

HAAS STORYBOARD

Fiery Trials

Thankfully, it's not every day that your office catches fire but just before Christmas, TWR had a couple of those. A fire started on the loading dock December 22 and spread to the workshop on the lower floor scorching the Spanish and Women of Hope areas just above. The next morning, a hotspot reignited so the fire department responded quickly the second time in two days! Smoke damage spread to every nook and cranny of the building. We pray the police identify who started the fire. We can't say any more than that, as information in criminal investigations is closely controlled.



Smokey Aftermath on TWR's Loading Dock

We pray the continuing cleanup allows a few staff most sensitive to the residual soot smell in some areas to return to the office full-time. We give God praise for many silver linings to this situation. All the walls have been repainted, floors have new carpet and new office furniture has been ordered all paid by insurance. The fire could have been much worse. The flare up Dec. 23rd might have burned the building to the ground if it hadn't been for two coworkers assessing damage while the fire alarm was out of commission.



"I want to be a Christian."

A woman from a neighboring country sent this private Facebook message after hearing the story of Jesus' birth and engaging with the Facebook Live discussion. Praise God for this new sister in Christ as even some outside the country we're focused on respond.

The OneStory animation series launched in January with bumps and jerks but with any prototype there are bound to be problems. Local partners in North Africa overcame issues purchasing Facebook ads and, after a two week pause, resumed releasing the episodes twice a week.

North Africans are intrigued by Christianity. A test ad on Facebook Messenger said, "If you are interested in Christianity, please message back." We received 200 responses in two hours!

People also seem interested in the videos. Granted Facebook counts a "view" as anything longer than three seconds, there were over 44,000 total views of the first five videos and 4,500 views of the first five Facebook Live discussions! Pray that people would continue to watch and share with others.



TWR MOTION just after arriving in Thailand March 20.

We are eager to share what we're learning with others. March 18-31, Andrew and three coworkers attended a missionary conference in Thailand with others who also distribute and produce media. Pray for good learning and connections with workers from dozens of other missions organizations.

Adoption Progress

In February, we attended all required classes and submitted nearly all paperwork to apply to be licensed as a foster family. We only wanted to straight up adopt a sibling set but sense God's leading in a slightly new direction. We can foster to adopt children who have already had parental rights severed which should allow for fewer surprises. Cost savings include the fact that adoption is paid for by the foster agency and the kids can stay on Medicaid health care even after being adopted through age 18.

Our paperwork for a South Africa police clearance was just sent out. Pray it comes back in the next two weeks so the last required item can be submitted.



Holly and Andrew presenting North Africa missionary work to a third grade Christian School class Feb 23 in Charleston.

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