



Missionary News From Henry & Janet Marsh Fall 2007



Positive EFFECT

Exciting. **F**rustrating. **F**ruitful. **E**ducational. **C**hallenging. **T**iring. Put them together and what does it spell? In one word: iteration. Well, yes, *technically* it's **EFFECT**, but what it really describes is the process every AGWM missionary goes through to raise the prayer and financial support required for missionary service.

Iteration involves lots of phone calls, emails, travel, services, meetings, contacts, appeals, and more. It can be a roller coaster ride from joy to disappointment between extremes of unexpected generosity in response and unanticipated decreases in support.

Over the last year we've taken that ride, iterating *and* maintaining our ongoing ministry responsibilities. We'd like to say that all has gone smoothly in those efforts, but the reality is that as we near the end of our "furlough" in December, we're facing a significant shortfall in required support. Approximately \$1400 in monthly commitments and \$11,000 in cash reserves are still needed to reach our budget.

Is there an easy solution to this challenge? We haven't found one, but we're open to your suggestions! Ultimately, we know it comes down to prayer, partnership, and provision. Simply put, we are praying for partners who will be channels of God's provision.

If you're already a partner, THANK YOU, and please pray with us for more who'll respond. And if you aren't, there still is an opportunity to make a difference.

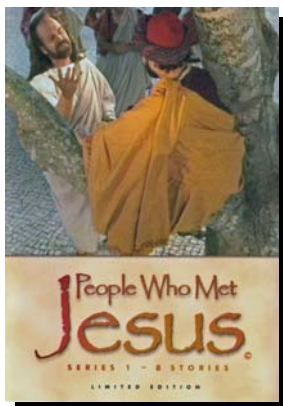
Want to have a *positive* EFFECT on our generation? Your investment now can help us continue to provide media production, training, and consultation services to media ministries, missionaries, and national churches around the world. Together, we can multiply missions through media!

Henry & Janet Marsh



In Review: The Bible Stories Video Project

For nearly ten years, we served as missionaries with **International Media Ministries**, based in Brussels, Belgium. During those years we worked on many different IMM programs, projects, and training activities in various languages and locations. One of the most interesting is the **Bible Stories Video Project**. **BSVP** was born out of a need for national churches, missionaries, and media ministries



to have access to high-quality, affordable Biblical drama footage for use in television programs. Most existing materials such as feature films offer limited availability at best and when clips can be used in other productions, the cost is excessive.

IMM partnered with Missionary Producer Christopher Gornold-Smith to initially produce a dramatized video story of the nativity to be used in a Christmas special for Slovakian national television. The concept expanded into two International Christmas programs that were produced in many languages and broadcast across Europe.

The success of that first nativity story demonstrated the potential of dramatic video segments as a visual, story-telling approach. Jesus often told stories to communicate a deeper spiritual truth and people from every culture still respond to that method. Thus, **People Who Met Jesus Series 1 & 2**, **The Parables of Jesus**, and **The Path of Jesus** were created by IMM as a library of reenacted Bible stories designed to make the Scriptures come alive.

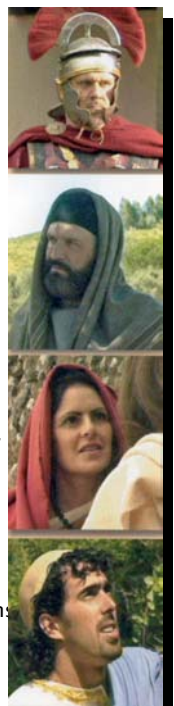
The historically accurate, culturally appropriate, and highly dramatic stories were specifically designed to be embedded in broadcasts. In addition to English versions, they're available with music and effects tracks only, making it possible to easily and quickly dub a new voice-over in any language.

Response to the stories has been very positive and they are now being used around the world for broadcast, as well as small group studies, Christian education classes, and personal inspiration. Stories have been licensed and dubbed in 20+ languages including Arabic, Berber, Bosnian, Farsi, Icelandic, Korean, and Turkish.

I've had the privilege of being involved in many **BSVP** video shoots, both behind and in front of the camera. In fact, I was featured as the tax collector turned disciple, Matthew, in one of the **People Who Met Jesus** episodes. It's hard to imagine that my face is being seen around the world. That's scary and exciting at the same time!

Now, **IMM** is set to begin a project that will use many of the **BSVP** visual materials and add much new content in a new video series, **Opening The Bible**. The programs will be designed for entertainment, education, and inspiration, featuring rich visualization.

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The series is projected to include twenty-six 30-minute programs surveying both the Old and New Testaments. Footage and segments created for the series will also be available for use in other programs and as enrichment content for various evangelism and discipleship applications.

Production will begin on **Opening The Bible** with a pilot program introducing the New Testament. Once again, Matthew will make an appearance, but now as an aged apostle writing his Gospel account of the ministry of Jesus. And once again, I will have the privilege of portraying him on screen!

In December I'll travel to **IMM's** new studio facilities in Madrid, Spain, for shooting and consultations about **IMM** projects and training initiatives. Please pray that God will bless these efforts and that recording will go well. Pray also for the IMM production team and leadership as they work to move the project forward. In addition, \$1600 is still needed to cover Henry's participation in the production and any offering toward this need would be appreciated.



IMM crew shooting BSVP footage on location.

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View BSVP stories online at: http://www.network211.com/streaming_media/video/PeopleWhoMetJesus/MetJesus_list.cfm.



AGWM Media Commission Meets In Indianapolis



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In August, the **World Missions Media Commission** held its annual meeting. The day-long event took place during the week of the Assemblies of God General Council and was hosted by Lakeview Church in Indianapolis. AGWM media ministry representatives, missionaries, and regional leadership gathered to share updates, discuss challenges and opportunities, and pray together. Lakeview pastor, Ron Bontrager, shared a devotional message with the group. National Speed The Light representative, Rick Lorimer, was present to talk about the partnership between AGWM and STL, especially in relation to media outreach. Also participating were David and Mary Boyd, national leaders of BGMC, whose investment has played a vital part in many missions projects.

Following the meeting, the Media Commission hosted a display in the AGWM exhibit area of the General Council. The theme "Media Matters" was highlighted in video presentations and materials given to hundreds of visitors. It was a great opportunity to see some old friends and make new ones! Henry & Janet organized the logistics and operation for both the Media Commission meeting and convention exhibit.



Romania Media Course

Located in Oradea, Romania, **Eastern Europe Bible College** is committed to training a new generation of leaders for ministry. To help effectively address new opportunities and needs, EEBC is introducing a minor in Media to their curriculum. Henry will teach the first course in the program, "Introduction To Communication" in November.



Eastern Europe Bible College students.

Please pray for Henry as he finalizes preparations and for the students who take the course to assimilate the information that will be presented in the week-long, intensive format. Funds are still needed to cover expenses for the class. To make an online donation, please go to this link: <https://secure2.ag.org/contributions/detail.cfm?LedgerID=D550A75C-4C8F-4B56-884D-2D0ACDA4B96C>.



Family Focus

Fall has arrived and with it, school is back in session. Matthew returned a few weeks before it began after spending most of the summer working at Georgia District camps. He's just begun his senior year at Kickapoo High School and recently landed a role in this year's school musical, "Oklahoma". As he anticipates graduation, he's considering a year of Master's Commission service and then ??? Drew is now in his junior year at Evangel University. After weighing various options, he's planning to complete his bachelor's degree in Mathematics and then pursue a graduate degree in Computer Engineering.

Janet continues to provide accounting assistance to Network 211, along with helping Henry with various Media Commission needs. She also enjoys her hobby of jewelry-making in her spare time. In addition to his work on several overseas projects, Henry's focus through the end of this year will involve additional iteration and support-raising activities. Please remember him in prayer as he travels.

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About Us

Henry & Janet Marsh are veteran missionaries, having served more than twenty years on three continents. As Appointed Media Specialists their missions work is unique. Henry has utilized his media education and expertise on projects in nearly 30 countries from Iceland to South Africa.

Past service has included assignments with International Correspondence Institute, International Media Ministries, Southern Africa Media Ministries, and Global University.

Currently, Henry serves as Facilitator for the **World Missions Media Commission**, assisting missionaries, ministries, and national churches around the world with production, training, and consultation projects. Janet provides accounting services for www.Network211.com, an AGWM international ministry.

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