A rumor was brought to our attention recently which stated GBN is going to stop broadcasting. Where do these things originate? Nothing could be further from the truth! We have settled nicely in our new facility in Olive Branch, MS. We have a great staff in place. We’ve paid off our debt, and we’re pressing forward. Please allow us a minute to share with you some of the progress at GBN.

**RADIO** – We are working diligently to expand GBN to radio. This year the FCC will be opening a window of time in which churches can apply for a radio broadcast license to cover their local area via FM radio. What an exciting opportunity! Congregations could broadcast their worship services to their immediate area. The rest of the week the available time could be filled with audio provided directly from GBN. We have put together a document to help congregations make an informed decision about starting up their own radio station. Already we have about 20 congregations expressing interest.

**SATELLITE STUDIO** – We are presently coordinating with the East End congregation in McMinnville, TN to set up a satellite studio in Warren County. The studio will be under the oversight of the good elders at East End. Several congregations will be working together on this project. This will allow us to expand the breadth of programming.

**RAMPING UP PRODUCTION** – The number of programs being filmed in our new studio in Olive Branch is steadily increasing. Recent programs that have been recorded include: *Counterpoint* with Mike Hixson and B. J. Clarke, *Shield of Faith*, *Living by Faith* with Donny DeBoard and *Focus on Faith* with several guest speakers. We will be broadcasting a WVBS special on “angels” in June.
**March**

Christine Mansel  
by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Waldon

Blanche Louise Baird  
by Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hughes

Manes T. and Fay Brumley  
by Mr. and Mrs. Billy Roy Box

Steve Cunningham, Lillard Rayburn,  
Jerome and Georgia Brandt  
by Ladies Bible Class  
Grundy Street church of Christ

Bill Taggart, Bill Carter,  
Maurice Burger, Willie Barnes,  
Glenn Coldwell,  
Ralph Broadrick Jr.  
by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bishop

Almer and Lucille DeBord  
by Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Smith

Fred Horsley  
by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nash

Joyce Northcutt  
by Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Davis

Charles Nichols  
by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bomskie

Clemmie Patrick,  
Elma and Dortha Jones  
by Mrs. Juanita Oliver

Mr. Randy Maberry  
by Emily Hardaway

Sylvia Parker  
by Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Davis

**April**

Vernon Joines  
by Morrison church of Christ

Delbert B. Kaufman  
by Steven N. Kaufman

Sylvia Parker  
by John and Barbara Hash

Mr. Al Medley  
by Mrs. Peggy Cooper

Vernon Joines and Shirley Gann  
by Geneva Hobbs

Laura McCuistion  
by Jerry and Carolyn Whitehead

Betty Black Mickler  
by Bob and Marilyn Ledford

Hoyt Crouch, Henry Wagoner,  
Doroth Jean Locke and  
Elizabeth Malone Cantrell  
by Walter and Mary Ann Bishop

Claude Hibdon  
by Patrick and Carolyn Jones

Mr. James Doggett  
by Frances P. Gardner

Mr. James Doggett  
by Florence Thompson

Lea Armstrong  
by Ray and Debbie Bomskie

**May**

Grayson O. Gilbert  
by Grace Gilbert

Vernon Joines, Shirley Louise Gann  
and Glenn Edward Thomison  
by Walter and Mary Ann Bishop

Wayne Rushing  
by Pauline Rushing

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We also sent a crew to the disaster areas of West, TX and Moore, OK to film some interviews that will be airing on the Shelter in the Time of Storm program.

LIGHTING - We currently have 3/5 of our new studio lighting purchased and are starting to see some efficiencies from their installation. When all of the lights are installed, the amount of time it takes to “change over” the studio from recording one program to another will be cut by several hours and allow us to tape programs on different sets in the same day. We still need approximately $25,000 to meet our fundraising goal for the lights.

NEW STAFF MEMBER - Since our last newsletter, we have hired our permanent volunteer coordinator, David Moates. David has been a member of the Southaven congregation and has done some preaching in the past. He will be recruiting and training volunteers to help us throughout our operation. Our goal is to accomplish as much of the work as possible through the use of volunteers so that we can use the Lord’s money for other things. David is very organized, a self-starter, and has good people skills.

LIVE CALL-IN PROGRAM – For several months we have been working to create a live, call-in television program which will air weekly on GBN during prime-time hours. Anyone will be able to call in during the program and have their questions answered by a panel of competent, experienced gospel preachers. We are presently installing the equipment to make this new program a reality. Our plan is to debut the new program in the Fall of this year. We are accepting suggestions on a name for this program. Please contact us if you would like to submit your idea. Watch for further details in upcoming newsletters.


If you are a member of the churches of Christ and would like to become a supporter of GBN, please call us at: 1-800-683-3120
Last year as we were raising funds for our new building in Olive Branch, we stated that the move would help us to reduce our operating expenses. We have met that goal and wanted to share with you the impact that the new building has had upon our finances. We'll compare the first 5 months of 2013 with the first 5 months of 2012.

We expected to see a significant reduction in facilities expense, and it has happened. After removing last year’s rent expense, our facilities costs have dropped 40% over last year. Our cost of insurance has dropped, as well as maintenance and utilities. Due to the smaller size of the building, we have also eliminated our need for part-time cleaning personnel.

Another area of realized cost savings is in our bank services. By paying off the former debt, we have saved over $5,000 in interest charges from last year. We have also changed banks which has saved us significantly on our bank service charges, while improving the service that we receive.

With the savings that we've seen this year, we've been able to update some of our worn-out equipment. While much of this equipment is behind the scenes and will never be seen directly by our viewers, its impact will be seen in programming improvements and increased productivity. In the coming months, we will be making some exciting announcements resulting from these purchases.