

Leading a New Chapter at Haven Ministries!

Underscoring the strong continuation of a rich heritage for Haven, **David Wollen** returned to the ministry late last year as President of the organization.

His experience in various aspects of media ministry—including a prior stint at Haven and launching of the audio edition of *Anchor*—affords an invaluable foundation of leadership for Haven. And his passion for the ministry's mission is clear both on-air and in every dimension of Haven's ongoing outreach.

If you don't already know David, we hope you'll make it a point to welcome him back to NRB this year!

WELCOME
TO MY
BOOKSHELF

David Wollen



“ This is my office bookshelf. If you ever do a Zoom meeting with me, this is what you'll see behind me. (Charles Morris always told me books are some of the best sound baffling, and he was right.)

Yes, there are Bibles, various commentaries, and theological reference books, but there are four items I'll call out as especially important to me.

My late grandfather's Bible (laying flat on the top of the stack next to the microphone) is a treasure to me. He poured his passion for Christ and the Word of God into my life. Every time I pick it up, I recall the countless conversations we had about life, Scripture, and following Jesus. It's a 1945 KJV, Oxford binding. The pages are so worn many are held together by scotch tape and there is not a page in it without notes and scribbles from his many years of study. I pray I may pass a similar legacy to my own family when Christ calls me home someday.



The funny looking hat on the top right is an **Ak-kalpak**, the traditional hat worn by men in Kyrgyzstan. It was a gift from my Kyrgyz colleagues at FEBC when I was there a few years ago. These white felt hats are worn everywhere you go. I remember attending the ordination service of a Kyrgyz pastor and every man present was wearing one. It's a reminder to me that God is working, even in countries like Kyrgyzstan where fewer than 1% of the population are Christians.

The glass ship on the top was a gift from the staff at Haven Ministries when God called me away for a season working in consulting and world missions.

The dates inscribed on it are "2005 to 2016." I'm so thrilled to get an opportunity to serve the Lord Jesus with Charles and my friends at Haven once again.

On the lower right you'll see a **complete expository commentary set by Charles Simeon**. This late preacher is one of my heroes—and through his writings, a frequent conversation partner when I get ready to preach. He pastored a church in Cambridge, England, for 49 years and was a champion for Gospel-centered preaching. His love for Christ in his preaching fueled revival among students and has influenced many since, including John Stott (another hero). ”

Scenes from recording at AAA with **Joni Eareckson Tada** and **Danny Rojas**, the voice of Haven's *El Faro de Redención*.

