



GIJAPA



GOD Is Just a Prayer Away

50,000 Watt Stations Every Sunday

WLW	6:30 AM	700 Dial	Cincinnati, OH
WLW	8:00 AM	700 Dial	Cincinnati, OH
KXEL	10:30 PM	1540 Dial	Waterloo, IA
WRVA	7:04 AM	1140 Dial	Richmond, VA
WRVA	9:30 PM	1140 Dial	Richmond, VA
WIBC	7:30 AM	93.1 Dial	Indianapolis, IN
WHAS	7:30 AM	840 Dial	Louisville, KY
KAAY	9:30 PM	1090 Dial	Little Rock, AR
WDOC	7:45 AM	1310 Dial	Prestonburg, KY
WWVA	9:30 PM	1170 Dial	Wheeling, WV

Short Wave Radio

AFRICA:

Monday 7:00 PM
(1800 UTC) 7190 kHz on Dial

BEACON of HOPE N. AFRICA:

Sunday 8:30 PM
(1930 UTC) 6020 kHz on Dial

BIBLE VOICE EUROPE:

Sunday 8:00 AM
(0700 UTC) 5945 kHz on Dial

SRI LANKA INDIA:

Sunday 8:30 AM
(0800 UTC) 9770 kHz on Dial

BIBLE VOICE RUSSIA:

Sunday 8:00 PM
(2000 UTC) 6010 on kHz Dial

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR MINISTRY ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

March 2012 Address all mail: Ed Bousman Evangelistic Assoc., P.O. Box 511, Lynchburg, Ohio 45142-0511 Issue 3

MY GREAT GRANDMA

Remembering . . .

Many years ago when I was about nine years old my dad opened the big family Bible and laid it on the dining room table and told me to read it out loud. He sat in a chair nearby with another Bible opened on his knee and followed as I read aloud. Day after day I read. I do remember well the stories of Joseph, Samson, and I remember reading Leviticus and reading the tests that Moses gave for the cure of leprosy. Years later in Bible College, the Professor in Gospels class one day asked the students if they knew the test for the cure of leprosy. I was the only one who knew because I had read it when I was nine years old.

When my dad was in the last weeks of his life he lamented that he had not done too much for the Lord. I reminded him of the days as a child when he had taught me to read the Word, and that it was that discipline that later on was responsible for me being a preacher.

Now the plot thickens. Twenty years later after he died, I asked my mother shortly before she passed away why he used that method of teaching the word to me and she said that when dad was a child he had a blind grandmother. This blind grandmother had told her young grandson to read the Bible to her. This blind woman who is my great grandmother was born in the first part of the nineteenth century. She may have wondered as most of us would, why she had to suffer blindness. Her desire for the Word of God a hundred and fifty years ago is the reason many of you hear me on the radio today. God truly works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform.

Now a further thought about the providence of God. Shortly before my mother died in 1989, I asked her why it was that we were members of the Church of Christ and or Christian Church when most of our other relatives were

Methodists and my grandfather was a primitive Baptist. In other words, how come dad was a maverick and did not go with the flow. She said when dad was a young man there was an area wide interdenominational revival. Many people confessed Christ and they were told to go to the Church of their choice. Dad decided on uniting with the Church of Christ which was called Christian Church in Virginia. She said the reason he made that decision was because he remembered reading about the Church of Christ in the Bible. Paul said, "All the Churches of Christ salute you." He remembered how the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch in the eleventh chapter of Acts and the statement in Acts twenty-six, "Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian". And how Peter said, "If any man suffers as a Christian let me not be ashamed."

So if you folk don't like to hear me preach every week on the church revealed in the New Testament, and the terms of pardon as revealed on the day of Pentecost, "Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit" I guess you will have to blame it on my blind great grandmother.

And this article is a footnote to last month's "Remembering February 14, 1943". Valentine's Day this year 2012, began Ed's sixty-nine years of preaching the gospel. This is another part of the story of Ed's spiritual journey. As Ed said many times, I agree with the words of the gospel song I have heard somewhere. One line of it says: "I WOULDN'T TAKE NUTHIN FOR MY JOURNEY NOW." From the archives of Ed.

Ed ended his journey here on earth May 16, 2012, when he journeyed to his heavenly home that he so diligently prepared for the past 68 years of his ministry. We the family of Ed - Naomi, Eric, Melanie, and the trustees thank you for continuing to stand with us with your generous gifts and prayers as we work to keep the LEGACY OF ED ALIVE, with the weekly broadcast around the world.

Sixty-Seven Years Begins

*The Lord Continues To Bless Me
Remembering another February 14th*

On February 14th, Valentine's Day, this year, 2010, I begin my sixty-seven years preaching the gospel. Most of my contemporaries have retired by now, have part-time ministries or have passed on to their reward in heaven. People ask me when I am going to retire. When I retire is not for me to answer you'll have to ask the Lord. He hasn't informed me as to when it is, however He did give me a warning the past six months to slow down. At age 91, I've come to the realization that I can't go 12 hours a day and speak everywhere I'm invited, that is what brought on the EBA (blisters-auto immune disease). I've decided my main goal from now will be used keeping GIJAPA full speed ahead on the radio instead of running around all over the US speaking. I've recovered from both surgeries I had in 2009. I'm still dealing with bouts of blisters, knowing when to reduce the Prednisone and building my strength and energy back to walking two miles a day. I have resumed my recording and PTL that my voice was never effected.

I found this article recently that was written by Ed in 2010 and I wanted to share it with you. It explains in his own words when and why he stopped traveling and started recording with the "fast forward" button on to get the large number of broadcasts ready to air. As he indicated, he didn't know when the Lord would "retire" him, but he knew it couldn't be too long as he looked around and saw most of his peers had already gone into some kind of "retirement." Ed used his many years of wisdom that God had blessed him so generously with in preparing for the day when he would no longer be able to write a sermon or record it. As he would so often say as he signed off the broadcast, "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition." We will continue to keep GIJAPA on the airwaves as long as you keep "passing the ammunition." From the archives of Ed.

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY

GIJAPA was able to broadcast 50 times in the US and 25 times in other parts of the world - see masthead above for the times and locations of our broadcasts. I just paid the radio bills for five Sundays before I sent this copy to the printers and that radio time cost \$26,158. THANK YOU!

GIJAPA's workers sent out 25 large flat rate post office boxes of used clothing (boys, girls, women and men) and Bibles to Africa, India, and Philippines. The postage alone was \$1, 523.75 (\$60.95 each box) to ship the above mentioned boxes! THANK YOU!

GIJAPA added 73 new prisoners to our correspondence Bible Study Program for a total of 1,530 prisoners. Each of the new prisoners received a large print Bible (cost \$10.00 each), first five lessons of the correspondence

course, GIJAPA newsletter, a tract "What Saves A Man" and a large pre-stamped envelope for mailing back to us the lessons to grade. When the lessons are graded we return them along with ten more lessons and two pre-stamped envelopes. It only cost \$3.31 to mail a large print Bible packet as they are all mailed inside the US. The Bibles cost us \$730 and \$241.63 to mail them for a total of \$971.63. THANK YOU! As you can see from only a few things that we do besides broadcasting, it cost a lot and be reminded that we COULD NOT do any of this without your HELP! We've been carrying on now for nine months with the absence of Ed, but he's with us always in spirit. We want to THANK YOU for standing with us to keep GIJAPA going stronger than ever, and ED'S LEGACY ALIVE! God bless.

LETTERS

Ms. Bousman,

My name is Johnny and I am here in IYC Plainfield State Prison, Plainfield, IN. I wrote to you about four and half months ago and asked you to send me a large print Bible and you did. Thank you very much. I have joined the GRIP program here and everywhere I go I talk to people who receive your monthly newsletter; I also receive it and I am thankful for that it is the only mail I receive. Since reading your newsletters I have learned of your husband's death last year and I would like to say I'm very sorry for that. Your ministry has been and is still very helpful to many inmates in here. I'm writing to ask if you could send me a student Bible Dictionary. I would also like to thank any and all of the people that makes it possible for people like me to receive all the books, Bibles and lessons you are able to send. I am 37 years old and all I ever did was construction work which has given me a good life but alcohol got me in here but the good Lord is going to take me out of here and guide me thru the rest of my life. God bless you all.

Sincerely (A Student Bible Dictionary was sent to Johnny. We buy in large quantities for \$7.50 each.)

To GIJAPA,

Keep up the good work! It's good to still be able to hear Ed on the radio and also keep up through the newsletters.

Charles W. from Little Falls, NY

Dear GIJAPA Brethren,

Keep up the great work! Ed's preaching is as good as ever. It's good to still hear him every Sunday at 6:30 AM and 8:00 AM on WLW (700 on dial, Cincinnati, OH) "Keep on Keeping On!"

Sincerely and respectfully because our Saviour loves us and forgives us, WOW! Art from Columbus, OH

Naomi and Others,

It was so inspiring to receive your heartwarming February newsletter. I recently rediscovered one of Ed's old newsletters and finally read it with joy and gratitude.

Enclosed is a gift for your kingdom worthy work. Press on in joy with Christ.

Love to all Mary H. from York, PA

Dear Sister Naomi,

We do hope you are fine with the children. Praise be to God for your life on earth, Thanks be to God we have today taken delivery of three boxes of used clothing, tracts and Bibles. We have received a box of beautiful red GIJAPA T shirts. They are nice, we thank you so much in the Lord. We are very grateful sister. I assure you that the work is going on smoothly and we thank you for your love and great assistance. The preacher of that Pentecostal Church, his assistant and their families that we spent most of last year teaching them and finally baptized them; keep worshipping with us here at London Corner Church of Christ auditorium. Their number keeps increasing and we are planning to have a congregation for them, for they come from far. The work is going on here nicely and we thank God for that. We thank you so much for your love for us and your concern for the Lord's work on this hard soil. I pray that the good Lord keeps on abiding with you and the children through Christ our Savior, Amen. To Him alone be the glory through Christ our Lord. Thanks, sister.

Evangelist Alexander Ofori, a servant of The Most High God in the London Corner Church of Christ, The Gambia, W. Africa

Dear Sister Naomi,

Greetings. We received the two boxes one for Bibles and clothes for children. Thank you so much. I will visit to Mujimanzovu area, 85 kilometers away from Solwezi to meet the brothers and sisters. I will borrow a camera so that we get some few pictures for GIJAPA. Thank you my dear sister Naomi.

John Maseka, Evangelist of Messenger Church of Christ, Zambia, Central Africa

Dear Beloved Sister Naomi and family members,

Holy greetings in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. How are you Sister? Since many months I am not getting any reply from you. Please pray and send the used clothes for the poor children and youth. Please convey our loving greetings to your family members and friends.

With much love and prayers yours in His service Bro. G. Alphonse Calvary Church of Christ, India

Madame Naomi,

I have just opened email today, & thanks a lot for your reply. OK, I will send you pictures with our people wearing GIJAPA RED T-SHIRTS, & will write out some short article how GIJAPA is helping a lot our ministry with our local churches in the Philippines. Please send as many as you can with the RED T-Shirt. We need SMALL-size for our WOMEN & MEDIUM-size for our MEN. If there are sizes too for our children are much better. We are so glad to be identified & partners of GIJAPA & its global movement for Christ! Please relay our love & gratitude to the RICES. May GOD bless you all out there, & pray you are

doing well with your health too. Take care, we love you so much!

Ed Domingo, Sunset Beach Church of Christ, La Union, Philippines

I would just like to say I'm in the maximum security Arkansas Department of Correction and your Bible studies have been the greatest blessing. And I love the Bible you sent me too. I love everyone of you and your time and love thank God for your love in Christ and thank God for Christ love in me. I've learned so much there these studies thank you and God bless you.

Frederick from Dermott, AR

Dear Evang. Bousman,

I am deeply grateful for your faithfulness in giving us this inspirational programme on Radio Africa. Every time I listen to it, I am blessed with new hope and faith in the awesomeness of our God. You may never know the enormous benefit I derive from this programme. May God bless you all and kindly send me some materials to help me that you announced at the end of your programme to help my large family spiritually.

In Him and our Lord, Amewoy from Ghana

I hope you find my reception report to be of some use to you. The program details: Half an hour program of preaching from Lynchburg, OH in English broadcast called God Is Just A Prayer Away by Pan American Broadcasting by way of Beacon of Hope-North Africa.

From Georgi B. from a listeners in Lovech State, Bulgaria. (Pan American tells us that statistics show that for every letter we receive from a listener we have 1,000 others listening that didn't write. We pleased to know that one of the S/W broadcasts is indeed reaching into Bulgaria.)

Dear Naomi Bousman,

My name is Turnbow, and I'm currently incarcerated on a ten year prison sentence. I am twenty-five years and and this is my third time to prison. I'm ready to turn my life over to God. We don't get to go to Church like I wish we could but I would like to receive a copy of the Bible and my first five lessons you send if that's not too much to ask. God bless you.

Sincerely, E.A.R.U., Brickeys, AR

To Aunt Naomi and all,

Received a small bonus from work. I thought I should give a little extra to the right people!! My body grows tired from numerous bone breakages, football when young and just plain foolishness. But God has given me a good job where I am well paid and have been for 25 years. I do not and never have tied strings to my gifts, but I do feel that the Bibles you give are so precious. Thank you as always,

Love, Nephew Mark from Grand Island, NE

ARE YOU QUILTY?

Jacob sod pottage and Esau came from the field and

he was faint: And Esau said to Jacob, "Feed me, I pray thee, with that that same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore is his name called Edom." And Jacob said, "Sell me this day thy birthright." And Esau said, "Behold I am at the point to die; and what profit shall this birthright do to me?" And Jacob said, "Swear to me this day;" and he swore unto him: and he sold his birthright. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentils; and he did eat and drink, and rose up and went his way: thus Esau despised his birthright. Esau sold his birthright for a bowl of bean soup.

Normally the scripture would tell us of Abraham, Isaac, and Esau. But Esau sold his birthright for a bowl of bean soup and now it will forever be Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Normally we would read of the children of Edom. But Esau sold his birthright for a bowl of bean soup and now we read of the children of Israel. Normally we should be reading the names of the twelve tribes of Esau on the pearly gates of heaven. But Esau sold his birthright for a bowl of bean soup and now it will be the twelve tribes of Israel eternally on the pearly gates of heaven.

Esau traded all that glory and sold his birthright for a bowl of bean soup. Paul says he found no room for repentance in his father though he sought it diligently with tears. What a price to pay all for a bowl of bean soup.

We who have been born again of water and the Spirit have a birthright. We have a right to call ourselves Christians, we have a right to repent and pray for forgiveness when we sin knowing that the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all iniquity, we have a right to heaven, we have a right to come to the Lord's Table on the Lord's Day. One preacher told me of a member of the church who told him: "Don't expect to see me in services from September until December, I will be at the stadium watching the NFL football game." This is just one example of a great percentage of the members of the church who every Sunday week in and week out throughout the year sell out the glory of God for a bowl of bean soup. ARE YOU GUILTY? E.B.

EXAMINE YOURSELF!

Mark tells the story of a paralyzed man who was car-

ried by four men on a bed into the presence of Jesus. They could not get through the crowd so they broke up the roof, and when they had uncovered the roof, they let down the bed whereon the sick of the palsy lay, and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy, "Son be of good cheer thy sins are forgiven thee."

People will go to all kinds of extremes to take care of the physical body. These men did not bring this man for forgiveness they brought him for healing. Today people pay exorbitant prices to get hospital insurance for the body. We take shots, swallow pills, submit to operations, get something cut out, or cut off, all for the purpose of caring for the body. Doctors advise us to get a physical examination every year. One lady told me she did not want to get a physical because she was afraid the doctor might find something wrong with her and she did not want to know what it was.

The Apostles Paul advises us to get a spiritual examination when he tells us regarding the Lord's Supper, "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup." We need that examination every Lord's Day. Examine yourself and see if there is anything wrong with you. Did you pass through the whole week and not even open the Bible one time to feed your soul on the bread of life? Examine yourself. Did you go through the whole week and pray no more than the one-minute prayer you pray at bedtime as fire insurance just in case you don't make it through the night? Examine yourself. Would anyone last week have suspected that you are a Christian and taken knowledge of you that you have been with Jesus? Examine yourself and then eat of the loaf and drink of the cup of the One who said, "This do in remembrance of Me."

For those present who are not members of the body of Christ examine yourself by the word of God and you may find that you have a terminal disease called sin. Repent ye and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. EXAMINE YOURSELF! E.B.



ED BOUSMAN
 Evangelistic Association, Inc.
 P.O. Box 511
 Lynchburg, Ohio 45142
 Return Service Requested

Non-Profit Org.
 U.S. Postage Paid
 Hillisboro, OH 45133
 Permit No. 27