Questions the World is Asking

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Convention
Congo Frontline Missions reports that since Three Angels Radio (107 FM) started broadcasting last November in the Kisangani area, it has a potential listenership of 2 million people. In fact, although there are ten other radio stations broadcasting in the area, CFM was told by the national radio inspector that their station was "the best in Kisangani" and that it has quickly become the most listened to station. Listeners have already been baptized and some have stopped eating rats, monkeys, and snakes after listening to the health programs. Despite major challenges in starting and maintaining the station, it has proved to be a fruitful effort.

One month before the start of the 2011-2012 school year, Country Life Institute - Austria was faced with the challenge of starting TGM, its medical missionary training school, with only one teacher and a very small team. Right before classes began, however, God provided two teachers. Since then, TGM has reduced its tuition and started a work scholarship apprenticeship program where students spend the first half of the program in classes and the second half working in the lifestyle center, continuing classes between sessions. In March, the ministry opened the lifestyle center for year-round sessions and is looking to increase its staff. "The team at Country Life Institute is grateful for the chance to share and grow with others, as well as [for] opportunities to keep the vision alive and their faith and hope strong," says TGM leader Joel Stapleton.

Online Registration: Visit the ASI website to register online for the 2012 ASI International Convention, Aug. 8–11, in Cincinnati Ohio. Pre-registration discount available. Don't miss it!

Special Opportunity: A pre-convention fundraising seminar will be offered Aug. 5–8, 2012, as a join effort by ASI, Philanthropic Service for Institutions (a department of the NAD), and The Fund Raising School at Indiana University. The seminar will meet just prior to the 2012 ASI International Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio. For info about seminar content, visit The Fundraising School website. To register, e-mail Lorena Hernandez.

New Member & First Time Attendee Breakfast: This special event is designed to help new members and first-time attendees get the most out of the ASI convention experience! Invitations will be handed out at the registration check-in desk.

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2013 Funding Application

The 2012 special offering projects have already been selected, and
LIGHT (Lay Institute for Global Health Training) has recent or ongoing training programs in Asia, Africa, Europe, Australia, and North America. Rod Bailey, who is coordinating efforts with Eastward Missionary College in New South Wales, shares, "My wife and I have just arrived back home after two weeks in the Solomon Islands. Briefly, we were invited to present health lectures and workshops at the annual local Seventh-day Adventist Camp Meeting. Numbers ranged from 100-250 in workshops to approximately 7000 on Sabbath. The country is suffering from an epidemic of western lifestyle diseases as the western diet and lifestyle become more prevalent. God provided an opportunity for us to inspire and inform hundreds of lay people, pastors, nurses, doctors, church leadership, the Under-Secretary and Permanent Secretary of Health, and even the Prime Minister's advisor with God's nutrition, lifestyle, and natural remedies! ... The President of the SDA Mission and his Health Director and the AHA are trying to work out how best to continue the momentum already developed....Pray for us here at Eastward Missionary College and for Church Leadership and the lay people there as the medical missionary work in the Solomon Islands opens up!"

Diné Outreach was recently blessed with a visit from Maplewood Academy in Hutchinson, Minn. The group of 20 included 11 students. They tackled construction projects at the Red Mesa Community Center, as well as participating in cooking classes and children's ministry. A Navajo father named Jesse took the group to visit the Grand Canyon. "When it came time for us to leave there were tears in many of our eyes because we had come to love and care for the people we met," shared Linda Vigil, a member of the group.

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Southern Adventist University opened its Origins Exhibit in April. The project was the culmination of four years of planning and $300,000 in donations, including a project grant from ASI. It arose from the university's desire to "take the lead role in helping educate people on the scientific evidence behind creation," reported Charles Cammack. It graces the hallways of the university’s Hickman Science Center.

Wit & Wisdom
"As our students tell others about their experiences, the one aspect that comes through time and time again is how much the Navajo people impacted the students themselves." Diné Outreach serves the Navajo community near Page, Ariz.

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With my unflattering past, my childhood friends would never have imagined me becoming a Christian, much less a missionary pilot on the other side of the world. Only by the grace and power of our almighty God can a man's life be so radically changed, to go from digging in the garbage to flying in the clouds.

Danny Henson, Jr., Pilots
Philippine Adventist Medical Aviation
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WHM speaker/director Steve Wohlberg has increasingly gained a reputation in secular media circles as an expert on Biblical and apocalyptic issues. He is a regular guest on mainstream talk radio shows, addressing major news events, natural catastrophies, and media storms set off by major book or movie releases in the context of Bible prophecy and principles. He has been featured in three different documentaries on The History Channel, and has addressed audiences at the Pentagon and the United States Senate.

Wohlberg was recently contacted by executive producer Phil Frank of Story House Productions as a possible interviewee for a documentary episode solicited by National Geographic International. NGI is responding to growing public curiosity about noticeable increases in catastrophic occurrences, including mass animal die-offs. He'd heard about Wohlberg because of The History Channel and Discovery programs. After an extensive interview, Frank asked Wohlberg to participate in the NGI documentary, offering a Biblical perspective on the die-offs as potential "signs of the times" preceding Christ's return to earth.

In addition to an interview, Frank wanted to film Wohlberg preaching on that topic in an Adventist Church. So on Saturday morning, May 19, 2012, Frank and his production crew filmed Wohlberg preaching a sermon entitled "Mass Animal Deaths: Another Sign of the End?" to the congregation at The Capital Memorial Seventh-day Adventist Church in northwest Washington, D.C. They interviewed Wohlberg alone in the church later that afternoon. When Wohlberg expressed concern that his message might ultimately be lost in the editing process, Frank assured him, "No one will mess with your message."
Wohlberg says Frank clarified that he simply wanted to include "the perspective of those who believe that the Bible is true, that the frightening mass animal die offs fit in with prophecy, that Planet Earth is on its last leg, that the biblical signs are fulfilling all around us and that Jesus Christ is coming soon." As far as Frank was concerned, the message was one of general public interest and not uniquely Adventist.

After the interview, Frank asked Wohlberg asked if there was anything else he’d like to add. Wohlberg asked if he could pray with the production crew, and Frank respectfully consented. Later, Frank said, "That was a first. I've been a producer for 30 years, and no one has ever prayed for me." Several crewmembers shared positive responses to what Wohlberg shared in church and in the subsequent interview.

Such mainstream interest comports with increasing numbers of book racks popping up in truck stops, grocery stores, and gift stores at well-heeled resorts with book titles like "Comfort For Troubled Christians" and "Heaven is for Real." Despite increasing cultural secularity, people are asking questions about the significance of world events and hard economic times. Many still believe the Bible has answers.

"We're not a ministry that's speaking to the choir," says Wohlberg. "There are plenty of those. We're reaching people where they're listening—in the mainstream media."

At present, doors are opening almost faster than WHM can walk through them. Whitney Houston's death and the release of the Twilight movie franchise offered Wohlberg opportunities to talk about the state of the dead, the hope of the resurrection, and supernatural phenomena. WHM also posts websites, such as HisVoiceToday.com, that are uniquely fashioned to deal with current issues being discussed in the media. WHM is about to sign a year-long contract with Legacy TV that will put its TV program His Voice Today on 225 television stations across America in major cities like Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, Washington, D.C., Dallas, and Sacramento. The program will have a half-hour slot on Sunday nights at 10:30 p.m. (EST) starting June 10.

"This is the most exciting development we have ever had," says Wohlberg. "They found us!"

Wohlberg may also soon host a mainstream syndicated radio talk show, where he can directly interact with people seeking answers to hard questions. Regardless of the platform, his message remains the same: "Proclaiming [Christ's] Salvation, Truth, and Triumphant Return."
Visit the **White Horse Media** website.

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