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Dear Friend,

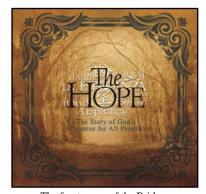
I pray that this letter finds you doing well in His amazing grace!

God is moving around the world to take His Gospel to every tongue, tribe, and nation! Through our work with The HOPE, we are blessed to get a glimpse of the way He is orchestrating and moving

His people to accomplish His global initiative to complete the Great Commission. As I take a moment to reflect on some of the things God has been doing with The HOPE in recent months, I am truly amazed! I hope that you are amazed . . . and blessed as well!

Building Bridges for the Gospel - Bridges International (a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ) has partnered with Mars Hill to create a special version of The HOPE for international students on college campuses in the U.S. This fall, 5,000 of these HOPE DVDs will be given out to students in gift bags.

God gets the Glory as The HOPE gets Some Press - In an August radio interview, I was blessed to share what God is doing around the world with The HOPE. The 2-part interview aired on 26 stations in



The front cover of the Bridges International version of The HOPE for international students

the KHCB radio network. Also in August, The HOPE was highlighted in the premier issue of a new missions magazine that went out to thousands of Churches in and around Texas. It ran the amazing story of how God orchestrated the ministry of The HOPE in Haiti. To view the article, go to http://mydigimag.rrd.com/publication/?i=43337. (Pg.10-11)



The front cover of the German version of The HOPE – 1 of 6 languages to be broadcast

International Broadcast - Starting in September, our lead partner in Germany, ERF (Evangeliums-Rundfunk,) will broadcast The HOPE via satellite in 6 languages a week, every week, for a yet-to-be-determined period of time throughout the fall. The languages are Arabic, English, French, Russian, Thai . . . and of course, German. The footprint of the broadcast will reach all of Europe and North Africa plus a section of the Middle East. This effort is part of a larger strategy to coordinate the participation of missionaries throughout the broadcast region. To hear ERF director Wolf-Dieter Kretschmer share his perspective on The Hope, visit http://mars-hill.org/media/mp3/ERF-Germany-greeting.mp3

Reaching Nearly 10% of an Entire Nation - Orya is one of hundreds of Papuan languages spoken in Indonesia. In July we received a report of more than 150 people coming to Christ after viewing the recently completed Orya version of The HOPE. This was particularly meaningful to us after

having learned that (according to Wycliffe/SIL) there are only about 1,600 Orya speakers in the whole world! We look forward to seeing the Oyra people well represented among the nations that will be gathered to worship at the throne of the Lamb!

Somebody Cares About the Garifuna! - In August we received a call from Edwin Villafranca, our media evangelist friend in Honduras. Among several wonderful stories, he told of his trip to a remote village to show the Garifuna version of The HOPE. There are about 185,000 people in the Caribbean Basin whose primary language is Garifuna. When Edwin went to their village to show The HOPE in their language, they were amazed saying, "Somebody knows about us!" . . . "Somebody cares about us!" And they're right! Forty two men, women and children in that village trusted Christ!

Getting the Big Picture in San Antonio - We're always blessed to hear how Churches are using The HOPE. In September, Crossbridge Community Church in San Antonio will start a 12-part sermon series around The HOPE. Each Sunday they'll use a segment of The HOPE. During the week about 40 home groups will go deeper using The HOPE Study Guide. To hear a few words from the pastor's heart regarding this series, visit http://www.crossbridgecommunitychurch.com/sermons/8-22-10.mp3.

Globe Trotting for The HOPE - This summer, our Associate Producer, David Zeoli, went from Nigeria to Hungary working on new translations of The HOPE. The Hungarian (Magyar) version of The HOPE should be in distribution by the year's end. In Nigeria, David was working with our new partner, Paul Nwulu, on the Igbo version of The HOPE, after which they plan to do versions of The HOPE in Hausa and Yoruba.

Adaptations of The HOPE Pass 40 - In July, the Ngäbere version of The HOPE was completed.

Ngäbere is the heart language of about 185,000 Ngäbe (Guaymi in Spanish) Indians in Panama and Costa Rica. We believe it is characteristic of God's passion for His lost sheep of this world that the 41st adaptation of The HOPE is a language of which most people have never heard. To us, this says something about the extravagant unbounded love of God. For a complete list of The HOPE adaptations (completed and 20+ in process) visit, http://www.mars-hill.org/media/the_hope_main/pdfs/Current_Adaptation_Chart.pdf.

There are more stories, but I am running out of space. I think you get the idea . . . God is doing great things! Thank you for your interest in this ministry. We are facing great opportunities and challenges. The support we receive from people such as yourself is what God uses to make this work possible. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or comments.



A Ngäbe child in traditional brightly colored clothing – God knows no limits to reach a little one like this.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fred Carpenter
President