



From the Pen of Ken

We are involved in the community

Missionary Radio is live and local 24/7. We are involved in our communities. All year long we work with local ministries, churches and organizations to make them known and to reach out to the community. Again this year at Thanksgiving we promoted a "turkey drive" through Micah Mission in Hopkinsville. In September we worked with Cedar Bluff Baptist Church in Princeton and Pastor Mark Faughn in a Bible drive to collect Bibles that were distributed through "Love Packages" in Butler, Illinois.

We have provided airtime to many ministries and organizations daily as we share what is happening in the areas where we broadcast. We were one of the media sponsors for the annual "Alzheimer's Walk" in Hopkinsville. We promoted the "Relay for Life" in Dickson, TN and a host of other events.

We worked together to raise over \$12,000 for the "Oasis Transmitter Project" with Trans World Radio. This is a 200,000 watt AM radio station that covers the entire country of Nigeria with the Gospel. I am thankful to be on mission with you through **Missionary Radio**.

Missionary Radio and Yearend Giving

Missionary Radio WNKJ has been broadcasting the Good News in music and programming for over 38 years. From day one, we have been 100% listener-funded. December is a crucial time of the year for many ministries including **Missionary Radio**. We don't charge airtime to any of the broadcasts you listen to on **Missionary Radio**. During December, this is a time of giving. Many are more concerned about what he/she gets for Christmas rather than what he/she could give. I have found, though, that you, our listening family, want to make sure that we continue broadcasting the hope of the Lord Jesus here and around the world through our partnership with TWR. For this reason, I ask you to prayerfully consider a yearend gift to **Missionary Radio**. Your gift is used to operate WNKJ/WNLJ and our translators in Murray at 92.1 FM, Providence, KY at 101.7 and 98.9 FM in Dickson, TN, online worldwide at wnkj.org and on your free app.

We do have a small project we must do. (Please see Don Griffey's article)

I want to thank you ahead of time for your help not only now, but all year long.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

High in the hills of north Christian county, on the Fentress property, sits the microwave relay link that provides the primary audio path between the Hopkinsville **Missionary Radio** transmitter site and the transmitter site at Madisonville. When it is up and working, it provides quality audio for retransmitting to the newly enlarged Madisonville listening area.



However, being high up on Crofton Fire Tower hill affords it numerous opportunities to be struck by lightning from passing storms. Early on, because of the way AC power was supplied to the site, lightning would destroy everything at the site necessitating complete replacement of the radio equipment there on a regular basis—in some cases, mere months from when it was last replaced.



About four years ago however, we replaced the problematic AC power distribution system with a solar panel power system and added extensive grounding to the tower in the process. After that was done, the Crofton microwave link stayed up for over three years before lightning once again destroyed the radios. Damage to equipment at ground level was negligible however.

Because equipment models change so frequently we are now looking at having to replace all of the radios in the system. Also, we are looking to add lightning dissipation brushes to the top of the tower there to effectively reduce the impact of lightning strikes at the top of tower as we have done by using solar panels for power at the base of it.

By adding the lightning dissipation brushes to the Crofton site tower along with the newer model radios that will be installed, we are hoping to assure ongoing quality audio delivery to the WNLJ listening area.



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From your **Missionary Radio** missionaries:

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