

# The Haas Haus

*South Carolina speaking engagements with churches, community groups and individuals*

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Andrew & Holly Haas

## Missions Conference

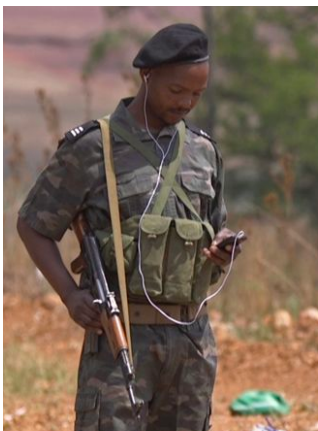
East Cooper Baptist Church is one of our largest supporting churches. Every year, ECBC holds a weekend missions celebration where hundreds attend sessions featuring many ministries supported by the congregation. This year we were one of 18 global ministries present to share what God is doing. We spoke seven times to different groups over the three-day event. We were asked a lot of great questions and handed out a lot of prayer cards.

When asked about the other help we need, we admitted that it will take a lot more monthly commitments before we can report to our new assignment. Most of our support is from individuals, not churches, so the \$3,500 of increased support necessary before we can settle in Raleigh, NC, will probably come in the form of monthly gifts of \$50 or \$100 and not \$500 or \$1,000 a month (though that would be nice.) To check out options, see [ahaas.com/give](http://ahaas.com/give).



*Top: Holly starts our sessions by talking about her grandparents. Ken & Margaret Schad volunteered with TWR after retirement at transmitter sites on the islands of Guam and Bonaire. When Holly's family visited them on Bonaire, her eyes were opened to the wide variety of skills needed in missions. She knew she wasn't a translator or church planter, so she was eventually inspired to begin serving TWR with her first assignment also on Guam.*

*Right: We set up our table in the main hallway along with dozens of other global and local ministries.*



As we raise support full time, Andrew has been keeping informed about TWR's Visual Media Dept. (VMD) to get up to speed before he joins the team. His coworkers are eager to have him aboard, Lord willing by the end of this year.

VMD team members recently traveled to Brazil, Zambia and Bonaire gathering footage for dozens of episodes for six active

projects. Five video requests sit pending because there simply isn't enough manpower.

The series we're most excited about is a set of animated Bible stories for an Arabic-speaking unreached people group in North Africa. Please pray for the VMD and our local OneStory partner as rough sketches are tested and important feedback is gathered. The completed

project can go a long way to delivering God's word in meaningful ways to where printed Bibles are dangerous to own and most people don't read books. While radio is able to cross borders, the growth of social media on phones is becoming a game changer for many tribes who've been waiting for centuries to hear the Good News (see [twr360.org](http://twr360.org)).

# Greenville Reception

Holly's sending church in South Carolina is Fellowship Greenville (FG). She graduated high school from Southside Christian School (opened when the church was originally named Southside Baptist). On March 13, FG held a Sunday evening missionary reception to raise awareness of those they support. We were featured along with a Liberian couple. FG commissioned and began supporting Holly monthly when she started as a full-time Trans World Radio missionary in 1998.

Libby Handford, the widow of the church's founding pastor, was on hand to share stories related to Holly. Mrs. Handford met TWR's founder, Paul Freed, when they both attended Wheaton College and he was starting to become outspoken about using media to reach people groups who had no other ways to hear. Decades ago she herself crossed the Ubangi River into the Central African Republic and found people living in the most primitive conditions. There was no development of any kind, and travel from the outside was extremely slow and difficult, yet half the young people held transistor radios to their ears.

In many parts of Africa and Asia, radio remains about the only way to reach millions of people who might live their entire lives with no one to tell them about Jesus.



*Above: Mrs. Handford at the reception telling stories related to Holly's 18-year service with TWR.*

## Travel Plan Update

The past two months we've been meeting as many churches, supporters and friends in South Carolina as we have the opportunity. We are praying for more opportunities in driving distance from Charleston. One of Holly's friends just secured an invite to speak at a church in Georgia just north of Jacksonville.

In early May we travel to North Carolina for a week before driving to Maryland to spend a couple months. Plans are being firmed up to visit southern Pennsylvania in late June as well as drive through New England (including Massachusetts and Vermont) on our way to Maine. In August and September we'll be passing through Ohio and Indiana on our way to Michigan. We still have plenty of time in our calendar that needs to be filled up. **Please contact us ASAP if you'd like to see us or have us speak** to your church or small group.

Thanks for your prayerful support,

*Andrew & Holly*



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