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# Together Impacting the World for Christ

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News and Highlights for Friends and Partners of the CDR Radio Network

# Personally Speaking CDR Pen Pal's Impact In Eastern Europe



CDR Radio is dedicated to providing spiritual and practical resources that listeners can use to affect the world for Christ. So, it was especially rewarding to recently receive a letter explaining what happened when a listener, more than 13 years ago, got involved in

the "Russian Connection" pen pal project offered by CDR Radio.

Karin heard on CDR Radio affiliate 95.3 FM, Richmond, about the opportunity to correspond with someone in the former Soviet Union. Interested, she called to receive a pen pal and soon began writing to Maryia, a professor of English at the university in Novopolotsk, Belarus. The two women began exchanging letters, introducing themselves and their families to each other. (Being a professor, Maryia could read and write English, which eliminated the need for a translator.) Soon, Maryia began to ask many questions about God and spiritual issues. Karin replied, answering Maryia's questions and sending her books on subjects she inquired about.

Later, Maryia was granted the opportunity to study in London for a short time. One evening she and two of her colleagues were exploring the city, when they came upon a building identified as an "Evangelical Christian Church." While they discussed what that could mean, the pastor stepped outside and invited them to that evening's Bible study. They accepted his invitation, and Maryia saw a Bible for the first time that night. Maryia and one of her colleagues continued to attend the Bible study until it was time to return to Belarus. The pastor managed to obtain 70 Bibles for Maryia to take with her, and by God's providence, the Bibles made it safely through customs.

At home, Maryia shared the Bibles with her colleagues and students. So many were interested that Maryia started a Bible study. God continued to work in Maryia's heart as she researched and studied the Christian faith.

In 1992, Karin and her husband John, who is a pastor, planned a trip to Europe and spent several days with Maryia and her family. "It was an opportunity to take them more Christian literature and answer their questions in person," said Karin. The couple brought Bibles, Christian songbooks and literature, and peanut butter ... something Maryia and her family had never had before.

"We would stay up until 11 and 12 at night," said Karin. "Then at 7 in the morning, Maryia would be up and ready with her Bible to ask more

questions." Karin and John also met members of the Bible study, as well as some of Maryia's students, who came by to ask their own questions.

Again in 1996, Karin and John traveled to Belarus to visit Maryia. By then the 20-member Bible study had grown to a 200-member church, and Maryia and her family had accepted the Lord and had been baptized! God continues to work in their lives.

Karin said she has seen the hand of the Lord through this experience: "This was the Lord's leading. There have been too many things for it to be by chance. What a difference it has made in people's lives!"

Karin took the challenge to utilize the resource presented to her, by picking up her pen and building a crucial bridge to Maryia. God allowed Karin to share in the birth of this new church through her spiritual encouragement, and she witnessed a demonstration of God's grace as Christ builds His Church worldwide.

CDR Radio "touches the world" best when you respond by "picking up the pen," whatever that might be for you, and touching someone for Christ's sake. As you listen to The PATH®, keep you ears open, as Karin did, for an opportunity to "pick up your pen."

In partnership with you,

Faul Lackany

Paul Gathany General Manager



Karin (left) with Maryia (right)

# Finishing Well 2003



## Finishing Well Update

We appreciate the response during our *Finishing Well* month on The PATH®. As a result of the generosity of many partners, our financial need

for the last budget year was met. It's exciting to hear testimonies of how lives are being changed and of how families are being restored. Thanks to your continued support, together we can reach the lost and help equip believers.



## **POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL STATIONS**

## Pray For Possible Additional Affiliate Stations



Over the years, listeners have contacted CDR with comments such as, "I am on the fringe of your station, and I wish I could receive The PATH® better in my community," and, "I do not get any Christian radio in my area. Is it possible to bring CDR Radio here?" Now a new opportunity might help those listeners.

This past winter, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) opened a three-day "filing window" for existing stations to apply for new affiliate stations. CDR took this

opportunity to submit applications for 14 new FM translators. These translators will help "fill-in" coverage where CDR Radio Network station signals are weak, providing service to those areas where people have indicated interest in tuning in to The PATH®.

Yet, because of the nature of the FCC process, CDR does not know when the FCC will make its decision concerning which stations will receive the limited licenses. As the FCC approval process progresses, public information divulging the areas that CDR Radio proposes to serve will be announced. In the meantime, we ask you to pray for this exciting opportunity and for God's leading as the approval process moves forward.

## HONOR/MEMORIAL GIFTS

Gifts have been received recently in remembrance of:

Abbott Dean

from William Dean

Zaka Evanoff

from Florence Evanoff

Raymond Gibbons

from Lynnette C. Benoit

Ernest Little

from Robert E. Wright

Stephanie Stine

from Doris Mead & Karen McKiban

Mary Young

from Robert Young

Gifts have been received recently in honor of:

Marie Herles

from Kathleen Herles

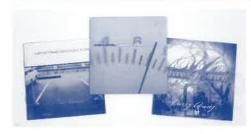
Pastor Frank Kampel

from Kendall & Teresa Jarboe

Mark Pfeifer

from Randy & Kimala Riddle

## MUSICLINE WITH ERIC JOHNSON



MusicLine is an opportunity for me to give you some tips on some of the great music I get to listen to as the music director at CDR Radio, The

PATH®. In each column I remind you that you can contact me at johnsone@thepath.fm with questions about the music you hear on The PATH®. Let me give you a few quick tips that might be helpful when asking a music question.

- 1. The best way for me to find a song is for you to know the date and time you heard it on The PATH®.
- 2. You may want to identify the lyrics in the song, phrases that repeat throughout the song, and whether the song featured a male, female, or group.
- 3. Any extra information you can provide is helpful as I search for that special song that ministered to you.

Now, let's get to some great music. MercyMe has enjoyed some big moments the past few years. It is quite possible that the music from this great group of guys has slipped under your radar. The Dove award-winning group had the best-selling debut project of 2001, almost there. That project continues to see strong sales partly because of the very moving song "I Can Only Imagine." I highly encourage you to try out not only MercyMe's debut, but also their new project, *Spoken For.* Both CDs are full of great music that the whole family can enjoy as you load into the car this summer. Also, make sure not to miss MercyMe's concert at the Ohio State Fair on August 11.

Let's move on to a brand-new band we've heard recently on The PATH®. The Shane Barnard & Shane Everett song "Be Near" is an

encouraging reminder of the comfort our Heavenly Father brings during times of trouble. "Be Near" can be found on Shane & Shane's CD *Carry Away*, but there is a beautiful piano version of the song that you can download for free at http://inpop.com/radio/artists/shane/.

Remember, you can help support
The PATH® when you purchase the CDs
of these two groups plus thousands of
others at The PATH® Bookstore
(www.thepath.fm). I hope you enjoy the
music. Again, please let me know if you
have any questions about the music you
hear on CDR Radio, The PATH®.

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— Eric Johnson



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### **SPRING IN REVIEW**

### **Spring Gospel Series**

Beginning in February with Legacy Five at Grace Baptist Church of Westerville, The PATH® was privileged to partner with some of today's top Southern Gospel groups for four months of great gospel concerts. In March we welcomed local talent 4By Grace to the historic Cedarville Opera House. Then in April we again partnered with Grace Baptist Church of Westerville to hear Ernie Haase and his new group, Signature Sound. It all concluded in May when we partnered with The Nehemiah Foundation of Springfield to end our Spring Gospel Series with Gold City and The Crabb Family.

This past spring we also had the pleasure of meeting with many of our listeners throughout the CDR listening area at various community events.

#### March

- Chillicothe Statehood Day
- Jackson County Chamber Fest
- Lee Behnken and Friends Concert
- 4By Grace Concert

#### **April**

- FFH, Paul Coleman Trio, Go Fish Concert
- Multi-Ethnic/Cross-Cultural Ministry Conference
- Ernie Haase and Signature Sound

#### May

- Ohio Prayer Breakfast
- Emmanuel Christian Academy Community Fun Fest
- First Capital Craft Mall Founder's Day Event
- Greene County Prayer Breakfast
- Gold City and The Crabb Family











Clockwise from top: FFH concert; several children enjoying the Emmanuel Christian Academy Community Fun Fest; Huron Clause at the Multi-Ethnic/Cross-Cultural Ministry Conference; Sheri Prater (middle), CDR Radio Marketing Representative, with John Davis (left) and Dan Byler (right) at the Jackson County Chamber Fest; Gold City and The Crabb Family concert

# **SUMMER/FALL PREVIEW**

# Coming To A Fairground Near You

We encourage you to visit our booth at the following fairs this summer.

- 1. Clark County Fair July 19 — July 25
- 2. Greene County Fair
  July 27 August 2
- 3. Ross County Fair
  - August 2 August 9
- 4. Scioto County Fair
  August 8 August 9
- 5. Ohio State Fair August 11





Top: Ross County Fair Bottom: Ohio State Fair

### SUPER SUMMER CD GIVEAWAY

We will be giving away CDs every day throughout the month of July. You are invited to take part in our

Super Summer CD Giveaway. Point your browser to www.thepath.fm and listen during Morning Praise with Eric Johnson and Chad Bresson and during The Road Home with Jim Leightenheimer.



Enter for your chance to win a free CD! Visit www.thepath.fm for details.

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## MARK KORDIC HEALTH UPDATE



You may be aware that CDR Radio Development Director Mark Kordic has undergone a variety of chemotherapy and radiation treatments for Hodgkin's lymphoma over the past 18 months. Mark successfully completed a stem cell transplant at The Cleveland Clinic in May and is regaining strength. Mark said the following about the emotional and spiritual aspects of his recovery:

Mark Kordic in the studio

"Our entire family has learned that our God draws near to us even in the most physically and emotionally trying days.

I am amazed at His healing power following an intensive round of chemotherapy prior to the transplant.

I also am indebted to the love and prayer support from our Cedarville University family, area churches, listeners, and others. While we do not understand all His ways, we continue to wait in expectation of the good things He will bring about in our lives. We believe that 'By day the Lord [will direct] His love, at night His song [will be with us]' (Psalm 42:8).

I will have CT scans every three months for the next year to evaluate the effectiveness of the stem cell transplant. Thanks for your interest and prayerful encouragement!"

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-Mark Kordic

# TAKE THE BIBLE CHALLENGE



Do you like to be challenged? Stay biblically sharp at www.thepath.fm by

taking the weekly Bible Challenge. The Bible Challenge is refreshed each week thanks to our friends at *Back To The Bible*, which can be heard daily on The PATH® at 6 p.m.

Take a moment now and test the depth of your Bible knowledge. Check your answers with the key below.

Look for 10 new Bible Challenge questions every week at www.thepath.fm.

- 1. Which of these is not a book of the Bible?
- A. Iude
- B. Esther
- C. Hezekiah
- D. Nehemiah
- 2. Where were the disciples first called Christians?
- A. Antioch
- B. Cyprus
- C. Jerusalem
- D. Berea

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## **INGATHERING 2003 DATES ANNOUNCED**



CDR's Ingathering 2003, the annual time when we report on ministry highlights and invite partners to support the nine affiliate stations of the network, will be held October 14-18 this fall. We are pleased to welcome back our two co-hosts from last year, Wayne Pedersen of the Mission America Coalition and Jon Fugler, general manager of K-Life Radio in California.

What can you expect during this year's Ingathering? Expect lots of stories from listeners who have experienced life-changing transformation as the Holy Spirit has used various program elements in their lives. You'll also hear

laughter and encouragement from dozens of volunteers who will be answering phones and helping us to reach the goal for the coming year. Your church or ministry group can sign up for specific times to answer phones during Ingathering 2003. For details, call Mark Kordic in the CDR Development Office at 1-800-333-0601. We'll provide the snacks and a fun environment — don't miss out on a fun, faith-building time here at the CDR Radio Network Center in Cedarville!



Wayne Pedersen (left) with Mark Kordic (right) during Ingathering 2002

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