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Times and Signs

One subject that has been on people's minds for some time is the end of the world. Radio shows talk about it, popular magazines write about it, and movies vividly romanticize it. Ever since 9/11, safety has been foremost in the minds of the public. While the world was looking for safety, a couple of decades later, the Covid-19 pandemic caused universal unrest. On the heels of the Covid pandemic, we have the ongoing war between Russia and Ukraine. This leads us to ask the question, what could possibly be next? What does the Bible say about this vital subject? What question did Christ's disciples have for Him? **Matt 24:3**

According to Scripture, the coming of Jesus marks the world's end. Here are ten signs of Jesus' soon return.

Sign 1. False christ's. Matt 24:4-5

David Koresh, Marshal Applewhite, Jim Jones, Sun Myung Moon, Louis de Jesus Miranda, and others have claimed to be the messiah.



Sign 2. International conflict. Matt 24:6-7



In WWI, there were 20 Million deaths. In WWII, there were 50 Million deaths. Here are the countries with Nuclear Weapons Capability in 2006:

Acknowledged - Britain, China, France, India, Pakistan, Russia, and the United States. Unacknowledged - Israel, North Korea, Iran, and al-Qaeda. Abandoned - South Africa, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Ukraine. There are significant wars/conflicts involving 59 parties in the world today.

Signs 3-5. Famines, pestilences, and earthquakes. Matt 24:7

57 million people die each year due to starvation. Among today's population, 60% are malnourished, and 20% will starve.



Pastor
Travis Smith

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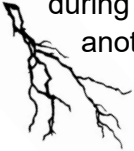
David Bolduc

President's Perspective "Nothing to Fear"

In Dec. of 2021, a winter storm went through with heavy snow and freezing rain.



The storm caused problems at our TV station, and it took months for our engineers to get to the bottom of the problem. While dealing with that, WGCP in Cadillac took a direct lightning strike during a storm damaging our antenna and feedline. Following that, another storm went through Grand Rapids, damaging our Emergency Alert System (EAS) for WNHG. Our EAS for WMJC in Richland has also failed as of this writing. On top of this, our beloved Sandy is still recovering at home after a recent medical emergency.



All is not bad news; you will remember we went on air in Grand Haven on WMPA just before Michigan Camp meeting in June. We are already hearing positive reports from listeners, and we have raised \$43,500 of the needed \$200,000 so far to pay off this station. We are also looking at the possibility of another station in an undisclosed location in northern Michigan. In addition, I



COMING SOON!

have almost completed negotiating with Greenville, Bridgman, South Haven, and Port Sanilac tower owners. They have all requested we have engineering studies run on their towers to make sure we do not overload the towers before we proceed with construction.

I love the story in John 6 where a lad brings his lunch to a hillside when he goes to hear Jesus preach; apparently, few others considered bringing a lunch. The disciples are confused by Jesus' question in verse 5, but Jesus had a plan. The King James version of verse 6 says, "for He Himself knew what He would do." To all appearances, we can't see how things are going to work out, especially when multiple storms take out expensive equipment but, we have nothing to fear for the future! God knows what the future holds and what He is about to do.



Every month, we send out about 1,700 newsletters along with a postage-paid envelope. Like the lad in the story, would you be willing to give what is in your hand?

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Changed Lives “Let Them Hear”



Kam Ferguson

How does Strong Tower Radio (STR) impact your life?
How do you think it affects the lives of other listeners?

I recently spoke with a WGCP listener, Mrs. E, who shared that she loves the programs, keeps her radio tuned to STR, and is very thankful for the edifying music STR plays. She stated that hardly anyone preaches repentance and conversion anymore, we're living in the end time, and we need to be ready to meet Jesus! Amen, she has been listening!

Mr. G visited the church where my wife and I attend, and we introduced ourselves to Mr. G after service and enjoyed our visit with him. We also shared Strong Tower Radio with him. He doesn't live in an area that STR currently reaches on the FM dial, so he began tuning in via internet streaming. Mr. G called me in a few days and expressed amazement at the power of the messages he's hearing, and he has shared STR with his children and grandkids, some who live in other regions of the United States. Mr. G was so moved by one message he heard on STR that he wants to meet the pastor personally and thank him.

Mr. J loves listening to STR on WGCP and says he learns new things almost daily. He loves the health programs and the powerful messages and describes STR as complete Christian radio, not just music like the others. The Holy Spirit continues to impress Mr. J to implement what he's learning, and he keeps moving forward in faith.

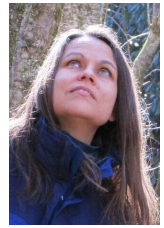


These three listeners exemplify the purpose of STR. Strong Tower Radio exists to share the everlasting gospel 24/7/365 with all who will hear. Who else will tell the world the truth?!

Not your truth or my truth, no, this is the Way, the Truth, the Life, the whole gospel of Jesus Christ. How will they know if you and I don't share? We aren't reaching people personally, one at a time, fast enough to reach everyone just once! Radio enables us to reach millions of people, not only once, but many times daily.

Your prayerful support of STR ultimately says one thing every day: those who have ears, let them hear. The Master says, "Thank you" for following Him. [see **Matt 13:9**]

Garden Cucumber Salad



Recipe by
Jodi Ferguson



When cucumbers kick off the growing season, they tend to start with a couple of cucumbers and morph to a bowl full very quickly. Often we begin the season excited, and within days we ask ourselves, “What in the world am I going to do with all these cukes?!” This recipe was inspired from this perspective.

I am very selective in my cucumber eating. However, this is a deliciously easy recipe for curbing that summer surplus. Make sure you check out the “Fun Variations” for other simple and tasty additions. Enjoy your abundance!



- 4 Cucumbers diced, peel if desired (approximately 1 1/2 cups)
- 1 can Lindsay Crafted Medium Smooth & Buttery Green Ripe Pitted Olives, sliced
- 10-12 Cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1 stalk celery, sliced or diced
- 1 lime, juice of
- 1/2 teaspoon Garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon Onion powder
- 1/8 teaspoon Himalayan pink salt



Optional garnish: Purple basil leaves and a thyme sprig

Note: I found the listed olive has the best flavor for the ingredient combination. However, you can substitute with your favorite black olives. Also, if you do not have Pink salt, use what you have on hand, salting to taste.

Fun Variations: For variations or additions, mix and match diced radishes, lemon thyme leaves, shredded fresh basil, and chocolate mint or cilantro. Can also be served on pita bread or over a bed of baby spinach.

Times and Signs (Continued from page 1)

Before the COVID-19 virus, we only had to deal with: H1N1 (Swine Flu), H5N1 (Avian Bird Flu), Ecoli outbreaks, AIDS, Mad Cow Disease, West Nile Virus, and SARS. Today these have become common terms in the news.

Statistics from the US Geological Survey, which is the national earthquake information center for major earthquakes (6.5 or higher) in the world. **1500's**: 1 major earthquake. **1600's**: 1 major earthquake. **1700's**: 2 major earthquakes. **1800's**: 29 major earthquakes. **1,900's**: 126 major earthquakes. **In the last 3.5 years**: 176 major earthquakes (compilation date: 03/2016). *

Sign 6. Increased violence. Matt 24:12

With what age did Jesus compare the social conditions of the earth near the end of the world? **Matt 24:37** What was the time of Noah like? **Gen 6:5, 11-12**

Children watch an average of three hours of TV a day. By age 12, they have seen over 1,400 murders committed on TV. In general, there are increases in violence (5%), foul language (30%), and sexual content (42%.)

Sign 7. Decrease in morality. 2 Tim 3:1-4

The pornography industry receives more revenue than the top technology companies combined: Microsoft, Google, Amazon, Apple, and Netflix. Bigger than all sports franchises in the US combined, bringing in more money than the combined revenue of the top television companies ABC, CBS, and NBC.



What about divorce rates? **1900**: 1 in 12 marriages. **1930**: 1 in 6 marriages. **1978**: 1 in 3 marriages. **2007**: 1 in 2 marriages.

Sign 8. Environmental pollution. Isa 51:6

The World Health Organization estimates that 4.6 million people die each year from air pollution.

Sign 9. Increase in knowledge. Dan 12:4

It wasn't until the 1700's that the steam locomotive was invented. Because of airplanes, trips that used to take months now take hours. We know more about prophecy today than we ever have. Prophecy is fulfilling right before our very eyes. We can understand prophecy as we see it being fulfilled.



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September Current Events

We are excited to announce a new program, *Strong Tower Radio Features*.



By Tom Mejeur

This program records on-site with new Zoom portable recorders. Faith Camp and Ionia's School of Missionary Aviation Technology were the first programs to use these recorders. This month, we'll have more remote recordings with our Blind Bicycle Camp virtual visit.



STR's team should be within driving distance of you this month; we're making public appearances throughout the state! David and Tom have Sabbath morning speaking appointments, Kam will be on a two-week tour across the Upper Peninsula visiting churches, and several of our staff will attend U.P. Camp Meeting at Camp Sagola, September 9-11.

The Strong Tower Radio Variety Hour has

back-to-back 6 p.m. EST presentations

at Charlotte Seventh-day Adventist

Church on September 24th and the Wilson

Seventh-day Adventist Church on October

1st. Producer, Debbie Blosser, says, "there are no two Variety Hours that are the same." The Charlotte hosts will be the father-son team of Gene and Jeremy Hall, and the Wilson hosts will be Kam Ferguson and Cory Herthel. Each Variety Hour features some local talent, an inspired mix of young and old with a blend of vocals, instruments, and readings.



The Michigan Conference of Seventh-day Adventists recently published an article in their monthly newsletter, Michigan Memo, and on their Facebook page referencing the synergistic effect of STR with a local church bringing in a listener to the Lord! Look for another article scheduled for September about the Strong Tower Radio ministry.

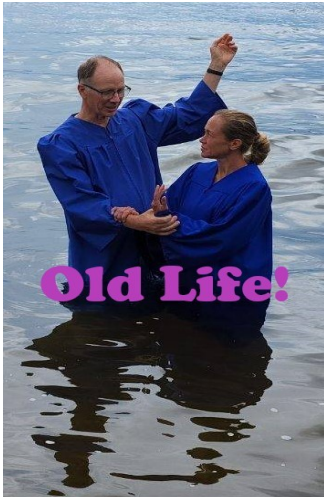


Nothing to Fear (Continued from page 2)

We appreciate our dedicated monthly supporters. If you are not a monthly supporter, please prayerfully consider supporting Strong Tower Radio. We trust that God will provide where He leads!



Read next month's issue for more on this new Child of God!



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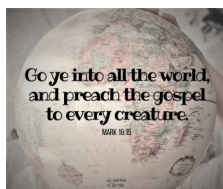
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Sign 10. Gospel going to the entire world. Matt 24:14

All over the world, people are positively responding to the gospel, over 1,000 people a day are being baptized.



According to **Matt 24:33, 44**, Jesus gave us these signs so that we can be ready for His coming.

Should we be fearful of the times in which we live? **John 14:1-3**

When you see the signs that Jesus predicted, remember that He said, "Let not your heart be troubled." Every time we lay a husband or wife to rest, we say in our hearts, "O Jesus, come quickly." We can be hopeful, even in the crazy world in which we live, because Jesus is soon to come. On May 23, 1960, in Hilo, Hawaii, the sirens began to warn of a coming tidal wave. Many people had

heard the sirens before, only to discover that they were false alarms. Most of the people who were killed ignored the warning sirens. This tidal wave

destroyed 530 buildings and killed 61 people despite the warning system that was installed

in 1948. I can see that the signs of **Matt 24** are being fulfilled, and I want to be ready when Jesus returns!

* *Earthquake info can be found at,*

<http://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/eqinthenews/>



Keep an eye out for Strong Tower Radio Ambassadors, like the STR Quartet and Variety Hour team!

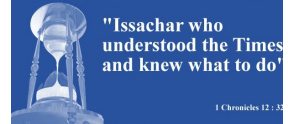




Kam Ferguson

Children of Issachar

The Bible describes the children of Issachar, during the time of King David, as “men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do.” **1 Chr 12:32**



Jesus wants to describe every one of His followers as ‘men and women who understand the times in which we live and know what to do.’

I recently encountered such a couple. They sent a \$6,000 check to STR. When I called to thank them, they shared that they were willed a significant amount of money. While assessing their



situation, they determined that God had and would continue providing for all their needs. They divided the funds equally and sent checks to many ministries, including STR. We used those funds to meet a payroll.

We live during momentous times, and God calls us to be stewards of eternal riches.

Last month we needed \$6,000 to meet various expenses that were due, and God provided that very day through thirty donors whose gifts totaled \$6,000. This month He provided for another need through one donor. As Prince Jonathan told his armor bearer, “God can save by many or by few.” **1 Sam 14:6**

God can indeed work by 30 or by 1, by many or by few; how has He been working through you? So many of you pray for STR, and we continue to see the impact of your prayer support.

Many of you support STR with financial gifts also. Thank you for investing in souls for eternity, both in prayer and monetarily! Some haven’t yet given. Why leave the blessing to others? Join in praying for STR and listeners searching for truth.



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STR Engagements:

9/3	10:45 a.m.	Kam Ferguson	Wilson Seventh-day Adventist Church
9/9-11		U.P. Camp Meeting	Camp Sagola, MI
9/10	11:00 a.m.	David Bolduc	Marion Seventh-day Adventist Church
9/24	10:50 a.m.	Kam Ferguson	Stevensville Seventh-day Adventist Church
9/24	5:30 p.m.	STR Variety Hour	Charlotte Seventh-day Adventist Church
10/1	6:00 p.m. EST	STR Variety Hour	Wilson Seventh-day Adventist Church

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