

The Message is
in the Music

WGRC Newsletter

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WGRC is heard
on these
frequencies:

91.3 FM
Lewisburg

90.7 FM and
107.1 FM
Williamsport

90.9 FM
Lewistown

91.9 FM
Pottsville

101.7 FM
State College

107.7 FM
Bloomsburg

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A Day to Give Thanks



The long
wait is over for area
listeners in Schuyl-
kill

County. After being
off the air for almost
fifty days, the WGRC
91.9-FM frequency
was restored to the
airwaves on
Wednesday, November 12th.
Engineers had been working



diligently to correct the
problem since interference
took the signal off the air on

September 23rd.
But thanks to
persistent hard
work, and en-
couragement
from supportive
listeners, we are
pleased to announce that
Pottsville is back on the air!

WGRC Contem-
porary Chris-
tian Music ra-
dio has served
the Pottsville area for more
than 10 years.

We would like to
offer a special "thank you"
to everyone for their pa-
tience and faithful support
as adjustments were
made.

At Work, Working for You

With 2008 coming to a
close, it is a great time to
look back and reflect on the
many things that happened
during our 20th year on the
air. There is no denying it,
2008 has been an amazing
year for WGRC!

Through a variety
of ways, WGRC has
reached out to
listeners and im-
pacted lives for God's king-
dom. From banquets and
concerts, to missions trips
and prayer meetings, to
competitions and benefit
bike rides, the staff at WGRC
has been working hard this
year to enhance the lives of
others. "We're not just a
radio station," explains
WGRC's Development Direc-
tor Pete Christensen, "we're
a ministry!"

WGRC ministers to listeners

through music, and through
programs like *Get Real with
Dave and Jana*, *Adventures
in Odyssey*, *X-Treme Talk
Live*, and *The Matter At Hand*
with hosts Larry Weidman
and Don Casteline.

**"We're not
just a radio
station, we're
a ministry"**

According to Larry
Weidman, "we have
had outstanding
guests [on *The Matter
At Hand*] this year
which speaks to the
incredible resources we have
on any issue in our society."
Some of the featured guests for
The Matter At Hand included:
Star Parker, Dr. Samuel Thomas,
Dr. Mark Hendrickson, Chef Paul
Mach, Dr. Kevin Leman (the au-
thor of *Have a New Kid by Fri-
day*), Dr. John Trent (author of
Chasing Skinny Rabbits), Dr.
Paul Kengor, Dr. Gary Chapman
(author of *The Five Love Lan-
guages*, and *Love As a Way of
Life: Seven Keys to Transforming
Every Aspect of Your Life*), Dr.
David Hawkins (author of *Break-*

ing Everyday Addictions), Mi-
chael Ciccocioppo (PA Family
Institute), and Jim Cymbala
(senior pastor of the Brooklyn
Tabernacle).

But music and programs are
not the only way WGRC minis-
ters to listener. We desire to
invest in lives through music,
programs and even prayer.
"As a ministry, we take the
time to pray for our listeners"
Pete explains. He continues,
"we've received many calls
from lis-
teners,
friends
and fam-
ily, asking
if we could
pray for
them."

**"As a minis-
try, we take
the time to
pray for our
listeners"**

The WGRC team gathers
twice a month for prayer
meetings to lift up the prayer
requests to God. But prayer
time is not limited to that.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR



12-31-08

WGRC's New Years Eve Bash at Ski Sawmill, Morris, PA (Routes 287 north of Williamsport). To Register: 1-800-546-WGRC. [Click here for Ski Sawmill](#)



READ FOR PETE'S SAKE



We Give Thanks for Your Support!

As we thank the Father

for the gift of His Son Jesus,



WGRC would like to thank the Father for YOU,

our listening family!

Becky *Jan* *Don* *David*
Chris *Hannah* *Pete* *Jennifer* *Bob*
Bruce *Amanda* *Fred* *Equile*



How You Can Contribute...

There are now **FIVE** options available to become a WGRC supporter:

- 1. Check or Money Order**
Send contributions to WGRC at
101 Armory Blvd.
Lewisburg, PA 17837
- 2. Credit & Debit Card Contributions**
Use our [secure donations page](#) or call 1-800-546-WGRC
- 3. One-Step Giving**
Make contributions to WGRC directly from your bank account. Use our [secure donations page](#) or call 1-800-546-WGRC
- 4. Grant Underwriting** - for businesses, churches and organizations. [Grant Underwriting](#)
- 5. Major & Planned Giving**
See other special [giving options](#) on our support donations page or call Pete Christensen, Development Director



Continued from page 1 There have been many occasions where a staff member has prayed with a listener right over the phone. And it is exciting when they call or write back later to share how God answered their prayers. Many other listeners have called or written us sharing how *WGRC* has made a huge difference in their lives. Knowing this is what keeps us going.

As we move through the last month of 2008, the year end financial countdown continues. We still have a great need to meet our actual operating expenses. This holiday season, in the midst of an economic crisis, we truly are thankful for the support of our listeners. We want to thank those who have participated in helping us reach our year end expenses thus far. "It is due to your generous giving that we are able to continue ministering to you" said Pete. Please prayerfully consider giving a special gift to listeners this Christmas by supporting *WGRC*.

We look forward to ministering and serving you in these next 20 years!

"The Message Is In The Music"

TAKING A LOOK AT *WGRC*'s MUSIC IN 2008

Every year brings many new faces to the contemporary Christian music scene, and 2008 is no different. This year *WGRC* introduced over ten new artists to 'Pennsylvania's Heartland' with some fresh sounds for the airwaves.

Some of these new sounds include songs like "The Edge Of My Seat" by The Sonflowerz, "Your Grace Is Enough" by Matt Mahr, "Mighty To Save" by Laura Story, and "Empty Me" by former American Idol contestant Chris Sligh, who came to visit *WGRC* and performed some of his songs live.



Special guest Mark Harris, former 4HIM band member at Knoebels Amusement Resort on Friday, July 11th.

According to *WGRC*'s afternoon announcer Bruce Matthews, "*WGRC* is a station that is quick to give a newly signed artist the exposure they need to take off". When considering new artists, *WGRC* not only listens for a catchy tune and the production quality, but "most importantly we make sure its lyrical content backs up *WGRC*'s mission statement." explained Matthews.



The group 33 Miles visits *WGRC*

Another group introduced this year was the Michael Gunger Band, with such songs as "Ancient Skies" and "Giving It All." In November they came to 'Pennsylvania's Heartland' with Downhere and presented a tremendous *WGRC* concert event at Christ Wesleyan in Milton. "I really think the Michael Gunger Band has a promising future."

said Matthews.

WGRC hosted and co-hosted other concert events like Casting Crowns—the Altar and the Door tour, as well as *WGRC* Day at Knoebels Amusement Resort which featured former 4HIM member Mark Harris.

Another exciting *WGRC* event for young musical competitors, was the Second Annual Youth Talent Competition with Dave Jones and Jana Grant of "Get Real" where national recording artist Jamie Jamgochian participated as a judge. Jamie also spent time at the *WGRC* station introducing songs off her new album "Above The Noise."

Other artists that came to visit *WGRC* were the groups 33 Miles, and The Sonflowerz.

Keep listening to *WGRC* for new songs from these and other artists in 2009 as their music continues to evolve.

Welcome...

Amanda Johnson of New Columbia.

Amanda joined the *WGRC* team in November as a part-time traffic/office assistant.

Amanda is a graduate of Messiah College in Grantham, PA, with a B.A. in Journalism.



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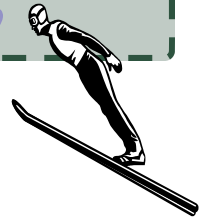
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Be sure to select **WGRC Radio** as the charity you want to support. Every search counts! **Thank you** for your continued support.



SKI SAWMILL



WGRC is ringing in the New Year with Contemporary Christian Music on the slopes.

WHERE: Ski Sawmill in Morris, PA (Route—287 north of Williamsport).

WHEN: New Year's Eve, December 31 from 5:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Register now! Call **1-800-546-WGRC** to sign up.

The First 100 to register:

Lift tickets: \$15

Ski Rental: \$13

Snowboard: \$15

All Others

Lift tickets: \$17

Ski Rental: \$15

Snowboard: \$17



Making an Impact

- I want to thank you for coming back on the air in our area. I really missed listening to you... I cheered when I heard you on the air, I thanked God for your care for us as listeners. Thank you so much.
- Mary Jane
- Hi. Our family listens to **WGRC** as much as possible and enjoy all the wonderful programs. Please keep up the great work and God bless you all!!!
- Cindy
- God has continued to bless us so, with family, friends, answered prayers, each one of you and what you do each minute on **WGRC** . You continue to be a big part of [our] home and car. Thank you for the difference you make in our world and for God's kingdom...

With deep appreciation, prayers and love,

- Kim and Tim



Hot New Music



"Ancient Skies"

Michael Gungor Band
Album: *Ancient Skies*
- In stores now

"Another Day"

Curt Collins
Album: *Another Day*
- In stores now

"Arise"

Chris Sligh
Album: *Running Back To You*
- In stores now

"Cannon"

Phil Wickham
Album: *Cannon*
- In stores now

"Clarity"

Shawn McDonald
Album: *Roots*
- In stores now

"Create Again"

Aaron Shust
Album: *Whispered & Shouted*
- In stores now

"I Wish"

Point of Grace
Album: *How You Live: Deluxe Edition*
- In stores this fall

"King Of Wonders"

Matt Redman, Tim Hughes,
Joel Houston
Album: *Compassion Art*
- In stores 1/27/09

"Look To Love"

Sonic Flood
Album: *A Heart Like Yours*
- In stores now

"Lord"

Mark Stuart, Ian Eskelin,
Vicky Beeching
Album: *Your Name*
- In stores now

"More Than I Think I Am"

The Sonflowerz
Album: *All Over the World*
- In stores now

"My Dependence"

Jamie Slocum
Album: *My Dependence*
- In stores this fall

"My Freedom"

Krystal Meyers
Album: *Make Some Noise*
- In stores now

"My Jesus"

Sarah Macintoch
Album: *The Waiters, The Watcher, The Listeners, The Keepers & Me*
- In stores now

"O, For A Thousands Tongues To Sing"

David Crowder Band
Album: *Remedy*
- In stores now

"One True God"

Mark Harris
Album: *Windows and Walls*
- In stores now

"Our Hope Endures"

Natalie Grant
Album: *Relentless*
- In stores now

"Revelation"

Third Day
Album: *Revelation*
- In stores now

"Savior, Please"

Josh Wilson
Album: *Trying To Fit The Ocean In A Cup*
- In stores now



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WGRC-FM is a non-denominational, para-church organization committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ by reaching, encouraging and edifying people through the ministry of Christian Radio.

Our Mission:

- To proclaim the person of Jesus Christ by means of contemporary Christian music programming.
- To draw people to a saving knowledge of and personal relationship with God's only Son, Jesus Christ.
- To support and strengthen individuals and families by communicating principles of "biblically-based, godly" living.
- To provide a wholesome, attractive radio format which will reach the greatest number of people.

One of the unique features about *wgrc* vs. commercial radio stations is that we rely completely on the Lord, working through listeners and supporting businesses, for financial underwriting. Without supporting listeners, there would be no *wgrc*! Click [here](#) to find out how you can help!