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Message from Gary

Another 8760 hours, 525,600 minutes and 31,536,000 seconds have ticked by this past year. Each of us receives that gift of time, regardless of who we are and where we live. What really makes a difference is how we spend that time.

As the end of the year draws near, and as I reflect on it, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for an amazing year and for the time, effort and prayer you have committed to The Incredible Journey this past year. Whether you are a TIJ staff member, volunteer, board member, viewer, donor, or partner, you have made a valuable and meaningful contribution to a successful year for THE INCREDIBLE JOURNEY. But above all, I wish to thank the Lord for His leading, watch care, and guidance over the past year.

The year-end is an ideal time to reflect on the past and to look forward with hope to the future. Looking back over the year, let me start with our top priority - evangelism. Proclaiming the Gospel is the heartbeat of 'The Incredible Journey.' It is why we exist. Not only do we reach the world through media evangelism, but 'The Incredible Journey' also stays committed to public evangelism.

Through your prayers, efforts, and support, God has done tremendous things this year through 'The Incredible Journey.' Here is a brief summary of recent events and a glimpse of our plans for the future:

- We have conducted six public evangelistic programs in partnership with churches in three Australian Conferences that have been attended by hundreds of people, including many of our television viewers.
- We have produced a new Bible Study series on the Book of Revelation. The last book of the Bible contains God's special message for the end-time and is particularly relevant for our time.
- We have produced 46 new television programs this year covering a wide variety of topics and some wonderful stories.
- We interviewed two past Prime Ministers, one past deputy Prime Minister, two Archbishops, along with Martin Iles from the Australian Christian Lobby, for a special new program.
- We have posted hundreds of new messages on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, TikTok) including Bible texts, prayers, Bible doctrines, and Bible devotionals. These posts are reaching a whole new audience with the Good News and Bible Truth.
- We have sent out many thousands of copies of truth-filled literature to interested people including Bibles, The Great Controversy, The Desire of Ages, Steps to Christ, Patriarchs and Prophets, Thoughts from the Mount of Blessings, Christ's Object Lessons, and Prophets and Kings.

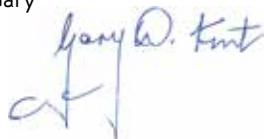
We thank God for the work He has done through our ministry, but there is still more to do! So, under God's leading we are looking forward in faith and hope and are making big plans for next year. These include:

- More major public evangelism programs.
- Filming more Bible story re-enactments on some of the best movie sets in the world to illustrate new television programs.
- Printing thousands of affordable Bibles with study helps and Bible studies.
- Expanding our social media evangelism with the assistance of professionals in the field.

This is just a glimpse of our plans for next year. There's much more to come. Thank you for being a Partner with God and 'The Incredible Journey' to do all we can to share the Gospel. Because you respond to God's promptings, lives are being saved for eternity.

May God bless you and your family and grant you a safe and happy holiday season.

Blessings and best wishes,
Gary



Your support will continue to help:

- Continue the production of a new TV series on the Bible book of Daniel
- Provide Conflict of the Ages books free for viewers
- Produce a new TV series on leading Bible characters: Joseph and Moses
- Produce a new TV series 'What is Sin?'
- Conduct Public Evangelism Programs
- Purchase Prime Time television slots for our programs



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The Preacher and the Swastika



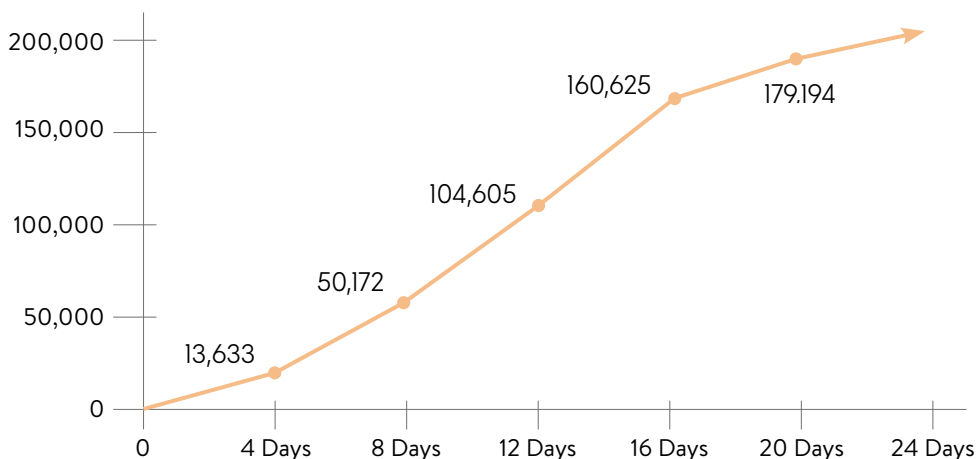
Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German theologian, is a Christian hero for many. Executed by the Nazis just days before the end of WWII for his participation in a plot to assassinate Hitler, Bonhoeffer is hailed as a 20th-century martyr. Bonhoeffer struggled with a moral dilemma – his religious views were in stark contrast to the evil he saw all around him. He chose to remain faithful to the principles of God despite possible imprisonment and execution. Across the political and theological spectrum, Bonhoeffer is celebrated as an icon of true Christianity and his theological writings are classics throughout the Christian world.

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The fastest growing program by views and YouTube subscribers in 2023 was the Dietrich Bonhoeffer program. During the first 5 days the program achieved 20,804 views, after 20 days 179,194, to date this program has been viewed 232,890 times since publishing and has contributed 3,149 new subscribers.

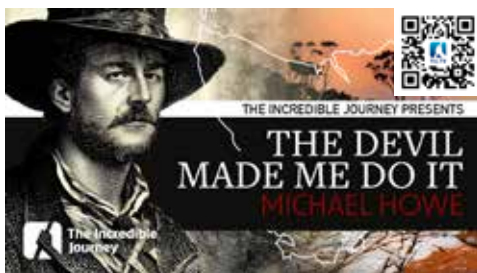
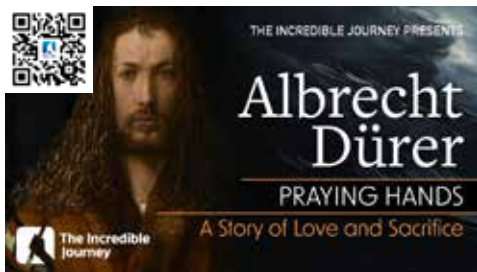


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Recently released programs

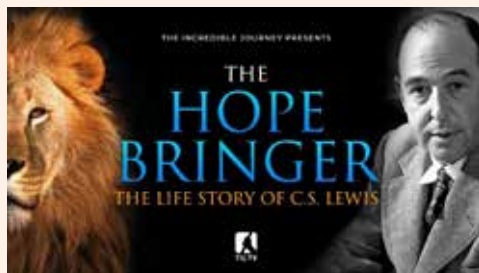


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The channel has also received 237% more views than usual, bringing our current program views to **13,657,292**.

Other than the Dietrich Bonhoeffer program, we have also seen increased interest in programs such as ***The Hope Bringer: The life story of C.S. Lewis***.

This program was viewed **127,086** times in the past three months, bringing the total views to **169,453**





Evangelistic Campaigns

Evangelistic programs have centred on Victoria and New South Wales in 2023. The TIJ staff were able to support the local Avondale Memorial series that ran over six nights in August. A dinner of soup and buns was followed by the inspiring and dynamic presentations by Gary Kent, with between 90 and 200 people attending, including some who had never been in a church previously.

We also ran evangelistic campaigns in partnership with the following churches....

- **Traralgon**, VIC
- **Warrnambool** Easter Arts Festival, VIC
- **Yarra Valley**, VIC
- **Casey**, VIC
- **Avondale Memorial**, NSW
- **Dundas**, NSW
- **Whanganui**, NZ

7@Avondale Lunch

An uplifting and delicious fundraising lunch event was held at the new restaurant, 7@Avondale, on August 27 with 180 guests. Julian Archer inspired everyone with his moving talk, that has some people still quoting his phrase: 'Do your giving while you're living, so you're knowing where it's going.' Gary's talk astounded many guests as he shared the scope of the TIJ projects, the reach and magnitude of the programs and ministry, and the responses we receive from viewers. And those in attendance were blessed by the music of Rina Maidment, Darren Lovett and their team.



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Jane* I just watched your lessons on The Book of Daniel. It was extremely enjoyable. I learned so much and feel closer to God and I will try my best, with God's help, to be an "Overcomer and not a conformer." Thank you so very much for your ministry. I will follow you and continue to renew my spirit by watching your videos and Bible study. May God continue to bless you and keep you.

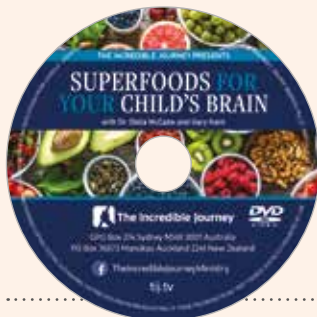
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Franz Hasel Re-enactments



We recently filmed re-enactments for a new program scheduled to air in 2024 on the incredible story of Franz Hasel. During WW2, Hasel risked his life by warning people they passed that the SS death squads would soon be coming to their villages. If found out, he would have faced a firing squad. Then, during the middle of the German advance into Russia, he informed his superiors to be prepared because Hitler would not win the war. Hasel carried a small postcard-size picture of the image of Daniel 2 and shared with his superiors the meaning behind this prophecy. Keep an eye out for this program called 'The Soldier Who Defied Hitler'.



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Leaving a Bequest — If you are considering a gift in your last will and testament for The Incredible Journey, please contact **info@tij.tv** and we'll be happy to assist you.