



Closing in on the Goal!

We continue to be amazed at God's provision for the Bonaire Power Up project. Thanks to our generous donors, volunteer work teams, and TWR Bonaire staff, we are closing in on the last stages of the project. Increasing our broadcast power to 450,000 watts will mean the entire nation of Cuba and a potential listening audience of 100 million people across Latin America and the Caribbean will have access to the gospel programs of TWR.

Bonaire Power Up Project Goal
\$3,800,000

Remaining Need
\$340,000

Percent Complete
91%!

Check out this link to a short time-lapse video showing some of the equipment installation at the transmitter site on Bonaire:
<https://www.twr.org/bonaire-time-lapse-video>

Bonaire Volunteers are Special

One of the greatest blessings of the Bonaire Power Up project has been our hundreds of volunteers. They come from all walks of life, representing churches around the United States and other countries, and they have willing hearts to help share the gospel through radio. Many of them also have very specialized skills that have made the Power Up project possible.

Floyd and Susan Turner took two weeks off from working at Thy Word Radio Network to work on the Power Up project. Thy Word is a non-commercial, listener-supported network of seven radio stations in Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky. Floyd has been the chief engineer for the network since its beginning in 1990 and now serves as a station manager and president of the parent organization, Music Ministries, Inc. He is also a consulting engineer for other radio stations. Says Floyd: "I see the towers of TWR Bonaire as a monument to the glory of God. They represent all the lives that are being touched by it every day." Although Floyd likes the technical part of his job, his motivation to work at a Christian radio station goes much deeper. He explains, "Ephesians 2:2 states that 'Satan is the



Power Up Volunteers Floyd and Susan Turner

prince of the power of the air.’ With Christian radio, we are taking territory back from him. It is my passion to see lives changed through the power of the gospel. That is why Satan is fighting us so very much. We are fighting in his territory. Technology is just a means to an end. Whether building equipment or working on sound, the goal in all you do is to bring the gospel so that lives are changed. I am impressed by the commitment of the team here,” said Floyd. Susan adds: “The prayer times with the TWR staff on Bonaire are a little taste of heaven. We pray in different languages. It is amazing to see people from various backgrounds and cultures having the same goal and purpose—seeing others come to Christ. When you have that bond, it gives unity and purpose.”

The Turners’ church commissioned them for the work on Bonaire and helped pay their expenses. Thank you to the Turners, their church, and many others like them who are partnering with TWR to bring the gospel to a much wider audience in the Caribbean and Latin America.



Praise the Lord and a Project Update

We praise the Lord that a ship carrying five containers of equipment arrived on schedule to coincide with more than 20 volunteers who came to Bonaire to help with the installation. This

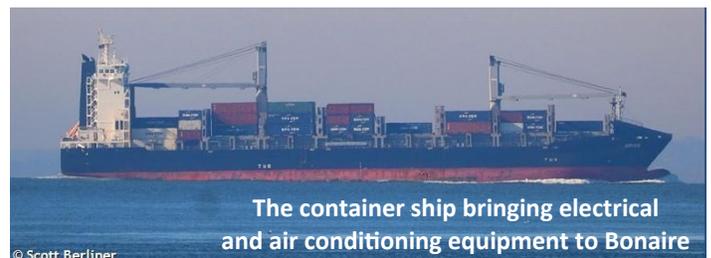
equipment is needed to “Power Up” the new transmitter with the much stronger signal. To keep the transmitter adequately cooled, a new air conditioning system is going in, shown in the photo above. The phasor equipment, which sends the signal from the transmitter to the towers is also being installed and allows us to broadcast in three patterns: north toward Cuba in Spanish, south toward the Amazon Basin in Portuguese, and in an omni-directional pattern to reach the Caribbean in English. Please pray for safety, unity, and good progress as the teams work on these installations.



Annabel Torrealba Muscarella (left) of TWR’s Hispanic department in North America and Esteban Larrosa (right) of TWR Uruguay speak with listeners on the air in Spanish during the Bonaire SHINE campaign.

Bonaire SHINE Campaign

In February, TWR held the first-ever Bonaire SHINE campaign live from the island of Bonaire on the 800 AM station of the Power Up project. As a “friendraiser,” the goal of the campaign was to reach out to our English and Spanish listeners on live radio, get their feedback, and ask them to support TWR’s ministry from Bonaire. More than \$23,000 came in, which is a testimony to how much our listeners appreciate the radio programs. We received responses from seven countries on WhatsApp social media. Of the responses, more than 10 percent said that they or a close family member came to Christ by listening to TWR Bonaire. Others indicated that TWR has been a major factor in their discipleship and Christian growth. And more than 20 percent of respondents sent gifts of financial support or asked about how to do so. Other listeners contacted us by phone or internet, and we praise God for the opportunity to talk with them.



The container ship bringing electrical and air conditioning equipment to Bonaire

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You are our valued partner in the Bonaire Power Up project. Thank you!