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Pat Briggs with Kathleen & Mike Kamptner

I Just Want to Make God Smile...

A few months ago, we featured a story of how Pat Briggs, a member of the 13th Street SDA Church in Cadillac, shared with friend and co-worker Mike Kamptner about Strong Tower Radio 91.9FM in Cadillac. Mike began to listen and was thrilled with the stories, preaching and teaching. After an invitation from Pat, Mike and his wife Kathleen began to attend Sabbath School and Worship Services regularly, and also began a Bible study group in their home.

After attending "Unlock Revelation," Kathleen made the decision to be baptized. Asked why baptism was so important to her, she said, "I love our Dear Heavenly Father more than ever! Baptism affirms my identity in Jesus. It's a declaration of all of the newness of biblical awareness I've received over the past year, through new friendships, love and studies with our church family. It weaves me closer to Jesus. Baptism is a visible replication of his death, burial and resurrection and my desire to do the same with my life today and forever more. Most of all, I just want to make God smile!"

Written by George Corliss

A Sign from Heaven...



It all began with a sign. Viola is a delivery driver and this day found her working in the City of Midland. Her route took her by the Midland SDA Church, where their sign flashed information about Strong Tower Radio 90.7FM, a new Christian radio station in town. Viola, who loved spiritual things, immediately tuned to Strong Tower Radio and began listening. Her heart stirred within her and she began to fall deeply in love with the truths she was hearing day by day.

Ken Benton

Viola soon shared Strong Tower Radio with her brother Ken, and he too, fell in love with the truths being proclaimed. After listening for a few months, both Viola and Ken decided they wanted to begin attending the SDA Church.

That next Sabbath found Viola and Ken at the Estey SDA Church, sitting on the edge of their seats, listening to the pastor's sermon on the subject of the "state of the dead." Having listened much to Strong Tower Radio, they were already well acquainted with this truth, yet the



David Benton

pastor brought up additional thoughts that caught their attention. At the conclusion of the service, they met the pastor, had quite a discussion and received an invitation to come again. So excited about what they had learned, Viola and Ken came the next Sabbath and brought their father David with them!

Ken and David continued to attend faithfully, accepting Jesus as their Lord and Saviour and after a few months of additional study and prayer were baptized! They now await a crucified, risen and soon coming Saviour to take them home to Glory Street in New Jerusalem. Ken and David continue to pray for Viola, who has experienced some bumps in the road in her spiritual life. They would like to invite you to join them in praying for her, as "God is not willing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance."

Written by George Corliss

The Door is Always Open...



Bob & Renee Masterson with Pastor Jed Genson

As everyone said, "Amen!" to conclude Prayer Meeting, there was a knock at the back door of the church. Bob pushed the door open and immediately began to weep as he blurted out that his son had just committed suicide and collapsed into our arms. On that cold February evening, our entire church family quickly surrounded Bob, and prayed, comforted and wept with him. We exchanged phone numbers and invited Bob and his wife to come to church and worship with us during the upcoming Sabbath.

That next Sabbath Bob and his wife Renee came to church. They joined with us in worshipping a God of love, hope, patience and peace. Bob and Renee soon began attending church regularly and our members worked meticulously with the Holy Spirit, discipling them into the truth. They quickly excepted Jesus as their Lord and Saviour, continued to study and grow, and soon were baptized.

But why did Bob burst through the back door of the Northwoods SDA Church on that cold February evening months ago? Bob works for Luce County and drives truck, plowing snow and fixing roads throughout the year. While working, Bob listens diligently to Strong Tower Radio 97.9FM which covers the eastern U.P. He had come to trust the message he heard each day, and when Bob needed spiritual help, he sought out the nearest Seventh-day Adventist Church. Please continue to pray for Bob and Renee, as it is still a tremendous struggle dealing with the death of their son.

Written by Jed Genson

A Note from Tami & Pat...



Tami & Pat Milligan

Pat and I are excited to be Strong Tower Covenant Partners! Why? Because God is able to use the money He gives us to share the Good News of Salvation and Eternal Life with so many! We get to be a part of participating in hastening the Second Coming of Christ. Won't you join us? Only when we are in heaven at last, will we know how our contributions – large and small - provided life and hope to our human family. This is the only contribution that will have eternal results to the Glory of God. With such a rich inheritance, we cannot be selfish and not share this living hope with others!

From the Pen of Inspiration...

"When you enter within the gates into the city, and the crown of life is placed upon your brow and on the brow of the very ones you have worked to save, they will cast themselves upon your neck, and say, 'It was you that saved my soul. I should have perished, if you have not saved me from myself. You had to take a good while, but you were patient with me and won me to the knowledge of the truth."

"And then, as they lay their crowns at the feet of Jesus, and touch their golden harps that have been placed in their hands, and unite in praising and glorifying their Redeemer, and they realize that theirs is the great blessing of everlasting life, there will be rejoicing indeed. And oh, the thought that we may be instrumental, under God, in helping to show men and women the way of salvation, while living on this earth!" Manuscript 15, 1909, pp 5, 11-12, 14-15.

What's in Your Purse?



Bernice & George in Lansing

A few months ago, I was working in my kitchen, when I received a strong impression from the Lord that I needed to clean out my purse. Clean out my purse? I ignored his voice at first, but then the impression came back again and again. Finally, I gave in and did as I was asked and found a business card advertising a Christian radio station called Strong Tower

Radio. Hmmm... Where did that come from? I tossed the card on the counter and finished cleaning out my purse.

During the next few days every time I went into the kitchen my eyes were drawn to that business card. Finally, I picked it up and placed it on the wall next to my phone. Yet my eyes were still drawn to that card each time I entered the kitchen.

Could God be answering my prayers? The week before, I had decided to leave my church after many years of Christian service. I had prayed for God to provide me with the things I needed to continue growing closer to Jesus... great Christian music, Bible studies, a pastor who could answer my questions and a church family who would love me unconditionally.

I went back into the kitchen and looked at that card again. I then sat down, tuned into 104.7FM on my radio and began to listen to Strong Tower Radio. The first person I heard was Doug Batchelor, answering questions from listeners who phoned in. That program was quickly followed by an hour of music and then more preaching. This was a confirmation directly from God, a blessing from him, that until he placed me into the church he wanted me to attend, this radio station was to be my church. This station was to feed me the "Bread of Life" on a daily basis.

Gradually I have begun to attend the Lansing SDA Church and am now studying the Bible with Pastor Jacob Gibbs. I strongly support Strong Tower Radio with my prayers and financial support. I also routinely give away bunches of STR Promo Cards (like the one I found in my purse) every week, giving others the opportunity to "Taste and see that the Lord is good!" So, what's in your purse?

From an Interview with Bernice Turpening

The Glory Street Project

"For we are labourers together with God!"1 Corinthians 3:9

Strong Tower Radio is currently working fervently with our Lord **to reserve** mansions on "Glory Street" in New Jerusalem with those who have fell in love with a crucified, risen and soon coming Saviour through one of Strong Tower Radio's eleven radio stations. Below are just a few of the returns on previous investments that have been made. Don't miss out! **Take time to invest in "Heavenly Things" today!**



Kathleen & Mike - 13th St



Ken - Estey



Jeanie - Kalkaska



David - Estey



Sandra - Gladwin



Dustin & Sarah - Reed City



Coral - Gladwin



Mark & Mary - Midland



Bob & Renee - Northwoods



Carol - Houghton Lake



Bernie - Alpena



Sheila - Houghton Lake

January Goal: \$50,000.00

For every \$10 investment made, you give us the ability to reach 100 people with the "Everlasting Gospel" for an entire year! Currently, about five million people reside within our broadcast footprint. If we raise \$50,000.00 during the month of January, this would ensure 1/2 million people would be able to listen 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, throughout 2018! There is no better financial investment you can make at this time in earth's history.

How to Make Your Investment...

You can choose to become a monthly "Covenant Partner" or make a "One-Time" Contribution by check, money order or credit card. <u>Visit our secure website at www.strongtowerradio.org</u>, call 231-468-2087 or mail your investment to STR, PO Box 567, Cadillac, MI 49601.

Investor's Information...

YES! We choose to become a STR "Cove	enant Partner" and will make a month
investment in Strong Tower Radio of \$	

YES! We choose to make a one-time investment in STR of \$

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Account Number:		

(Note: Receipts for 2017 will be mailed January 1 - 31, 2018.)