

A Korean sees wild life. Looking Forward

A young Korean lady spent 6 weeks at GRN from late June. Yoongchi's family lives in Japan, and her English teachers' father is involved with GRN there, so she came and volunteered with us for some of her summer holidays. She is studying Biology in Korea. Most of the time she was helping with admin or factory tasks.



Katrina and I (David) took Yoongchi to Featherdale Wildlife park one Saturday. Neither of us had been there, so it was good to see how they do things. Yoongchi got to see all sort of Aussie animals, including koala, wallabies and tassie devils. Since she hadn't yet seen an Aussie beach we then drove to West Head over looking Barrenjoey (where we saw a wild wallaby!), then to Avalon for lunch and up to Palm Beach and then home via Dee Why.

I (David) have a number of projects on my plate at GRN: Intranet, IT Strategy, Workstation Security, Automating Audio workstation builds, and, more recently, our Global Studio project. (Replication of web site and database are sort of on hold at the moment). Most of these will be ongoing for sometime (or never end!).

The Intranet project has moved from implementation to content development and training, although some additional capabilities will need to be added. We aim to have IT Strategy plan before our International leadership meet in November, but this plan will be reviewed every 6 months.

The proposal for workstation security is almost finished. Once this is approved there will be a fair amount of effort to implement this world wide.

The automation of audio workstations building is almost complete, unlike the Global Studio Project, which is just starting. This project is to allow studio staff in the USA and Australia to access the same

audio files and data in their studios and to provide some tools to help manage the audio archive and studio tasks. We also hope that other centres may be able to be involved in the Global Studio in the future.

Outside of GRN, I will be going to Adelaide on October 14-17 to attend Mission Interlink's National Leadership Team meeting and train some of the leaders on the MI web site. This site has proved somewhat problematic, so please pray for this. Later in the month on October 23 I fly to Chiang Mai, Thailand to prepare for ICCM Asia (Oct 27-30). Pray for this conference, for attendees and speakers from different ministry organisations. Also pray for John Edmiston, the keynote speaker, an Aussie living in the USA. Pray for provision of his airfare! While in Chiang Mai I will also visit the GRN office there. I will return to Sydney on Nov 1.

Katrina continues to help out in the office and factory as needed. Part of her responsibilities is to edit stories from the field for publication on the Internet.

Support Team:

We have a weekly and a monthly prayer email list. To join, send us an email.

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On the Goat Track

David & Katrina Miller

Getting settled @ GRN

During our first 3 months or so at Global Recordings Network (GRN) we have been finding our feet and finding our roles. I (David) have been helping out with IT for a number of years, but even so, I (David) had been outside the organisation and only working on part of GRN's IT systems. Now I am fully immersed in the issues of IT in this global organisation. Katrina has had to learn about the organisation and learn some new skills. We have both done some reading on the history of GRN.

Katrina has been helping in various roles in the Admin team, everything from filing, to editing stories for the web about GRN we receive by email, to generating CD images ready to burn when we receive an order, and she has been helping in the factory and now knows a few of the steps in the assembly process for the SABER player.

We also get involved in representing the mission. One of the first activities for us was to help out at a night promoting GRN Philippines to the Philippino community here in



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Upcoming Events

St Marks Avalon Aug 31
David - Adelaide Oct 14-17
David - Thailand Oct 23- Nov 1
(ICCM Asia)

Kenaniah the head Levite was in charge of the singing; that was his responsibility because he was skillful at it.
1 Chron 15:22

Kate's Korner



Winter is almost over although with the weather we have been having it may be cool for a little while longer. A particularly cold winter often signals a hot summer, so soon we will be all complaining that it's too hot.

This winter I have had two colds and recently an abscess in my tonsil and a cough and David has a nasty cough at the moment too. So we have had our share of ills this wintertime.

David celebrated his birthday this month. He turned 44.

My cardiologist is still happy with my progress on the Bostentan and soon I will do another 6 minute

walking test and have a ecocardiogram for the drug company's protocol and also change to the PBS (which we were praying for and thankfully received). This means I get a perscription for the medication and it will only cost a very minimal amount.

Please pray for my Dad. A piece of wire which is holding his ribs together from the bypass surgery he had 7 years ago has broken through the skin at the top of his chest. It is not very long, only a few millimetres, but has created a small hole that infection could get into and cause all sorts of problems. I have spoken to his doctor and he wants to keep an eye on it and keep it clean and covered which is what they are doing. I asked my cardiologist about it and he said he would do the

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Sydney. I manned the BBQ while Katrina helped out with the catering.

I have responsibility for the IT infrastructure in the Australian office, including the PCs (not my favourite). Rob looks after the application support. There have been a few projects that I've been working on so far. I have been setting up a system to automatically build audio workstations that we send to recordists, which has, as a by product, given us a system to centrally manage the installation of applications on office workstations, which helps reduce the work involved in managing a group of computer workstations.

Another major project I've been working on is an Intranet for



Kate's Korner Cont'd

same thing. It would be way too stressful for my dad to go to hospital and would probably be more damaging than just leaving it cleaned and covered at the moment. I think Dad is aware of it and seems to only get fussed when they change the dressing. How much it hurts, we don't know. As my Dad is in his mid seventies, his skin is very fine and having not had a great deal of upper body exercise, he has no muscle or fat on his chest which made it easy for the wire to break through the skin. I hope that one day something can be done and pray that God will protect him from any infections.

At GRN I have been involved in the assembly of The Saber MP3 player, which has been fun. Screwing in speakers and

generators and testing the finished product. I find it very interesting. I haven't been doing much writing but I did go to The Faithful Writer's Conference on the 2nd of August. This was a real experience for me. There are a lot of Christian writers out there. I went to the mini seminar they had on writers and editors because that is what I have been doing and it was very interesting. The guest speaker was Mark Tredinnick, a poet and writing course teacher. He was very good, although I don't know anything about poetry. At the end of the day the guest speaker and the leaders of the mini seminars all read some of their work. They were fantastic. It was a long day and I had no idea what to expect

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but it was really good. It looks like it might be on again next year. I continue to do my patchwork twice a month and am coming close to finishing the top of my quilt. I still have to do 4 more blocks and put the top together with the batting and the back and then quilt it. There is still quite a bit to do but it is still great fun and I can't wait to start my next one. Watch this space for the photos. I am thankful for all the care and support we have been receiving and I pray that God may continue to bless you. All my love, Katrina.



Alex Shaw at Philinno BBQ

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SABER Production begins at GRN Castle Hill Factory

There has been much excitement at GRN AU as production of the SABER begins. Parts have been arriving from China, from where the electronic components come, as well as screws, and plastic molds from a plant in Sydney.



Ray Macakway works on the first 20 SABERS

The first 20 were sent to Chicago for a Korean church planters conference before we had enough stock for production. We dedicated them in prayer before the courier came and collected them. As I (David) write we had made 127. One went with our Wokabout team to Peru and was used to reach people there with the Gospel.

Most of the assembly is performed by volunteers with some assistance from staff, such as Katrina. We are hoping to be able to make 200 a day. Right now we make between 10 and 20 a day! Pray for more volunteers who are able to regularly help. The SABER is a windup MP3 player designed for use with oral communities. It replaces the Messenger, a windup tape player. It is designed to be loud for use in communal situations. The 1Gb storage allows for hours of recordings to be stored, and a 2Gb SD card can hold a whole bible. People from oral societies generally do not read, and if they do, they often only read for work or study. Oral societies generally communicate using stories, which is why our recordings focus on bible stories. GRN is able to preload our recordings onto SABERS if requested.

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Prayer

- Pray for David's trip to Adelaide for MI meetings
- Pray for David's trip to Thailand for ICCM Asia and the organisation of that conference.
- Pray for Katrina's dad's health
- Praise God that Bosentan is now available on the PBS for Katrina.
- Praise God for the development of the SABER player and that it will be well used around the world.
- Pray for David as he helps develop IT strategy for GRN, develops an Intranet and begins work on the Global Studio project.

