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Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees
Sweet *Freedom's* song!

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DID YOU KNOW



How many are coming to dinner? On the new **Global Mercy**, the dining room will seat more than 650 crew members at one time! The new **Mercy Ships** vessel will sail to Africa in 2022. (Interested in being part of that maiden service? Check the ministry website for the many ways you might volunteer!)

Grace to You

is relaunching a series of study guides that were originally published in the 1980s. Long out of print, the ministry is reviving these popular Bible study tools for a new generation, as part of the **Verse by Verse with John MacArthur** series, beginning with *Spiritual Bootcamp*.



Thanks to **FamilyLife Today** station partners for updating station websites to reflect the new ministry logo and current photo of co-hosts, **Dave & Ann Wilson**! We appreciate it!



Despite the pandemic realities, **Evangelism Explosion** hosted 75 training events last year, several in partnership

with radio stations. Over 1500 people were trained in how to share Christ. Hear **John Sorensen's** daily encouragement on how to do that with *Share Life Today* (1:00).

A WORD FROM JIM SANDERS

Stay up to Date!

The nature of the distribution beast is that things change. Often. Our Amb-OS platform was designed to manage those changes automatically. Updated programs are pushed to your automation system without any work on your part.

But you may want to, or need to, *know* about those changes. Well, our RSS feed is designed to keep you informed. It's simple to add our feed to your RSS reader. Here's the link so you can stay informed: <http://status.amb-os.com>.

New to the Amb-OS Family

Difference Maker Moments with Gregg Matte is a daily 1:00 encouragement that equips believers to have an impact on the world in Jesus' name. But it also can inspire non-believers to take a deeper dive in the life-changing Gospel. The goal is to invite listeners to live a life that reflects the history-changing, difference-making, life-giving, Spirit-empowered legacy we each have to leave.



Gregg Matte is the senior pastor at Houston's First Baptist Church, a multisite church with four campuses in the greater Houston area.



To request permission to air *Difference Maker Moments*, visit our permissions portal. You can also contact Steven Murray at Steven.Murray@houstonfirst.org (713-957-5890).

The Christian Car Guy brings sound automotive advice not by the Black Book or the Blue Book, but God's Book – the Bible. In addition to spiritual insight, Robby Dilmore provides easy-to-understand advice on practical car needs: from creaks to leaks, purchase or lease. *The Christian Car Guy* is a top-tier source for Biblical-based automotive advice that is LIVE on Saturdays from 10:00-11:00AM ET.



Robby Dilmore started working in car dealerships back in 1971 where he went from car washer to service, parts, sales and eventually worked up to general manager of a dealership.



To request permission to air *The Christian Car Guy*, please send an email to programs@amb-os.com with your call letters and Amb-OS receiver's serial number. For more information, including a show clock, please contact Robby Dilmore, host of *The Christian Car Guy* at rdilmore@truthnetwork.com or 336-909-2779.

The Amb-OS Line-up

We're thrilled with station enthusiasm for our Amb-OS system which continues to improve—and to grow. You can find a full list of programs offered via satellite at the website. And ... if you know a ministry that might be interested in joining the line-up, don't hesitate to suggest contact with **Charley Mefferd**—you can always reach him at Charley@amb-os.com.

Save the dates!

JULY 16: The first of six engaging weekly episodes premieres in a special digital event. Designed to encourage and inspire families to have educational and encouraging conversations, the first See Life episode ("The Truth About Life!") tackles the important question, "When does life begin?"

AUGUST 28: Make your way to Dallas where Focus on the Family is presenting See Life 2021 -- a free live event at the American Airlines Center. This ground-breaking event features everyday pro-life heroes plus special guests like Christian music artist Matthew West, motivational speaker and evangelist Nick Vujicic, Focus on the Family President Jim Daly and more. Don't miss a chance to gather with others to celebrate life!

Find details for all the above at focusonthefamily.com/seelife

SEE Life 2021

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY



From one sunny state to another!

Jim Daly, John Fuller, Stan Pracht, and Dan Robbins were in SoCal to record with (B) In-N-Out owner Lynsi Snyder for an upcoming broadcast. We're grateful the team stopped by (A) Ambassador after enjoying a few double-doubles at the original burger location!



In Orlando at CMB's Momentum conference, Focus' Brian Krause connected with station partners (C) Paul Cameron & Sonia Barham (WEMI) and (D) Luke Stephens (WAY Radio). And John Fuller greeted (E) Jim Houser (K-LOVE) & Jon Hull (KSBJ) and (F) Brent Randall (KYCC) & Tony Snipes (HIS Radio).

SHORT FEATURES

DO YOU HAVE A MINUTE?

In just sixty-seconds, these features pack
a strong spiritual punch ... every day!

Anchor Today*

Based on the popular print devotional, **Charles Morris** voices content intended to encourage daily.

Daily Light for Daily Living

Modelled after the classic devotional, **Anne Graham Lotz** shares a Scripture with insight on applying its truth.

Diamonds in the Dust

Joni Eareckson Tada reminds us that God can take the grime of our lives to create sparkling gems—His glory in us!

FamilyLife Blended

A relevant, real-life outlook on navigating life for blended families from expert **Ron Deal**.

Focus on the Family Minute

Created out of content in the daily broadcast, **John Fuller** anchors this abbreviated version of Focus.

HAVEN Now

Tapping into his journalistic roots, **Charles Morris** commentates on yesterday's headlines from a biblical view.

Ignite with Barry Meguiar*

Widely known as a car enthusiast, **Barry Meguiar** is most passionate about igniting believers to share their faith.

It's Time to Pray

His lifelong mission to encourage prayer is reflected each day in this minute with **Carter Conlon** (Times Square Church).

Life Issues

Pro-life leader **Brad Mattes** speaks to one of the most important issues of our culture—the sanctity of human life.

Making Your Life Count

Steve Douglass (Cru) encourages listeners to make a difference in the lives of others—for eternity!

Plugged In*

A team of voices from **Focus on the Family** provide insight on the latest in movies, video, games, TV, music and more.

Portraits of Grace

Snapshots of biblical truth from **John MacArthur** that communicate God's Word with grace, substance and application.

Seeking Him

In a "bite-size," **Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth** provides content intended to help women thrive in their faith.

Share Life Today

Timid about sharing your faith? You won't be after hearing from **John Sorensen** on how to boldly lead others to Christ.

The Garlow Perspective

Jim Garlow's objective is helping men and women become well-versed in biblical truth, meeting today's issues head-on.

The Mercy Minute

It's a command—show mercy to one another (Zephaniah 7:9). **Don Stephens** of Mercy Ships tells how to do just that.

Thrive with Purpose

Designed to help listeners make financial decisions based on faith and values, **Callie Briebe** voices the daily feature.

UpWords

Max Lucado's constant message is a simple one—God loves you, so let Him! The master wordsmith in audio form.

**Features station-customized on request, delivered via Amb-OS.*



Take a listen at our website:

Visit ambaa.com/programs (or scan the QR code) to demo features. Contact Kari@ambaa.com for details & clearance to air.

PINNACLE AWARD



Max's wordsmithing is heard on **UpWords**, a daily 1:00 feature carried on over 1200 outlets across the country and around the world.

Congratulations, Max Lucado!

Recognizing "a lifetime telling the story of God's grace," the Evangelical Christian Publishers Association recently presented (for only the fourth time in its history) its "Pinnacle Award" to author **Max Lucado**.

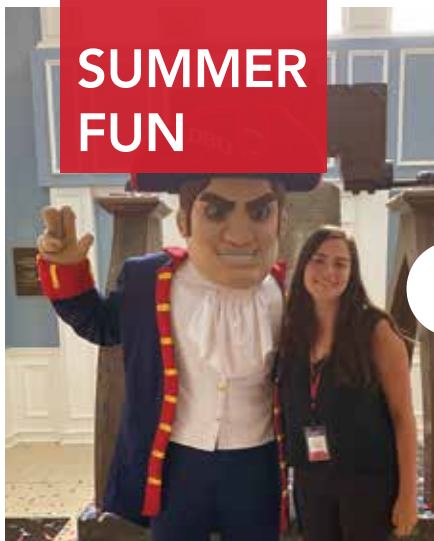
Over forty years of writing since his first volume (*On the Anvil*), more than 20 of his books have reached over 1 million in distribution. His writing is now available in 45 languages and in 80 countries around the world.

In accepting the award, Max quoted John Newton:

"I only remember two things. I'm a great sinner but I serve a great Savior" noting this was his own story as well. In a list of acknowledgements, Max finally thanked readers, saying, "May He lead you to the author of *Life* who has written the *only* book that is worth reading."

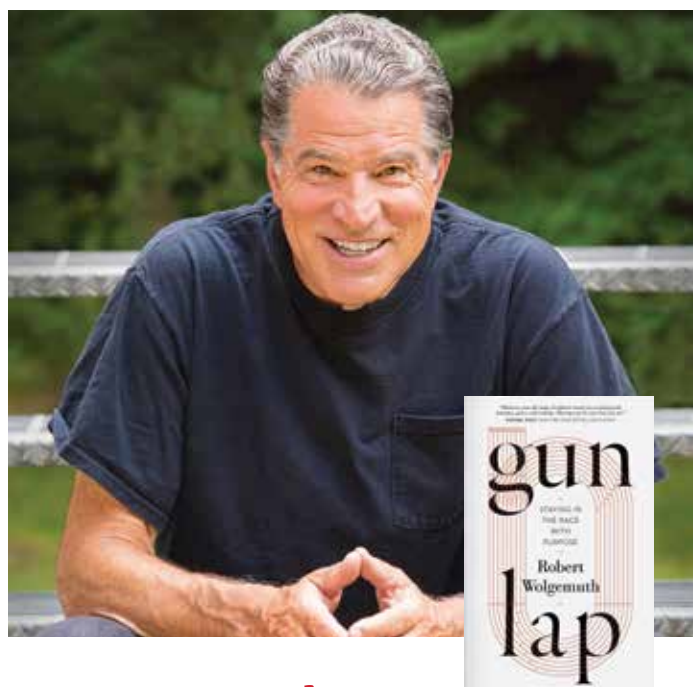
The Pinnacle Award is presented in special recognition for an outstanding contribution by an author or book, to the industry or society at large. Past recipients include Stormie Omartian, Dr. Gary Chapman and, Jerry Jenkins and Tim LaHaye.

SUMMER FUN



SUMMER visits

One of our family heads to Dallas Baptist University in the fall when Jessica Perez (far left) begins her college career (with a brother, Carson, at Baylor already). Through the school selection process, **Ron & Judy Harris** have been great boosters for DBU as our own Jennifer Perez and husband, Matt, were joining Jessica to explore choices. Well done, team!



SUMMER reading

With a unique perspective on life's journey, **Robert Wolgemuth**, husband of Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth, has just released a new book titled *Gun Lap: Staying in the Race with Purpose*. While the target audience is men approaching or at retirement age, the book makes for great reading for any guy pondering the "final lap" of the race we all run.

Robert & Nancy have been transparent in the recent battle with cancer that Robert faced, only a few years after their marriage. Their unwavering confidence that "heaven rules" has encouraged us all. You won't want to miss reading and sharing this new volume that brings practical encouragement and insight from someone who has experienced life challenges, with faith in Him.



SUMMER intern

Once again, we looked no farther than Biola University for welcoming our summer intern to Ambassador. A recent graduate (Business Marketing degree), **Rebecca Richardson** is already contributing to the Marketing team on several fronts.

Originally from Half Moon Bay CA (where her dad is a pastor), Rebecca is a fan of SoCal weather although she hasn't changed allegiance as far as baseball—the SF Giants are still #1 in her book.

With a heart for ministry, Rebecca attends Fullerton Free Church where she leads a group of middle school girls which she says helps to "keep her young." (You need that at 22?!)

Thanks for a warm welcome if you're one of those Rebecca will be calling this summer! ☺



Reading this month's recipe, you might just be tempted to say "Ain't no cookin' like mama's cookin.'" Or her dessert-making! In fact, when it came to recipes, **Jim Garlow** couldn't keep it to one. If you'd like a copy of our cookbook, and the recipe for "Winifred's Chocolate Pie" (and about 75 others), just send your favorite recipe (even if it's your mama's) and we'll return The Ambassador Family Cookbook to you!

FROM
OUR
KITCHEN

Meet the Chef Chef's Son

While Jim Garlow's roots (see below) may have been the middle of Kansas, the years since have taken him across the country—both directions. After a long pastorate in San Diego, Jim moved into leadership of *Well Versed*, a ministry dedicated to bringing biblical principles of governance to government leaders—and the people who elect them. With wife, Rosemary, Jim is also a frequent traveler to Israel where the couple's work together has had significant impact as well. His insights are heard daily on *The Garlow Perspective* (1:00).

SIGN-OFF

Winifred's Chocolate Pie

JIM GARLOW



When I considered asking my 99 year old mother for recipes, I could not limit it to just one. At the old rural Kansas "potlucks," my mom's food would disappear fast. Her chocolate pie was, and still is, the best in the world. I know. I am a connoisseur of anything chocolate. I've got a waistline to prove it. If you taste this recipe, you will never settle for Marie Callender's pie again.

2 cups milk (heated to boil)

In mixer, put:

3 egg yolks (save whites for meringue)

½ cup milk

1 ½ cups sugar

4 heaping tablespoons cocoa

6 heaping tablespoons flour

Pinch of salt

Pour mixture in hot milk and stir constantly, boiling for about two minutes until thickened.

Add 1 teaspoon vanilla. Pour into baked crust (you may use a graham cracker crust if preferred).

For meringue:

Add ¼ cup sugar to egg whites and beat until stiff. Bake in 400° oven until meringue is brown.





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Looking ahead!

Is it beginning to look a lot like “normal” where you are? We’re looking forward to some of these upcoming important dates!



July 11: All American Pet Photo Day ... so here's one of our mascots, Annie and Maisie. Send us a pix of your pet and we'll publish next month!



August 7: Jonathan McKee (*Plugged In*) is the keynote speaker at “Navigate 2021: A Digital Equipping Conference for People Who Champion the Next Generation” (Benton AR).



August 20-22: At The Cove (Asheville NC), Anne Graham Lotz is joined by daughter Rachel-Ruth Wright, speaking on “Leaving a Godly Legacy.”



September 18: Hosted by Moody/WCRF, Lisa Anderson (*Boundless*) will be in Cleveland to speak at the “Renew” Women’s Conference.



October 29-31: More than 1.5 million couples have attended a “Weekend to Remember” (FamilyLife)—these dates being held in Little Rock, Cleveland and Pittsburgh.



November 2-3: The Exponential Conference meets in Chicago with speakers including leading Windy City pastors as well as Ed Stetzer and Dave & Ann Wilson.



March 8-11 (2022): NRB already? Yes, we’re putting the dates on the calendar now especially for those who didn’t get to Dallas last month!

Get the latest!

Check ministry information for updates and whether or not events are virtual and/or in-person.