

MHN PEOPLE

Emily Ramsdell, Syracuse area Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) joins our programmers with her new feature, *Today's Child*. Emily began her affiliation with CEF while hosting a CEF 5 Day Club as a Mom when living in Canada. Now thirty years later, Emily continues the work in Children's ministry with CEF. Emily Ramsdell has been a longtime friend of Mars Hill, and has previously produced radio features for MHN. Emily has also been a guest frequently on Mars Hill's Spotlight interview program addressing issues such as creating a child friendly teaching environment. For more information on Child Evangelism Fellowship, Good News Clubs, 5 Day Clubs, teacher training, or any other outreach CEF offers go to www.cefonline.com.

Dr. Mark L. Graham has pastored local churches in CNY for forty-five years. He has written extensively to provide biblical help for those under his pastoral and counseling care. Founder of Ministries, Inc., adjunct professor of biblical counseling for eight years with the Empire State Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Graham holds various degrees and diplomas in ministry, counseling, and law. Currently, he resides with his wife, Diane, in Fayetteville, NY where he counsels, writes, and serves the Mars Hill Network as a Pastor for the Day host and Pastor/Counselor at large.

Betty Roberts, 89, beloved wife of 69 years to Clayton Roberts, Mars Hill Broadcasting president, went home to be with her Lord and Savior Wednesday June 5th at her home. Betty was instrumental in helping to develop WMHR radio, faithfully serving alongside of husband Clayt. Betty will be much missed by husband Clayt, her large, loving family, her dear friends, and her church family at LaFayette Alliance.



WHAT'S MARS HILL?

Back in 1969, when the founders of this radio network were building the first station, one of the tasks was to select "call letters", four letters that would be the "name" of the radio station. East of the Mississippi, the first letter of a licensed station must always be "W". After the first letter, station licensees are free to choose whatever letters they want, as long as they are unique to that particular station. For example, there can only be one WABC or only one WSYR. So, the call letters, WMHR were chosen and then submitted to, and approved by, the Federal Communications Commission.

But why the letters W M H R? Simply put... Mars Hill Radio.

There is a biblical connection to the name Mars Hill, one that goes back about 25-hundred years. Mars Hill is the Roman name for a hill in Athens, Greece that the Greeks call Areopagus. Rising some 377 feet above the land below, and not far from the more famous Acropolis and Agora, Mars Hill served as the meeting place for the highest court of Greece. It was here that civil, criminal and religious disputes were settled. Later, under Roman rule, in the time of the New Testament, Mars Hill remained an important meeting place where philosophy, religion and law were discussed.

The biblical significance of Mars Hill, is that it is the location of one of the Apostle Paul's most important gospel presentations, given at the time of his visit to Athens during his second missionary journey.

It was on Mars Hill that Paul addressed the religious idolatry of the Greeks who even had an altar dedicated to "The Unknown God". The Apostle used this altar as a starting point, proclaiming to them that the "One True God" was their unknown god, and how they could be reconciled to Him.

We know from reading our Bible that Paul preached to both Jews and Gentiles... that he proclaimed the gospel in the marketplace daily with those who happened to be there. One day, while at the Agora (marketplace) he encountered some Epicurean and Stoic philosophers who, after hearing Paul's argument of the resurrected Jesus Christ, invited him to Mars Hill to hear more.

What happened on Mars Hill is important because of the lessons learned - not only from how Paul presented the gospel and biblical worldview, but also in the varied response he received. Some of those believed and were saved, others mocked, rejecting his message, still others were open minded and desired to hear more.

Paul's message to the philosophers on Mars Hill that day ended with a call to repentance and acceptance of the two fundamental truths of Scripture that Paul was committed to preaching; the crucifixion and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ.

So, now you know! And hopefully you can see the similarity between our modern day Mars Hill Network and the Mars Hill of ancient Greece. The founders of our radio network prayed that this radio station would proclaim the truth of the One True God to those who continue to search for their unknown god. We join Paul in preaching the crucifixion and the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ.



MHN EMPOWERS CHURCHES FREE CHRISTMAS BOOKLET SHARES THE GOSPEL WITH KIDS

With nearly 60,000 comic books in print MHN freely helps churches, ministries and individual Christians to share the Good News of Jesus Christ during the Christmas season. But wait there's more! Public schools, community centers, grocery stores, restaurants, gas stations and more are also giving these full-Gospel comic books away to parents and kids. These booklets are so easy to give that they have been shared out of state, into Canada and even into a Muslim country where children joyfully receive them as a wonderful gift.

More than a tract, *The Little Elf That Didn't Know About Christmas* is a full comic book that quickly communicates the birth of the Savior, the story of His sacrifice, and resurrection to lovingly save all who put their trust in Him; God's One & Only Son.

The Little Elf That Didn't Know About Christmas was developed in partnership with former Disney and Marvel Comics artist Paul Cammilleri. Paul has created numerous kid-friendly products for national clients but wanted to use his skills for a bigger purpose; actually the BIGGEST PURPOSE!

Made to be easy-to-share, these booklets are given as Christmas cards, stocking stuffers, shared at drive-thrus, bustling malls, parades, parties, easily as Christmas gifts even to strangers who are happy to receive them during the greatest gift-giving season of the year. Kids also love to share these everywhere with classmates, family, friends, and your church will too.

Contact MHN to reserve your free copies today and help your church to share the Gospel in a very holly jolly way this Christmas. Reaching all the kids in our area is quite a task, copies are limited; please reserve them today by calling MHN at (800) 677-1881. Or if you want to join this mission in another way, please prayerfully consider donating to help us tell many more kids throughout New York and beyond that *Jesus Christ is God's Christmas Gift* to them and the world that He loves.

SOARING ON EAGLE'S WINGS

For another year, the Mars Hill Network will be soaring with Ron Hutchcraft's On Eagles Wings (OEW) ministry. On Eagle's Wings is an evangelistic outreach to Native America Indians. OEW prepares for the reservation tour by training young Native American Christians to lovingly reach out to their peers with the gospel message.

Mars Hill will be bringing OEW updates by means of audio reports throughout the summer, concluding with a final report on how the Holy Spirit has graciously moved in the hearts of these so often forgotten young people.

If you would like to be part of this summer's "On Eagles Wings" outreach, visit our web page, marshillnetwork.org and click on the On Eagles Wings banner.



MHN LISTENERS SPEAK UP

"You were a key influence in my accepting our Lord Jesus as my Savior. Praise His name." Listener from Newark

"WMHR has been a light to us for many years! You've encouraged us to grow in Christ, even in the rough times...or should I say especially in the rough times! Whenever we've needed encouragement your announcer or one of the programs has touched our hearts and helped us through. Thank you!" Listener from Lacona

"I have been praying for my husband for many years. Thanks to the Mars Hill Network he faithfully listens to WMHR - J Vernon McGee, Family Life Today, and many more, plus all the wonderful music. I cannot begin to tell you that God continues to be faithful through the ministry of the Mars Hill Network and all that you serve. We are encouraged, God's Word reaches across the globe and so many precious souls are changed and heaven-bound because of all of you. Thank you and praise God!" Listener's email

"I wrote to you a couple years ago while I was in prison. You were a blessing to me when I was there, but lost the signal when I moved to another prison. Now I'm home and am able to listen to WMHR again and it is such a blessing to hear all the familiar voices that I grew up listening to and especially to hear good Christian radio flooding the home instead of what I used to hear in prison. I want to remind you that many inmates do listen to the Mars Hill Network in various facilities around the state. You are being used by the Lord to change lives behind prison walls, razor wire, and cell bars. I thank the Lord for you." Listener from Marathon

"I came to the saving knowledge of Christ after a divorce, which in turn led me to your station, which in turn directed me to the Billy Graham Crusade. I did go forward that afternoon and committed my life to Christ, and I have been listening to your station ever since. God was definitely directing my steps. We want to thank you for your dedication to spreading the Word of God through your wonderful medium. God bless." Listener from Lyons

SHARE THE GOSPEL Yes, I want reach New York & Canada with the Good News of Jesus Christ by partnering with Mars Hill Network

Send in your support today

Mars Hill Network Suggested Support Levels

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U.S. supporters please send gifts to: Mars Hill Network, 4044 Makyes Rd. Syracuse, NY 13215-8683

Canadian supporters please send gifts to: Mars Hill Radio (Canada) Inc., 775 Progress Ave. Kingston ON K7M 6R8



Please circle an age range (optional): 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, 70+

I listen to Mars Hill Network on: (Please indicate the primary station.)

- WMHR 102.9 Syracuse
- WMHN 89.3 Webster/Rochester
- WMHI 94.7 Watertown/Cape Vincent, NY, Kingston, On
- WMHQ 90.1 Malone/Massena/Cornwall
- WMHU 91.1 Utica/Cold Brook
- WMHY 88.7 Richfield Springs
- WMHH 96.7 Albany
- Translator Station
- Marshillnetwork.org

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MHN's Radio Broadcasts Potentially Reach

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Get the Good News of Jesus Christ in Your Area

Frequency	Location	Frequency	Location
WMHR 102.9 FM	Syracuse, NY	100.3 FM	Little Falls/Herkimer, NY
WMHN 89.3 FM	Rochester/Webster, NY	91.9 FM	Lowville, NY
WMHI 94.7 FM	Watertown/Cape Vincent, NY, Kingston, On	97.7 FM	Norwich, NY
WMHQ 90.1 FM	Malone/Massena, NY, Cornwall, On	90.5 FM	Oneonta, NY
WMHY 88.7 FM	Richfield Springs, NY	90.9 FM	Riverhead/Long Island, NY
WMHU 91.1 FM	Utica/Coldbrook, NY	101.9 FM	Greece, NY
WMHH 96.7 FM	Albany, NY	88.3 FM	Gouverneur/Richville, NY
100.5 FM	Canton, NY	105.9 FM	Ogdensburg, NY
96.1 FM	Cortland/Homer, NY	97.9 FM	Long Lake, NY
107.9 FM	Hilton, NY	90.5 FM	Lyons Falls/Port Leyden, NY
101.7 FM	Ithaca, NY	98.7 FM	Saranac Lake, NY

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