



The setting for the GRN Council Meeting was in Southern Thailand. Buddhist shrines like the one above are everywhere.

GRN CANADA *UPDATE*

Telling the story of Jesus in every Language June/July 2011

2011 GRN Council Meeting

March 30 - April 6

Testimonies, strategizing, fellowship, planning and prayer were key points of interaction during my time in Thailand.

22 Countries represented

Americas Region:
U.S.A., Canada,
Mexico.

Europe Region:
U.K., Switzerland,
Germany,
Netherlands.

Africa Region:
Kenya, South Africa,
Togo, Burkina Faso,
Sierra Leone, Nigeria.

Asia Region:
India, Nepal,
Bangladesh,
Pakistan, Thailand,
South Korea.

Oceania Region:
Australia, Indonesia,
Philippines.

Once every four years the directors from the GRN Centres and other personnel meet in order to share about their ministries and plan for the future. The directors from each of the countries listed on the left were present, except for the Netherlands which was represented by Switzerland. This was my third GRN Council Meeting in which I have had the privilege to participate. It was the most significant one in regards to change.

The most significant change that the mission is undertaking involves the structure. The purpose of the new structure is to improve the functioning of various areas of GRN. The development of technology has resulted in the need for departments to oversee the ongoing development of these new areas. Our last **UPDATE** highlighted the mobile technology that is changing the way we transmit our material. We now have leaders who are coordinating each of the following areas of responsibility: Recordist Training; Language Tracking; Scripts; Information Systems; Global Studio; Technical Teams; Recordist & Distribution; Strategic Prayer; Training and Member Care.





Doug Armstrong, International Coordinator for Global Recordings Network over the last 14 years, is a Canadian. He will be stepping down from that key role because a new International Director is being appointed. However, Doug will continue his involvement on the international level as the International Administrator. He will continue to oversee the administrative aspects but not be involved in international travel.

Passion to serve God and reach the unreached is what typifies each of the GRN Directors. It was a blessing to hear the reports from each Centre as they shared about their outreach opportunities in their countries. It was evident that much more needs to be done in order to accomplish the **10K Challenge** goal but GRN continues pressing on with one language at a time.

Regional Coordinators, **Graydon Colville** (Oceania), **Sally Hogg** (European), **Barney Shresthra** (Asia), **Winston Omenya** (Africa), **David Elliott** (Americas), were voted on by the delegates. They will represent the Centres from each region until the next International Council Meeting in 2015.



Ruth Elliott has been in California at the U.S. office during the months April and May. She has been working on the project to safeguard the GRN recordings.

Ruth's goal is to work full-time on this project. This is a vital part of the GRN strategy to make all our materials available over the internet. Ruth is still in need of significant monthly financial support before she can apply for a work visa to work in the U.S. office.

If you would like to help Ruth by becoming a part of her financial support team, please contact our office.

Kenya Update GRN Kenya is looking for a new location for their office as their present one will be torn down in the near future. Director Winston Omenya is now the Africa Regional Coordinator.

Boaz Inyama is currently recording the Orma: Mnyoyaya language. This is a non-Christian group where missionary activity is greatly needed. The next major recording is to start in July among four languages in Tanzania. This is a project involving the training of two Tanzanians who want to serve full-time with GRN.

The other Kenya staff include: Alex Auma, Joel Ongayo, Samuel Wandaka and Walter Okelo. They are involved in outreach, promotion and office administration.



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