what lies around us.** We cling so tightly to what we see, wondering if anything could possibly be better. But we have God's assurance that His children have an inheritance far greater than anything we can even imagine (1 Peter 1:3-4).

- ✓ Our inheritance is "incorruptible". In our heavenly inheritance we'll finally know real permanence and unending security.
- ✓ Our inheritance is "undefiled." There will be no defacing of our heavenly inheritance. The heavenly inheritance is for those who appreciate the beauty of being with God.
- ✓ Our inheritance is "unfading." In heaven, everything remains as fresh as it is at the outset.

Thank you for helping us share this good news around the world. We continue to need your prayers and financial support.

May the hope of what lies ahead brighten your day!

**[DR DEREK STRINGER is Director/Bible Teacher for GNBA (GB). Derek accepts invitations to speak at Church services and conferences. Please pray for his very busy itinerary in between the recording and writing schedule] ■■**

## WHAT'S THE ANSWER?

We've been asking people what was special about the GNB Bible Teaching Conference – why did they tell us, "It's the best Christian conference I have ever attended"? No surprise – we received a wide range of answers!

- For some, it was the Bible teaching from gifted, Spirit-filled ministers.
- For others, it was the fellowship with many like-minded Christians.
- Yet others commented on inspiring prayer times.
- Then there were those who were touched by thrilling worship sessions.
- Good surroundings were mentioned, as were comfortable ensuite rooms and of course decent food.



Maybe the provision of all the above is why year after year people declare, "This year's Good News Broadcasting conference was the best ever!"

Bookings for 30 October to 1 November are coming in steadily. We have again reserved accommodation in the Lakeside facility of the Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, so all rooms will be modern and ensuite. Day Visitors are very welcome.

We have a great line-up of participants, from our keynote speaker, Derek Burnside. He is Teaching Pastor at Belmont Chapel, Exeter and a very popular Guest Lecturer at European Torchbearer Bible Schools. Stephen Thompson, beloved pastor at the King's Church, Boston Spa makes a welcome return visit, as does popular preacher Doug Barnett and, of course, our very own Dr Derek Stringer, still in demand the world over as a broadcaster, lecturer, preacher, author and conference speaker. In addition we also welcome Rev Dr Russell Farnworth. Formerly a Church Minister, he is now CEO of Trans World Radio (UK) and a GNB Board Member. It's a great line-up!



Derek Burnside

We have held the prices as low as possible, and we can assure you of great fellowship and a memorable time when you join us. 'Relax, Refresh, Renew' has been our conference catchphrase for some years.

**If you are ready to book, contact us on Freephone 08000 92 78 92.**

**Don't delay and risk disappointment. ■■**



Huw and Jen Burrows have just joined us as volunteers. Huw will assist in presenting Finding the Plot and has begun editing his own work. Skilled musician Jen hopes to record for us.

# PRAYER IS THE FUEL . . .

**March 29-April 4** ... Pray for GNB Associates (schedules on this page)

**April 5-11** ... Pray for staff at Ranskill. Ask God's blessings for our broadcasts across the world.

**April 12-18** ... Pray for wisdom and creativity for producers and our contact with listeners.

**April 19-25** ... Pray for more Ministry Partners as we take up new opportunities.

**April 26-May 2** ... Pray for transcripts, books, CDs and website as they resource and equip many people.

**May 3-9** ... Pray for Joseph Kebbie as he coordinates our African broadcasts.

**May 10-16** ... Pray for Derek Stringer as he travels to preach at strategic meetings. Pray that we will be able to pass on financial support to the Philippines ministry and also Poland.

**May 17-23** ... Pray for similar ministries to our own in Ecuador, Indonesia, Brazil, Poland, and the Philippines.

**May 24-31** ... Pray for sufficient regular giving for ourselves with enough left over to assist the wider ministry. ■■

# GNB ASSOCIATES . . .

■ **Peter Anderson's** autobiography is soon to be published. It covers 50 years of travel with his Bible. Peter has called it 'Have Bible - Will Travel!'

■ **David Logacho** asks for prayer for the country of Ecuador. April 26 is Election Day for a President, Vice-President, Members of the Congress, Mayors, and members of City Halls.

■ **Bill Gibb** is suffering sciatica. He and his wife Thelma would appreciate prayer.

**DEREK STRINGER - All dates for radio recording at Ranskill plus** - [Apr 5 N. Notts Retreat] [Apr 10-13 Dorset area] [Apr 18-24 Holsbybrunn, Sweden Bible School] [Apr 25 Ranskill GNB Board] [Apr 26 Boston Spa Church services] [May 1 Docker Farm, Lancs] [May 2 Salford Men's Breakfast] [May 3 Capemwray Evangelical Church services] [May 9-11 Sunderland, Mission Conference] [May 17 Nether Kellett Cong. Church] [May 22-24 Bletchingly, Surrey, Bible Conference] [May 26-31 Highlands Hotel, Jersey ministry]

**STEPHEN THOMPSON - All dates at King's Church, Boston Spa plus** - [Apr 26 am Roundhay Evangelical Church]

**DOUG BARNETT** [Apr 5 Twynham Church, Christchurch] [Apr 6 Cowplain Evangelical Church, Hants] [Apr 22 Grain of Wheat International, London] [May 4-20 Lebanon Prayer Walk] [31 Twynham Church, Christchurch]

**PETER ANDERSON** [Apr 2. Friar Lane Baptist, Leicester] [Apr 5 Goodwood Evangelical Church] [Apr 12 Fleckney Baptist Church] [Apr 23 Little Hill Evangelical Church] [May 5,12,19 Glencroft Church Leicester] [May 7,10,17 Little Heath Evangelical Church] [May 24 Slapton Evangelical Church]

**DAVID LOGACHO (Ecuador)** [Apr 10-12 Rey de Vida Church in Santo Domingo, Ecuador] [Apr 26, La Luz Church, Quito] [May 22-31 Bible Conferences, Honduras, Central America] [May 17 La Luz Church, Quito] ■■

# WORTH THE EFFORT



"We always look forward to receiving the Ministry Partners CDs and listen to them many times and we sometimes use them at our home group too. Thank you so much - oh, and I really enjoyed the conference last October." (LC)

"Just caught your programme . . . I listen on Premier. Thanks. Please be assured that GNBA would be missed if they did not broadcast. Thank you." (DH)

"I am a pastor at a small church just outside of Durban, South Africa . . . We are endeavouring to plant a church in a township for our African membership. I am pretty much on my own in leadership so therefore I get tired and unmotivated at times. However, I want to say that your Word Alive messages lift me so much . . . Keep up the good work and may God continue to bless your work." (JM)

"I have been facing enormous problems and feeling low over a long period of time. Your gentle messages, encouraging words . . . help me in my darkest hours. I sleep with the radio on (I have a sleep problem), so it's soothing to hear God's words as I drift off! Thank you once again." (S) ■■

# CONTACT US . . .

To order CDs, Books - Write the CODE found next to each item

CODE(S) .....

- GIVING A GIFT TO THE UK MINISTRY £** .....
- SPECIAL GIFT FOR THE PHILIPPINES £** .....
- Become a MINISTRY PARTNER** (£30pa or £5pm receiving a bi-monthly CD of teaching)
- Subscribe to BIBLE FOCUS Monthly CDs** (1 year £18, 2 years £30)
- Send me a FREE Sounding Out bi-monthly**
- Send me FREE Email Teaching Transcripts**
- Send me a FREE Resources Catalogue**
- SPONSORING BROADCASTS**     £30     £60     £ .....

**Postage prices - Up to £4.99 = 90p £5 and over = £1.70**

I enclose a cheque for £..... (including post) payable to Good News Broadcasting (Or phone the office with your card details on orders of £5 and over).

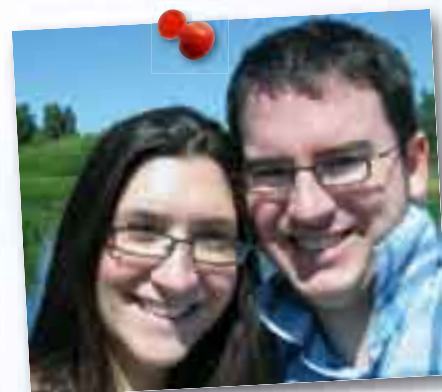
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postcode:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GNB Back Lane Ranskill DN22 8NN England.**  
**FREEPHONE: 08000 92 78 92 Email: info@gnba.net Internet: www.gnba.net**



Assistant Pastor **Richard Wardman** and his wife **Amy** have resumed as voluntary presenters of Finding the Plot. Welcome back, Richard and Amy!