



FAMILY RADIO TODAY

Read the Bible. Hear the Word of God.

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Family Radio's 58th Anniversary



If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that. James 4:15

On February 4, 2017, Family Radio celebrated its 58th year of service to the Lord. It was on Wednesday at 12:00 noon that the hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," rang throughout the airwaves of the San Francisco Bay Area announcing the newest arrival to the FM radio dial.

Back then, FM radio was a fairly new medium for broadcasting. Most people listened to their AM radios for news and information. It was a tremendous step of faith to venture into the FM arena, but God had His hand on the ministry and has blessed it all these years.



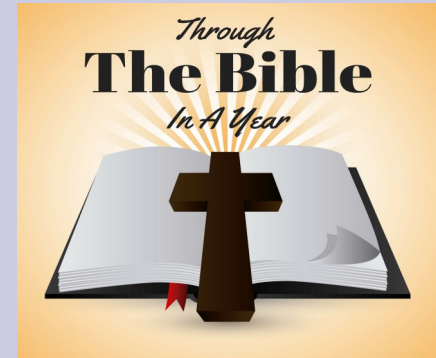
Today, as Family Radio looks to the future, new platforms are arising where people are receiving their information for news and entertainment. Through the use of the Internet, people now download the programs they choose to hear to their computers and handheld devices.

Many broadcasters have become accommodating to their audiences by podcasting their programs to listeners -- both nationwide, as well as globally.

God's commission to "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel" (Mark 16:15) is as relevant today as it was then when our Lord initiated His command.

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New Program on Family Radio



Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

Family Radio is airing a new program called, "Through the Bible in a Year," by Larry Milliken.

This program is to help encourage listeners to travel with us through the Bible as it's read from Genesis through Revelation over the course of a year. The program follows our printed guide, also entitled, "Through the Bible in a Year." The printed brochure is a handy locator of the program's daily readings, and is available free for the asking from Family Radio!



As for God, His way is perfect: the Word of the LORD is tried: He is a buckler to all those that trust in Him.

Psalm 18:20

Everything we do at Family Radio is to enable people to discover, read, trust, and profess the Word of God, the Bible.

Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak... John 16:13

In Remembrance and Thanks

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you... Philippians 1:3

Jon Farrington Contract Engineer for KDFR

Jon Farrington, a contract engineer for over 25 years for KDFR, 91.3 FM, Des Moines, IA, passed away on Friday, Dec. 30, 2016, succumbing to an illness that he had endured for a few years.

His hard work ethic, willingness to help out with engineering or computer issues for station manager Larry Vavroch, and dedication to the profession of broadcasting will always be remembered.



“Jon helped with KDFR 91.3 FM in Des Moines for many years and while I never got to meet him personally, his reputation was well established as an amazing engineer and friend of Family Radio. His son, Joe, helped at KDFR when Jon was not able to, as he had inherited Jon's same abilities to help make broadcasting happen. Jon was always willing to help out through thick and thin. Our prayers are with his family as they feel their great loss...” *Jennifer Burkhiser, Director of Compliance & Issues Programming for Family Radio*

“Jon was a great help to us at KDFR Family Radio in Des Moines. I have only had the privilege of knowing him the past 10 years and am grateful for the things I learned from him. He will be greatly missed. May God comfort his family in this time.” *Ted Price, Regional Engineer, Family Radio*

Jon is survived by his wife of 52 years, Arlee; four children - Jackie Bevilacqua of Universal City, TX, Chuck (Shelley) Ponxs of Des Moines, IA, Shelly (Kelly) Bissell of Woodstock, IL, and Joseph (Jeannie) Farrington of Des Moines, IA; ten grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; three siblings - David (Judy) Farrington, Mary Kay Jensen, Sue (Dennis) Hagedorn, and sister-in-law, Elaine Farrington, all of the Des Moines, IA, area.

We are so grateful to God for using Jon Farrington to help out with the Family Radio outreach, and pray that our Lord would surround his family with His peace and love!

Moving into the Future (continued)

Along with its terrestrial radio broadcasts over AM and FM stations located in various areas of the U.S. and internationally, the ministry is expanding its outreach over the Internet through program downloads, podcasting, and its app for handheld devices.

Millions and millions of people of all ages and nationalities are accessing the Internet in various ways. Now that Family Radio is available online, listeners can access our Bible-focused content from virtually anywhere in the world.

Pray that as we begin our 59th year of ministry, the Lord's Word would have free course in reaching people everywhere, as II Thessalonians 3:1 says:

...pray for us, that the Word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you...



Words of Comfort, Words of Hope!

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jeremiah 29:11

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. Romans 5:6

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isaiah 40:31

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity. I Corinthians 13:13

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. I John 4:7

What People Are Saying...

“I can't believe that I found you on my FM dial. I was looking for some faith-based music, calming while I was waiting in traffic. I am in Brooks, Oregon, just outside of Salem. We get you clear as a bell. Love the music and the programming - fits our family's needs. Blessing and Thank you for being there.” *Jacque, Brooks, Oregon*

“I would like to express my gratitude to our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ for the ministry of Family Radio. These are tough times for many people including myself, but the ministry of Family Radio is indeed a blessing from On High. I love the series of vignettes about Christmas and the journey through Scripture leading to Bethlehem. They are absolutely wonderful. I especially appreciate Mr. Evan's "Issues and Answers." His way of explaining key points about doctrine, Scripture, and Family Radio is straight forward and clear. It helps me to grasp some difficult concepts of faith and salvation. Thank you to all the workers at Family Radio for providing truly meaningful Christmas music and features. May God continue to bless and cause Family Radio to proclaim the life-saving Word of our most precious Lord until His Glorious return!” *Frederick*

“Thank you for the beautiful music and the true Gospel teachings which you send out over the airwaves. I discovered Family Radio in July, 1975, and wish to always be able to listen to it. My husband and I are faith partners. I am sending a gift in memory of my mother, Maxine, who died in September. I thank God for the parents He gave me, as well as for Family Radio. May He continue to bless you.” *Love, Janice, Denville, NJ*