



# LOVE

*Trusts God always  
Always looks for the best  
Never looks back  
But keeps going  
to the end.*

*~ I Corinthians 13:7  
The Message*



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## DID YOU KNOW?



### **The Africa Mercy**

will sail out of Douala (Cameroon) this month for its annual retro-fitting. When completed, the hospital ship will next head for Conakry (Guinea) for anticipated ministry to some of the country's 12.5 million. By the way, **Don & Deyon Stephens**, founders of Mercy Ships, were recently nominated for the Congressional Gold Medal—a well-deserved honor, in our opinion!



### **Adorned (Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth)**

was named ECPA's Bible Study Book of the Year at the organization's annual Awards Celebration held at Museum of the Bible (Washington DC) with keynote from **Anne Graham Lotz**. Finalists for a variety of categories also included: **Focus on the Family's NirV Adventures in Odyssey Children's Bible**, **The Gospel According to Paul (John MacArthur)** and **Biblical Doctrine: A Systematic Summary of Bible Truth (John MacArthur & Richard Mayhue)**. All are recommended reading on our list!



### **The Christian Worldview Journal** is now the **BreakPoint Journal**.

Delivered weekly from The Colson Center, each electronic newsletter includes updates from **John Stonestreet** and **Eric Metaxas**, as well as other Colson Center contributors. Subscribe at [breakpoint.org](http://breakpoint.org).



### Recently, **Evangelism Explosion's** "Hope for Kids" program was put to work in a village in

Haiti—and 50 children accepted Jesus as Savior. Many believe the key to reaching Haiti for Christ is through children. Pray for continued impact in this impoverished country where the Gospel is so transformational.

## NEW ON AMB-OS

We are thrilled to welcome three new programs to Amb-OS:

**The Winning Walk** with **Dr. Ed Young** is the international broadcast and online teaching ministry of Dr. Ed Young, Senior Pastor of Second Baptist Church in Houston, Texas. *The Winning Walk* proclaims the proven truth of God's Word to make an eternal difference in people's lives. *The Winning Walk* will be delivered as either a 28:00 commercial version with silence during breaks or a 25:00 uninterrupted non-commercial version.



**Intend** with **Allen Jackson** is the new daily 26:00 teaching program from Intend Ministries. Since its inception in 2010, Intend Ministries has developed tools to take the message of God's Word to where people live—around the corner or across the globe. This is being accomplished through avenues such as creating curricula for small group Bible studies (called "God Spots"), hosting conferences and training pastors around the world, and engaging in a national radio ministry and a national and international television ministry.



**Moments of Hope** with **David Chadwick** is a new Bible teaching program that intersects contemporary issues from a faith and values perspective. The pastor of the 6000-member multi-site Forest Hills Church, David Chadwick takes the mystery out of Scripture with humor and humility, giving moments of hope for our daily lives and offering a fresh perspective on why you have hope in Jesus.



Should you have any questions about *The Winning Walk*, *Intend*, or *Moments of Hope*, please contact Tracy Everson at 469-454-0006 or [tracy@dunhamandcompany.com](mailto:tracy@dunhamandcompany.com).

## MINISTRIES OUT ON MISSION



At Mackinac Island to speak at a Winsome Women retreat, **Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth** with husband, **Robert**, made it a point to visit partner WLJN (Traverse City MI), greeting GM **Brian Harcey**, staff, and listeners on the road back to **Revive Our Hearts** HQ.

More than 70,000 viewed **Like Arrows** in theaters nationwide last month (including the team from FamilyLife and KDIS!)—now the companion **FamilyLife's Art of Parenting** launches as a complete resource, available as both an online experience and as a small-group study (that kit includes eight video-based sessions with leader guide, workbook and bonus content). Check **FamilyLife's** website for full details!



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1. **Tom Moyer** (R) of WAVA welcomed a panel of speakers, interviewed by **John Fuller** (L), including **Steve Arterburn**, **Philip De Courcy**, **Jesse Johnson**, and **Victor Stanley**.

2. Going Global with Focus! Charley and Lee Ann with **Jeff Brown**, **Bill Elfstrom**, **Brian Krause**, **Gary Booker**, **John Bethany** and **John Fuller**.

3. A quick trip to Colorado Springs required some hard-hitting discussion between **Jim Daly** and **Chuck Bolte**—with Jim Sanders.

4. It was back to the links when Jim joined the Salem team (**Chris Gould** pictured) at the Masters annual Golf Tournament hosted by **John MacArthur** (center).

5. It was a virtual field trip when the **Mendoza family** came to SoCal and made a stop at AAA to see Selah. Thanks for coming, Lizzette, Angel, Yadira, Aracely, Klarissa, Ynez, Arnold, Ernestina, Ruben, Ruben Jr., Victoria, and Marina!

6. A visit to Grace to You was on the list when WJLU/WMFJ Manager **Chris Johnson** (pictured with **Jay Flowers**) was in SoCal for his graduation from the Master's University! Congrats, Chris!

7. A new 25:00 program titled *Core Christianity* with author/speaker **Michael Horton** and pastor **Adriel Sanchez** (not pictured) will launch in September. Charley (here with the ministry's **Andrew Hess** and Michael) can get you details (Charley@ambaa.com).

8. Work also continues in developing a new 1:00 short feature with financial institution, Thrivent, anticipated late Fall or early 2019 launch. Pictured from Thrivent: **Callie Briese** and **John Busacker**.

9. **NRB Exec Committee** comes West! Anticipating the 2019 convention in our neighborhood, the group met in Anaheim recently—impressive group!

10. In SoCal for their daughter's graduation (Pepperdine Law School)—and marriage!—**Dolores King-St. George** (GM-WRMB/Boynton Beach FL) and husband, **John**, graciously included a stop at AAA. And In-N-Out!

11. Not to be outdone, **Michael Shelley** (WMVV/Griffin GA)—the one ready to enjoy his meal—joined the AAA team at our fav burger joint on his way to NRB's Radio Committee meeting.



# Celebrating God's Faithfulness

PLEASE JOIN US IN MARKING THE  
70TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF OUR FOUNDERS,

## Al & Margaret Sanders

It was fitting that Al Sanders met Margaret Bascom in a recording studio, Al at the microphone (already an experienced on-air personality) and Margaret at the keyboard where she was often since the age of 3. Both gifted in their craft, there was much more that created the “spark”—including, above all, the shared desire to live their lives to the glory of God.

Al had grown up in Santa Barbara where his father pastored a small church while working as a gas company repairman. Margaret hailed from San Gabriel, a family of six children, perpetually also in church.

Once mutually convinced of God's purpose in entwining their lives (it just took Margaret three days to make that decision after Al proposed!), they were married on June 25, 1948, under the arbor at the Bascom family home.

From there, it was off to Chicago to train further, anticipating they would serve the Lord with ELWA in Ethiopia. When that door closed, however, and with the sudden death of Al's father, they returned to Southern California, eventually invited to return to the Bible Institute of Los Angeles where they'd met. Though hired as Dean of Men,

President Samuel H. Sutherland had in mind a far different role for Al as the experienced broadcaster led the historic *Biola Hour* ministry, and ultimately all public relations for the college.

Along the way, three children filled up the Sanders quiver—Peggy, Sharon and Jimmy, who enjoyed growing up as the new Biola campus (La Mirada) became a second playground for them.

In 1969, Al & Margaret left Biola to begin a new work with Radio Bible Class—initially, it was simply to host the *Day of Discovery* TV program that launched in Florida. Ultimately, Al's creative skills were further used as he jumped into producing the telecast each week, much to his delight. That assignment remained a deeply joyful one for 15 years.

In God's providence, Al & Margaret moved back to Orange County, also returning to the Fullerton Evangelical Free Church where Chuck Swindoll had recently been appointed Pastor. Fruitful years of ministry followed with Margaret at piano or organ, and Al immersed in Ambassador Advertising Agency, producing Christian radio content—including the launch of Chuck's program, *Insight for Living*. In

those same years, the Lord used Al's good counsel to help launch the daily *Focus on the Family* program as well as features with Joni Eareckson Tada, Chuck Colson, Max Lucado and many others.

As they ultimately turned “day to day” operations of the agency over to their kids, Al & Margaret headed to Sunriver (Oregon) for a sweet season of soul refreshment—daily. Surrounded by spectacular scenery, it's easy to understand why Sunriver became such a special place for them and the family.

Once again, though, it was SoCal beckoning them closer to kids and grandkids ... and Newport Beach became home. Here they enjoyed renewed friendships and spiritual encouragement from St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. And mentoring in so many ways the team at Ambassador, sharing Christ's love with neighbors as well.

Scripture tells us that “the steps of a good man [and woman] are ordered by the Lord.” We're grateful for each step that God's given our parents ... and particularly the step that is celebrating *seventy years* of marriage! To God be the glory.



*You're invited!*

Visit [Sanders70.com](http://Sanders70.com) to see their video story, sign the virtual anniversary card, and more.



# Samy Tanagho

*Glad News for Muslims* with **Samy Tanagho** is a new daily 1:00 feature that is now available on Amb-OS and FTP. It's designed to help listeners conquer any fear in undertaking spiritual dialog—even friendships—with Muslim co-workers, neighbors, or fellow students. Samy's passion is to teach Christians to effectively communicate God's love and salvation to not only Muslims but to all people. His book, *Glad News! God Loves You My Muslim Friend*, is published by Moody Press and has been translated into 13 languages.

To add *Glad News for Muslims*, please contact Leah Guerrero at 949-681-7639 or leah@ambaa.com.

Founder and President of Glad News for Muslims Ministry (Santa Ana CA), our team met Samy Tanagho in a serendipitous encounter at NRB 2017. From the moment we heard Samy's passion for the message of sharing God's love with all people, we were persuaded—he has something important to say ... and more importantly, he has a clear calling from God to deliver it. We invite you to get acquainted yourself below—and at NRB 2019 as the Convention comes to our side of the country!

*What was memorable about growing up in Egypt?*

I enjoyed my parents' perfect love and most of my friends were Muslims.

*If we were to visit Egypt today, what would you encourage us to see or do?*

I would encourage you to meet genuine humble Christians, who have very little, yet are content and give so much with a smile. I would take you to one of the beautiful beaches on the Mediterranean or Red Sea so you can relax for a few days.

*You come from a family involved in the legal profession. Do you ever miss practicing law?*

Never, because God has been using my legal background to present Jesus in the most understandable, attractive, acceptable and convincing way to Muslims, without compromise. God gave me one case to prove—Jesus to Muslims. I am fulfilled now more than Farid, my older brother, who worked

as the Chief Judge of Egypt's Supreme Court and now in the Ministry of Justice.

*Is there someone you could consider to be your spiritual mentor?*

Since February 1976, I learned something good from many Egyptian and American pastors and thank God, the Holy Spirit (1 John 2:27).

*Your wife is an ex-Muslim and has a remarkable testimony as well. We know she's your prayer partner in ministry but what else do you love about Hala?*

I love the fact that she loves me.

*You've just been recovering from a very serious auto accident. Any lessons you felt the Lord was teaching you in the time you had to be "set aside" from active ministry?*

Yes, God taught me, in a deeper way, that I must focus on seeking His presence and trusting Him and His Word to fulfill my calling.

*Do you have a favorite verse of Scripture?*

Matthew 22:37: "Jesus replied, love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."

*Other than the Bible, what author or books have most impacted you?*

"Streams in the Desert" by L.B. Cowman.

*You're a very energetic guy ☺... what do you do to relax?*

I listen to Egyptian Christian songs and I go to the beach.

*We know you are passionate about sharing God's love with Muslims—how would you want your friends to pray for you?*

Please, pray that God will open more doors for me to share what He taught me with multitudes of Christians and Muslims.

# WHO WOULD'VE KNOWN?

## Thinking of Father's Day: What was your father's profession?

My dad is the hardest working person that I know! When I was young, my dad and his friend teamed up to [start a janitorial business](#). They would walk up to car dealerships and other businesses with their mops and buckets, ready to work. I'm thankful that I learned his work ethic and have applied it to my life.

**Danielle Perez** | Afternoon Show Co-Host  
WBGL | Champaign IL

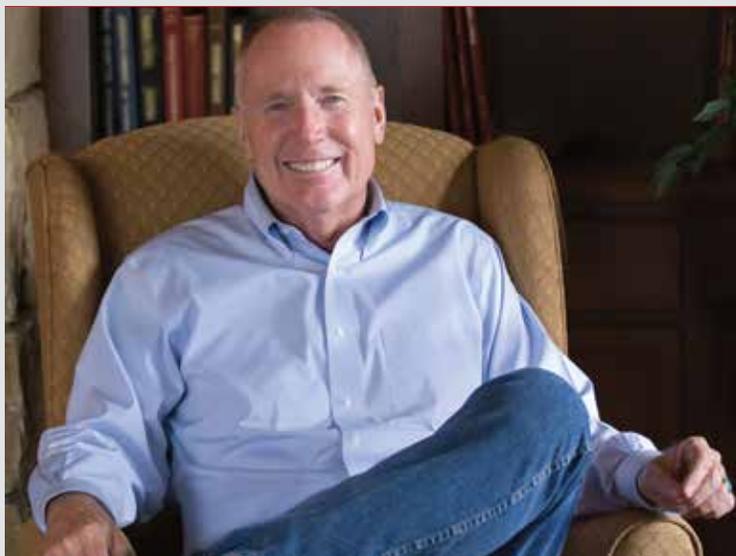


Growing up my dad [sold health and life insurance](#) to people for almost 30 years. He provided for his family and kept his clients smiling. Today, he is an [Oklahoma State Representative](#) and continues to serve the people and his country. I am blessed to call him my dad!

**Ashley Vaughan** | Donor Development  
KLWV | Ponca City OK

My dad [worked at the Ford Chicago Assembly Plant](#) where they made T-Bird's. As the Material Manager, he was responsible to get parts to the assembly line on time. The fun part was that we got to test drive new cars all the time...a high school kid's dream!

**Doug Hastings**  
Vice President,  
Broadcasting  
Moody Radio



## TUNE IN

All this month, **Max Lucado** encourages listeners to find the "cure" for what may be viewed as a *common* life by finding the "sweet spot"—that God-created uniqueness of each person—in order to thrive in His *uncommon* calling. That's daily on [UpWords](#) (1:00).

# DON'T MISS

June 2

**Barry Meguiar** (IgniteAmerica) speaks in Downey CA for a special outreach/[Car Show](#) hosted by CBMC.

June 5-7

In Jerusalem again, **Jim Garlow** will participate in a number of events and prayer gatherings including the city's [Prayer Breakfast](#) where over 600 Christians from 60 nations will convene. Also attending, [Anne Graham Lotz](#).

June 6

Restoring Faith / Renewing Joy is the theme for a gathering for pastors and leaders hosted by **Carter Conlon** (Times Square Church), held at [Summit International School of Ministry](#) (Grantville PA).

June 29

**Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth** heads back to the studio for recording day in the midst of a ministry-hosted [partner retreat](#) at their beautiful HQ in Niles MI.

## JUNE 17

This **Father's Day** (June 17), encourage your listeners to show appreciation to the dads in their lives. Get our [Father's Day Tool Kit](#) for speaker quote graphics (ready for your social media and website use), PSAs, an infographic and more!



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dads across the nation



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**Jay Flowers** and **Bill Fickett** (Grace to You) graciously toted a copy of *Update* to London where they were meeting with partners, Premier Christian Radio. (No, they did not attend the royal marriage ceremony.)



**Dave Salkeld**, you get the gold star for suggesting this pix. Thanks for all you do as part of the Focus production team (pictured with **Abby DeBenedittis**, **Kathryn Eutsler**, and **Rob Kirkpatrick**)—we appreciate you all!



Pictured are **Ron Deal** (**FamilyLife Blended**) and his wife, Nan, with formerly trafficked children at the Connor Creative Art Center in Ghana (West Africa)—a Lego-shaped therapeutic art center built in honor of their son, Connor, who died at the age of 12.

*Note: Ron and Nan are also eloquent advocates on behalf of a Christian response to child-trafficking. Contact [Michelle@ambaa.com](mailto:Michelle@ambaa.com) for details on connecting. And, you can learn more about the CCAC at [TouchALifeKids.org](http://TouchALifeKids.org)!*



Thank you, **Susan Scott**, for the kind words about enjoying *Update* each month—and then sharing it on the Bott Radio Network bulletin board once you're done reviewing!

## UPDATE IN HAND