An answer to prayer...

I am very excited to have just returned from a nation that I shall not name. It is a place GRN has been wanting to serve better for a couple of decades. So many languages are spoken there, but so few of the population are Christian. While there have been barriers stopping us from making progress, it appears that now might just be the time.

We are working on registering an organisation, and making connections and meeting people who can potentially help. We have people interested in joining us, including our US office as a willing partner, and we have a couple of very competent and capable recordists in country.

I travelled with Frank Caguin, our Asia Regional Co-ordinator, and we had a wonderful time. It was a joy to be with our two recordists and our new finance and admin worker along with their families. We met a potential new recruit who already has considerable audio experience and we shared food with several people who have a heart for GRN work and who may prove to be valuable partners in the future.

As I write one of our recordists is away recording at the request of partners involved in Bible translation. Our other recordist is attending a meeting of Bible translation organisations. We hope he might gain access to valuable language research information and be able to help this group in their efforts to provide God's word in the many languages spoken in this nation.

We can help Bible translation teams by recording in the languages they are not reaching, recording Old Testament stories to accompany their New Testament translation, and teaching translation teams to record their translations as they go.

After years of watching, waiting and praying it is wonderful to see the excitement in so many faces. We are making a small beginning, but our dreams are big. Would you pray with us in this renewed venture? We dream of seeing the story of Jesus being told in over 1000 speech varieties. We seek to play our part by recording the story of Jesus in a significant number of those language varieties and working with complementary organisations. We dream of churches being established in communities from all

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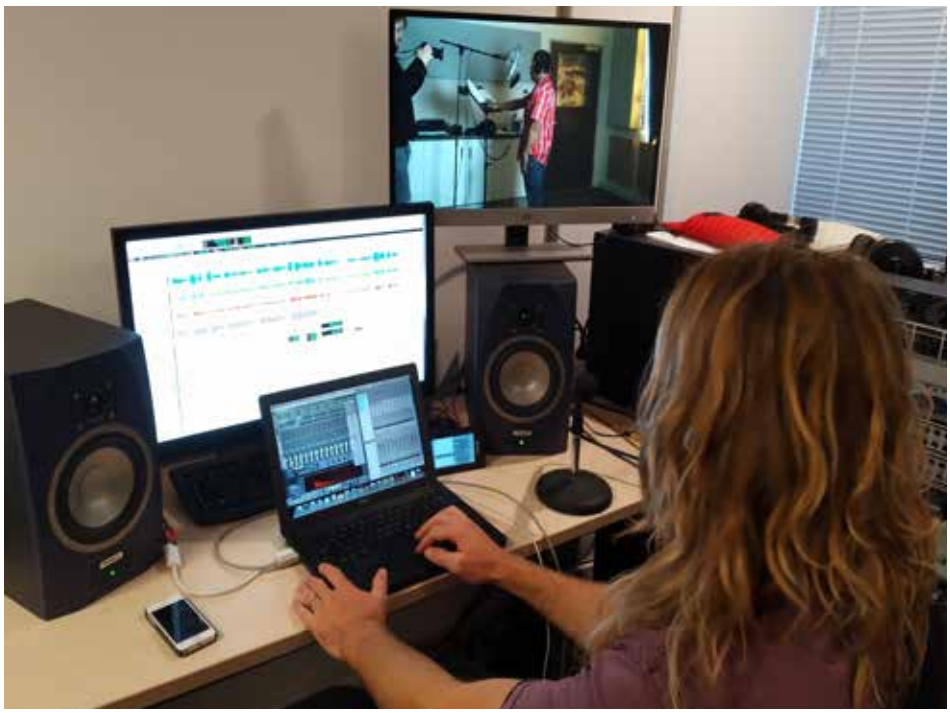
language groups spoken in this land.

We are thankful for other groups who are also working here. Significant Bible translation efforts are in process, but we understand that there are 120 languages big enough to warrant translation that have no such work underway. There are also hundreds of smaller languages varieties that may never see a translation. There is plenty of work left for GRN.

Please pray for our team of three, for the plans we are making, for God's leading and provision, for victory in the spiritual battle we face every day and for our dreams to become a reality. Our current budget for 2026 is $54,000, assuming the addition of 2 trainee recordists to the team.

Christine Platt
CEO

New Recording Studio Project!



What a joy it is to be able to announce the launch of our New Studio Building Project.

We have been working on drawing up and getting approval for plans to build more studios in our Head Office at Prospect for several years, and I'm pleased to announce that we are finally ready to go ahead.

We have engaged a builder to build 3 new studios inside our existing office space where we used to assemble the Saber MP3 players. This makes great use of part of our office space that is currently underutilised and will greatly increase our studio capacity. One studio will be large, able to accommodate a group or band and be useful for videoing and creating sound effects. It will have a control room that will also double as an editing room and there will be a third, smaller production studio.

This extra capacity is much needed as we often have recordists doing studio work in the corridors. It will also prove useful when we bring in recordists from around the world for training so they can do an even better job of telling the story of Jesus in the languages spoken in their countries and regions.

The new studios will also enhance our ability to record musicians singing praises to God in their own languages and record dialogues and dramas with several voices at the one time. They will also give us the capacity to produce good quality videos for training, promotions and Gospel content. This is becoming increasingly important as the future shifts towards video.

These studios will be an ongoing, long-term investment in Gospel ministry. Allowing GRN to increase the number of recordists we have making and editing recordings, and providing excellent, cost-effective training for our recordists from around the world now and in the future.

We anticipate construction of the new studios will commence in the first half of 2026 and will take approximately 3-4 months to complete. Please pray for this project. We are expecting the new studios to cost approximately $600,000. Pray also as we ask God to provide the funds and please consider whether you might be able to contribute towards the future ministry of GRN in this way.

If you know a church or philanthropist who might be willing to take on this project, please contact our office. There is a project page and a downloadable project proposal form on our website: *grn.org.au/new-recording-studios*

Christine Platt

5fish Partnerships

5fish is a powerful resource that shares the story of Jesus in over 7,300 languages and speech varieties. The majority of these recordings are standard GRN programs, most of which were recorded by GRN recordists over many decades.

However, the reach of 5fish goes far beyond GRN's own content thanks to vital partnerships. We collaborate with several key organizations to expand the recordings available. Some of our partners include:

- *Biblica, Inc. (www.biblica.com)*
- *Jesus Film Project*
- *Faith Comes by Hearing (FCBH)*
- *Davar Partners International*
- *Wycliffe Bible Translators*

Adding this diverse content isn't a simple process, which is why we rely on sophisticated technical infrastructure provided by our partners to make it accessible. This infrastructure allows the Jesus Film Project to contribute the well-known JESUS Film along with a wealth of other high-quality film media perfect for evangelism and discipleship. In addition, it helps FCBH provide access to 2,075 Bible versions in 1,950 languages. These Bibles are owned by various organizations, including FCBH and Wycliffe.

The LUMO project, which has created films for the Gospels, also utilizes technology that makes films featuring dubbed audio available for 1,800 Bible versions in 1,630 languages.

We are deeply grateful for the cooperation of all our partners. It is a wonderful collective effort that allows God's word to be made available in so many different forms, all from a single location.

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Order yours now (for $75 including postage anywhere in Australia) in time for Christmas by contacting the GRN office on 02 9899 2211 or au@globalrecordings.net.

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Saturday 21st February 2026
9am – 9pm

Winmalee Christian Conference Centre, 59 Leslie St, Winmalee NSW 2777

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Children's rates apply.

RSVP: before 14th February 2026
(02) 9899 2211
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We look forward to seeing you!

Finance Highlights

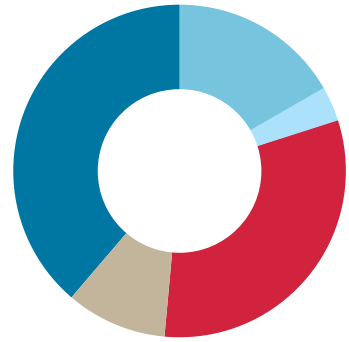
We praise God once again for His provision for the mission through the 2024-25 financial year. We also thank God for many faithful and generous supporters that have been prompted to contribute to this ministry.

The financial year presented us with some challenges, ending with an overall deficit of $262,057. When compared with the previous year there was a reduction in total income of 15%, mainly affecting General Donations and Bequest Income. There were certain special donations received during the prior year which were one off, and we received significant receipts from bequests in the previous year.

Expenditure was steady in most areas. Staff support payments increased as a result of an uptick in direct Donations to Staff. Property expenses decreased on comparison with the previous year, due to increased maintenance work in the prior year.

Despite the deficit, the Lord provided everything that was needed, sometimes in surprising ways. We continue to trust in the Lord and look to Him to provide for the ministry of GRN in Australia and around the world in the coming year.

INCOME	*This Year $,000*	*Last Year $,000*
Sales	*27*	*35*
General Donations	*313*	*449*
Bequests	*60*	*324*
Donations for Staff	*584*	*527*
Donations for Overseas	*182*	*178*
Govt. Support Programs	*0*	*0*
Investments	*721*	*699*
TOTAL INCOME	*1887*	*2212*
EXPENSES		
Cost of Sales	*27*	*18*
Local Operations	*240*	*225*
Property & Equipment	*245*	*292*
Staff Support	*1133*	*1063*
Overseas Support	*504*	*519*
TOTAL OUTGOINGS	*2149*	*2117*
OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	*(262)*	*95*



17% *General Donations*
3% *Bequests*
31% *Donations for Staff*
10% *Donations for Overseas*
39% *Investments*
0% *Government Support*

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.

About Global Recordings Network
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 audio-visual materials in every language.

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If you feel led to give

New Studios

We are glad that plans for 3 new studios are out for tender and we will have quotes for building them very soon. This extra capacity is much needed as we often have studio work being done in the corridor. It will also prove useful for training other GRN recordists from around the world. We have highly skilled audio specialists and need more facilities so they can help our overseas recordists improve the quality of GRN's recordings around the world.

Please pray as we receive quotes from builders and seek to choose the builder who will do the best job for us at a reasonable price. We are expecting a price tag around the $300,000 mark but will have a better idea very soon. Should you feel led to give, you can do so at www.*grn.org.au/give*

Donate online: *grn.org.au/give*
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