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An Amazing Fact: The sperm whale is one of the biggest mammals on earth, growing to more than 65 feet long and nearly 65 tons. But it's also well-known for having one of the loudest calls in the animal kingdom. Their short, echolocation clicking noises can reach 230 decibels—your eardrum can rupture at 165 decibels! Researchers believe that these low-frequency sounds can travel more than 10,000 miles in ocean waters.



#### Dear friend,

How far away can your voice be heard? The normal range without amplification is about 600 feet. Some powerful human voices, like that of evangelist George Whitfield, can be heard over miles. In one case, under optimal conditions, a human voice was detected at ten miles across still water at night!

Yet louder than any human or animal voice is God's message of everlasting life—a message of hope that you are bringing to countless listening ears all around the globe. Indeed, your gifts of love express the loud cry of Jesus Christ even in some of the most isolated places on earth.

# "You Are My Church!"

It breaks my heart that so many lonely souls have no church to call home. Many are longing for truth, weary of hearing doctrines from pulpits that don't match what their Bibles say about the Sabbath, the afterlife, and the Second Coming.

Take Mrs. Li in China. She contacted Amazing Facts to say that her Sunday church study group had "stumbled upon" our Chinese-language website. (You and I both know this was a divine appointment!) She says, "Through the preaching of Pastor Doug, we understood the Ten Commandments and the truth about the Sabbath. We realized this was from the Bible!"

While their pastor has rejected their call for worship reformation, Mrs. Li says her group has faithfully "decided to keep the Sabbath. We have more than a hundred people gathering together each Sabbath to watch Pastor Doug's sermons and study the Bible. We thank God and ask for His continued leading." Amen!

Praise the Lord that these souls, who don't have a Sabbath-keeping church to attend nearby, can now join Amazing Facts each week for solid Bible teaching. <u>I</u> thank Him for your faithfulness to provide a pulpit to the world—one that is <u>preaching pure truth from the Word!</u>

We get messages like this every week. Bwambale from Uganda tells me, "I always study the Sabbath School lesson with you on my smartphone. I can worship wherever I am." And Laura, a shut-in right here in America, says, "I can never get to church, so you are my church!"

Don't you see that you are loudly proclaiming God's final message and preparing hearts for Jesus' return *everywhere*? But we can't rest now, friend—indeed, the need to sound the final warning message across the planet is greater than it has ever been.

## A Growing Mission

Did you know that just last year, the world's population grew by over 80 million? That's now 7.2 billion souls who need Jesus. Yet only a small fraction has heard the Savior's name, and even a smaller fraction has heard the full three angels' messages.

So while your gifts are enabling Amazing Facts to reach more people than ever ...

- Visitors to our websites now reach 12.7 million each year
- 700,000 people in North America watch our broadcasts each week

... it's still *not enough* to keep up with the need to reach every nation, tongue, and kindred with the life-transforming name of Jesus—before it's too late.

In fact, in some ways, <u>Amazing Facts' evangelism opportunities are being severely restricted just as God is calling us to unleash our outreach like never before.</u> You see, our small, 50-year-old building is limiting our ability to grow and embrace new ways of reaching the world with the everlasting gospel.

As our staff crowds into tiny office spaces, we often must postpone new opportunities until space is freed up for staff and equipment. And our media studio, often interrupted by a noisy train track and roaring traffic, is inadequate for the quality and quantity of broadcasts we need to produce in order to reach the world for Christ. The more we are stifled by these facility limitations, the more desperate souls are kept from hearing His life-giving truth!

## A Pulpit to the World

But where humans see impossibility, God has opened a new possibility!

Because of your faithfulness, Amazing Facts is boldly moving forward on building the 96,000-square-foot W.O.R.D.—World Outreach, Revival, and Discipleship—Center on a hilltop just outside of influential Sacramento, California.

You can empower our staff and expand our resources to fully answer God's call to global ministry with this much-needed facility. It will also be the home of a modern church auditorium, where we can record and broadcast Bible programs at a higher quality and quantity than is currently possible. Programs for you to watch and to help reach your neighbors.



Thanks to your faithfulness, the new W.O.R.D. Center is taking shape!

It will also be a center of missionary training for thousands of men and women who will travel to foreign lands and plant new Sabbath-keeping churches. With the Lord's blessings and you as a partner, we will see this God-sized dream become a reality!

## **The Time for Absolute Commitment**

You and I both see the same thing: a world in crisis—violence, natural disasters, plagues—a world in desperate need of spiritual awakening. You also know that media of every kind is shutting down the so-called "dissenting" view that Jesus is the *only* way, the *only* truth, the *only* life!

I wouldn't be writing you today unless I believed that the W.O.R.D. Center will truly expand and maximize Amazing Facts' impact for Christ. I come to you, fellow servant, with faith and enthusiasm—but also a renewed sense of urgency. This is a crucial moment in the gospel work of Amazing Facts.

I'm asking you to step forward with me and countless others who have already made a sacrificial gift—to go above and beyond to help complete the W.O.R.D. Center. Millions of small groups and shut-ins around the world are relying on you and me to bring them these truths. We must give the trumpet a clear and decisive blast that will correct error and set souls free!

That's why it thrills me to see the W.O.R.D. Center taking shape. Site preparations are nearly complete—utility lines are in place, mountains of dirt have been moved, and foundations have been poured. But today, we are still short \$3,000,000 to fully fund this project.

We don't want this to stall in its tracks, and I believe the Lord will move on the hearts of His people to overcome this shortfall. Even as we see the finish line just ahead, I believe God would be glorified if we complete this project debt free—without having to slow down our other ministry programs. Will you please take a minute to get on your knees and pray for God to be honored through you and this ministry expansion?

#### Your Gift Will Be Doubled!

You won't be alone! Right now, dedicated partners who want to keep this ministry going strong while we construct the new facility will double your gift's effectiveness this month by offering a \$435,000 matching gift toward the W.O.R.D. Center. That means your gift of \$10 this month will actually be \$20 to expand worldwide evangelism. \$50 will become \$100. And your gift of \$100 today will be \$200 toward soul-winning broadcasts.

God has promised that if His people will build up His house, He will bless (Haggai 1:7–2:15). As my special thank-you for your gift this month, I will send you a message I recently gave my congregation called "The Value of a Soul." If you've ever needed encouragement about your worth in God's eyes and the importance of reaching others, I believe you and those with whom you share it will be blessed by this biblical message. And be sure to write down your prayer requests on the back of the enclosed card. As you pray for the W.O.R.D. Center, we want to pray for you!

Amazing Facts has come to the crossroad of great need and tremendous opportunity in reaching hurting lives for the Lord's eternal kingdom. Now is the time to turn up the volume and loudly proclaim God's final message to the world. Soon it will be too late to invest in the winning of souls. But today, the doors are open to preach the gospel through our multimedia ministry. Let's broadcast the Word together—loud, bold, and clear!

Thanking you in advance,

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P.S. For more than 50 years, Amazing Facts has been a pulpit of truth for people like Joseph in India, who watches our sermons and *Sabbath School Study Hour*. This is only possible because of you! Today, Amazing Facts especially needs you to complete this amplified megaphone to the world. Will you please help advance God's work by supporting the new W.O.R.D. Center, a pulpit to the world, with your gift today?