



Illuminations

From the desk of

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A Birthday Celebration...or two



Everywhere you look you see messages, reminders and plans as our nation celebrates 250 years of independence on this July 4. It may be that the festivities this July 4 may even eclipse those of the 200th birthday celebration held back in 1976. We have so much to be thankful for as we remember those who gave of their own life and liberty to bring this nation to life, and to a God whose divine guidance made it possible. While celebrating our Nation's birth is exciting, during July we will also be rejoicing as we celebrate the beginning of Thy Word Network on July 20th.

1990 was a tumultuous year. The Communist Party stepped down in the Soviet Union after 70 years of control; the U.S Census was conducted, finding a total population of 248,709,873; the Hubble Telescope was launched into space, forever changing our ability to see into the universe; in August, Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait and ignited the Gulf War; and on December 20 the world's first website and server went online at CERN. In the midst of all this, we launched WBGW on 101.5 FM, the first of what is now Thy Word Network's 8 different radio stations. Licensed to Fort Branch, Indiana, WBGW went on the air using programming fed from the Moody Bible Institute satellite network along with a small portion of local origination. Founders Don and Shirley Chagle poured their life savings along with donations and loans from friends and family members to make it possible to be on the air, and God provided in many miraculous ways to make it happen. Then on the morning of July 20th, Shirley pushed the button and full-time, listener-supported broadcasting of music and ministry came to life, and has now continued with very little interruption for the past more than 315,000 consecutive hours.

We may not be setting off fireworks, but we are shouting "Hallelujah" in our hearts for all He has done, both for our nation and Thy Word Network. We are so blessed!

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From the rising of the sun, unto the going down of the same, the LORD'S name is to be praised — Psalm 113:3



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From You

Fairfield, IL —So grateful and thankful for Thy Word Network!

This Month's *Daysponsors*

07/14 – In celebration of their wedding anniversary by Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Grimm, Jr

07/14 – In memory of S.D. Scudder by Glenda Scudder

07/18 – In memory of parent's wedding anniversary, Herman & Doris Bass, by Pamela Bass

07/20 – Pray for Pastoral Staff in the listening area by Chris & Judy Kissel

07/26 – In honor of son, Jaeden Suanes's birthday by Anna Suanes

Special Gift:

In memory of Joann Watson by Scott & Barbara Watson

In memory of Mark McCown by Diana Powell



Save the Date!
Kentucky Scramble
October 12th

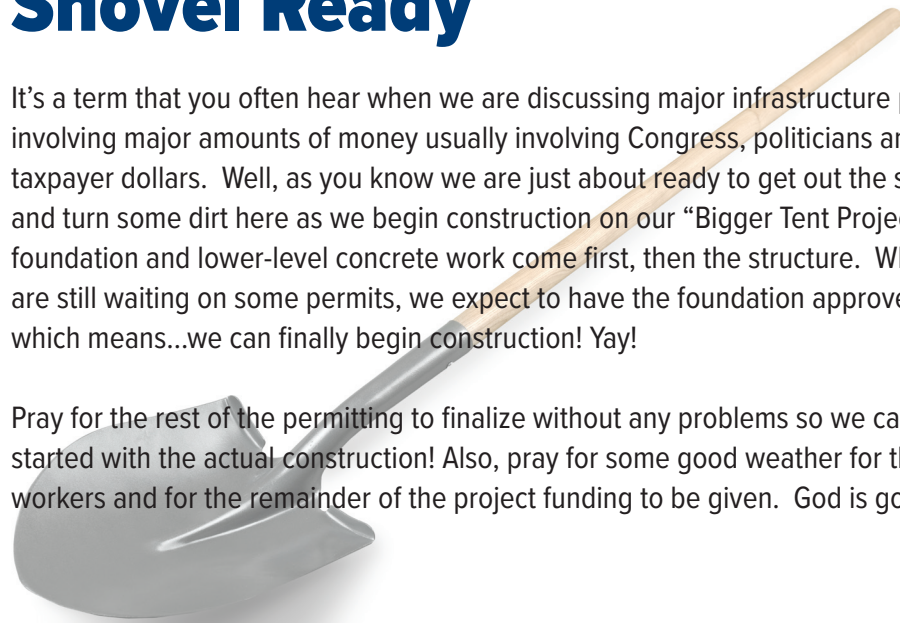
Save the Date!
Sharathon 2026
September 14-16!

From You
Jasper, IN— Thank You!

Shovel Ready

It's a term that you often hear when we are discussing major infrastructure projects involving major amounts of money usually involving Congress, politicians and taxpayer dollars. Well, as you know we are just about ready to get out the shovel and turn some dirt here as we begin construction on our "Bigger Tent Project." The foundation and lower-level concrete work come first, then the structure. While we are still waiting on some permits, we expect to have the foundation approved shortly, which means...we can finally begin construction! Yay!

Pray for the rest of the permitting to finalize without any problems so we can get started with the actual construction! Also, pray for some good weather for the workers and for the remainder of the project funding to be given. God is good!!!



Billy Graham Radio Special

Plan to listen to Billy Graham's Radio Special, "**Rooted in Faith: America's 250-year Journey**" on Saturday, July 4th at 2:00 pm Central on all our FM stations. This half-hour program reminds us that "blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 33:12 NKJV).

Listener Letters

Princeton, IN – Praying for you all!
Thanks for all you do!

Spurgeon, IN – Such a blessing, praising God. Love 101.5 fm

Carmi, IL - Thank you for your devotion to the Lord. You have been here for so many and have blessed thousands. Keep up the Good Work of the Lord.

Otwell, IN – Appreciate you! Praying God's blessing on your expansion.

Boonville, IN - Thank you for your radio ministry. I am always so blessed and encouraged by listening to your station. I appreciate the uplifting worship music and so many of the teaching programs you broadcast daily. May God continue to bless you as you expand your outreach and grow the ministry.

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