



A Change of Plan

Our Philippines team plans to record a minority language in Davao City, in the far south of the country, far from Manila. Mary Ann traveled to Davao to begin translating materials for a minority language group back in June. However, they encountered difficulties. It was challenging for the community to translate directly from English or Tagalog. To do so would require additional time to re-translate everything into their trade language. To streamline the process, they decided to first translate the materials into the trade language, Cebuano.

Mary Ann reached out to volunteers who were knowledgeable and skilled in Cebuano translation, and they agreed to complete the translation before the recording team's arrival in Davao in September.

David Sinden, an Aussie recordist, travelled to the Philippines from Australia to join them on this adventure. While he went to help them, it was hoped he would learn about the translation process and working with language helpers. It



was also planned that he would provide training to team members on some technical aspects of recording.

David arrived in Manila on schedule where he was met by Mary Ann. Being peak hour, they ate dinner in the airport as the traffic outside was a parking lot. This was David's first clue that life was to be very different for a while! The first couple of days David spent time working on his

African Herero recording while the team prepared for the trip. The team comprised of Jurine (Leader), Mary Ann (Recordist) and Hannah (Trainee Recordist).

Upon arrival in Davao City the team set about proofreading the translated scripts and assessing the recording space. Proofreading also turned out to be more time-consuming than expected, so

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several days was dedicated to this task. Their accommodation was a better recording space than the planned church. During the day their mattresses turned into a recording studio and at night they slept on them.

While you are working, you have to eat! David is a bit of a foodie and the team took great joy in introducing David to the local delicacies. Amazingly, on reporting back in Australia afterwards, he knew what all the dishes were called – and he had photographs of them too!

The original plan was to record the entire series of "Look, Listen, and Live" (LLL) and "Good News" (GN). Due to time constraints, they were only able to record the "Good News" and "Look, Listen, and Live" Books 1, 2, 3, and 5. Nonetheless, these recordings will make future translations into other local languages around Davao much easier. It was a great opportunity for Hannah to record with David and hone her skills. While in Davao City they also recorded music in Cebuano and

Manobo: Agusanon. The team wanted to learn the art of recording music, and it is one of David's strengths. This proved to be a valuable training exercise for Mary Ann and Hannah and should also provide some well recorded Christian music for the local church.

Upon returning to Manila, David and Hannah began the work of editing. They quickly discovered that David uses very different editing methods. It was a good opportunity for both Mary Ann and Hannah to learn more about editing and some advanced techniques. As this Every Language goes out, David and Hannah are working on their editing and program creation. Please pray for them as they do this. We are thankful for this project. It has been a learning experience for David, Hannah and Mary Ann.

Please pray that the finished recordings will be well received by the local community. Hannah plans on returning to Davao City in January to work with the translation team and begin translating the minority language using the already translated Cebuano scripts. Once the translation is complete, the team will return to Davao for the recording. Please pray for the successful completion of this project and that it would result in recordings that will be well used for God's glory.



Christine Platt
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GRN CAMP 2025

Please join us at our family camp!

Centre, 59 Leslie St, Winmalee NSW 2777

Speaker: Tim Strauss, GRN International Director

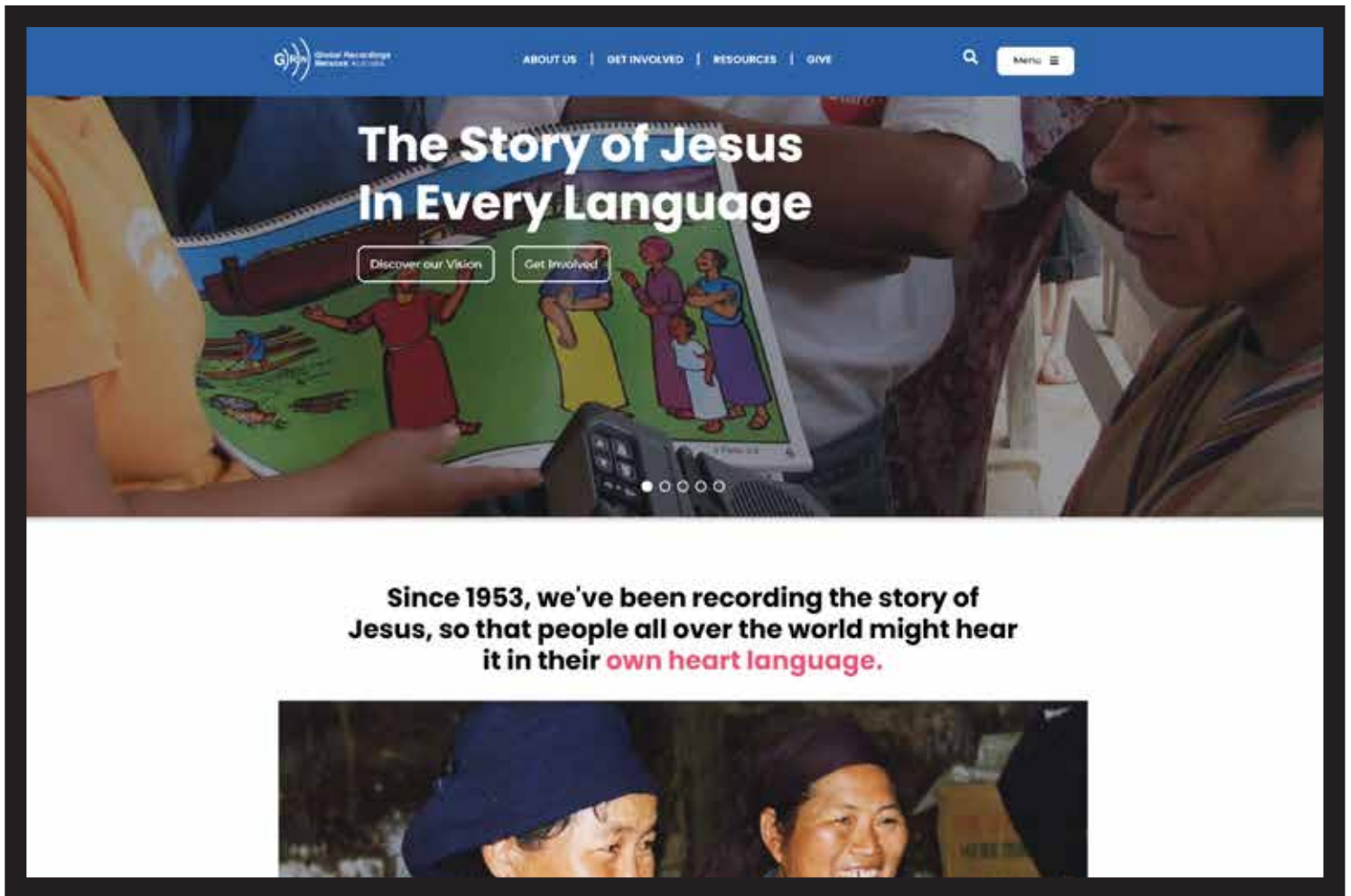
Cost: \$60 per adult all inclusive Children's rates apply.

RSVP: before 21st February 2025 (02) 9899 2211

Saturday 1st March 9am – 9pm Winmalee Christian Conference

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In Every Language**

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Since 1953, we've been recording the story of Jesus, so that people all over the world might hear it in their **own heart language.**

GRN Australia has a new website!

This modern website is tailored to Australia, presenting our own news and prayer requests as well as those from overseas. We have worked hard to showcase our vision and the work God is doing through this ministry. We would love to hear what you think!

The website allows you to shop for our products such as picture books, audio players, Tumi Tigers and

other resources. These items are convenient to find and easy to order. It also streamlines the process for signing up to our publications and allows for quick and secure donations to GRN for projects, staff, overseas, and general donations.

This has been a couple of years in the making when we began discussions with Reach Australia, who have much experience assisting churches and other

Christian organisations in developing effective websites. We have worked together to streamline the vast array of information to help people learn about us, engage with us and support the work. The new format uses Wordpress so is much easier for GRN staff to update. Please pray that our website will be effective in telling people about what God is doing in and through GRN, and go ahead and check it out at grn.org.au !



Short-Term Mission Opportunity to a South Asian country.

GRN is planning a 3-week short-term mission around October/November 2025. Approximate cost will be \$5,500AUD.

More information to come, but if you are interested, please contact Graydon Colville at graydoncolville@globalrecordings.net

Finance Highlights

We praise the Lord for His generous provision for the work of GRN in Australia and many other countries in the 2023-24 financial year. We also thank God for many faithful and generous supporters that have been prompted to contribute to this ministry.

During this financial year, as an expression of our trust in the Lord, we were praying for a faith target

for our Revenue to reach or exceed \$2M. The Lord has been merciful in providing his ministry a total revenue of \$2.2M, which enabled GRN Australia to end up with a surplus after 6 years of continuous deficits. A special donation of \$250K, significant receipts from bequests and an increase in income from Investments contributed to this outcome.

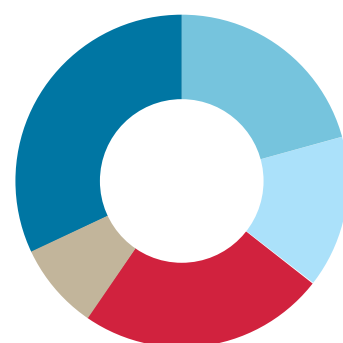
Expenditure was steady in most area. Overseas support increased with additional funding directed to overseas centres for special projects and printing of resources for distribution. Property expenses increased due to necessary maintenance work.

We continue to marvel at how the Lord provides for the mission each year, sometimes in surprising ways. We look to Him to provide for the ministry of GRN in the coming year.

INCOME	This Year \$,000	Last Year \$,000
Sales	35	34
General Donations	449	224
Bequests	324	140
Donations for Staff	527	503
Donations for Overseas	178	161
Govt. Support Programs	0	3
Investments	699	602
TOTAL INCOME	2212	1667

EXPENSES		
Cost of Sales	18	20
Local Operations	225	212
Property & Equipment	292	246
Staff Support	1063	1001
Overseas Support	519	465
TOTAL OUTGOINGS	2117	1944

OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT) (95) (277)



21% General Donations
 15% Bequests
 24% Donations for Staff
 8% Donations for Overseas
 32% Investments
 0% Government Support

About Global Recordings Network

We exist to give everyone the opportunity to hear the story of Jesus in their own heart language.

Previous Names - Gospel Recordings and Language Recordings

Our Vision

That people might hear and understand God's Word in their heart language, especially those who are oral communicators and those who do not have Scriptures in a form they can access.

Our Mission

In partnership with the church, to effectively communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ by means of culturally appropriate audio and

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If you feel led to give



GRN General Fund

The GRN General Fund is what GRN Australia draws on to provide the money to do our core ministry. It funds our staff, utilities, recording expenses, computer systems, the running costs of 8 overseas GRN offices and many other things essential to the daily operations of GRN.

We continually trust God to provide the funds necessary to meet GRN's ongoing needs. We ask you to pray with us that God would continue to provide for the GRN General Fund and consider making a contribution, so we can continue to complete the work He has set before us.

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A bequest can change lives

Like many mission organisations, we can benefit greatly when friends make a final gift that continues to bless the ministries they have generously supported in life. Once you have made proper and primary provision for family and friends this can be a very effective way to go on making a difference to the church on earth when you have joined the church in glory! If you would like to consider this option in your Will please contact the GRN office on 02 9899 2211 or we have some information on our website: www.globalrecordings.net/au-bequests.

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- Philippines Project
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- \$500 Other \$ _____

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Please make all cheques payable to "Global Recordings Network Australia".
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- Visa Mastercard American Express
- at the intervals I/We have specified

Name on card

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New Zealand donations see 'Rejoice'

I would like further information on

- GRN speaking at my Church/Church Reps.
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