

KARATEK INTERNATIONAL

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FROM THE DIRECTOR



Many exciting projects are coming our way here at KaraTek International. Meeting with missionaries from areas such as Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Western Samoa and Mexico has shown us these potential that radio has in the areas that are vitally in need of the Gospel.

At the same time, we have been working diligently to lay the foundations for a ministry that is uniquely positioned to help other ministries use the latest in technology to communicate the Gospel to a needy world. We have just completed our project planning software that enables us to track each project in great detail, making sure all essential tasks are completed and the project is being used for the glory of God as quickly as possible.

Indeed this is a work of faith...

Our business plan is in place, demonstrating our long term commitment to the growth of this ministry.

We continue to work to have our shop complete and ready to stage our many projects, but timing of this great step is so important. We are now anticipating moving ...continued on page 4

Waft it on the rolling tide: Jesus saves! Jesus saves! On the island of Samar in the Philippines from the tiny town of Catarman the Gospel message wafts across the rolling tide on Lighthouse Radio, 104.5 fm. As the message was sent to the North, on a little island a school heard the Bible being taught and called Bro. Layne Jones to see if the school children could come on a field trip to the radio station. When he answered 'yes' the teacher asked if Bro. Jones could teach them the Bible for about an hour while they were there. He agreed and set up a special service just for them. The school brought 34 students and about 24 parents and teachers. After touring the radio station they were invited into the auditorium for the Bible teaching time. Bro. Jones had a special service with the orchestra playing special music, singing, and then the teaching of God's Word. At the end of the teaching an invitation was given and 34 people accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior! More than 15 of them were adults and the others were students. Can there be any question about the power of Christian radio when it is used to proclaim the truth of Jesus Christ? What a great investment it is in eternity when we pray, give and go for our Lord. Please pray with Pastor Layne

JESUS SAVES

Jones as they are in desperate need of a new tower. The current tower is eaten almost through with rust and they are in the typhoon season. He needs \$18,000 to put in a new 150' tower specially treated for



Lighthouse Radio tower bent from rust eating through the metal

salt air and a transmitter building. This would also increase the coverage greatly. Would you pray and ask the Lord if He would allow you to invest in this project? As always any gift given for a project is tax deductible. Please contact our office if you can help.

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October 20-31
Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Steve Christner
Turner, Maine

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October 21-30
Yokota Baptist Church
Pastor Parrott
Yokota, Japan

- KARATEK STAFF -

November 22
Riverview Baptist Church
Pastor John Paisley
Pasco, Washington

If you would like to have Martin, Paul or Thom come to speak to your church, please contact our office at 509-737-1900

In our last news letter we mentioned the need for new computers. KaraTek does most of it's work on computers including: software development, research, writing, graphic design, illustration, web design, accounting, page layout and many more tasks. Computers are an integral part of our work here at KaraTek. If you believe the Lord would allow you to help us with this project please contact us or use the donation link on our web site.

Total Needed for Computer Purchases: \$8,000

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Papua New Guinea is a land with many tribes and languages, high mountains, deep valleys, and a great need for more missionaries. Missionary Brad Wells has been there for twelve years and the Lord has given him great favor with the people as well as the government. Bro. Wells has been given three different frequencies that he can use anywhere in the country as well as many mountain top sites that already have a 60' towers and out-buildings for equipment. Bro. Wells has asked KaraTek to help him re-establish programming to seven current translators that have been quieted because the main translator which feeds them has been vandalized. The plan is to set up a cross country link that would send programming to new areas such as the town of Lae and the capital city of Port Moresby. Bro. Wells' dream is to reach each province of Papua New Guinea with Christian radio. This chain of translators and small stations has the potential to have an impact on most of PNG with the Gospel of Jesus Christ as well as helping other missionaries build their works. Perhaps you could be part of the team? Would you pray, give financially, or even go with us to help build this radio network for the Lord? --Paul Williams

YOKOTA, JAPAN



Installation of radio station at Yokota Baptist

Konnichiwa! How overwhelming it is to fly into a strange culture and not even be able to say Hello or Thank you! Flying into an oriental country has always been intriguing for me. I enjoy languages; trying to figure out how to pronounce words or to greet people in their native tongue. After arriving at the airport we had to go through a swine flu screening which meant filling out paperwork and then passing in front of an infrared camera to test for fever. After clearing health, immigration, and customs the next step was a three hour bus ride to the Air Force base in Yokota. The Lord has been so gracious many times in getting us through customs. If you are bringing new equipment into the country, customs usually wants to charge you a very high import tax so that if you sell the equipment the government will get their share.

Upon arriving at customs with two suitcases and several oversized boxes you are usually singled out for a search and asked what all this is and what you plan to do ...continued on page 4

THE TRAVELING TECH

Recently I was able to do some work for a Christian radio station right in my home town. KOLU 90.1 FM needed their tower lights replaced, and they called on KaraTek to help them with their needs. I had so much fun climbing to the top of their 160 foot tower. On top of a mountain, over 1000 feet above the city, I was able



to look out and see miles upon miles of God's beautiful creation.

Many people think that they have to have first shot at their own life, to be able to fulfil their own plans. But Matthew 6:33 says, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." ...continued on page 4

Thank You!!

Karatek would like to say a very special Thank You to Riverview Baptist Church of Pasco, WA for their overwhelming support. Many individuals in the church have supported us on a monthly basis, as well as others who have volunteered to help in other ways. We would like to say thank you for their concern for individual projects as well as our ongoing needs. Thank you for being such an integral part of helping to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world.

TAX DEDUCTIBLE OPPORTUNITY

As we approach the end of the year and look forward to the Christmas holiday we would like to



ask you to prayerfully consider making an end-of-year donation to KaraTek

International. Many small businesses and individual Christians are looking for a place they can make a charitable donation that will earn a tax credit and more importantly an investment in eternity. KaraTek International is a faith-based 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation that operates on gifts given by God's people. Each and every dollar is accounted for and used simply to further the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

If you would like more information or would like to make a donation to KaraTek please feel free to contact us directly via phone or e-mail. Also for your convenience you may use our donation link on our website: www.ktekint.org.

May God bless you for your prayer and support for the Lord's work.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
WWW.KTEKINT.ORG

LPFM PLANNING ...TIME IS RUNNING OUT...

LPFM, or low-powered FM radio stations, are a unique opportunity for churches in the USA to reach out to their communities. KaraTek International is closely monitoring the legislative and regulatory process to provide an "early warning" to churches and other organizations to file applications for frequencies.

Remember that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) opens frequencies using a "filing window" process, which is a very short period during which applications may be filed. If a filing window is missed, you must wait for the next window, which can take years, and leaves you at the "end of the line" for an opportunity. Currently, we expect this window to open early in 2010, but predicting the political process is difficult at best.

We recommend that, if you have any interest in an LPFM station, you contact us as soon as possible and request our Church radio station planning document to get you started while there is still time!

Recently, a missionary to Papua New Guinea, Matt Allen, stopped by the office and told us that he was praying about installing a radio station in his area of PNG. Many remote areas are reachable with a radio signal but they have no stations. It may take many hours or days to reach these places on foot. While presenting his work in California and letting churches know that he needed \$10,000 for a radio station, the Lord touched the heart of a Christian business man who donated the whole \$10,000 needed to build the station! Praise the Lord for this blessing from God. We are looking forward to traveling to PNG to install a Christian FM radio station!

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into the shop by early 2010, delaying our expansion to save vital funds even while the shop is critically necessary. We are thankful that Riverview Baptist Church in Pasco, WA, has committed to helping with the shop expansion as a missions project, and look forward to the completion of this vital resource with the help of our many supporters.

In light of the stewardship of the funds entrusted to us and the difficult economic conditions worldwide, I must tell you that financial resources are desperately needed to establish and grow our ministry. Indeed, this is a work of faith, but we would be remiss if we didn't tell our faithful supporters that we are in the midst of a financial crisis, with all our staff making great personal sacrifices to sustain this ministry. Any help you can be is very greatly appreciated.



You have our deepest appreciation for your continuing prayers and financial support of this ministry.

--Martin Gibbs

HOW TO DONATE

If you would like to support a project or help to support the on going cost of preparing for projects and survey trips please contact our office via e-mail or a phone call. Or, if you prefer to use the convenience of your credit card you can donate through our website at www.ktekint.org. The giving is secured through PayPal but a PayPal account is not necessary to donate.

Each gift designated toward a board approved program will be used as designated with the understanding that when any given need has been met, designated gifts will be used where needed most. KaraTek International is a non profit 501(c)(3) corporation and all gifts are acknowledged and receipted with an official receipt for income tax purposes.

YOKOTA, JAPAN

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with it. This usually is accompanied by answering many questions several times each because of the language barrier. God has asked me to pray each time before I head to customs and ask for Him to clear a path for us to get through without all the hassles or being asked to pay a bribe. Each time that we have gone through the Lord has provided long lines that make the officials push everyone through quickly, an official that understands what we are doing and lets us go, or sometimes no customs official at all! How I thank God that He cares for every detail of our lives.

While in Japan I was able to upgrade the existing video streaming system that the church had, install a new computer for the internet radio station, as well as help to upgrade and install new equipment for the sound system and video distribution system. Yokota Baptist Church is reaching both the Military and the Japanese people for Christ. They are broadcasting to over 30 countries via the internet and often have listeners that accept Jesus Christ as their Savior. While this newsletter goes to press, Thom and I will be back in Yokota in order to do some further upgrades on their video streaming system and more training on the radio station.

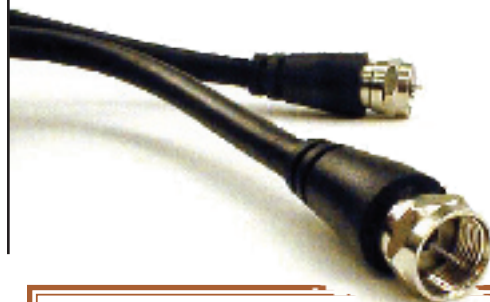
Each of these projects that God allows us to be involved with are vital tools that are helping to win the lost and to disciple and encourage Christians. For each of you that pray or give concerning these projects, thank you! Remember that your part yields fruit that abounds to your Heavenly account. --Paul Williams

TRAVELING TECH

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I'm only 22, and have had a love of tinkering with computers and electronics since I was a little kid. God has opened the doors for me to work for a Christian radio station, as well as installing Christian radio stations around the world right out of high-school. I'm nobody special, but I just gave God the first shot at my life, and He has let me have a blast serving Him.

It doesn't matter how old you are, God is still looking for you to serve Him with your life. You may not be able to climb a radio tower in Africa or the Philippines, that may not be what God wants you to do. But I guarantee you this, if you seek God first with your life, and follow His will, trusting Him, you will not be disappointed! -- Thom Williams



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