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UPDATE

Behold
I AM DOING A NEW THING
*now it springs forth
do you not perceive it*
I WILL MAKE A WAY
*in the
wilderness
and rivers in
the desert.*



ISAIAH 43:19

Each Fall our team selects a verse to anchor the following year. Suggestions come from every staff member and we vote prayerfully on the one which will “cover” the 12 months ahead. We look forward to seeing how 2018 will uniquely, meaningfully unfold with the Spirit’s leading to this verse!

DID YOU KNOW?



Women Today with Vonette Bright ceased distribution at year-end. Cru continues its commitment to Christian radio with

Making Your Life Count featuring **Steve Douglass**. Both a 1:00 and 2:00 edition is available via Amb-OS and FTP access.

Mercy Ships

recently celebrated completion of the 30,000th surgery on the *Africa Mercy*, currently docked in Cameroon. It was

Dr. Glenn Strauss performing this procedure—just as he did the first surgery ten years ago. He's also trained 47 ophthalmic surgeons who will now provide thousands more safe cataract surgeries in Africa and globally.



Sound familiar? When you call **Museum of the Bible**, you'll hear voices from **The Book** greeting you—that includes our own

Jim Sanders as well as the talented Stephanie Frascchetti.

Reflecting her lifelong passion for prayer, an updated website for the ministry of **Anne Graham Lotz** now includes **Meeting Place for Prayer**, featuring posted prayers from Anne and opportunity for others to post, respond and engage.



Do you follow Max? His Instagram is filled with wonderful family photos, great quotes, pix of sweet granddaughter Rosie ... and recently, San

Antonio covered with snow! Check out **@MaxLucado** at Instagram.com.

TECH UPDATE



A Look Behind the Amb-OS Curtain

by Jim Sanders

Amb-OS is pleased to distribute several live programs from the studios of Faith Radio Network and University of Northwestern in the Twin Cities! They include:

Live the Promise with Susie Larson. Susie engages in conversations that bring Scripture to life, and shares stories that inspire you to last long and finish strong. The program is for those who crave deeper spiritual dialogue based on the Word of God. This two-hour show invites you into a deeper, more powerful life through a personal, thriving faith in the midst of a hectic pace. The program is heard on Amb-OS Weekdays 3:00pm and 11:00pm (both Central) and also on Saturdays at 2:00pm and 12:00am (Central).



The Early Morning Late Show with Bill Arnold. What a great way to start your day... with a dose of faith, hope and clarity. The *Early Morning Late Show with Bill Arnold* is a two-hour fast-paced show featuring discussions from a wide range of timely and relevant topics and guests. From top-of-the-mind news stories, to spiritual growth and daily encouragement, Bill Arnold intertwines his faith while drawing on over 20 years of experience as a comedian to bring light to heart hitting heavy topics of the day. Start your weekdays at 6:00am (Central).



Brand new to Amb-OS from Faith Radio Network is **Word by Word with Liz Curtis Higgs**. Liz is a best-selling author and seasoned Bible teacher. She serves up milk and meat, substance and style, in a highly relatable and deeply meaningful journey through Scripture. Each weekend Liz centers our attention on different biblical characters, exploring both familiar narratives and fascinating, lesser-known stories. Liz combines careful scholarship with a passion for storytelling, bringing the Bible to vivid life. You can hear *Word by Word with Liz Curtis Higgs* on Faith Radio on Saturdays at 9:30am (Central) and Sundays at 4:30pm (Central).



For more information or placement, please contact Dale Davis at Preeminent Media, 877-859-5369, or dale@preeminentmedia.com.

Chip Ingram Now on Amb-OS!

Living on the Edge, the teaching ministry of pastor and author **Chip Ingram** is now available via Amb-OS. The program's mission is simply to help Christians live like Christians! Chip's direct, practical teaching style helps believers apply God's truth to relevant issues, relationships and challenges. *Living on the Edge* reaches more than a million people each week online and through hundreds of radio and television outlets worldwide.



In his winsome, down-to-earth way, he explores God's perspective on marriage, love and sex, raising kids, and money.

Chip Ingram is the senior pastor of Venture Christian Church in Los Gatos, California, and founder of *Living on the Edge*. *Living on the Edge* was established in 1995 and is an international teaching and discipleship ministry. Chip is a best-selling author of 15 books, including *True Spirituality* and *Culture Shock*.



VOICES FOR LIFE

VICTIMS IN THE SHADOWS

AIR THE LIFE ISSUES RADIO SPECIAL

From Life Issues Institute for Sanctity of Life Sunday (January 21), **Brad Mattes** (President and speaker for the daily 1:00 Life Issues) hosts a new production—*Victims in the Shadows* (26:00). The special brings awareness regarding a global epidemic in which abortion plays a central role in perpetuating human trafficking, not just in third-world countries but here as well.

A team of contributors speak expertly, wisely and passionately about human trafficking. Awareness and education are key—as is the practical wisdom that is provided in a unique, timely and insightful radio special.

Contributors include: Nita Belles, Regional Director for Oregonians Against Trafficking Humans; Melinda Haggerty, Director of Children's Initiatives for the Ohio Attorney General's Office; Bill Welsh, pastor of Refuge (Huntington Beach CA).

Contact Lee@ambaa.com for clearance and promotional resources for the Special and Sanctity of Life Sunday.



EVANGELICALS
FOR LIFE

ATTEND THE PRO-LIFE EVENT

Focus on the Family and the ERLC host the third annual Evangelicals for Life conference on January 18-20 in Washington, DC. Concerned believers are invited to attend to be equipped and inspired by top leaders and speakers from across the pro-life movement. Hear from **Jim Daly**, **Russell Moore**, **Joni Eareckson Tada** and more on topics such as adoption and foster care to disability and end-of-life issues.

Those who attend the conference have the opportunity to participate in the March for Life—a public event joined by champions for life. Be inspired, connected, and equipped—attend Evangelicals for Life!

More details, registration, and sign-up for the free simulcast can be found at evangelicals.life. For interviews about the event or other pro-life concerns, contact Katie@ambaa.com to connect with a Focus on the Family spokesperson.

NRB EVENTS

GET THE LATEST

For more activities and updates check out ambaa.com/nrb-2018

NAME THAT TUNE

Bob Lepine (FamilyLife) hosts the annual game night—don't miss it!

Thursday, 3/1—9:00PM
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ON-SITE INTERVIEWS

Are you broadcasting live or recording interviews at NRB? We want to help you! Contact us to see who's available for interviews throughout the Convention.

SEE YOU THERE

Dick Becvar
Michelle Blood
Katie Burke
Peggy Campbell
Mark Conner
Selah Cosentino
Lee Ann Jackson
Haley Jessup
Charley Mefferd
Jennifer Perez
Bill Reitler
Jim Sanders

① *Focus on the Family*

40TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

Tuesday, 2/27
7:30PM
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Focus on the Family invites you to a very special dessert reception at NRB. Join **Jim Daly**, **John Fuller**, and the Focus team in celebrating 40 years of helping families thrive in Christ.

It was March 26, 1977 that the very first Focus on the Family broadcast aired — a day that wouldn't have been possible without the help of Christian radio partners. Enjoy reminiscing with fellow broadcasters and be inspired by what God has done and continues to do with this family ministry.

» RSVP to the dessert reception with Katie@ambaa.com.

② *FamilyLife*

FILM PREVIEW EVENT

Wednesday, 2/28
or Thursday, 3/1
11:00AM-1:00PM

Dennis Rainey and **Bob Lepine** invite you to a private preview of FamilyLife's new movie: "Like Arrows." This feature film, produced in partnership with the Kendrick brothers, explores the joys and heartaches of parenting through one family's lifelong journey. Come find out how to help your listeners create strong legacies through the film and all-new parenting resources coming from FamilyLife in Spring 2018!

{Guests will also be introduced to the new FamilyLife President & CEO, David Robbins, hearing about his work with CRU and passion for families.}

» Select from one of two luncheon options. Location provided upon RSVP to Michelle@ambaa.com.

③ *Life Issues*

NEW PARTNERSHIP

Thursday, 3/1
11:30AM-1:00PM

Brad Mattes, President of Life Issues Institute and **Marjorie Dannenfelser**, President of Susan B. Anthony List (SBA), invite Life Issues station partners to an exclusive NRB luncheon event.

In a joint announcement from Brad and Marjorie, the two well-known pro-life organizations have merged. The NRB luncheon event provides the opportunity for station partners to be among the first to hear a timely update from Brad and Marjorie, on what's ahead in 2018 for LIFE!

Life Issues Institute, for over 25 years a leader in pro-life education worldwide, along with Susan B. Anthony List, one of the most effective lobbying and political organizations in Washington, D.C., will provide a major step forward for the pro-life movement worldwide . . . and thanks to your commitment to sharing the message of life, you're an exciting partner in those efforts!

» Please RSVP to Lee@ambaa.com – location provided upon confirmed attendance.



AMBASSADOR MEET & GREET

Join our "open house" annual gathering at NRB with your friends in ministry and media—complete with a hymn sing led by Joni Eareckson Tada!

Wednesday, February 28
8:30AM-10:00AM
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Including these friends ...



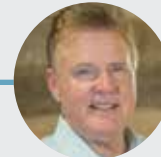
Lisa Anderson
Focus on the Family



Jim Daly
Focus on the Family



John Fuller
Focus on the Family



Jim Garlow
The Garlow Perspective



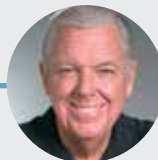
Michelle Hill
FamilyLife



Bob Lepine
FamilyLife



Brad Mattes
Life Issues



Barry Meguiar
Ignite with Barry Meguiar



Charles Morris
HAVEN Today



Dennis Rainey
FamilyLife



John Sorensen
Share Life Today



Joni Eareckson Tada
Joni and Friends



Bob Waliszewski
Focus on the Family



Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth
Revive Our Hearts

NEW
4 YOU

GOOD READING FOR 2018

Real Families, Real Needs: A Compassionate Guide for Families Living with Disability

In partnership with **Focus on the Family** (publishers), **Joni and Friends** has created a wonderful new guide for families affected by disability. Knowing that everyone's life changes when that occurs, here's a beautifully encouraging and practical guide to provide advice and spiritual hope.



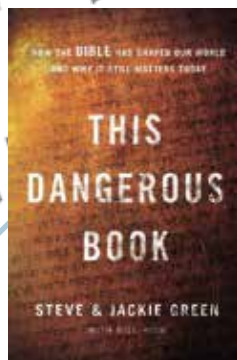
Not Alone: 11 Inspiring Stories of Courageous Widows from the Bible

Continuing a commitment that's grown out of her own life journey, **Miriam Neff** writes with unique perspective about women who helped shape the biblical narrative—despite their own deep personal loss.



This Dangerous Book

Every day *The Book* (1:00 daily) speaks to the impact of the Bible on all facets of culture. In this new volume from **Steve and Jackie Green**, the visionary founders of Museum of the Bible, the incredible history of the Bible is explored with fascinating insight.



Daily Encouragement for the Smart StepFamily

As an outgrowth of the daily feature (FamilyLife Blended), **Ron Deal** has crafted a daily devotional that will speak clearly to those thriving in such family settings with wisdom that will also likely spark good family conversations!



ON THE HORIZON



It was wonderful to be with **Callie Briese** and **John Busacker** recently for continued dialog (and taping demo material) on the development of a new short feature which would focus on the unique **Thrivent** mission, helping people blend faith, finance and generosity.



Watch for more information on a new short feature from **Samy Tanagho** that will focus on his area of expertise ... sharing the **Glad News with Muslim** whether they are your neighbors, co-workers, or friends. It's a timely 1:00 feature with a very important message for today's world.

THIS YEAR

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2-12: **Anne Graham Lotz** travels to Hyderabad (India) for ministry including a National Day of Prayer arena event and a women's conference.

feb



11-17: It's the "Love Like You Mean It" Marriage Cruise with the FamilyLife team including **Dennis Rainey** and **Bob Lepine** (Caribbean Seas).

mar



7-9: **John MacArthur**, Al Mohler, H.B. Charles are among the speakers at the annual Shepherds' Conference (Sun Valley CA).

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21: "Blended & Blessed" offers Keys to StepFamily Success at the all-day event with **Ron Deal**, Bill Butterworth and others (Charlotte NC).

may



18-20: The Colson Center hosts "Wilberforce Weekend" with **John Stonestreet**, **Eric Metaxas**, **Joni Eareckson Tada** (Washington DC).

jun



The Africa Mercy will sail out of Douala (Cameroon) this month for its annual retrofitting ... then on to another country of service!

jul



5-15: Don't miss this one! A Prayer and Prophecy Tour with **Anne Graham Lotz** and special guest Ray Bentley (Israel).

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15-19: This week it's Castaway Club (Detroit Lakes MN) ... but **Joni and Friends** hosts Family Retreats all summer long!

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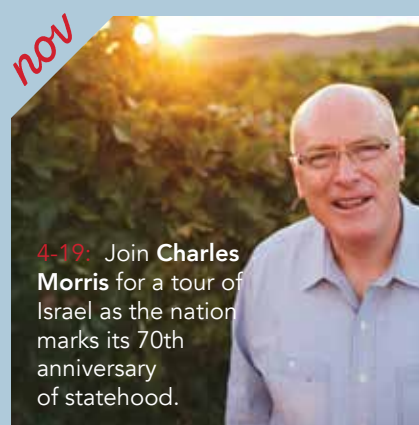
27-29: Hear **Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth**, Dannah Gresh and others at True Woman's 10th anniversary conference (Indianapolis IN).

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4: **Bring Your Bible to School Day** grows larger each year. Watch for details on how to engage in this **Focus on the Family** initiative.

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4-19: Join **Charles Morris** for a tour of Israel as the nation marks its 70th anniversary of statehood.

dec



25: **Merry Christmas!** (Didn't we just do that!)

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THANK YOU for your partnership in providing a significant platform for speakers such as **John Stonestreet** (pictured on the steps of the Supreme Court recently) to speak to thousands listening to Christian radio daily on the issues of contemporary culture—with a clear biblical perspective. (For a full list of features created specifically to provide this important input, visit our website and the section "Culture & Worldview.")