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WHO'S LISTENING?

Sometimes, after a quiet week, it is easy to wonder, 'Is anyone out there?', and by that I mean, 'Is anyone listening to the radio and to our broadcast?' But very often at those times, a call will come in, or an email, asking about a song that just played, or a detail about a Life Diary announcement. We don't have statistics on our listenership, but the callers are all ages, and include visitors to the Riverland. Some recent comments have been "love the music", "keep it up", "really good, gave me a lift", and we have had requests and suggestions as well. It is encouraging to get all types of feedback and it gives us a connection with listeners.

Your financial support for the station is also a great encouragement, reminding us that we're working together with you to make the broadcast happen. It's also great to get event details from you to share with listeners in the Life Diary. For ministry to continue to develop, we need more people sharing in the work at the station. If we could have announcers on during the day we could encourage more of that connection with our audience. We want to see our team of people grow so that we can do more to encourage listeners in seeking and following the Lord.

Right now we have an immediate need for funds to pay the regular bills, and we need people to be involved in getting more sponsors for the station. We are thankful for your prayer and support for Riverland Life FM.



Compassion speaker, Silas Urungu
7pm Thursday 16th April, Family Life Centre, Baramba
RSVP - for details go to: www.riverlandlife.org.au

OUR DAILY BREAD

OUR DAILY BREAD radio spots, daily readings from the popular devotional series, are broadcast twice daily, at 6:50am and 10:30pm. In the lead-up to Anzac Day we will air some special Anzac Centenary editions of Our Daily Bread. These will start on Monday 6th April and will air every day at 12:15pm and 5:15pm, concluding on Anzac Day.

WAIKERIE UPDATE

The local area plan for our broadcast license includes a transmission link at Waikerie. Currently signals received on the FM radio band in the town area are patchy at best. A quote for the required engineering plans and assessments has been received; the next step will be to secure long-term access to the preferred site for the tower and transmission equipment housing.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Birthday greetings to station supporter Beth Reimann, who recently celebrated her 70th birthday. Beth and her family generously came up with the idea of encouraging their guests to give donations to Riverland Life FM in lieu of birthday presents. Thank you to the Reimann family for this thoughtful gesture and to all those who gave donations. These funds are very much appreciated.



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Jayne and Sharon invite you to grab a coffee, relax and join them for **Coffee O'Clock**, 3pm weekdays.

NEW VOICE ON RIVERLAND LIFE FM

Anglican Priest, the Rev'd Paul Devenport, is using his past radio experience with the ABC and in commercial radio over the years to become a regular contributor to Riverland Life FM.

Father Paul was commissioned as the Anglican Priest for the region in August last year, after he was ordained a priest in 2010. His first four years as a priest were based at McLaren Vale, south of Adelaide.

Before then, he spent 25 years with the ABC as a broadcaster, journalist and in management in South Australia and New South Wales. In the 1980's, he relieved as a journalist at the ABC in the Riverland, while based in the Adelaide newsroom. He also spent a number of years in commercial radio as a journalist/producer/broadcaster with 5DN and 5AA in Adelaide and interstate. While at 5DN in the late 1970's, he produced the Sunday night program hosted by Father John Fleming and Uniting Church Minister, the Rev'd Ken Anderson.



"I am pleased that I can use my broadcasting skills to produce the religious radio spots for Riverland Life FM. For me, I have always loved radio, especially in being able to entertain and inform people. It is bringing the best of both worlds with sharing my thoughts of the love of Christ to a wider audience throughout the Riverland on a station that is encouraging and informing. It is being broadcast in the context of a contemporary music format, which in turn is reaching the widest possible audience," he said.

"I hope my thoughts can challenge people to know God more through the life of Jesus Christ and be challenged to attend a local church."

RIVERLAND FOOTBALL BROADCAST 2015

With March quickly drawing to a close, we turn our attention to the beginning of the Riverland Football season and to once more broadcasting local matches on Saturday afternoons. This service is much appreciated by the wider community, raises our profile and is an opportunity to gain sponsorship support. Apart from the commentators, we depend on technical support to set up and run the broadcasts. We have just two people to draw on for this, and more are urgently needed to ensure the feasibility of broadcasting a full season of football. With another three helpers, the time commitment for those involved would be greatly reduced. We'd love to hear from anyone interested in getting involved.

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