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## **KJIR UPDATE....**

Back in June during a severe thunderstorm, the KJIR transmitter malfunctioned and shut down putting us off the air temporarily. It is not clear how the break down occurred but it is obvious that the storm caused it. The transmitter is up and running but not to it's full potential. This must be addressed and it is going to require a substantial investment to bring it back to full capacity. KJIR went on air in April 2000 with this very same transmitter. It was a rebuilt used unit when we purchased it from Harris Corp. back then. For over 17 years this transmitter has broadcast GOD honoring GOSPEL music 24 hours a day seven days a week with minimal interruptions. Doing the math that's approximately 151,296 hours of operation for this transmitter. Praise GOD for its longevity but parts and maintenance are becoming increasingly more expensive and less cost effective. This transmitter is a tube type unit which means it uses a high voltage power tube to 1 771 110

transmitter is a tube type unit which means it uses a high voltage power tube to transmit our signal. The life of this tube varies, and we have had to replace it numerous times. Tube type transmitters create a lot of heat also and must be cooled to prevent overheating, which is difficult and expensive especially during the summer months. When this unit was new this was the norm for transmitters, but not so today. Nowadays transmitters are smaller, solid state (no tubes to replace) and much more maintenance free. As Christians, we are called to be good stewards with what GOD has given to us therefore, with that in mind we have decided against investing a substantial amount of money in the old transmitter and instead we are purchasing a new solid state system. This new transmitter will take up less space, use much less electricity, and require less maintenance and still put out the same power as the old transmitter. It will also include a backup transmitter that we can switch on; should the main

should the unit go down. The price for this new system is approximately \$40,000 with installation and all the extras at about \$10,000. Making the final cost around \$50,000. This is of course a leap of faith for us but with this new system our cost for maintenance and utilities will be greatly reduced and also with less down time. We are making this decision believing this is what THE LORD wants us to do. That's our update, now what do we want you to do? All we ask is that you pray for us and continue to support us financially as you have in the past. If you feel led to give towards this new transmitter, we do ask that it be above your normal giving. Please keep giving as before but if you want something to go towards the new transmitter, do it by making out a separate check and specify "New Transmitter" on the memo line. All donations

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designated for the transmitter will be used only for the transmitter. Starting now, we will keep a tally of all money given towards the new transmitter and keep you informed of the progress. Don't forget everything you give is tax deductible. We only want you to give what you believe you should give. 2 Corinthians 9:7 says, **Every man according as he purposeth in his heart**, <u>so</u> <u>let him give</u>; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

KJIR stands for <u>KING JESUS IS RETURNING</u>. It's all about JESUS. Keep listening and stay tuned for a great report. Thank You for your prayers and support.

Michael Wortman





# It Is Well with My Soul 1873

## Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. Psalm 34:19

When the great Chicago fire consumed the Windy City in 1871, Horatio G. Spafford, an attorney heavily invested in real estate, lost a fortune. About that time, his only son, age 4, succumbed to scarlet fever. Horatio drowned his grief in work, pouring himself into rebuilding the city and assisting the 100,000 who had been left homeless.

In November of 1873, he decided to take his wife and daughters to Europe. Horatio was close to D.L. Moody and Ira Sankey, and he wanted to visit their evangelistic meetings in England, then enjoy a vacation.

When an urgent matter detained Horatio in New York, he decided to send his wife, Anna, and their four daughters, Maggie, Tanetta, Annie, and Bessie, on ahead. As he saw them settled into a cabin aboard the luxurious French liner *Ville du Havre*, an unease filled his mind, and he moved them to a room closer to the bow of the ship. The he said good-bye, promising to join them soon.

During the small hours of November 22, 1873, as the *Ville du Havre* glided over smooth seas, the passengers were jolted from their bunks. The ship had collided with an iron sailing vessel, and water poured in like Niagara. The *Ville du Havre* tilted dangerously. Screams, prayers, and oaths merged into a nightmare of unmeasured terror. Passengers clung to posts, tumbled through darkness, and were swept away by powerful currents of icy ocean. Loved ones fell from each other's grasp and disappeared into foaming blackness. Within two hours, the mighty ship vanished beneath the waters. The 226 fatalities included, Maggie, Tanetta, Annie, and Bessie. Mrs. Spafford was found nearly unconscious, clinging to a piece of the wreckage. When the 47 survivors landed in Cardiff, Wales, she cabled her husband: "Saved Alone."

Horatio immediately booked passage to join his wife. En route, on a cold December night, the captain called him aside and said, "I believe we are now passing over the place where the *Ville du Havre* went down." Spafford went to his cabin but found it hard to sleep. He said to himself, "It is well; the will of God be done."

He later wrote his famous hymn based on those words...

"It Is Well with My Soul."