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ARMS Christian Fellowship Group



**Fall 2011** 

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# President's Desk:

# Gerry Brunk, K4RBZ

At our last national convention celebrating the 50th anniversary of ARMS, we discussed how we might attract more members. Various suggestions were



made including announcing it in our local clubs and publicizing in our amateur radio magazines. In the last couple of years, ARMS has been listed in both CQ and QST. Whether any of the new members we have received joined because of these advertisements is not known, and it would be interesting to know how many readers of CQ and QST see them.

Now the Midwest Section has shown us another way to make ARMS known. At the Sergeant Bluff Hamfest in Iowa they set up an ARMS booth announcing the 75 and 20 meter nets as well as distributing the pamphlet tracts which ARMS has printed. Here is a challenge for the rest of us to do the same. When you

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#### **ARMS Christian Fellowship Section Nets**

(Local time: Frequency in MHz)

Eastern.....Mon & Thurs, 0700 3.907

Sat, 0900

Southeast......Sat, 0900 3.900

Midwest.....Sat, 0900 3.9035

South Central.... Sat, 0800 3.925

Rocky Mountain..Sat, 0700 3.805

Northwest......Thurs, 0720 3.965

7.233

20-Meter......Mon-Sat, 1500 (ST) 14.3075

1400 (DT)

Southwest.....Sat 0945

Halo Net......Daily, 1800 21.390

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Thursday...... Denis, WD4ACH, Knoxville, TN

Friday.....Boyce, K5VSP, Cash, AR

Saturday......Gerry, K4RBZ, Harrisonburg, VA

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attend your hamfest in your area, take that opportunity to make ARMS known. We may attract new members that way as well.

The majority of us who are active in ARMS are no longer in our younger years, so if ARMS is to retain our membership numbers and remain vital and active in the future, we need to recruit younger members. Let us all make that task our responsibility!



#### Eastern Section Report:

Larry Hodge, W2PT



The Eastern Section of the ARMS Net continues to be very active. We meet Mondays and Thursdays at 7:15 AM Eastern Time and Saturdays at 9:00 AM Eastern Time at 3907 kHz. We average 12 checkins on Mondays, six on Thursdays and from four to eight on Saturdays. We maintain a prayer list which is updated and e-mailed to those who want it. The list consists of both missionary and local requests. Anyone from any section is welcome to have a request put on the list or to receive the list. Please let me know. In either case my e-mail address is lhodge50@aol.com. Net control duties are shared by net members who have been very faithful in seeing all nets are covered. Net controllers include Bob (W2CYO), Wil (WA3OJN), Wally (VA3WIT), Duane (AA2I), Don (K3RYV), Bill (WB1DQT), John (WB2SQX), and Larry (W2PT).

In addition, the first Monday of each month is "Missionary Monday." On that day net members are encouraged to bring before the group a specific missionary they pray for and support. The name of the missionary, their field, and a brief description of their work is shared. On August 20 we enjoyed our annual picnic at the QTH of John (WB2SQX) and Sue (KD2AQR) Babbitt. Present were Don (K3RYV) and Adele, (WA3ASE) Birx,

# South Central Section Report:

#### Boyce Guffey, K5VSP

We continue to meet at 3925 kHz Saturday morning a 8:00 AM (central time). We really enjoy the Scriptures that are given. Dwaine



(AC5EH) took over while I was in the hospital.

Eldo Denton (W5ADT) has moved to Tupelo Mississippi. He says that all he will be able to do is listen to the Net. Continue to pray for him as he's not doing as well as he could be. Eldon is pictured here with his xyl Shirley.



Wally (VA3WIT) and Judy Janzen, Paul (K2QCG) and Jenny Hammond, Duane (AA2JI) and Anabelle Tullar, Larry (W2PT) and Pat Hodge, Norm (W2NNJ) Hinkle, Bob (W2CYO) Kurtz, and of course John and Sue. Great food and fellowship was enjoyed by all. We continue to praise the Lord for his goodness and trust God's blessings

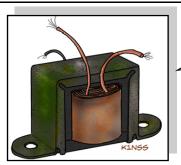


# Treasurer's Report:

Ora Gifford, KE7BF



Treasurer's Report FY 2011	
Balance as of 5/31/2011	\$3040.70
Income	
Membership dues, gifts, tracts, and lapel pin receipts	\$1163.00
Interest earned on account	\$0.29
Total Income	\$1163.29
Sub Total	\$4203.99
Expenditures	
Stamps, Comm., Press Jasper TX (brochure)	\$239.90
ARRL ad in QST for one year	\$204.00
CQ magazine ad for one year	\$43.20
S&J Printing (Fall 2010 BEAM and inserts)	\$384.81
Mike Eagen for postage to mail BEAM	\$349.40
Ora Gifford for postage reimbursement	\$33.62
Mike Eagen for postage to mail Spring 2011 BEAM	\$500.34
Total expenditures	\$3028.36
Balance as of 5/31/2011	\$1175.63



What is the name of this circuit component?

#### **Central Section Report:**

#### Doug Schipull, KC9OMS

My plans for the central section gettogether did not materialize this past summer. The basic reason is that old Biblical saying



that I am paraphrasing: "The spirit is willing but the flesh is older!" I discovered that my wife and I are probably the youngest members (at the young age of 63) of the central

section. This is not a bad thing, but I have learned to plan differently to meet the desires and needs of the members of the central section.

After three years of planning, re-planning, and construction with many modifications, I am happy to say that my station is fully operational on the 40 through 10 meters digital and ssb bands. The two meter fm, ssb, and digital modes are also operational. My plans for a central section net are now on the drawing table. Any and all advice and suggestions on frequencies, modes, times, and dates for this net are appreciated.



An ARMS missionary member is living and serving in this country. What is his name?

Hint: The missionary is not the rider. See page six.



#### Southeast Section Report:

# Denis Parker, WD4ACH

The Southeast Section of the ARMS Christian Fellowship Group Met on Friday September 2 for dinner and Sat-



urday September 3 at the Shelby Hamfest.

Friday, Sep. 2 we arrived in Gastonia, N.C. and met that evening for dinner at the Cracker Barrel. We were somewhat down in number this year with nine in attendance for our meal. Saturday at the Shelby Hamfest we had Mike Eagen (KØRRP) and Sharon his xyl join us making a total attendance of 11.

Friday evening in the hotel lobby Dave (WA4LLR) Gillespie, who is a pastor, gave the Bible study about the storms of life here on earth while the river in heaven is calm like a sea of glass. WOW, was it a great study! Dave is a great Bible student and teacher. The Hamfest was good as usual and our fellowship was sweet as always but not long enough. We kept in touch with each other on two meter simplex all day. Later we went to lunch at Ryan's before returning for home Saturday afternoon.

Those in attendance this year were: Mike and Sharon Eagen (KØRRP), Dave Gillespie (WA4LLR), Bobby (KC4DOG) and Diane Howington (KD4PIG), Denis (WD4ACH) and Andra (KD4CLF) Parker, Ed Bradley (W4VGI), Raf (AI4RA) and Chris Ahmed and their children. I also saw Leon Winter (WX6I) in the new dealer building but he got away before I could talk to him. We missed Dan (W4MGZ) and Pat Baumgarten this year for the first time since we have been having our annual gettogether. We also missed Dave (WA4DUP) and Jerry (K4CTN).

We will discuss our next get-together this weekend (Sep. 24) and I will let you know where we are going next year the LORD WILLING!

Those of you in the SE Section miss a blessing by not being with us. Try to come next year.

Looking for Jesus.

### **Canadian Section Report:**

#### Art Hiebert, VE5ARJ

It has been a very interesting summer in this area. We have had five day clubs that were well attended in the cities of Melfort, Tisdale, Codette, and Nipawin areas. Our church the Christian and Missionary Alliance has a congregation of around 200 and a church capacity of 300. We have been attending since we moved here 14 years ago. We moved into this church five years ago



and just recently had a mortgage burning.

We have a number of community outreach programs going on in the church from kid's zone, youth and adult Sunday school and many other programs. We have just finished a drama of the story of Christ's birth called Bethlehem Live, a twenty minute walk with most of the people from the church and the area participating. We have done the drama for four years running and there are new people coming every year. The attendance was 950 in three days.

If anyone wants to look at our drama go to U Tube, from there go to Bethlehem Live Nipawin.

# 2012 ARMS Conference Update:

#### Mike Raftery, K7PTL

Good morning brothers! It is a FINE day here in western Montana ... but ANY day is a fine day, eh? I received this note from Shelly at Mt. Olivet in Minnesota regarding the cost of rooms. Please pass it along to whomever inquires as we approach the conference next year.

Per person cost for a two night stay with six meals is: Double Occupant \$173.00 Dormitory Occupant \$144.00

Shelly Steinhoff M.A., CCCP
Conference Services Manager
Mount Olivet Conference & Retreat Center
The conference will be June 1-3, 2012

Mary and I got together with others from our NW section of the ARMS group in Sandpoint, Idaho for a tour of QUEST airplane factory. The Kodiak was designed and is built in Sandpoint. It is a high-payload machine specifically designed for use in rugged back country mission aviation use. You'd be amazed how high-tech the instrument panel is! Go to www.questaircraft.com



# **Northwest Section Report:**

#### George Woods, KA7HGE

This photo Ora sent me was taken yesterday at the QTH of George (KA7HGE) and Elsie Woods in Puyallup, Washington. They hosted the summer NW ARMS Fellowship Group Picnic. From left to right: George (KA7HGE) and Elsie Woods, Dave (W7PTL) and Ann Shortess, Wayne (VA7GF) and Dianna Borthwick, and Ora (KE7BF) and Connie Gifford.





Tim, KEØQ/DU9 and Gloria Hagquist in Philippines



# Southwest Section Report:

Don Jensen, KC7WV

# JENSENS' JOURNEY

SUMMER 2011 "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:6

While reading this letter you'll journey along with us in praising the Lord for His faithfulness.

<u>Work Place</u> This July marked a milestone for Don as he celebrates 40 years with Wycliffe Bible Translators, serving the Mexico Branch. During those years he has worked in various positions including, but not limited to, accountant, auditor, finance office manager, controller, treasurer, supervisor of services, second associate director, member care coordinator, income tax and financial adviser, and notary. God has been faithful in keeping Don serving.

Family Circle May 15<sup>th</sup> we celebrated our 7<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

<u>Don's Loop</u>: David, Sarah and Logan (3) welcomed Hunter Garrett to their family on December 3, 2010. We are thankful for the Lord's faithfulness in a safe delivery and a healthy boy. We are looking forward to meeting Hunter. We are thankful for the Lord's faithfulness in continuing to provide steady jobs for Johanna and Adam. Tayler (13) and Lily (10) are busy this summer reading, swimming, and will be attending Vacation Bible School. <u>Sharon's Loop</u>: Aunt Margie turned 100 on April 30. Sharon, her sister, and one brother were able to be in Tampa to celebrate with her. Grandchildren: Chance (10) went to church camp in June and while there he received Jesus into his heart. He spent the last week of June with us, going with grandma to Vacation Bible School. He was excited to learn the Bible verses each day and to pray at meals and during our devotions after supper. Coryn (12) participates in competition hip-hop and cheer leading teams.

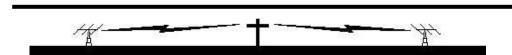
Detour One Tuesday in mid-May, we were directed onto an abrupt detour. Within a few hours, the van had a serious problem, Don's power wheelchair quit working, and he received the report of a blood test that wasn't good. Crying out to the Lord was all we could do. We still had the old wheelchair, but the batteries were dead. Praise the Lord for Fred Tuggy in our Auto Shop who was able to get new batteries and came by the house and installed them. Don had electric wheels again. He'd been using his really old manual wheelchair most of the day (exhausting and very uncomfortable). Over the next few days, the Lord in His faithfulness worked out the details of moving us along the detour. Don found the needed part for the van and got that ordered. The wheelchair repair shop picked up the lame wheelchair. Sharon picked up the van part when it arrived. Again, Fred to the rescue as he drove the van to the shop and replaced the part. The wheelchair is still under repair, as the motor controller had to be sent back to the factory. It's still there. A second blood test done a month later was normal. God's faithfulness in keeping Don healthy is a blessing.

<u>Financial Path</u> The past couple of months have brought extra expenses with the van part, the batteries for the old wheelchair, and the wheelchair repair. As those needs came up, the Lord has been faithful to provide the extra money we needed to pay for them. The wheelchair is still at the repair shop, but we know what the repairs will cost. Don is anxiously waiting for the repairs to be completed and the chair returned.

<u>Vehicle Crossroad</u> Our present wheelchair-adapted van is 18 years old. We have known for a couple of years that it would eventually need to be replaced. We had been praying about this. Wanting to be good stewards of the money God provides and not wanting to go into debt, we had started saving. In light of what happened in May, we felt the Lord was now directing us to look for a newer, used van. Such a van costs \$25,000 to \$30,000. We contacted various places that deal in handicapped vehicles. On July 14, one of the men we had contacted showed up at our front door with a 2005 Toyota Sienna wheelchair-adapted van. With a few more modifications still needed, it will be just what we were praying for. WOW! God is so faithful. With the money we had saved, and by "borrowing" from retirement funds, we were able to buy the van. We know the Lord in His faithfulness made that provision for us. Now we are trusting Him to replenish the money we used from retirement funds

<u>Translation Highway</u> We praise God for His faithfulness in bringing His Word to the indigenous peoples in Mexico. The Laxhixio Zapotec New Testament is printed and will be dedicated and distributed this fall. Five more New Testaments are in line to be typeset this next year. There are five more that should be ready for typesetting in two years. Technology is benefiting Bible translation in many ways. <u>ScriptureEarth.org</u>, <u>Bible.Is</u>, and <u>ito.mx/bibliamex</u> offer various ways of reading and listening to Scripture; <u>bibliaenlinguasindigenas.org</u> will communicate to Spanish speakers. Check them out.

<u>Partner Lane</u> Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord in the prayers and the finances you provide for us and Bible translation in Mexico. We praise the Lord for each of you and we pray for you too. If you have specific things you'd like us to pray for, please share them with us using the contact information in the ARMS 2011 Directory. God is faithful!



# Missionary Report:

Ray Rising, HK3SR

# "RISING" TO THE OCCASION

December 2011

CHRIST was born in the first century, yet HE belongs to all centuries. He was born a Jew, yet He belongs to all races. He was born in Bethlehem, yet He belongs to all countries. (George W. Truett) And the angel said unto them (shepherds), "Fear not: behold, I bring you **tidings of great joy**. Which shall be **to all people**. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, **A Savior**, which is **Christ the Lord**. Luke 2:10-11. Bringing these "tidings" by radio to remote areas is the work that we are striving to do in both Colombia and Peru. We praise the Lord that the Guambiano Christian radio station was able to improve its outreach and quality by installing a new antenna tower higher up the mountain. It is reported that the Guambianos are walking down the road listening to Christian music and Bible teaching on their tiny fixed tuned GALCOM receivers.

Things are progressing in regards to the Chazuta radio station in Peru. Ray's trip there in September was very profitable in meeting with a company in Lima who can provide equipment, visiting Chazuta and finding a more suitable place for the antennas than what was planned. The people are excited about this radio station and are active in every way they can to make it possible. On this end Ray as project manager is busy daily: On the phone or by email with Peru or Colombia; Arranging construction of radio stations in Colombia and Peru managing national associates in Peru and Colombia; Communicating with partner organizations of these projects such as HCJB and GALCOM.

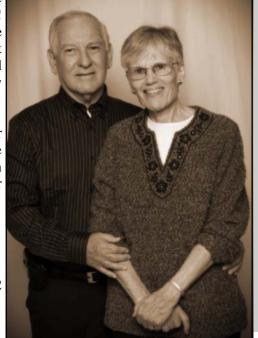
We are so grateful for Moe, Glenn and Galen who have been so helpful in various ways with obtaining computers, repairing them and other things that need doing to keep the Peru project going. This station needs to be near completion in nine months or the license is taken away.

Good news! With God all things are possible! Several months ago we received an email from a colleague in Bogota who was living in the house where we lived. He received a call from "Martin" wanting to get in touch with Ray. Who is "Martin"? He was the guerrilla leader who ordered Ray's kidnapping in 1994! He was captured several years ago and is in a Bogota prison. Before we moved to the U.S. Ray had an opportunity to send him a Bible and a copy of his book

"Guerrilla Hostage" in Spanish in which he put the phone number of the house. Praise the Lord that our colleague was living there to receive this call! "Martin" says he is a believer and asked for prayer for him and 27 others in the prison. Ray was able to call him several weeks later and when in Bogota next time will visit him in the prison. "Martin" told him that their roles had reversed – Ray was free and he was in prison. Pray for him and the 27 others that they may grow in the knowledge of our Savior who gives freedom and peace.

We look forward to be in Columbus, Indiana at our son Ray's house for Christmas. Rollin and family will come there too. It has been five years since we've had a Christmas together and one and a half years since we have seen them. It will be a good time to relax away from the constant repairs on our house! We hope we have conquered the almost weekly water pipe leaks!

We wish you a Merry Christmas and God's blessings in the New Year. With grateful hearts we thank you for your partnering with us so faithfully. New address: 1109 Sharon Drive, Waxhaw, NC 28173 Phone: 704-256-9380 For support: Wycliffe Bible Translators, PO 628200. Orlando, FL 32862 Email: ray\_rising@sil.org or sylvester\_stallings@sil.org



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