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## October is our "double-header." Please join us!



Faith Sharing 2023 will kick off with our two-day telethon on Friday, October 6 from 6 am to 8 pm and Saturday, October 7 from 8 am to 6 pm. This event opens our primary 4th quarter fundraising and pledge season. Yes, we pray for and trust in God's provision, but that doesn't mean that we must be silent about our financial needs! We try to tactfully get the word out to our listeners and friends in a non-manipulative way, and depend on the Holy Spirit to stir God's people to support this unique media ministry. WIHS is a commercial-free, listener-supported non-profit 501c3 ministry. We don't charge programmers for airtime, and we don't receive secular government or secular corporate grants. To participate in this year's Faith Sharing, please use the clip-off form on the back of this newsletter OR call 860.346.1049 during our telethon OR use the online form at WIHSradio.org. Thank you for your consistent, prayerful support!





Dr. Steve Brown, Founder of Key Life Network, will be our keynote speaker on Saturday, October 28.



Last year, Dr. Steve Brown had to cancel his trip to Connecticut at the last minute due to Hurricane Ian. God willing, on Saturday, October 28, we'll have him here for "Take 2" as the keynote speaker during our 2023 *Celebrate Jesus Gala & Expo* at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington. The evening will begin with the Ministry Expo at 4:30 pm followed by the delicious Gala dinner at 6:30 pm. We'll have over 30 ministry displays and over 500 attendees from across the state! *(continued on back page)* 

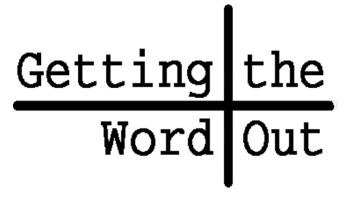
#### WIHS 2023 Celebrate Jesus Gala & Expo Ticket Order Form

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OF TICKETS YOU ARE PURCHASING: x \$75 = \$	TOTAL.	
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[\_\_] Please contact me about event underwriting/sponsorship opportunities. [\_\_] Please contact me about volunteering Make your check payable to WIHS and write "Gala" in the memo section. Then, send this completed form, check, and a self-addressed stamped envelope (if you can) to: WIHS, 1933 South Main Street, Middletown, CT 06457. send your tickets by First Class Mail. Thank you!



### WIHS Outreach: "More than ever!"



Post-COVID, **WIHS** has "spread its wings" with consistent, growing outreach. As of press time, our fall schedule includes:

**Sunday, September 10 @ 8 am:** Matt Harper, our Community Outreach Coordinator, will represent WIHS at Grace Fellowship Church in Meriden.

**Sunday, September 17 @ 10:30 am:** Matt will preach at Elim Park Baptist Home in Cheshire.

**Sunday, September 24 @ 9:30 am:** Matt will represent the station at Mount Hebron Baptist Church in Meriden.

**Sunday, October 1 @ 7 pm:** WIHS will have a display during the *Unspoken* concert at Union Church in Rockville.

**Friday, October 6 @ 7 pm:** WIHS will have a display during Jacob's Well Coffeehouse with David Coate at Union Church in Rockville.

**Sunday, October 8 @ 10 am:** Matt will represent WIHS at the Bible Gospel Center in Hamden.

**Friday, October 13 @ 6:30 pm:** Matt will be the keynote speaker at the Hope Pregnancy Center Annual Banquet in Cheshire.

**Friday-Saturday, October 13-14:** WIHS will have a display at the Dig Deep Conference: Women of the Word at Rehoboth Family Life Center in Bridgeport.

**Friday-Saturday, October 20-21:** WIHS will have a display at the Legacy Coalition's Grandparenting Summit, Groton Bible Chapel in Groton.

**Sunday, October 22 at 11 am:** Matt will represent WIHS at Zion First Baptist Church in Middletown.

**Friday, November 3 @ 7 pm:** WIHS will have a display at Jacob's Well Coffeehouse with John Sines, Jr. at Union Church, Rockville.

**Sunday, November 5 @ 10 am:** Matt will preach at Windsor Locks Congregational Church in Windsor Locks.

**Sunday, November 19 @ 9:30 am:** Matt will represent the station at Cider Mill Christian Fellowship in Tolland.

- If you are looking for a local speaker, please remember the WIHS Speakers Bureau. We speak on many topics.
- If you are looking for a local evangelist to share the simple Gospel with an invitation, we can help!
- If you are interested in having WIHS at your upcoming event, please use the form on our website.
- If you are searching for local Christian events in which to participate, please remember our online calendar.
- If you are organizing a local event, please submit it for our online calendar and possible announcement on the air. Visit WIHSradio.org to make your submission!

# **Technology Upgrades Galore!**



**CAR RADIO** 



Did you know that there are about 2.7 million registered vehicles in Connecticut? Car radio is a crucial delivery system for **WIHS** content. Now, as you listen, a scrolling message will identify the name of the song or the feature that's playing!

This is just one of the many ways that we are enhancing our digital footprint to reach souls in our high-tech culture.

Another way we're proactively entering the digital space is by expanding the platforms and apps that you can use to listen to WIHS. In addition to Alexa, Audacy, MyTuner and Roku, this summer we added the iHeart Radio app!



### Be encouraged by recent listener feedback!

AGAWAM, MA: "Praying for God's continued blessing of your radio ministry."

**BETHLEHEM:** "I'm not from Bethlehem, Israel. Thank you for all that you do! I listen especially while driving daily. Love especially Joni & Friends."

**GRANBY:** "My brother lived in a tiny room in a boarding house in Middletown for many years. The caring medical staff, the medication he took and the soothing music ministry of your radio helped to keep my brother alive until his passing. He was a paranoid schizophrenic who lived in fear of everyone and everything; however, your ministry comforted him and gave him hope. [He had] no car, very little money, and our family lived about an hour away from him. We couldn't always be there for him, but we prayed and supported him as much as we could. Thank you for bringing the love of Jesus into his tiny, lonely room. You are making a difference. This donation is in memory of him!"

**MERIDEN:** "I am a new born-again child of God, and wanted to thank you for your fantastic radio programming. My first request is please don't change! I have recently relocated from California, and it was through a new friend, who listens to your radio station in her car, that I discovered the blessing of your radio programs. I've only been in Connecticut for six weeks, and am overjoyed at the blessing God has gifted to me through **WIHS** 104.9 FM. Now I have two new families; **WIHS** 104.9 FM, and my new family at a solid Bible teaching church!"

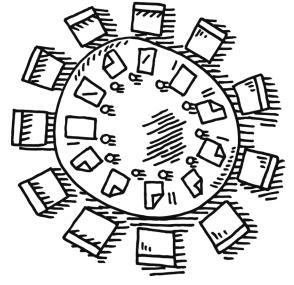
**STORRS:** "My husband and I praise the Lord for all of you. We have been listening to **WIHS** for 32 years, and were so blessed right from the start. The first banquet we attended was your 8th one, and it was so exciting to meet some of the staff in person. Many changes have come about through the years, but PRAISE THE LORD, the Gospel Message has NEVER changed! Thank you for your faithfulness! I also want to thank you for the **WIHS** Family Prayer Circle, praying for my requests. It is so comforting to KNOW that true caring Christians are there for us personally. 'I thank my God every time I remember you' (Philippians 1:3)."

**UNKNOWN TOWN (VIA EMAIL):** "A few days ago I was getting some gas when an elderly gentleman came walking up towards me. I wondered what he wanted, but then he pointed to my **WIHS** bumper sticker. We both began sharing about our walks with the Lord. I was pleased to know that at least one person openly acknowledged the bumper sticker. I hope that many others will recognize it and turn to WIHS where they can come to know Jesus."

# Listen to 1,300+ Programs Online!

Ever wish that you could re-hear WIHS-produced programs, or share them with others? Over 1,300 files of recent and archived programs going back the past five years are posted on the "WIHS 1049" YouTube Channel! You can go online 24/7, do keyword searches and listen to *Bread of Life, Spectrum of Sound, The WIHS Journal* and other specials. YouTube is the second largest search engine in the world. Please check it out and tell others about it!





# Still a place for Face to Face!

Thanks to listener and friend donations, in recent years, we've been able to make much-needed improvements, repairs and renovations to our facility and transmission tower. This spring, listeners responded to our need to improve our air conditioning before the summer heat wave. Thanks again!

With all of our community outreach efforts, WIHS is sensing a growing need to convert what was the living room of a raised ranch into a conference room for staff meetings, studio tour groups, and gatherings with pastors and ministry leaders. We are already beginning this process, and if you'd like to help us financially, please contact the office at 860.346.1049.

Please visit the "special projects" page on our website for an ongoing list of projects that are outside of the scope of our annual operating budget.

WIHS Good News Fall 2023

#### Celebrate Jesus with us on October 28!

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This event is like a "family reunion" of listeners and the overall Body of Christ across Connecticut!





An opportunity to financially support the station will be given. Please pray in advance about how the Lord would have you to help!

Inside and out, the Aqua Turf Club is one of Connecticut's premiere meeting spaces, and it's strategically located in the center of the State. Enjoy the networking with the WIHS staff and Board, fellow attendees and ministry exhibitors, the delicious food, inspirational music and testimonies, keynote speaker Steve Brown, recap of the past year, and vision for the future.

An opportunity to financially support the station will be given.

This will be our 4th Celebrate Jesus Gala & Expo at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington, one of the state's premiere meeting spaces. As in past years, we'll be using both ballrooms, with the Expo and appetizers on the left and the Gala dinner tables, podium and big screens on the right.

Each year, we work diligently to keep the ticket price as low as possible. To accomplish that, we enlist various sponsors.

There's no other annual event in Connecticut quite like the **WIHS** banquet! It brings a geographically, demographically, culturally and denominationally diverse group of pastors, leaders, churches, families and individual Christ-followers together to praise the Lord, celebrate and network.

In 2019, during our 50th anniversary, we had the biggest banquet in the history of the station—over 700 attendees. We had to cancel the Gala in 2020 due to the coronavirus, and the feedback we received was that people really missed it!

Post-covid, participation is rebounding. With our return to a Saturday format (which we couldn't do the past two years due to facility availability), we believe that 2023 will be our biggest Gala since 2019. Don't procrastinate! Order your tickets today by using the cut-off form below or use our online ticketing at WIHSradio.org. To become a sponsor or volunteer, please call the station at 860.346.1049 or visit our website for details.

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contains many interactive
features and links to live
streaming, a playlist, online
giving, Facebook and YouTube.



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#### WIHS 2023 Faith Sharing (please cut, complete and mail in enclosed envelope)

YOUR NAME:	
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Please count me as a <b>WIHS</b> Faith Sharing Partner this year! I hereby promise to support the station by:  [] Praying regularly for the needs of <b>WIHS</b> .  [] Telling my friends and neighbors about <b>WIHS</b> .	

Please make checks payable to **WIHS**. You may also give by credit card by phone, by text or online via our website.

[\_\_] Giving \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month (or) \$\_\_\_\_\_ single gift as a faith promise in dependence on God.