



GRN CANADA

# UPDATE

Telling the Story of JESUS in Every Language Dec./Jan. 2012

## EXTEND THESE BOUNDARIES - PHILIPPINES

When I (Director, Jurine Tolentino) decided to concentrate in the “Kalinga Recordings Project,” I personally visited Kalinga province in November 2006, and met the key person who assisted me in meeting tribal leaders. I initially recorded samples from the *Look, Listen & Live*, Books 1, 2 & 3 by way of an exploration in the particular work. Since 2009, GRN Philippines has challenged young men and women to join the mission trips. It was then that I met, Pastor Nestor, a native of Kalinga, a member of the Butbut-Sumadel tribe. He stepped into the water and joined me in the survey of the target language groups. I met new contacts for the target recordings in the languages spoken in different tribal groups in the Kalinga Mountains.



We recorded 8 Kalinga languages and are praying to do more Kalinga tribal groups. The Cultural differences are bounded with the “Peace Pact Treaty.” While the treaty is in effect, we are taking the opportunity to

make more recordings in the area. After the recordings have been made, we take the messages back to the people as soon as possible. These people are longing to hear the recorded Gospel messages in their own native language.

We have adapted the Mission Exposure method in the distribution of recordings in areas where these languages are spoken. We have held 4 Mission Exposure trips and are going on our 5th trip in 2012. We invite Christian friends to join us so they can experience life out of the comfort zones. We take the Good News messages with us that we translated into the people’s languages. We also minister to the physical needs. We take

used clothing, shoes, umbrellas, medicines, and health items to give out.

Two future recordists in the picture below (men) are studying in the evenings at a Theological College and another is taking technological studies. All three want to be trained as recordists in the future. Our goal is to have two teams of recordists. Another lady is needed to be a partner with Mary-Ann. She is currently serving as the mission accountant but longs to serve as a recordist.

--Jurine Tolentino - National Director



Jason

Nestor

Mary-Ann

## DEAR FRIENDS OF GRN



I would like to share an update on the health situation of Beatrice Inyama. She had faithfully served with GRN for 26 years and in 2007 she suffered a stroke which has left her with limited mobility. Her husband Boaz is serving as a GRN recordist who is diligent in his work and is a caring husband seeking to meet the needs of his family. I would like to share with you a portion of the letter he recently sent to me.

-- David Elliott

“The doctors recommended that Beatrice remain on medication in order to stabilize her blood pressure and prevent another stroke. The medicine she takes costs KSh (Kenya Shillings) 500 every day x 30 days. It comes to KSh 15,000 (\$180.00). This figure does not include doctor’s and physiotherapy fee.

“Since we do not have a heating system in our house, Beatrice complains of feeling cold especially during this rainy season. I have to buy charcoal to warm the house. One sack of charcoal costs KSh 1,000 and we need at least four sacks (\$48.00). This already takes away more than a half of my monthly support before paying my house rent, buying food, paying for electricity, water and other necessities. This causes me to be in arrears every other month in paying my house rent which is KSh 15,000 (\$180.00) per month.

“Since I have to go to the office every day, it forces me to borrow money for transport and food. Thank God not a single day have I failed to go to the office even though the cost of fuel has gone up by almost 40% over the last six months. Sometimes I have been forced to walk all that distance to the office and this really hurts my leg which I broke in a road accident in the year 2003. This accident affected my spinal cord very close to the hip which forces me to go for physiotherapy from time to time.

“Every day Beatrice prays for the ministry of Global Recordings Network. She keeps telling me that one day she will recover and be able to support GRN in one way or another. This is strong faith and encouraging words from her. It is only God who knows.”



--Boaz S. Inyama,  
Recordist

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## DIRECTOR'S DESK

From November 7 -18, I took part in the GRN Executive Committee Meetings in the Philippines. I had the opportunity to meet Jurine Tolentino and his young team of eager missionaries. They are passionate about reaching the isolated language groups in the scattered islands in their country. It is hoped that in the near future they will be able to receive training in order to accomplish their goals.

It was also at this meeting that I was updated on the situation in Kenya as Director Winston Omenya was representing the Africa region. I received the latest news on the situation of long-time missionary Beatrice Inyama. There are other needs in the Kenya office that are also going unmet as the downturn in the economy has affected the ministry. Sales of GRN materials are down in Kenya and our Canadian office is finding donations for Kenya to be down this year. There are many opportunities and needs for recordings to be made in Kenya, Tanzania and in Southern Sudan.

If you wish to help this Christmas in meeting the need in Kenya, please use the donation slip. There is not a specific spot for Christmas designation, but you can designate your donation to where you would like it to go. The other option is to simply indicate it to the General Fund; this will allow our office to give it to the neediest area. Your donation this Christmas will go towards the needs mentioned in this *UPDATE*. Thank you!

--David Elliott,



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