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A Week in Temora NSW



Geoff Wong and I enjoyed country hospitality as we spent a week in and around Temora NSW. We had a delightful week staying with Derek and Anna Yu and their three young children. Sunday gave us the privilege of fellowshipping with Temora Presbyterian Church and encouraging them with God's word and stories of what God is doing through GRN around the world. We also shared meals with several church members over the week and learned a lot about country life.

We enjoyed fellowship and opportunities to share with brothers and sisters from the Uniting, Anglican and Salvation Army churches. We also had

opportunities to speak at two primary school assemblies and visited the local

Christian bookshop. It was lovely to walk down the main street and meet people we knew. We even rated a mention in the local paper.

About 16 hardy souls joined us for breakfast at Henty Presbyterian Church to hear about GRN on a freezing Saturday morning. It was a great encouragement to hear about their plans for a stall at the Henty Field Days and to see a small town with a vibrant church.



Our last stop was a Sunday service at Aria Park Baptist Church. Again,

it was so encouraging to open God's word and share stories of what God is doing around the world with our brothers and sisters in Christ, and a joy to hear about the new businesses that have opened in this small town.

Geoff and I give thanks to God for the love and hospitality of His people, for the green paddocks and farmers who were thankful for some rain, and for the opportunity to encourage God's people with

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news of what God is doing in the world through GRN and our partners. We also had a lot of fun visiting the local tourist attractions and seeing people's pride in their history and community.

If your church would like a visit from GRN, please contact Geoff Wong at geoffwong@globalrecordings.net or ring the office.



Christine Platt
CEO



Testimony from Tanzania Bembe language

"The message/video has been very useful to me and other listeners. Firstly, it impressed me to hear the word of God in my own language. Besides, it has been a good tool in reaching my relatives with the good news of Christ."

"God bless you."

Tumi Tiger's New Friend

Tumi Tiger is a toy tiger with a pouch that holds a portable mp3 player. Containing audio recordings, the Tiger is designed to tell traumatised children about God's love for them. Recently, GRN South Africa received this story from a worker in a children's home in South Africa:

"Weekly on a Tuesday I see Ricky* for counselling. Ricky is a sweet, 10-year-old boy who loves to play and just be a young boy. This particular Tuesday was very special. When Ricky came for our counselling session, he took a liking to one of our hand puppets that looks like a pig. He cheerfully played with the hand puppet singing, "It's so nice to serve the Lord...It's so nice to serve the Lord". Once in the therapy room, he started talking to me through the hand puppet. I immediately grabbed Tumi Tiger and responded to Ricky through Tumi. He became very interested in Tumi and what was hiding in her belly. I showed him that Tumi can talk and so turned on the speaker in Tumi's belly. Ricky gently placed Tumi on his lap and listened carefully as Tumi spoke. He held her softly, stroking her gently under her right leg.

I was amazed when this 10-year-old-boy became fascinated



Ricky and Tumi

with what Tumi had to say, and that he started to interact with her. When Tumi asked what the meaning of his name is, Ricky softly whispered, "I don't know" into Tumi's left ear. I quietly enjoyed this special moment between Ricky and the tiger. Tumi asked him to count her stripes; he carefully twisted her around and said: "Yes there are so many stripes!" Before he could start counting, she answered "7 stripes!" He giggled.

When Tumi stopped her conversation, I asked Ricky what he has learned from Tumi. He answered: "I am special."

This was a very special and memorable moment. The interaction with Tumi led to our conversation about what Ricky would like the meaning of his name to be, as both of us did not know the answer. He replied: "A special boy and a child of God." "

We praise God for this and other stories like it because GRN recordings are being used to change people's lives. GRN South Africa recently placed 20 Tumi Tigers in a hospital for children to listen to and play with. Please continue to pray for Ricky and other children who have suffered trauma, that they may know God's love for them.

GRN Australia currently has two of the old version of Tumi (with players) for purchase at a special price of \$50.00 plus postage.

Go to www.tumitiger.com for more details. Consider whether your church could have a Tumi at the ready, waiting for a child in need.

*Not his real name

Finance Highlights

Praise the Lord once again for how He has provided for the work of GRN in Australia and many other countries in the 2018-19 financial year. We also thank God for many faithful and generous supporters that have been prompted to contribute to this ministry.

Donation income to the General Fund increased significantly, reversing the downturn from the

previous year. A large bequest also helped significantly.

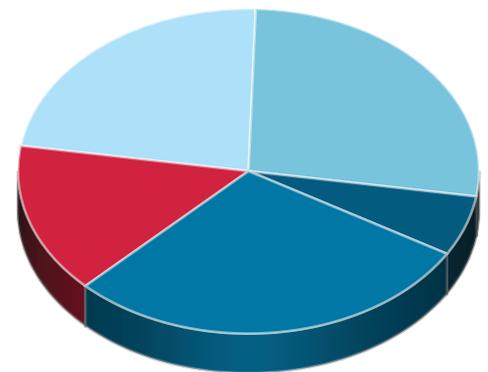
Cost of Sales increased due to some write-offs associated with finishing production of the Saber player. We were able to increase support for overseas operations by a considerable amount.

The net result was a deficit of just over \$38,000.

We continue to marvel at how the Lord provides for the mission each year, sometimes in surprising ways. We continue to look to Him for the year ahead.

<i>INCOME</i>	<i>Last Year \$,000</i>	<i>This Year \$,000</i>
<i>Sales</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>45</i>
<i>General Donations</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>261</i>
<i>Bequests</i>	<i>147</i>	<i>410</i>
<i>Donations for Staff</i>	<i>475</i>	<i>490</i>
<i>Donations for Overseas</i>	<i>132</i>	<i>117</i>
<i>Investments</i>	<i>512</i>	<i>534</i>
TOTAL INCOME	1511	1858
EXPENSES		
<i>Cost of Sales</i>	<i>33</i>	<i>106</i>
<i>Local Operations</i>	<i>174</i>	<i>185</i>
<i>Property & Equipment</i>	<i>284</i>	<i>288</i>
<i>Staff Support</i>	<i>847</i>	<i>866</i>
<i>Overseas Support</i>	<i>401</i>	<i>452</i>
TOTAL OUTGOINGS	1739	1896
OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(228)	(38)

INCOME 2019



15% ■ General Donations
 23% ■ Bequests
 27% ■ Donations for Staff
 6% ■ Donations for Overseas
 29% ■ Investments



GRN CAMP 2020

Join us at our family camp where Ruth Stevens (retired WEC missionary) will lead us in a prayer retreat on the theme of 'Unity'.

Saturday 7th March 2020
 9am – 9pm
 Winmalee Christian Conference Centre,
 59 Leslie St, Winmalee NSW 2777

Cost: \$60 per adult all inclusive
 Children's rates apply.

RSVP: before 28th February 2020
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We look forward to seeing you!

Rev. David Cook's second talk on Acts from GRN's 2019 camp can be viewed at:
youtu.be/FoJdcL5hUaU

Kate in South Asia



Kate is a CMS missionary in South Asia. She recently wrote to GRN about her experience with using GRN's resources.

"18 months ago we started an elderly people's fellowship at church. Four days a week 15-20 people over 70 years old meet at the church. Most of them are illiterate, and none of them went to Sunday school as children nor grew up in Christian homes. This group

has provided an amazing opportunity to help participants grow deeper into God's word, in a way that is accessible to them. It's amazing how much they have grown!

We recently did a series on Joseph. We used the GRN coloured pictures to show the story on the wall. The group loved colouring in, because it's totally new for them. So each week we also gave them a black and white picture of the story and they coloured their own. These were

then stuck into an exercise book and they used them to retell the story to each other. We also used the Joseph excerpt from the 'Mighty Men of God' audio-visual presentation. They enjoyed the 10 minute overview of the Joseph story. They loved this way of learning from the Bible, and have asked that we do the same again but with other series. We are planning to show Exodus next."

Testimony from Sierra Leone Kono language

"It is absolutely wonderful to know there is an audio scripture of The Holy Bible and be able to listen to the preaching of The Holy Bible in different languages in Sierra Leone especially in Kono Language, really astonishing to me."

About Global Recordings Network

We exist to give everyone the opportunity to hear the story of Jesus in their own heart language.

Previous Names - Gospel Recordings and Language Recordings

Our Vision

That people might hear and understand God's Word in their heart language, especially those who are oral communicators and those who do not have Scriptures in a form they can access.

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New Computers

Our computer systems are vital to the ministry of GRN. The recording process requires computers, processing the new recordings and putting them into an accessible form requires computers, and distributing the finished product also requires computers.

GRN Australia has some ageing computer equipment that needs replacing, including: storage servers, desktop and laptop computers, switches, monitors and network equipment.

The total cost of replacing our computer equipment is \$44,900. Please pray that God will provide the funds needed for GRN to replace its ageing computer equipment.

A bequest can change lives

Like many mission organisations, we can benefit greatly when friends make a final gift that continues to bless the ministries they have generously supported in life. Once you have made proper and primary provision for family and friends this can be a very effective way to go on making a difference to the church on earth when you have joined the church in glory! If you would like to consider this option in your Will please contact the GRN office on 02 9899 2211 or we have some information on our website: www.globalrecordings.net/au-bequests.

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