

A Newsletter from Thy Word Network

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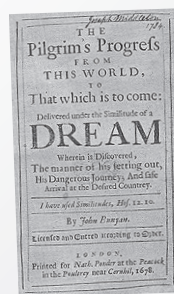
# Illuminations

From the desk of

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Thy Word Network

Life is Hard...God is Good



Did you know that one of the most widely read books ever written, besides the Bible, is John Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress. He was a tinker, a mender of pots and pans, who came to Christ after a life of sin and shameful excess. In fact, after hearing the clear call of God to salvation he went off to even deeper sin. Finally, though, he yielded his heart and life to Jesus Christ and began to preach the gospel with unusual power and clarity.

However, that brought him trouble from the established church, for you were not allowed to preach without a license. So instead of freely proclaiming Christ, he was thrown in jail for 12 years, where he began to write down the story of Pilgrim's Progress. Those dark days of prison were used by God to give us what many have called the greatest single work of Christian literature ever written.

While we may not suffer the shame and humiliation that John Bunyan experienced, we all struggle with the shackles of sin. The bondage of habits, the tyranny of the flesh, the power of sin that seeks to control us is very real...and very hard. Often the circumstances of life seem to pile on, one after another, robbing us of hope itself.

Here at Thy Word Network, we are privileged to share, through music and message, the Good News of Jesus Christ. It is a message of hope to a sin-darkened world that desperately needs it...and a message of life to those who know Christ. Hardly a day passes without someone sharing a word with us how God has used Thy Word Network to minister to them in their time of need.

We just thought you'd like to know...your prayers, your gifts, your involvement is making a difference, just like those words scratched out so long ago in the darkness of prison...and even more so as together, we broadcast God's Word on Thy Word Network.

## March Daysponsors

- 3/02 Jim & Karen Young  
*In honor of their wedding anniversary*
- 3/05 David & Kelley Greer  
*Celebrating son Calvin on his birthday*
- 3/21 Marvin & Lori Wiseman  
*In honor of their 29th wedding anniversary*
- 3/28 Gary & Denise Monroe  
*Celebrating their 18th wedding anniversary*

## Special Gifts

In honor of Beau Fulk on his birthday  
(March 19), by Gwen Fulk

In memory of Arlen Hoffman,  
by Ray & Gertrude Hust

## Listener Letters

**Owensboro, KY** – I enjoy your station (106.5 at Owensboro). I never change my car radio dial. The information as I travel to work, pleasure or urgent need is always a support for the challenge of the day.

**Boonville, IN** – May God continue to bless your ministry through radio. It truly blesses us and helps us stay focused on Jesus and the mission of reading out to others in His name.

**Evansville** – I am retired and on a fixed income, but I depend on your programming every day – even listening to Odyssey when I can. I couldn't make it without the music and constant biblical [teachings]. I also love the music as I drive to church on Sunday mornings. I feel God has given us all a special gift through WBGW and can't help much, but feel led to do what I can.

**Cynthiana** – I enjoy your station and ministry. You have blessed me and I know many, many others have been ministered to, comforted, strengthened and given hope through your music and message.

**Evansville** – I love it when you say "Streaming live around the world" and I love the woman who quotes a Bible verse and then asks, "Will you trust Him today?" Since I accepted Jesus' love and forgiveness in the Fall of 1991 and "found" your radio station in 1993, I have listened to your station. It is wonderful. American men need more programs to nurture and enrich them as people. They bear so much responsibility; they need someone to tell them that no matter what, Jesus loves them ... nothing is more important.

## Mark your Calendars!

**March 14** – Daylight Savings Time begins!

**April 4** – Easter Sunday

**May 15** – Fishing Day

**July 17** – Day at the Races

## Special Easter Programming: Ultimate Miracle

During his time on earth, Jesus performed many miracles – the deaf heard, the blind received sight, the lame walked. And then came the greatest miracle of all: the death of death itself. Ultimate Miracle – Jesus and the Death of Death relives the impossible-made-possible. Through painstaking research, creative drama sketches and expert commentary, listeners are transported to the actual Holy Land sites where many of Christ's miracles occurred. Be sure to tune in on Good Friday, April 2 at 8:00 PM (CT) for this gripping program.

