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For the last couple of newsletters we have been featuring different areas of ministry that FOMMI has developed or is involved in. It is such a blessing to see things that only the hand of God could have accomplished. In this letter we will give some info on the effect the gospel can have using the tool of the radio (sounds carried by electromagnetic waves). The first radio came from inventor Guglielmo Marconi in 1900. By the 1930s more than 40% of American households owned a radio, then a decade later it jumped to over 80%. The American home could then hear world news, music, drama, comedy, and many forms of educational programs. Today a quick scan across the dial will certainly find some kind of religious programming. The beginning of such was (supposedly) January 2, 1921, over KDKA radio, Pittsburgh when the Rev. Lewis B. Whittemore spoke.

My first taste of radio speaking came in 1968 from a secular station in Foley, Alabama. This was when I was in Bible school. It was designed to give experience to this young, converted fisherman, and it was greatly enjoyed. The first bit of fruit from the broadcast was a faithful listener who eventually became one of the best church members and supporters I could ever have had as a green church planter.

The next highlight came when a young naval pilot (from NAS/Pensacola) ran across the dial one Sunday morning as he travelled from Pensacola, Florida to Beeville, Texas for his next assignment. He got my mailing address and began communicating with me. Having never met me in person, he became aware of my financial struggle to continue in Bible school and was led by my Lord to pay the last year's tuition in full. Whoa! Not only had I had the opportunity of preaching the gospel weekly (30 minutes), but I was being paid for it in return! We did eventually meet Mr. and Mrs. G.H. and guess what? They are good friends to this day and still supporting FOMMI.

My, my, what a Saviour! Because of the rise of Christian radio, today this simple fisherman daily has the opportunity to speak from 60+ stations (what an audience of friends). In these last few lines, let a few of them share their feelings about the broadcast.

...I like the way you take the parts of a boat, the name of a fish, or whatever you choose to be your topic to educate us in ways to understand the Bible and apply them to our lives to help in the matter of salvation and growth in grace. (Elvera H, CRL, Caribbean)

...I just finished your book NAUTICAL NOTES. We listen to your programs. The book and broadcasts are delightful in helping us in our fisherman's journey. (James B, WOTC, Edinburg VA)

...I heard your program "The Mariner's Call" over shortwave and enjoyed it. Could you send me some of the nautical tracts you mentioned to hand out to the unsaved? (Ruth, Chateaugay, NY)

...I listen to your program each Sunday. You have helped me to understand the Bible. Health and happiness to you. (Brian, HLW, Trinidad)

Special thanks go to all the 60+ stations that air our programs. You have given us opportunity to preach the gospel and develop a world of friends! You, our friends and supporters, make this all possible. Thank you for the sweet birthday cards! And COVID19 has not come to our door. Keep praying!

Still proclaiming!

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