

WELF Dalton, Georgia Report for February 2016

WELF's local *Praise the Lord* program featured host Zach Ditmar with guest Jimmy Powell. The topic for the program was suicide. Jimmy related to our viewers the various misconceptions about suicide. He also discussed with Zach his own loss, and how he dealt with it. Jimmy's son committed suicide eight years ago. Since then Jimmy has been on a mission to educate family survivors of suicide victims about what goes on in the brain of the victim to bring them to that point. There is a monthly support group in Chattanooga for families of people who have committed suicide.

Pictured below: Local Praise the Lord host Zach Ditmar with guest Jimmy Powell.



We are now posting video segments of *Praise the Lord* and *Joy in Our Town* on our WELF Facebook page. Viewers love it and we are getting great feedback.

Community Outreach

TBN participated in Southern Adventist University's annual event, "Meet the Firms," where local businesses participate in mock interviews for students. We had the opportunity to meet some great young people, and to visit with graduating students about career opportunities in the TBN family.

TBN partnered with Dade County High School in its new initiative Partners in Education. TBN will be participating in all three career day events at the high school, middle school, and elementary school this year. The first one was in February at the high school. Each company presented a twenty minute presentation about soft skills to a group of

students. The group rotated six times throughout the morning. Afterwards, each business set up a booth and presented career opportunities in their field. Many students were interested in TBN and career opportunities in television.

Joy In Our Town this month featured Deanna Owens and Ron Kelly with the group Cry for Me No More, which helps grieving parents who have lost children. The group provides support, counseling, and teaching material for local churches and communities in need of these services.

Pictured below: Cry for Me No More local event.



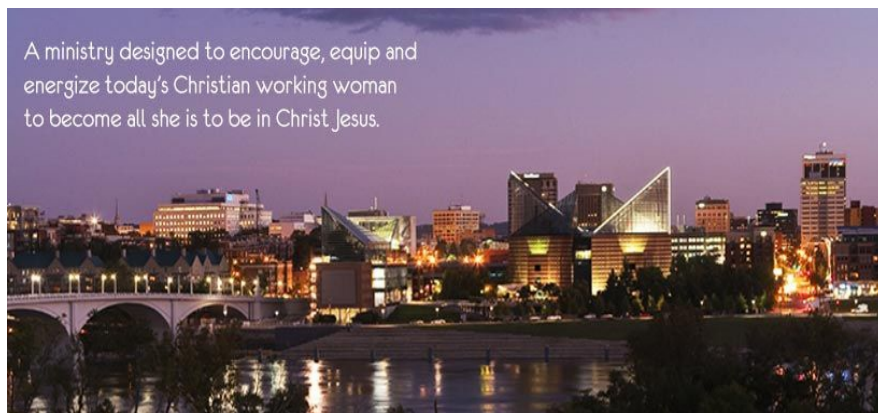
Another *Joy in Our Town* segment featured Donna Street from Friends of the Library in Dade County, Georgia. Donna told viewers about all the exciting things and community services the library offers. This particular library just received the honor of winning a top Best Small Library in America award. They are truly a great service to the community.

Pictured below: Local library staff with the award.



TBN also provided professional mentorship to the Want To Foundation. The professional mentorship program provided leadership for the students of two local schools, Ivy Academy and Ridgeland High School. We spoke to the TV Technology students at Ridgeland High School and Ivy Academy this month. We discussed with students from Ivy Academy how to set goals for jobs in the media and education field and we also provided connections with local groups for students to obtain summer internships.

TBN was represented at the Scenic City Women's Network Monthly luncheon (SCWN). SCWN offers women in business and leadership positions support network opportunities and mentorship with other women of faith. This month's keynote speaker was Ardena Hicks, who spoke on trusting God in and out of the workplace.



Viewer Comment

We regularly get letters, e-mails, and calls from WELF viewers who are impacted by our programming. Here is just one note:

"We watch your station every morning. We watch Joel Osteen, Joseph Prince, Creflo Dollar, John Hagee, Kenneth Copeland and T.D. Jakes almost every day and we love it!"