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<b>9/6-8</b>	<b>U.P. Camp Meeting</b>	Camp Sagola, MI
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<b>9/14</b>	<b>Kam Ferguson</b>	Wilson Seventh-day Adventist Church
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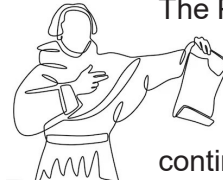
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**Pastor**  
John Bradshaw

## The Reformation in Light of Prophecy

It is a modern marvel that an event so incredibly consequential can today be largely forgotten.



The Protestant Reformation impacted kingdoms and nations.

While there was persecution on a breathtaking scale, multiplied millions of people came to saving faith in Jesus. The Reformation brought the Bible to entire continents that had languished in darkness and delivered biblical Christianity to the world. But if this were, indeed, the "Protestant" Reformation, we would do well to ask ourselves who was protesting and about what?

In 1517, a young German priest nailed to the door of the castle church in the town of Wittenberg a list of 95 points upon which the Roman Catholic Church had departed from the teachings of the Bible. Many of Martin Luther's 95 theses spoke against the unbiblical teachings of purgatory and indulgences. Rome taught - as it does today - that the souls of believers not yet fit for heaven are punished for their sins in preparation for eternity. Indulgences are a lessening of one's time in purgatory and may be earned by performing certain good deeds or financial contributions to the church.



In Luther's time, sellers of indulgences were dispatched far and wide to raise money for the construction of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. One such seller of false hope was Johannes Tetzel, whose extortion and deceit were witnessed first-hand by Luther in Wittenberg. Poorly educated Catholics were told by Tetzel (sent on his errand of deception by the Archbishop of Mainz) that the moment they handed over their money, the soul of their family member would immediately be released from purgatory and would travel to heaven. Fueled by the rampant falsehood and corruption within Catholicism at the time, the Reformation rapidly gained ground.



David Buldoc,  
President

From our inception, Strong Tower Radio has been a mission-driven ministry. The first donation was from a recently baptized member of the Decatur, IL, church where Bethany and I were members. She gave \$100 in 2007! My wife Bethany and her father, our first treasurer, took those funds and opened a bank account in Cadillac, MI. Unfortunately, the donor and treasurer passed away before our first station, WGCP, aired in December 2009.

In faith, they believed the station would be built. Look at what the Lord has done since then!

**BLESSED!**

We know the Lord is behind a station when the enemy tries to push back. We have to go through an FCC-prescribed process before a station goes on the air full-time. Our Tower Hill station is being held up by paperwork. When we sent in reports detailing how the equipment was installed, our design engineer noticed some issues that needed to be resolved. We are working through those and have sent additional reports to the FCC. We trust that we will receive permission to begin broadcasting very soon.

Our engineer, Del Reynolds, has been a big help. He has revived a transmitter that will help us save funds for building our Greenville station. We just got permission to move forward with the work on Port Sanilac, Owosso, South Haven, and Manistique. We only have a short time left to build these stations. Please pray that the Lord will open a way to get them on the air before year's end!

We have a limited number of STR Supporter stickers that measure about 3" x 4". If you would like one, please include a note with your next donation, and we will send one out to you. We also have a limited number of pins produced for the recent Pathfinder Camporee. Call us for details about ordering a set.

I am encouraged by the number of people who have supported STR even though they were in an area where it would be impossible for them to hear one of our stations. In faith, they knew someone would listen to the station and be touched by its message. Summer has often been a low time for funding, but we trust that the Lord will get us through these difficult times. Please consider giving a special donation to help us keep YOUR growing ministry on the air.

## A Strong Tower



I recently sat eating lunch in the main floor meeting room at Strong Tower Radio's (STR) studio office in Cadillac, MI. as I looked out the window, I was startled when a brown bird hit the window and dropped to the deck. "Dumb bird," I thought to myself, but I quickly tossed that idea when a hawk landed on the deck railing. This bird had flown into one of our windows trying to escape death from a young red-tailed hawk. I stood up and went to the door, and the hawk flew off without the bird.

That experience reminded me of STR's purpose as a ministry: to proclaim God's character 24/7/365 through broadcasting the everlasting gospel in the context of the Three Angels' Messages. Strong Tower Radio is more than a haven for birds to escape death; this ministry serves as a refuge and beacon of light in a world of darkness!



I've spoken with several men recently who've told me that listening to STR has changed them and the way that they live. Praise God, and thank you for helping to keep Strong Tower Radio broadcasting lifesaving truth day after day! In this world of abundant narratives that dress up lies to look like truth, the full gospel goes forth conquering and to conquer in Jesus' name.

While some are initially stunned or angered by what they hear on STR, when they test it to the Bible and genuinely desire God's will, they're convicted. The Holy Spirit works further in these listeners, stirring them to action, and they move forward in faith to live for Jesus and join His family on Earth.

Glory hallelujah! We pray God's continued blessings upon you as you help reach Michigan and the world through the broadcast of STR!



Kam Ferguson,  
Development  
Director



Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication. We enjoy so many STR programs every day. God Bless you all in your endeavors! Love, DL and NS — Manistee

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## CURRENT EVENTS

What has God wrought? A single vesper program ten years ago at the Mt. Pleasant Seventh-day Adventist Church thought to be just 'One and Done,' took on a life of its



Tom Mejeur  
Program Director

own. They invited Strong Tower Radio's George Corliss to host this radio-themed program to make it more realistic. It was so real that they have cast almost 40 more performances, and it has become a Strong Tower Radio program. Providentially, a quartet performed in that original Vesper program. George, who used to sing in a quartet, suggested they represent the radio ministry and become the "Strong Tower Radio Quartet."

Join us in person for a significant milestone, the Strong Tower Radio Variety Hour's 10th Anniversary Concert at the Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church, 2420 E Ashman Street, on September 14th, 6-8 p.m. This anniversary program will run the original two hours long to fit in all the groups to mark this occasion. The celebration will include singing, a history presentation, and a 10-year recap slideshow. A reception will follow featuring a specially created commemorative cake. You will not want to miss this milestone one-of-a-kind program.

Looking for an opportunity to meet Strong Tower Radio staff? We will be at the Michigan Upper Peninsula Camp Meeting on September 6 and 7 at Camp Sagola in Sagola, Michigan.

Several STR exclusive programs will be aired in September. We were on location with the **Little Band of Ottawa Indians'** fish biologist to learn how they reclaim Lake Sturgeon (to support and increase their prevalence in our Great Lakes and tributaries.) Before sundown, we headed to the Little Manistee River to set drift nets to catch the one-inch minnows to take to the hatchery. These fish grow five-plus inches in five months and are then returned to the rivers from which they originated.

The Arctic Grayling fish (locally extinct since 1936) will be reintroduced to northern Michigan cold-water streams in April 2025. We interviewed one of the fish biologists conducting the site surveys, so you can be on top of this exciting story.

We interviewed one of **Dow Gardens** garden designers during a behind-the-scenes tour. We also visited the first wood-framed house built in Bay City, the **Trombley House**, and then toured the **Leader Dog for the Blind** headquarters in Rochester Hills. We are traveling to **Southern Adventist University** to interview the School of Religion faculty on several topics.

Stay tuned to hear these exciting programs!

## Changed Lives: The Fruit of Sacrifice

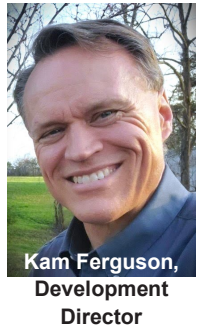
We continue to meet STR listeners in many places, both geographically throughout Michigan and in their spiritual experiences with the ministry broadcast. Many of you give sacrificially to support this ministry, and there is much fruit developing from your sacrifice. Let me share a few of them with you.

Val, who lives near Ludington, has been listening to STR for three months, and her friends have noticed that she is much happier. Discarding TV because of its poor content, she turned to radio and discovered STR. Val first heard the uplifting music one morning, then a powerful sermon, truth-filled children's stories, and loved it all. She especially likes the Michigan pastors' Biblical messages and encourages her friends to listen to STR!

My wife Jodi recently met a berry farmer near Muskegon who has listened to STR for several years. Just minutes before they met, he had been listening to an STR program on victory over addictions. He repeatedly shared how much he appreciates the messages he hears on STR. Praise God!

Dale is a veteran who discovered STR while looking for hope and a reason to live. Listening from northeastern Michigan for a few years now, he says the exposure to Bible truth has been changing his life. He initially resisted what he heard, such as the Bible speaking against alcohol: "I don't want to hear that!"

he thought. Yet through the clear Biblical sermons, Bible Q&A programs, health, and practical Christian living programs, along with music that uplifts Jesus, the Holy Spirit spoke to Dale. Convicted of both his value to God and his need of God's power in his life, Dale began experiencing transformation. He says "I pray regularly now, and truth is sinking in deeper. I confront my inner man instead of avoiding him, and God strengthens me. I've been free of alcohol for almost three years, tobacco for almost 2 years, and unclean foods for over one year, praise God!"



Kam Ferguson,  
Development  
Director



Have you heard about the gofundme for WAVC?

Yes! I've already donated and I'm telling my friends about it too!



### The Fruit of Sacrifice (Continued from page 3)

Eric lives in central Michigan and listens to STR while driving a parcel delivery route. He has listened for several years and has been convicted by what he's heard. He has begun attending his local Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) church, and while he hasn't joined yet, on the Sabbath that I met him, he had scheduled a Bible study that afternoon to introduce some friends to the three angels' messages! Glory to God!

These testimonies showcase a few examples of the Holy Spirit working through the STR broadcast to change lives. **We've observed that STR listeners often listen for 2-3 years before making a decision to accept the everlasting gospel and move forward by faith. Thank you for your ongoing prayer and financial investment.** The fruit of your sacrifice both increases and ripens by the day and souls are embracing the whole, life-transforming gospel of Jesus Christ!



Our Mio, MI radio station tower lease renews on September 1, 2024; we have been in negotiations with the tower owners for over a year. We now know our rent has doubled, and we owe the owners \$20,035. This is the only tower option in the area that will maintain our current coverage. The FCC is allowing us to run at reduced power, which is helping with our operating costs.

We are asking for donations of any size to help us reach our goal. You can support **WAVC** at our website or *STR.fm* and look for the graphic shown above.

Friends, do you remember the advertisement we ran month after month while we searched for God's choice for our new Office Manager? So do we! Good news, God brought her to us!

Please welcome Amy Fox to the STR team! Amy, hailing from the great Upper Peninsula, brings a unique blend of experience and passion to our team. She and her husband, Larry, are long-time supporters of STR, transitioning from listeners and financial supporters to members of our Advisory Committee to full-time team members. Their journey is a testament to the transformative power of God's Blessings. We confidently anticipate the positive impact (especially on the STR office) Amy will have!

So, don't be surprised if you hear a new voice on the phone when you call the station. Please give her time to acclimate as it will take awhile to fill the shoes vacated by the one and only Sandy Cole! By the way, Sandy Cole approves of this message!



### The Reformation in Light of Prophecy (Continued from page 2)

But that was then. Today, although there are numerous Protestant denominations worldwide, with adherents numbering in the multiplied millions, there seems to be little appetite for a solidly biblical faith. Thoughts of protest against Rome - which still promulgates the same errors it taught in Luther's day - have been almost entirely forsaken. The Roman Catholic papacy, identified by Luther and others as the antichrist of Bible prophecy, has risen to a position of unrivaled global power and prestige.

Yet the Bible indicates that the spirit of the Protestant Reformation will one day be revived. In Revelation 14, John writes that he "saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people" (**Rev 14:6**). That angel - representing God's people taking the message of the Bible to the world in Earth's last days - proclaims the final message of hope before the return of Jesus.

The first angel says, "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters" (**Rev 14:7**). In thirty-one words, the inhabitants of the world are called to surrender their lives to the God of heaven and live for His glory, informed that they are living in the time of Earth's final judgment, and invited to worship Jesus, the Creator. In an age when atheism, skepticism, and evolution combine to draw people away from faith in God, the final gospel message to go to the world declares - in the spirit of the Protestant Reformation - God's sovereignty as the architect of this vast universe.

The sign of God's power to create and recreate—the Sabbath of the fourth commandment—obscured in the six thousand years since the creation of the world is again brought into focus. Like the traditions of the Catholic Church opposed by Martin Luther and other Protestant reformers, the false Sabbath, Sunday, will be exposed in Earth's last days as fraudulent, a counterfeit, leading people away from a genuine relationship with the Creator.

The messages of the second and third angels call people out of spiritual confusion and into an entire surrender to God at a time when the world has little appetite for biblical Christianity.

Empowered by divine power, the everlasting gospel will reach every corner of the world. In the spirit of the Reformation, men and women, boys and girls, will rest their faith on the Bible, not tradition, in preparation for the return of Jesus.

As John prayed in the final prayer of the Bible, "Even so, come Lord Jesus" (**Rev 22:20**).