

MANAGER'S DESK FOR FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2020

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

I HAVE NOW SAT AT THE MANAGER'S DESK FOR 24 YEARS AND ONE MONTH. THE YEARS HAVE GONE BY QUICKLY. 24 OF THE NOW NEARLY 53 YEARS THAT WRVM HAS BEEN ON THE AIR. I'VE NOT ONLY BEEN HERE THE LONGEST OF ANY GENERAL MANAGER BUT I'M ALSO NOW THE OLDEST GENERAL MANAGER. MY PREDECESSOR, WENDELL BAXTER, RETIRED AT AGE 65. I AM NOW 66. AND I AM ASKED MORE AND MORE BY LISTENERS ABOUT MY RETIREMENT PLANS.

NOW, I'M NOT SAYING I DON'T HAVE RETIREMENT PLANS. BUT, THE LORD WILLING, I DON'T PLAN TO RETIRE ANYTIME SOON. IF YOU ENJOY WHAT YOU ARE DOING, AND I DO, AND GOD GIVES ME THE GOOD HEALTH TO DO IT, I HAVE NO IMMEDIATE PLANS TO RETIRE. IN ADDITION, OUR GRANDSON, JAKE, IS JUST STARTING 7TH GRADE THIS YEAR. SO, IT'S NOT LIKE WE COULD PICK UP AND TRAVEL WHENEVER WE WANTED.

AS I REFLECT ON MY YEARS HERE, IT NEVER GROWS OLD TO READ A LETTER FROM A LISTENER TELLING US HOW OUR BROADCASTS HAVE LED THEM TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S SAVING GRACE. OR OF A LIFE PUT BACK ON TRACK, A FAMILY HEALED, A YOUNG PERSON WHO COMMITS THEIR LIFE TO SERVING THE LORD. WHAT A PRIVILEGE IT HAS BEEN TO WITNESS ALL OF THIS.

I WILL NEVER FORGET HOW GOD CONTINUALLY PROVIDED FOR, NOT ONLY OUR NEEDS, BUT THE MANY EXPANSION PROJECTS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WE WERE ABLE TO DO. WE'VE GROWN FROM ONE FULL POWER STATION AND 10 TRANSLATORS TO 6 FULL POWER RADIO STATIONS, 27 TRANSLATOR STATIONS AND WE'RE ABLE TO STREAM OUR RADIO SIGNAL AROUND THE WORLD. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO KEEP OUR BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT UP TO DATE AS WELL. AND ALL WITHOUT INCURRING ANY DEBT. WE NEVER HAD TO BORROW THE FIRST DOLLAR TO GET SOMETHING DONE. TO SIT HERE AND WITNESS THE HAND OF GOD AT WORK LIKE THIS LEAVES AN IMPRESSION.

AND IT'S BEEN DONE EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE GONE AGAINST WHAT THE EXPERTS SAID WE SHOULD BE DOING TO RAISE SUPPORT. NO SHARE-A-THONS. NO BULK MAILINGS. JUST A SIMPLE REMINDER TO YOU, OUR LISTENERS, THAT IT IS YOU THAT MAKES THIS RADIO MINISTRY POSSIBLE. YOUR FAITHFUL PRAYERS AND GIFTS HAVE SUSTAINED THIS CHRISTIAN RADIO MINISTRY OVER THE YEARS. I PRAISE GOD FOR YOU. THANK YOU FOR 24 GREAT YEARS. I LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT GOD WILL DO IN THE TIME HE LEFT FOR ME HERE.

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