

### **Stories From Asia**



GRN works in over 40 countries around the world. Some of these locations are difficult places to share the Gospel, but God is still at work there. We recently received some encouraging news from our team in one such place.\*

#### Please Don't Stop!

G is a Hindu tribe and a language group unreached and unengaged by the Gospel. We talked to the tribal leaders about producing Gospel messages in their language. After some time, they agreed and a young man was ready to do the translation. After finishing the recording, we went back to the tribe so we could play the recording to the people and distribute it. First we

played the Jesus Film. Then we played the audio recording in their language. After playing 15 photos of our "Good News" script we stopped the recording because it was very late and cold. All the people said that they wanted to listen more. It was so great to see that the people are really hungry to listen to the word of God in their own language.



#### **Strange but Good**

The people of the Hindu S tribe cannot read nor write, so hearing Gospel recordings in their own language was a great opportunity for them. After listening, a tribal elder said, "We cannot read the Holy Bible but it is great that we can hear the stories in our own language. Now we know how God created this

world and how He created us. We did not know this before."

Another listener said, "The stories of Jesus are new to us and we like them a lot." They found the miracles really strange. They said that in their religion nobody can be raised from the dead. He said, "We have never heard that someone can raise dead people. Jesus has some great powers from God that enables him to do so. We love to listen to these stories now and we let others listen too. When we work in the fields, we play them aloud so other people can listen and people like them."

The GRN Centre Leader says, "These stories are short and new believers understand God's word better as it is in their own language. We are so glad that we have some audio recordings in the languages of people we serve."

#### Wow! Tell me More!

A GRN team visited three villages of the W tribe to evaluate the recordings made in their language and distribute them. People in the communities were interested in listening to the stories because they were recorded in their own language. In total 52 people listened.

The team briefly introduced the stories before playing them. The people were very excited to listen because it was the first time they had heard a story about someone who can calm a storm.



One recording told the story of Abram. The people had never heard before that God appeared to Abram. They were very surprised and said that they had never heard that God had seen any human being. They thought it is wonderful that through Abram all people will be blessed. They were also very inspired by other stories.



#### **Now it Makes Sense!**

Our L language helper, Neha, said, "It was a great and memorable time when we recorded Gospel stories. I remember that one day I was translating the story of Nehemiah. The next day the Pastor was giving a sermon in church on the same story that we were translating. I was excited because I understood what the Pastor was saying (often

minority people do not understand their country's official language well). Even today when I hear these stories it brings back memories."

After the recording was competed, Neha played it to a couple of friends. They were excited to hear something in their own language. They said, "it is great to have this in our own language."

Neha says, "People outside didn't know that our language existed but now because of these Gospel recordings they will know that there is a language called L. We feel glad that now our people can listen to Gospel stories in their own language."

\*Names of people groups withheld for security reasons



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The MegaVoice audio Bible is being used all around the world to share the Gospel with people who are vision impaired, oral preference, and those who simply don't have Gospel materials in their own language. These MP3 audio Bibles are lightweight, durable and solar powered.

GRN has been in partnership with MegaVoice for decades, but in 2019 our partnership with MegaVoice entered a new phase when GRN Australia became an official distributor of MegaVoice players. As a MegaVoice Media Centre we take orders for MegaVoice players here in Australia and facilitate the provision of players to many of our

centres and bases around the world.

Recently we received a lovely call from a satisfied customer. Desley is blind. She received her Megavoice audio Bible in the mail and learned how to use it. She is delighted with the high quality sound and how easy it is to use. She is looking forward to many pleasant hours listening to God's word.

An audio Bible with charger delivered to an address inside Australia costs \$86 and can be ordered by sending an email to au@globalrecordings.net or call our office on 02 9899 2211.

#### **Testimonies**

People who listen to our recordings sometimes make the effort to contact us and let us know what they think of the messages. Here is some recent feedback:



"Thanks for the word of life in Menemo Meta dialect - please have you got more of these teachings? Thanks."



"I want to say a big thank you for this Kissi gospel recording as I am now able to share with my Kissi people. May God bless your work."



"It is a blessing to have such ministry resources for God's glory! God bless you more!"



"I heard this Aari tribe language recording. I am from Aari tribe and I am a missionary here in (gives location). I work with (names five tribes). I want to say thank you for this recording. How could we work together with these tribes?"



"It's a fantastic message that gives us these words of the true living LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST. Thank you sir."



"Hi to you all. I am Justin, a Togolese Christian living in Morocco. I've fortunately found this audio track. I am looking forward to listen to the word of God in my mother tongue Kabyè. Thanks a lot for the great job you're performing! "

I would like to create right now a YouTube channel to promote the good news and help my people get connected and receive the word of life in Christ Jesus!"

I'll be so happy to start a partnership with you for the harvest is really plentiful! "



We're recruiting ... prayer appreciated! Is God calling you or someone you know to take the next step with GRN and join our team?

#### **Church Engagement Officer**

GRN's relationship with the Church is vital to our ministry. We're looking for someone who loves building relationships and would like to help build the Kingdom too.

This person will show local churches how GRN's resources can boost their ministries. One-to-ones, small and large group presentations, adopting a call network of over 100 church reps who promote GRN ... you get the idea. The role also involves repping for GRN at missions and Bible conferences - chatting to champion the Gospel!

#### **Product and Project Coordinator**

GRN's audio and audiovisual archive is monumental. We introduce people to Jesus, aurally and visually, in more than 6,000 different languages and dialects, and distributing these resources is an essential part of our ministry.

We're looking for someone who wants to help the Gospel soar over language barriers. This role includes handling customer ordering, dispatch and maintaining GRN's relationship with MegaVoice. Plus: project-managing staff and volunteers in developing new ministry resources, creating materials for ESL, Sunday School and other settings, overseeing new mp3 device design and manufacture ... lots to be excited about here!

#### **Graphic Designer**

Can you or someone you know make magic with design? Then God may be tapping you on the shoulder. We need a part-time designer who can up the engagement value of our publications and promotional materials.

This role includes producing still and animated graphics to pair with GRN's extensive audio library, and giving makeovers to ministry resources for use in ESL and Sunday School lessons.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving with GRN contact au@globalrecordings.net or phone 02 9899 2211.

#### **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.

#### **Our Mission**

In partnership with the church, to effectively communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ by means of culturally appropriate audio and audio-visual materials in every language.

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#### **GRN COVID Relief**

Many GRN staff in Africa, Asia and Latin America are experiencing a significant increase in their cost of living as people buy extra food in preparation for the uncertainty to come.

GRN is providing additional funds to help our workers overseas meet these increased living costs during this crisis. If you feel led to give please help by making a donation to GRN, marking it 'COVID Relief' in the reference, or by ticking the 'COVID Relief' box on the reverse of this form accompanied by your payment information.

Please continue to pray for GRN staff worldwide, that God would provide for them and their families, and that they would continue being effective sharing about Jesus with those around them.

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