



# Illuminations

From the desk of

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## The Relentless Constant: CHANGE

In the broadcasting world, both on the technical side as well as the programming side, things are never static for long. 35 years ago, when we started out, personal computers were just starting to show up in radio stations...in fact we actually began with 2 of them. One for the on-air automation and one for the office. My, how that has changed. We now have many, many computers, and not only have they multiplied in quantity, they have also shrunk in size. The latest one we installed in a studio would literally fit in an old cigar box... if you remember what they were like!

Programming delivery has become streamlined as well. We went from reel-to-reel tapes to cassettes to cd's and mp3's...and now most every thing comes in via the internet or satellite. All storage is done digitally and quite inexpensively now compared to the cost in years gone by. Thankfully, the quality has improved as well, and the convenience of automatic delivery has reduced our workload considerably...that is, except when the internet is down or a PC locks up...oh well.



Broadcast equipment like transmitters, consoles, processors, and microphones have all become highly reliable and relatively trouble free (notice I said relatively). We also can now operate everything remotely, a lot even from a page on our cell phone! It is a vast improvement and allows us to operate 8 radio stations with just a handful of staff.

But in the midst of all this constant change and improvement, one thing remains the same as it was in July of 1990

when we first began broadcasting on 101.5FM. Then, and now, our only priority is to "see lives changed for Eternity as we broadcast God's Word through music and ministry." Don and Shirley Chagle had a vision of listener supported, Christian Radio, and what you listen to every day is the fruit of that vision and commitment to make Thy Word Network what it is today. While the means of delivery may improve and change, the message still remains the same. Today, tomorrow and until the Lord's return. Maranatha.



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08/01 – In celebration of their wedding anniversary by Andrew and Phyllis Heuring

08/05 – In honor of their 36th wedding anniversary by Martin and Elizabeth Brown

08/16 - In memory of Tom Gabe by Chris & Judy Kissel

08/19 - In memory of her husband, Steve, by Deborah Telligman

## Special Gift:

In memory of Hugh Collins by Diana Powell

## Give Thanks!

1 Thess. 5:18 tells us to “**Rejoice Always, Pray Without Ceasing, and In Everything Give Thanks.**”

We're just a few weeks away from our annual Sharathon, and this year, after 35 years of broadcasting, we felt that Giving Thanks was a most appropriate theme. It actually starts on September 8, but we will be giving you an opportunity to participate with your own word of thanks to God for the great things He has done in your life through Christian Radio. We are also glad to have not only our regular crew of special on-air hosts, but excited to have **David Wollen of Haven Ministries** join us on the air on Monday, September 8. Keep an eye on your mailbox (or email box) for more information coming shortly with different ways you can join us as we **Rejoice, Pray, and most of all Give Thanks during these three very important days.**



David Wollen of Haven Ministries



## Save the Date:

What: Kentucky Golf Scramble

When: October 20th

Where: Henderson County Country Club

Call for details about registration and sponsorship – **800-264-5550.**



## Listener Letters

**Mt. Carmel, IL** - You had your 1st broadcast on my 50th birthday. This year I want to thank God for another 35 years!!

**Newburgh, IL** - Listening and praying for you! May God richly bless you as you serve Him faithfully.

**Evansville, IL** - Continuing to pray for all at Thy Word!

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**Westphalia, IN** — Thanks for your ministry!!

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