



# Sounding Out

good news : broadcasting

June - August 2009

## “AND THE AWARD GOES TO ...”

**Derek Stringer's visit to Warsaw, Poland coincided with a very happy event.**

He spoke to church leaders and founder members of our partner ministry 'Voice of the Gospel' (VOG) as well as preaching at the Evangelical Church. The team had been invited to the Royal Castle for a ceremonial gala of Radio Awards. Nominations for this national competition are prestigious. VOG collected two awards for the best social documentary. It was really a presentation of the power of the gospel to give hope and change lives. Well done, Henryk, Waldemar and the team. This recognition is going to open new doors for the gospel.



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## IT'S GOOD NEWS

The number of people responding to our radio programmes continues to grow. Praise God! Our man in Africa (Joseph Kebbie) called to tell us that Kojo manages a Christian music station covering Accra, Ghana. He is launching a new 'talk' station and wants all our programmes. The broadcast area is very wide. But every new station adds to our distribution costs. That's where we ask for your help. We need to keep raising funds to help cover our ministry needs.



Joseph Kebbie with Kojo Oppong

Some people have already helped us along the way – if you're one of them, thank you so much.

We do have quite a way to go – and so we're asking you to help us reach our monthly targets. Unless we do, we won't be able to keep going through new 'open doors' with the message of Christ, helping people in real need of the Good News.

**Please will you become a Ministry Partner with us? If you are – will you consider a one-off special gift? We will be good 'stewards' of your trust in us and make sure that your support helps take the gospel where radio does it best.**

- ✓ To qualify as a *Ministry Partner* we ask for a subscription of £30 per year, or preferably £5 per month (*Bank Standing Order*). That creates a steady income for the ministry.
- ✓ When you '*Gift Aid*' we are able to claim Tax on your gift.
- ✓ *Ministry Partners* receive an 80-minute CD bi-monthly. It is packed with inspirational Bible teaching and insights for living a worthwhile Christian life.
- ✓ Please would you consider a bequest in your *Will*? Legacies have been timely and strategic in our 55 year history. ■■

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- ✓ Every week radio programmes are broadcast by 53 commercial stations covering 60 towns in Poland, Albania, Australia, USA and Canada.
- ✓ 3,500 radio programmes are broadcast each year.
- ✓ Several documentaries are presented on 10 Polish National Radio stations.
- ✓ Polish National TV shows VOG documentaries – essentially Christian testimonies.
- ✓ Every year over 9,000 young people from high schools receive teaching about drugs and alcohol addictions.
- ✓ 148 prisons have daily radio broadcasts – prisoners are rebuilding broken relationships with their families.
- ✓ Youth Camps are held for young people from different social backgrounds – including orphanages and dysfunctional families. ■■

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## THEY CAN'T GET ENOUGH

The Philippines apparently can't get enough of Derek Stringer's ministry. All his recent books have been published over there. We give all the profits to the Philippines Back to the Bible ministry. Derek has been invited to a series of major conferences to be held in July. The numbers anticipated at the major venues involved are startling. Things have not been easy for the local team recently, support has dropped as a result of the global recession, and funding is no longer received from the USA or Canada.

Derek would love to be in a position to take a love-gift from the UK when he visits next month. Would you like to share in this? If so, please designate the 'Philippines' when passing on support – See the 'In Touch' box on the back page.

- ✓ For almost 50 years Philippines Back to the Bible radio programmes have never been off the 'air'.
- ✓ '*Light in the Path of Life*' is a 30-minute week day programme featuring interviews, in-depth Bible study, features and a question and answer portion.
- ✓ '*Happy Homes*' is a 30-minute weekly programme tackling family related issues.
- ✓ '*Heart Line*' is a 90-minute telephone counselling programme – receiving hundreds of calls and text messages each evening.
- ✓ Clem Guillermo is the ministry Director. He writes: "Back to the Bible is committed to making disciples of all peoples through the unchanging message of Christ . . . With radio as our means to deliver the Gospel, new technologies will become integrated into the national effort to share the good news. ■■"

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## WHAT DO YOU WANT?

### ● WANT TO HEAR?

GNB broadcasts are heard all over the world. Ask us on Freephone 08000 92 78 92. Listen anytime on [www.gnba.net](http://www.gnba.net)

### ● WANT TO READ?

Requests for programme and sermon transcripts keep growing. You need only send an email to [news@gnba.net](mailto:news@gnba.net) and you will receive them plus the opportunity for back copies. There are many testimonies of lives changed for the better through this ministry. Business Manager, Chalmers Dobson writes: "Thank you to the many who remember the team in their prayers, who give sacrificially and to our many Ministry Partners. Together we continue to make a difference."

### ● WANT RESOURCES?

Ask us for a catalogue of our Bible teaching, books, CDs and transcripts. ■■

# ■■■ A VERY SPECIAL TIME

**C.S. Lewis observed, "If you read history, you will find that the Christians who did the most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next"**

It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this. Aim at Heaven and you will get earth 'thrown in'; aim at earth and you will get neither.

**Please come and be part of our GNB Conference.** We have reserved the best accommodation at The Hayes Conference Centre. There will be time to relax combined with special times in God's Word.

## PLEASE BOOK TODAY

■ **Location:** The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire.

■ **Dates:** Friday evening October 30 to Sunday afternoon November 1.

■ **Cost:** £125 per person. Single room occupancy £130.

Day Visitors - £23 Friday, includes dinner. £35 Saturday, includes all meals and refreshments. £23 Sunday, includes dinner.

Deposit - £20 per person.

■ **Speakers:** Derek Burnside (Teaching Pastor, Exeter). Derek Stringer, Doug Barnett, Stephen Thompson (GNB Associates) Russell Farnworth (CEO, TWR & GNB Board)

■ **Worship Ministry:** Steve Hall with a Bilton Evangelical Church special worship band.



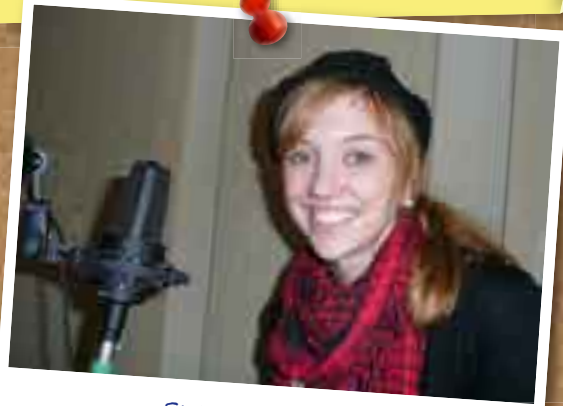
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## In the studio...



Susanna Stewart



Lily Brightwell



Paul Brightwell

# ■■■ IT'S ALL HAPPENING

● **Photographed during a recent visit to the studio are several Mattersey Bible College undergraduates.** "There was a 'buzz' about the students after this visit", wrote Dr John Andrews, the College's Director of Training. Most were interviewed, providing useful material for Finding the Plot, which now includes testimonies and music tracks – widening this already popular programme's appeal to radio stations.



● **Every day Bible Focus is heard in Indonesia as an 'English' slot.** Dr Frans Silalahi has told us about a new radio station in Toraja City, South Sulawesi. He writes, "We are training announcers and

programme makers. This radio station is set up by cooperation with the local churches. Please pray. More good news is that we have increased the power of our transmitter in North Sumatra to help us to reach a wider area."

● **Greenfields School in India is a 'spin-off' from the effective ministry of the Indian Back to the Bible.** Honorary Director Dr Devasahayam contacted us to say that their free places had created a budget shortfall. It's a great work.

● **Samuel in Argentina wrote:** "I praise the Lord because He raised me from the dust and put me in a place so marvellous that I don't deserve . . . Thank you for sharing God's love with many people through your radio programmes."

This is just one of many responses made to the ministry of David Logacho and his radio team in Ecuador. We helped make contacts for the Ecuadorian ministry to be heard in Spain. It's nice to know that people from Ecuador now living in Madrid are hearing and being helped. ■■■



# MATHEMATICAL MIRACLES



Some of the largest mathematical miracles of all time centre around Moses and the people of Israel. There were about 3.5 million people following Moses through the desert.

They crossed the Red Sea in one night with the Egyptian army hot on their heels. If they went on a narrow path, double file, the line would be 800 miles long and would require 35 days and nights to get through. So, there had to be space in the Red Sea 3 miles wide so they could walk 5000 abreast.

Feeding 3.5 million people requires about 1500 tons of food each day. To bring that amount of food each day, two trains, each a mile long, would be required.

They would need firewood to cook. This would take 4000 tons of wood and a few more trains, each a mile long, every day. And remember, they were forty years in transit.

They would need water. If they only had enough to drink and wash a few dishes, it would take 11 million gallons each day, and a train with tank cars 11.8 miles long, just to bring water.

Every time they camped they needed an area 25 miles wide and 30 miles long -- Every night!

Do you think Moses figured all this out before he left? I think not. Moses believed in God, and that He was going to take care of these things. Let us take courage, we have the same God!

Thank you for helping us provide spiritual food for people around the world.

*"I am with you always, to the very end of the age"* (Matthew 28:18-20).

**Here's what the Spirit is doing in the world today:**

- Every day, 160,000 people hear the message of Christ for the first time.
- Every day, 74,000 people across the globe come to Christ.

**The same Spirit who is doing all of that will empower you and me today.**

- Pray until we are empowered.
- Study Scripture until we are led.
- Worship until we meet Jesus.

*"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart"* (Jeremiah 29:13).

- Guaranteed.

**[Dr Derek Stringer is the Radio 'voice' for GNBA. Derek accepts invitations to speak at Church services and conferences. Please pray for his very busy schedule in between recording and writing.]** ■■



# ASSOCIATES AND MORE -

■ **LISTENERS TRUST US . . .** David Logacho was teaching in a marriage enrichment seminar in Ambato, Ecuador, the city where he was born. It was refreshing for him to realise how much the radio listeners trust the ministry and use it to build up their spiritual lives.

■ **OUR PROGRAMMES IN JAPAN . . .** B-Japan is getting good feedback for its broadcast schedule. It's good to be part of it by providing an 'English slot' each week day.

■ **MORE AIRTIME IN SCOTLAND . . .** Our friend Bill Anderson at **Revival FM** in Scotland contacted us to say he intended to create a space in their schedule for Bible Focus, which they would like to carry along with Word Alive and Finding the Plot, aired from last year. They also use our Something to Think About short thoughts.

■ **ACROSS BRAZIL . . .** When Derek Stringer is preaching in Brazil, Leandro Tarrataca is his interpreter. However, Leandro is a great preacher and writer in his own right. God is using him on TV and radio, often reaching into remote areas of the country where radio is the main means of communication. Recently Leandro has been teaching a family seminar as he continues to broadcast across the nation. Families are being helped and marriages healed – praise God! ■■



# LASTING BENEFITS

**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE SPECIAL OFFERS -**



**Boxed CD Sets –**

**Bible Focus (BF) are 10 minutes each**  
**Word Alive (WA) are 30 minutes each**

**HOSEA (BF)** Derek Stringer breaks Hosea's message down into 30 sections. This is a neglected Prophet but he has a message for the head and heart. **£14.50** (CODE BF24)

**LIFE'S DISAPPOINTMENTS (BF)** Trevor Ramsey has had his fair share but has come through stronger. 5 messages **£3.50** (CODE TR01)

**ON THE VICTORY SIDE (BF)** Speaking from a lifetime of experience, Peter Anderson passes on the truths he has learned. 10 messages **£6.50** (CODE PA09)

**SNAPSHOTS OF THE EARLY CHURCH (BF)** Author Derek Prime talks from a long background of Church leadership and speaking at major conferences around the world. 5 messages **£3.50** (CODE DP01)

**HIGHLIGHTS ON ACTS (BF)** William Kay continues to teach Theology at the highest level. Here is a scholar who communicates truth on fire. **£3.50** (CODE WmK01)

**PRAISE GOD - Psalm 103 (BF)** Keynote for living with thankfulness. Inspirational from Derek Cleave. 5 Bible Focus messages - **£3.50** (CODE DC01)

**LESSONS FROM THE FURNACE (BF)** Brenda Critchley steps away from presenting programmes to contributing the 'Word'. Practical and poignant. 5 messages **£3.50** (CODE BC05)

**NEHEMIAH (WA)** In 6 messages Derek Stringer explores the challenge God placed before Nehemiah. A man fortified by God – lots to help us - **£8.50** (CODE DS109)

**PRAYER THAT WORKS (WA)** Exploring 14 prayers in the Bible. Derek Stringer helps us become 'learners together in prayer'. Worthy of much reflection. **Cost £16.50** (CODE DS110)

**LESSONS FROM A RAINBOW (WA)** Derek Stringer wrote a book about Noah which helped many people. That book is now out of print. However, these teaching messages give you the contents with a whole lot more. 6 Word Alive messages - **£8.50** (CODE DS84)

**BOOKS BY DEREK STRINGER –**

**THE 'HOW TO' OF CHRISTIANITY** – Great comments about this book. USUAL £8.99 **SPECIAL £7.99** (CODE DSB96)

**OVER CONQUER** – Insights to help a believer become 'more than a conqueror'. USUAL £7.99 **SPECIAL £6.99** (CODE DSB93)

**GREAT BIBLE QUESTIONS** – God has a question for us! He also has answers. USUAL £8.99 **SPECIAL £7.99** (CODE DSB94) ■■

# CHALLENGES AHEAD *Please Pray For Us –*

- **May 31-June 6** Give thanks for all those who partner with us. Praise God for the Ranskill team and the Associates. (*Schedules on this page*)
- **June 7-13** Ask for God's blessing on our broadcasts across the world. Thank God for new opportunities in Africa. Give thanks for the responses to our broadcasts in the UK asking for wisdom in our follow-up. Our partner ministry in Brazil directed by Leandro Tarrataca has launched a new website. Many people are now watching videos, downloading programmes and reading e-books.
- **June 14-20** Ask God for more *Ministry Partners*. Pray for people assisting us as Presenters. Pray for those using programme transcripts for their own edification and for other people.
- **June 21-27** Pray for the Philippine ministry. Ask God to grant a substantial love-gift from the UK ministry in order to assist Back to the Bible in the Philippines. Pray for the people who visit our UK website to listen to programmes as well as requesting help. Pray for volunteer contributors to our programmes as well as people who help with office work.
- **June 28-July 4** Pray for similar ministries in Ecuador, Brazil, Indonesia and Poland. Thank God for the many opportunities given to the Polish ministry. May God grant them sufficient financial support to continue through a financial crisis.
- **July 5-11** Please pray for Derek Stringer as he preaches and teaches at strategic meetings in the Philippines. Pray for his health in a busy schedule. Thank God for UK broadcasts over the Middle East. Ask for fruit from this ministry.
- **July 12-18** Continue to pray for Derek Stringer as he speaks at Conferences, Church services and seminaries. Please pray for Chalmers Dobson as he keeps in touch with radio stations and nurtures new relationships. Ask for God's blessing on Phil Critchley our Senior Producer.
- **July 19-25** Thank God for 'volunteers' who come to the Ranskill office and studio regularly to help us with administration, presenting and adding 'voice-overs' to programmes. Please pray that we will have sufficient regular giving to both maintain current levels of production and take the opportunities for expansion.
- **July 26-August 1** Pray for books, CDs and transcripts as they help to resource many people around the world. Thank God for Brenda Critchley as she 'multi-tasks' in the office, including presenting and editing programmes and offering advice and praying for people requesting it, plus a whole lot more. Pray that we will be able to pass on financial help to needy similar ministries internationally. ■■

## 'IN TOUCH ...'

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

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- SPECIAL GIFT FOR THE PHILIPPINES** £ .....
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# GNB ASSOCIATES

## DEREK STRINGER

**All dates for radio recording at Ranskill plus - JUNE**

- 1-10: JERSEY (Highlands Hotel Ministry)
- 14: Birmingham (Hollywood Christian Fellowship)
- 21, 28: Bawtry (Evangelical Church)

## JULY

- 4: Ranskill (GNB Board Meeting)
- 5: N. Nottinghamshire (Retreat)
- 9-26: PHILIPPINES (Conferences, Services, Retreat, Leadership meetings)

## STEPHEN THOMPSON

**All dates at King's Church, Boston Spa plus - JULY**

- 5: Salford (Elmwood Church)

## DOUG BARNETT

## JUNE

- 3: Christchurch, Dorset (Church Leaders)
- 5-7: Silksworth (Independent Methodist Church week-end)

- 11-13: HUNGARY (Papa)

- 14, 26: Twynham, Dorset (Church for the Community)

- 15-19: Torquay, Devon (Brunel Manor)

- 21, 28: Pinehurst, Dorset (Chapel)

## JULY

- 3-5: Newport, Wales (Llswery Baptist Church)

- 6: London (Nflame Trust Core Team)

- 10-12: Rushden, Northants

- 19: Cardiff (Aion Baptist Church)

## PETER ANDERSON

## JUNE

- 3, 4: Cardiff (UFM Council Conference)

- 6, 7: Looe, Cornwall (Missionary Conference)

- 21: Syston (Gospel Hall)

- 28: Leicester (Glencroft Church)

## JULY

- 5: Ross-on-Sea, North Wales (Church Anniversary)

- 6-10: Ross-On-Sea (Ormskirk Luncheon Club Holiday)

- 12: Ormskirk (Cottage Lane Mission)

- 27-31: Leicestershire (UFM Family Conference, Hothorpe Hall) ■■

# PROGRAMMES - TOUCHING THE WORLD

- **Finding The Plot** – Weekly 30-minute broadcast giving reasons for Christian belief.
- **Word Alive** – Weekly 30-minute Bible teaching broadcast.
- **Bible Focus** – 10-minute week-day broadcast. Also a 45-minute week-end version.
- **A Sideways Look** – Bible stories viewed from a different angle.
- **Something To Think About** – Short programmes of variable length.
- **Minute Messages** – Thought for the day.
- **Bringing The Book Alive** – Interviews with Bible Teachers.

**Help us continue delivering God's Word in a time when so many are looking for answers Thank you!**