WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

WELL, HERE WE ARE, THE LAST TWO WEEKS OF THE SUMMER SEASON. SCHOOLS WILL BE OPEN FOR BUSINESS TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY. NOW INSTEAD OF GROANING ABOUT THAT, YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY YOU DON'T LIVE IN SOME OTHER NEIGHBORING STATES. WE HAD COMPANY OVER THE WEEKEND FROM ILLINOIS. THEIR SCHOOLS STARTED TWO WEEKS AGO. THAT'S TOO EARLY! AND THEN MY FORMER YOUTH PASTOR AND HIS WIFE DROPPED BY THE STATION YESTERDAY. THEY NOW LIVE IN THE ATLANTA AREA. THEY SAID THEIR SCHOOLS ALSO STARTED TWO WEEKS AGO. FEELING BETTER ABOUT SCHOOL NOT STARTING FOR ANOTHER TWO WEEKS?

MY FORMER YOUTH PASTOR IS THE ONE WHO INFLUENCED ME TO PURSUE CHRISTIAN RADIO. IT'S A LONG STORY BUT I ACTUALLY STARTING DOING SOME ANNOUNCING MY SENIOR YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS. NOW MY FORMER YOUTH PASTOR IS ALSO INVOLVED IN CHRISTIAN RADIO ON A FULLTIME BASIS.

YESTERDAY I TOOK A CALL FROM A LISTENER ASKING IF THERE WAS STILL ANY ROOM ON THE BUS HEADING FOR THE NATIONAL QUARTET CONVENTION. FOR ANYONE ELSE WONDERING THE SAME, THE ANSWER IS YES. I HAVE FOUR OPEN SEATS AVAILABLE. THE TRIP IS SEPTEMBER 24-30.

WE ALSO HAVE 10 SEATS AVAILABLE FOR OUR OCTOBER TRIP TO MACKINAC ISLAND. DATES FOR THAT TRIP ARE OCTOBER 20-22. FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WRVM.ORG. OR CALL US, AS ANOTHER LISTENER DID YESTERDAY, AND REQUEST A TRIP BROCHURE BE MAILED TO YOU.

I MENTIONED THAT TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OPEN FOR A NEW YEAR. TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY WILL ALSO BE THE FIRST DAY WE'LL RECEIVE MAIL IN SEPTEMBER. THAT'S SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE SEPTEMBER IS OUR BIRTHDAY LETTER MONTH. YOU'LL HAVE THE ENTIRE LABOR DAY WEEKEND TO WRITE YOUR LETTER AND GET IT INTO A MAILBOX. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU.

AND AFTER THIS SUMMER WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU. FINANCIALLY WE MADE IT THROUGH THE SUMMER BUT HAD TO DIP INTO OUR RESERVE FUNDS QUITE HEAVILY. PLUS, WE HAVE AN IMPORTANT "SPECIAL" PROJECT THAT WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH STARTING IN SEPTEMBER. I'LL SAY MORE ABOUT THAT LATER.

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME FOR THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.