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In our previous VOICE+HANDS, we invited you to see mission in motion - sometimes across oceans, sometimes across a screen.

You met Hamza and Samira, discovering faith through online conversations, and Baby JS, whose fragile life in a remote Amazon community was transformed through prayer, care, and generosity.

We shared moments of courage and resilience: Abraham, whose heart was quietly changed by a small MP3 player, and volunteers like Richard in Benin who showed how something as simple as a water well can bring dignity, and a springboard for faith.

All of these stories have something in common: ordinary people, faithful and generous, playing their part in extraordinary work.

And that includes you! Through your prayers, encouragement, and support, you are walking alongside these communities, helping lives to be transformed around the world.

As you turn the pages of this new

VOICE+HANDS, I hope you'll feel that same sense of connection and wonder.

You'll meet Christoph, a former witchdoctor in Madagascar whose encounter with a voice on the radio, set in motion a change he never expected. You'll follow Sofia in Central Asia, where a routine medical visit became the beginning of a far deeper healing.

You'll hear how Good Shepherd Radio is sparking revival across Liberia and Côte d'Ivoire. And you'll read how a TV programme in Serbia became the turning point for a mother searching for hope while caring for her vulnerable daughter.

There's also a glimpse of our upcoming clean water mission team in Africa - faith in motion once again.

God is at work in so many unseen ways, and through your partnership, these stories continue to unfold.

Thank you for being part of the journey!

Colin Lowther,
CEO, Reach Beyond UK

THE VOICE THAT STOLE A WITCHDOCTOR'S HEART

In the Maroantsetra region of Madagascar, spiritual darkness has shaped life for generations. Among the Betsimisaraka people, ancestor spirit worship and organised witchcraft govern daily decisions. Fear creates dependency, and change can feel impossible.

For nine years, because of supporters like you, a different sound has flowed across rivers and palm-lined villages. From early morning until late at night, our partner radio station 'Radio Feon Janahary' broadcasts Bible teaching, praise music and radio drama - steady signals of hope piercing the humid air.

One of those listeners was Christoph.

For years, he was a respected witchdoctor. People came to him anxious and desperate, bringing money, gifts, and whispered fears. The smoke of rituals, muttered incantations and heavy expectations - this was his world. He mocked Christians as naïve.

When the station began broadcasting in 2016, Christoph tuned in - at first to criticise. But sitting in the dim evening light, radio crackling beside him, the voice of Jesus reached Christoph through the airwaves. He listened to messages about forgiveness, freedom

and a Saviour stronger than fear. The songs lingered long after the radio was off; the dramas echoed stories of his own village.


Three years ago, Christoph made a courageous decision. He sought out the radio team, turned away from his former life, and surrendered himself to Christ.

Now, he serves his community instead of exploiting it. He runs a boat taxi, and his wife manages a small shop. Together with believers from neighbouring villages, they are building a growing Christian community.

Where there was once fear, there is hope. Where there was exploitation, there is blessing.

Because people like you pray and give, the gospel is not just broadcast, it is breaking chains, and raising light in places that once seemed beyond reach.

Across Madagascar and beyond, radio is carrying hope into places where fear once ruled. To help bring the message of Jesus to more hidden communities, give today at reachbeyond.org.uk/give or scan the QR code.





WHEN MEDICINE SPARKS A

NEW STORY

Two years ago, Sofia* stood quietly in line at one of our mobile medical clinics in a deprived neighbourhood of a Central Asian capital. She almost didn't come. Exhaustion weighed on her body, and a deep depression had shrunk her world to the four walls of her bedroom. Most days, even getting dressed felt impossible.

That day, she met our community health team – people that you help to send, equip, and sustain. What began as a routine health screening became the start of something far bigger.

Over the months that followed, Sofia kept coming back. Our team listened to her story, provided medical support, and walked patiently alongside her as her health slowly began to improve. Little by little, the fog lifted. Her strength returned. Hope crept back in.

As trust grew, conversations deepened. Sofia began meeting

regularly with one of our national staff members, asking questions, sharing doubts, exploring faith for herself.

In time, she chose to follow Jesus.

Today, it's hard to recognise the woman we first met in that screening line. Sofia is now an active part of the project that once supported her. She helps host women's gatherings, welcomes newcomers, and enthusiastically invites others to access medical care and community support.

But her story doesn't stop there.

Last month, Sofia invited her friend Alina* to one of our clinics. Alina received treatment, but faced a long, 90-minute journey back to her workplace across the city. Our team offered her a lift. What followed was an unexpected moment of grace.

During the drive, Alina began asking big questions about life, faith, and hope. For the first time, she heard the message of Jesus in a way she could understand.

When they arrived at the café where she worked, one of our women staff members stayed with her, continuing the conversation. That evening, in

the quiet after closing time, Alina chose to pray and place her trust in Jesus.

Today, Alina is part of a local church and meets weekly with one of our national team for discipleship.

From one tired woman seeking medical help, to two lives renewed and reaching others, this is what your partnership with Reach Beyond makes possible. Through practical care, faithful presence, and everyday moments, lives are being changed, one story at a time.

* Names have been changed

WILL YOU HELP SUSTAIN THIS KIND OF CARE?

Medical ministry is rarely a one-moment intervention; it's a journey. A regular monthly gift helps our teams continue walking patiently alongside people like Sofia and Alina. Scan the QR code or visit reachbeyond.org.uk/pluspartner to find out how.



A HARVEST ACROSS THE AIRWAVES



In Liberia and Western Cote D'Ivoire, Good Shepherd Radio is proving the power of radio to bring hope, faith, and transformation. As Rev. Tee shared in a recent letter to our missionary Alex Walker, "Over the past 12 months, the impact of the radio ministry has been bigger than ever... entire communities are being transformed!"

Through early morning devotions, preaching programmes, and practical guidance, listeners are discovering Jesus and responding in faith. Chiefs, elders, and thousands of citizens are engaging in prayer and fasting, churches are being revived, and new congregations are being established. Just recently, the community at Logoatuo Port of Entry donated land

for a church and mission centre, which has already been cleared and is now a place of worship.

Over fifteen churches have been planted across Liberia and Western Cote D'Ivoire thanks to Good Shepherd Radio, demonstrating how media can multiply both reach and impact.

This transformation is not happening in isolation. Every prayer, every gift, every act of encouragement from supporters like you helps make these stories possible. Your partnership equips radio leaders to bring the voice of Jesus into homes, hearts, and communities that might never otherwise hear it.

Through Good Shepherd Radio, lives are being changed - and your support is at the heart of it.

Greetings Alex,

We are thankful to our God for your partnership with us and for what our God is doing through Good Shepherd Radio in Liberia and Western Cote D'Ivoire.

Over the past 12 months, the impact of the radio ministry has been bigger than ever. People are turning to Christ, churches are being revived, and entire communities are being transformed!

Recently, the community at Logoatuo Port of Entry invited us to be recognised as a church, donating land for mission purposes. The land has been cleared, and a church now worships there!

Radio is powerful! Please pray with us as we train more labourers for the plentiful harvest.

Rev. Tee T. Latahn

Pastor, Karnplay Church of the Nazarene

Chief Servant, Good Shepherd Radio

THE RIPPLE EFFECT OF COMPASSION

In January, a team from St Peter's Baptist Church in Worcester travelled to the Greek island of Lesbos to serve with Reach Beyond. They came alongside refugee women, offering food and clothing, foot massages, children's activities, and even haircuts. They also listened to heartbreaking stories and were able to pray with women carrying deep pain.

We asked Vickie, the Minister in Training at St Peter's, how this experience had touched and changed the church back home.

Q *Have you seen any changes in the church since the team returned?*

V We already partner with a mission organisation in Malawi and are now developing a relationship with Reach Beyond. It really is helping to stir peoples' hearts for mission.

Q *What has this experience taught your church about partnering with mission organisations like Reach Beyond?*

V There is so much need in the world, and we know we cannot help everyone; however, we can partner with those who have the experience and knowledge and join in with what they're already doing.

Q *What has been most encouraging about sending a team?*

V To see others with no experience of mission engaged in serving. To see



the growth in those who went on the trip. And to feel the church's wider heart for mission deepen.

Q *What would you say to another church considering sending out a mission team?*

V I would wholeheartedly recommend it! It will have such an incredible impact on their lives, on their church, and on the lives of those who they are sent out to serve.

ONE HEART:

HOPE FOR THE JOURNEY



By Martin & Ruth Harrison

One Heart is one of our most cherished ministry partners

in Athens, Greece - a place where compassion, courage, and the love of Jesus are transforming lives every single day.

Each time we step into their small but vibrant clinic, we're reminded why this ministry is so close to our own hearts.

For people who have fled war, persecution, and hardship, the clinic has become nothing short of a lifeline. We've watched patients arrive

weary and burdened, only to be met with gentle care, prayer, and the steady presence of a community that truly listens.

But the team doesn't stop at medical treatment. They walk with patients through the daunting asylum process, helping them navigate systems that can feel overwhelming when you're far from home.

And just beneath the clinic, in a simple basement room, a Farsi-speaking church gathers each week. Hearing worship rise in the heart language of many who come through the clinic doors is one of the most moving parts of this ministry. Many who never imagined finding hope again are discovering faith, friendship, and family there.

"Most refugees who visit One Heart are truly amazed by their kind and respectful care. Several people have asked about Christianity. We answered their questions, and now they are believers."

PRAY WITH US

That people far from home can find hope and hear about Jesus through the clinic.

For Sahar who is the founder of the ministry, once a refugee from Iran herself. She works tirelessly to serve people and has health challenges of her own.

For Sahar's family and other Iranian members of the church as they have been directly impacted by the conflict back home.



To explore how your church could partner with Reach Beyond, visit www.reachbeyond.org.uk/your-church or scan the QR code.





FROM LIVING ROOM TO NEW LIFE:

A TESTIMONY FROM THE BALKANS

In Serbia, a young mother sat watching television programmes produced by Reach Beyond, unaware that God was already at work in her heart. This is Marija's story: a journey from fear and despair to a peace she found in a single, life-changing prayer.

"For months, I watched your TV programmes. I felt drawn to the testimonies I heard and filled with quiet joy, even though I did not yet understand what was happening inside me. I longed to contact you, and when I finally could, I knew I had to share what God had done.

A few years ago, I was overwhelmed by despair and anxiety. One morning, as I was taking my little daughter to kindergarten for the first time - she has Downs Syndrome - I felt crushed by fear. I wondered how others would see her and whether she would be accepted. While driving, I pulled over to the side of the road, unable to go on.

Through tears, I cried out: 'Jesus, come into my life. I cannot do this alone anymore. I have tried everything, but I don't know how. You see everything and know everything. Let Your way be my way, and Your will my will.'

In that moment, a peace filled my heart unlike anything I had ever known.

As a child, I had experienced deep wounds that I never knew how to

heal. But now love came - real love, impossible to describe - embracing me completely. With it came a certainty that everything would be all right.

Through your programmes, God planted a seed in my heart. It grew and bore fruit. My children watched with me, and within a year, my daughter also gave her life to Christ.

I thank God for all of you. Through this ministry, He led me from darkness into light."



YOUR GENEROSITY MULTIPLIES HOPE

Through media, families like Marija's are discovering peace and new life. If this story has encouraged you, would you consider supporting Reach Beyond so that many more can hear and respond?

LIFE IN EVERY DROP



Our 2026 Benin Mission Team

This summer, a small mission team will travel to Benin, West Africa - not for a sightseeing trip, but to celebrate what God is doing through clean water.

More than 30 new wells have now been completed in local communities, each one a visible sign of faith in action. But a well is more than a hole in the ground; it's a story, a gathering place, a lifeline. And that's why this team is going.

From 3-24 July, the team will head into villages across Benin to check the health of the wells, listen to the people who use them every day, and gather the stories these communities are eager to share.

Some team members will bring engineering or science skills; others

will bring cameras, notebooks, or simply a heart ready to learn. Together, they'll explore both the technical and human impact of clean water, from water quality testing to conversations under the shade of a mango tree.

Most of our readers won't be packing their bags for Benin - and that's okay! But your prayers and your encouragement make this work possible. Please pray for safety, unity, open doors, and meaningful connections.

And if you know someone who might thrive on an adventure that blends faith, practical skills, and storytelling, why not point them our way?

Clean water changes lives. Sharing the story helps change even more.

If someone you know might want to join the team, we'd love to hear from them. Visit www.reachbeyond.org.uk/go to find out more or scan the QR code.



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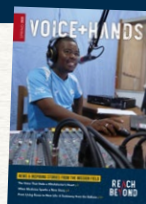


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