A VOICE OF HOPE FOR ERITREA

Dear Friend,

I am excited to share with you a new ministry opportunity in Eritrea, one of the hardest places in the world to follow Jesus.

Eritrea is a small country in East Africa. It became independent from Ethiopia in 1993 after a long and painful war. At first, the people of Eritrea had great hope. They hoped for freedom, peace, and a better future. They hoped they would be able to speak freely, worship freely, and live without fear.

Sadly, those hopes did not last. Over time, the government began to take away many basic freedoms. People lost the freedom to speak openly, to move freely, and to worship according to their faith. Evangelical churches were banned from meeting together. Pastors, church leaders, and ordinary believers were arrested. Many Christians were forced to go underground.

Today, much of **the church in Eritrea is a secret church**. Believers often meet in homes and worship privately. We believe that up to 3,000 believers may currently be imprisoned in Eritrea. Many of these precious brothers and sisters face indefinite detention—without trial, without justice, and most without access to the Word of God.

And yet, **the Gospel is still alive in Eritrea.**

Even under persecution, people are coming to Christ. The church is growing, even though it is hidden. Many Eritreans are hungry for God's Word and long to grow in their faith.

Over the years, Door of Hope International has been blessed to help get more than 1,000 solar-powered audio Bibles into prisons and into the hands of persecuted Christians. These Bibles have brought God's Word to people who have no other way to hear it.

NOW WE WANT TO REACH MANY MORE PEOPLE THROUGH RADIO

The privilege before DOHI is to help strengthen and expand a Christian radio program broadcast from a studio in Ethiopia, Eritrea's neighboring country. Airing every day for 30 minutes, the program is already reaching Eritreans and Tigrinya-speaking people across the Horn of Africa with biblical teaching, discipleship, and encouragement. For many listeners, **radio may be one of the only ways they can receive God's Word**, especially where churches, Christian books, and online teaching are limited or unsafe. The current audience is estimated at 10 million people—and it continues to grow.

This ministry reminds me of how God used radio in my father's own life and ministry. Before Pastor Haralan Popov was imprisoned for his faith, he listened to Christian radio broadcasts in the Russian language coming from Quito, Ecuador. Those broadcasts greatly strengthened his faith and helped prepare him for the suffering he would later endure.

Because of this, Father understood personally what a difference radio could make in the life of someone hungry for God's Word. After he was released from prison and joined us in Sweden, his heart remained burdened for the prisoners, believers, and unbelievers still trapped behind the Iron Curtain. He began broadcasting God's Word into closed-off countries where people could not worship freely or hear the Gospel openly.

In fact, Father was the first person to broadcast the Gospel message in the Bulgarian language, and even when communist leaders tried to jam his broadcasts, the message of Christ continued to reach listeners behind the Iron Curtain, encouraging the Bulgarian church he had faithfully served and proclaiming to atheists and unbelievers, again and again, the truth that "God does exist."

Eritrea has a similar need today. Where believers cannot gather openly or safely access Christian teaching, radio can still carry God's Word into homes, prisons, and hidden places.

The full budget for one year of this ministry is only $10,000.

When we think about the number of people this ministry can reach, the cost is very small. For $10,000 a year, the truth of God's Word can continue to go out day after day to people who desperately need hope.

Would you prayerfully consider helping us support this radio ministry for one year?

Together, we can help bring the Word of God to Eritreans who need hope, truth, and encouragement.

Thank you for standing with persecuted Christians in Eritrea!

YES PAUL,

I want to stand with Eritrea's secret church.
Please use my gift to help send the truth of God's Word by radio to believers who cannot worship freely, Christians who are suffering for their faith, and those who are searching for hope in Christ.

☐ Use my gift where most needed.
☐ Use my gift to help support one year of the Eritrea radio ministry.
☐ Use my gift for ongoing ministries.
☐ $50 ☐ $75 ☐ $150 ☐ $500 ☐ $1,000 ☐ Other _____

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