

# THE heartbeat



*I will give you a new heart and  
put a new spirit in you; I will  
remove from you your heart of  
stone and give you a heart of flesh.*

— Ezekiel 36:26

BRINGING HOPE AND HEALING IN JESUS TO WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD

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PARTNERSHIP

**C**an you believe another year has already come and gone? Many of us start the beginning of the year with aspirations and intentions for the year ahead, and often, somewhere along the way we may find that the Lord is taking us in a different direction.

Sometimes it's hard to see what is of the Lord when life just hands us flat-out difficulties, but we can trust that the Lord is with us through it all, leading us for our good and his glory. And when we yield to him, we see that his plans were much better than we could ever have planned for ourselves.

We are so thankful we get to run this great race with you, our faithful partners in prayer and ministry. You are there to intercede on behalf of our sisters in Christ, and you are there to sow seeds of God's love among women who do not yet know they are beloved by him. We pray that the Lord would fill you with all his fullness to continue carrying out the calling he has on your life, whether that is bringing hope to women or advancing his kingdom in other ways.

Continue reading to see how the Lord has answered prayers through your faithful support of our ministry.

## GET TO KNOW US!

### Q&A with Inja Jeong, regional coordinator for Northeast Asia

Inja joined *Women of Hope* in 2003 as a voice actor. After serving for over 10 years, she began working as a coordinator in 2016 and was appointed regional coordinator in 2017.



She is blessed by the loving support of her husband, who is a pastor, and her daughter. Her son is now in heaven with his heavenly Father. Having majored in vocal music in college, Inja enjoys comforting others through singing.

She prays for her sisters and relatives who don't know God with these words of hope found in Acts 16:31, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."

**Q** Why are you passionate about reaching women?

**A** I began to think about the pain of women after losing my 18-year-old son in 2014. He died in a car accident while studying abroad in the United States. As I looked around, I realized that there were many women who had lost their children like me. The hope of seeing my son again in heaven did not allow me to remain in pain any longer. I want to share the love of God and the hope of Jesus Christ with women in pain, no matter what kind of pain they are in.

**Q** What do you want women in your region to know?

**A** Most of the countries in Northeast Asia are unreached countries: Japan, Mongolia, China, North Korea. A hundred and forty years ago, some missionaries came to Korea for the first time, and their martyrdom made Korea what it is today. Now, we must repay that debt. In Korea, we preach the gospel to North Korean women, and North Korean defectors living in China, via broadcast. I want to convey the love and hope of Jesus Christ to the lands where missionaries cannot go. I believe nothing can bring true happiness and blessing to women's lives except the gospel.

### Year Recap & Looking Ahead

TWR Women of Hope was able to host three regional conferences this year in Europe, Africa and Central Asia. The conferences were huge blessings to our team members around the world who don't always have the opportunity to fellowship with other team members and may endure long periods of ministry in what feels like isolation.

Thanks to your support, we were able to provide a time of refreshment for our sisters who are carrying out the mission of ministering to women in their local

communities. Not only is this a time to encourage our teams, but it is also a time of equipping them in their own walk with the Lord and with the resources to continue ministering well.

We each desperately need daily restoration and refreshment in the Lord as we cannot pour from an empty cup. We therefore praise God for allowing times of encouragement so that our teams can continue to overflow with the love of God and carry out the mission he's placed on our hearts. We can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for TWR Women of Hope in the year ahead!



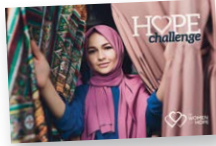
## Hope Challenge

The Hope Challenge is back by popular demand! For those who may be unfamiliar, the Hope Challenge is a special opportunity to partner with TWR Women of Hope in prayer and giving by supporting a project that you are passionate about.

Along with TWR's mission of reaching the last (in other words, groups that haven't heard the gospel), we challenge you to join us in reaching out to women in the "back rows" of society and who have gone unseen. We believe that through prayer and media, the Lord is making himself known to women worldwide, and we want to share his truth and love in every corner of the world.

We ask you to consider our 10 featured projects with the potential to make an endless impact! Just think, sowing one seed can reap an eternal harvest.

**So, are you up for the challenge?**



### LISTENER STORY

## Finding faith

My name is Shanti\*, and I grew up in a small village in Nepal where life was a constant struggle, especially with financial difficulties. Though I had heard of faith, I never truly understood it until one day, while doing my chores, I came across the *Women of Hope* radio program. The stories of hope and encouragement deeply touched me, and it felt like someone understood my struggles.

Week after week, I listened to the program, learning about the love of Jesus Christ and how he heals the brokenhearted. Eventually, I prayed along with one of the presenters and accepted

Jesus into my life. From that moment, everything changed—I felt peace and my burdens grew lighter.

*Women of Hope* not only helped me find faith but also gave me practical advice for daily struggles. I connected with other women and found support in our shared faith journey. Today, I live with purpose and joy, grateful for Jesus' love and the constant encouragement from *Women of Hope*. I now know that no matter what challenges come, I am never alone. "

**-LISTENER  
FROM NEPAL**

\*Pseudonym used for her privacy.

### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

#### SPANISH PROGRAMS VIA URUGUAY

When we think of Latin America and the Caribbean, our hearts smile. Our signature programs are produced by our team in Uruguay and reach Spanish-speaking women in more than 20 countries.

#### SOUTHEAST ASIA

On the other side of the globe, the *Women of Hope* program is airing effectively in the Khmer, Indonesian and Javanese languages of Cambodia and Indonesia. We thank the Lord for this gift of being able to speak hope to Asian women. Will you join us in prayer for the expansion of our outreach in Southeast Asia?

#### TIMOR-LESTE

Praise the Lord for a God-given opportunity to reach listeners in Timor-Leste, also known as East Timor! Broadcasting from a 1,000-watt transmitter and a strategically placed antenna, Radio Voz covers the entire capital, Dili, and a good number of villages along the mountains. The Brazilian Portuguese program is very suitable for audiences in East Timor, where the language is widely spoken. The *Women of Hope* programs are now being aired on the weekends.

#### SERBIA

We join our teams in thanksgiving for God's work in Serbia. Here is what they say: "Through social media platforms and interactive segments, we have

successfully built a vibrant online community. Currently, the Serbian page has nearly 17,000 followers, and the Croatian page has over 16,000, with the numbers steadily increasing. We feel very blessed to be able to reach and engage with our audiences through these platforms."

#### MONGOLIA

Our Mongolian national coordinator has been participating in several ministry events sharing the mission of TWR Women of Hope. The aim is to connect more women with the ministry so that more Mongolian women will be reached. Our team there has also received two broadcast samples of what *Women of Hope* will sound like in their language.

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# The most important item on His bucket list

*“But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.’”*

—LUKE 2:10-11

We know we’ve come to the end of another year when we look around and see Christmas decorations and lights all over the place. The playlists everywhere we go are all about the season, reminding us that “it’s the most wonderful time of the year.”

We don’t get snow in the part of the world where I live, but we do have Christmas trees, long lists of Christmas presents and festive gatherings as each family has its own tradition to celebrate. It’s a time of great expectation. Little kids can’t wait to get their presents. Families look forward to being together. And there are always those who can’t stop thinking about a much-needed break.

Christmas has been a time of expectation from its very beginning. God’s people were awaiting the fulfillment of the most marvelous promise – the Messiah, the Savior of the world, would come at any time. The story of Simeon is a beautiful example of that expectation. We read that he was a righteous and devout man who was waiting for the consolation (or comfort) of Israel and that the Holy Spirit was on him. The Holy Spirit had revealed to Simeon that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah.

Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When Mary and Joseph brought in the baby Jesus to present him in the temple as the law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: a light for



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revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel” (Luke 2:26-32).

I have read and thought of this passage hundreds of times, and every time, I am moved to tears by his statement, “You may now dismiss your servant for my eyes have seen the salvation of the Lord.” Simeon experienced a sense of completeness after having seen the Lord’s plan for our salvation.

Witnessing the fulfillment of the Lord’s promise to him was the one huge thing on his bucket list. He now was ready to die in peace. He grasped the true meaning of Christmas as he held Jesus in his arms. What a privilege! Christmas is indeed the most wonderful time of the year as different nations and languages celebrate the good news that causes great joy for all the people: We have been given a Savior!

We at TWR Women of Hope are so grateful for you and all that you do to help us take this message of salvation, transformation, hope and healing in Christ to women around the world and across generations. One day we’ll meet these women face to face and worship our Savior together for all eternity.

I love the thought that in the hearts of those who know Jesus, it’s Christmas every day. Yet I wish you and your loved ones a beautiful and meaningful Christmastime. I pray that the joy of the season lasts throughout the upcoming year as you abide in him.



Connecting women’s hearts to each other and to God, TWR Women of Hope has built a global prayer movement and media outreach that address unique physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

## VISION

To bring hope and healing in Jesus to women around the world and across generations.

## MISSION

To educate, encourage and equip women to learn, pray, listen, grow and give through media and group interaction.

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