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### **Production for Online Vietnamese Discipleship**

Since our last ministry report, we have had two productions in Vietnamese and have started studio renovations. In addition, we have added materials in two more languages on GlobalReach.org Vietnamese Productions

Our studio has been busy with several projects in the last several months.

Two of the most significant ones were Vietnamese language productions: <u>The</u> <u>Great Questions of Life</u> and the <u>JourneyAnswers.com</u> video series!

The Great Questions of Life (GQL for short) has been produced in 35 languages. The Vietnamese version will soon be unveiled on DVD and is already on Globalreach.org!

Fred assists Loc Troung with production playback to check for grammatical errors

We also went into video production in Vietnamese

for the JourneyAnswers.com website series to bring Online Evangelism and Discipleship to Vietnamese people in Asia and all over the world!

JourneyAnswers.com uses the "Yes button" technology to send new online converts to the 121 Connection system developed by our discipleship technology partner, Network 211. The JourneyAnswers.com website in Vietnamese joins English, Indonesian and soon Spanish in providing live, online discipleship to major language groups around the world!

GlobalReach.org Update

Our work on GlobalReach.org continues and we now have materials in 14 languages online! In addition, we have partnered with Network211 to provide online courses to help online responders with discipling new believers on the Internet!

Please be praying for people to be sent to GlobalReach.org and our other Evangelism websites where they can find Jesus and grow in Him!

#### Kovach Praise and Prayer

- + Please pray for people to be **sent to our evangelism websites** to be saved and discipled.
- + Praise God for **3595 resource materials** in **14** languages on the New GLOBALreach.org!
- † Please pray for God to supply the translation and financial resources for the other 100+ languages of materials in our archives to be placed on GlobalReach.org.

#### Phillip, Stephen and Hope's Corner

Well this family isn't lacking in musical talent that's for sure. Stephen has been fiddling up a storm on his violin. He just had his first performance not too long ago and was amazing!

Drumline is going great for me. We finished second out of five at our last competition. I also just found out that not only did I make Bass drum section leader, but I also made assistant percussion captain which means that I'm the second highest in charge of the whole percussion section!

I also have been hard at work writing music for my band, Amethyst, We have a page on both Facebook and Myspace if you want to look us up and add us. Hope is trying to make music the best she can on my drums and whatever she can get a hold of. Hope also is enjoying worshiping at children's church.

Yup its safe to say that God has given us amazing musical ability.

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#### How You Can Help

- \* Pray for the prayer requests listed.
- You can make monthly or one-time gifts by sending to AGWM, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, MO 65804 and noting Acc't # 2433449
- \* Gifts to assist with GLOBALreach.org translation can be sent to above address and noted with *Project #11024*



## The Digital Television Transition

#### The Change from Analog to Digital Television

**Note:** In past issues of the Kovach Missions eNewsletter we have been discussing the coming Digital TV transition. Since our last discussion, Congress has extended the deadline until June 12, 2009 and changed a multitude of other items relevant to the transition. It also appears as if the rollout of White Space Devices will be postponed.

We are reprinting the Q&A from the last newsletter with any updated information.

# The Proposed Ban on 700 MHz Wireless Microphones What's this about Wireless Microphones?

Wireless microphones work on the frequencies presently used by television stations. Some wireless mics, especially those three years or older, use the 700 MHz frequency band. Many of the frequencies above 700 MHz will be shared with other devices after February 17, 2009.

These devices (called "White Space Devices") would help expand wireless Internet service. These devices are supposed to detect wireless mics and stay away from those frequencies, but it is unknown whether they will actually do this. Because of issues discovered in the testing of these devices, the FCC has recently decided to close the frequencies in the 700 MHz band to wireless mics. **[Updated information]** With the recent change in the transition date, it is unclear when White Space Devices will begin to roll out.

**[Updated information]** Also, some of these frequencies may be allocated to law enforcement agencies. It is suggested that you vacate the band as soon as you can. If you contact us with the frequencies you are using, we may be able to assist you further.

#### How do I know if our wireless mics are affected?

Look at the manufacturer's sticker or the digital readout of your wireless microphone or its receiver. If the frequency reads between 698 MHz and 806 MHz, then your wireless microphone system is probably affected. If you can change the frequency on your system to below 698 MHZ, then you are okay. If you can't find the frequency or have any other questions, please feel free to contact us.

#### If our wireless microphone system is in these frequencies, what should we do?

You should strongly consider converting to wired mics, changing the frequencies (if your system permits that) or purchasing a new wireless system. The manufacturer may also be able to change your frequency, but that may be costly and should only be considered for expensive systems.

A good technical solution would be to convert to wired mics. Wired mics are less noisy and sound better. They also do not require a license and are not subject to the winds of political and technological change. **[Updated Information]** Some wireless mic manufacturers are offering a rebate on your old 700 MHz systems. Check your local audio store or the manufacturer's website for more information.

#### Can we sell our 700 MHz Wireless Mics?

**[Updated Answer]** At this point, the answer is no. Do not attempt to sell them outside the country. The frequencies may also be assigned to someone else in that country and the penalty may be even more stiff there.

#### Additional Websites:

http://www.DTVanswers.com http://www.DTVtransition.org http://www.dtv2009.gov http://www.antennaweb.org http://www.CE.org http://www.keepuson.com

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