



Computer fundi's are needed in Missions

When last did you have to ask someone to help you with a computer problem? Remember what happened? You were confused with the message that popped up and then you clicked on one of the buttons and the message went away. Now you can't find the report that you were working on for the last three hours!

This sounds so familiar. And you know how often this happens – too often actually. Many of us are quite scared to do much on the computers because we just don't understand why it's doing all these 'malicious' things.

Gottfried is a technical missionary working with TWR (Trans World Radio) in Africa. His primary responsibilities are to ensure that all the computer are doing what they should be and not let things 'go missing'. The main computers that send and receive all the emails and others that store all the radio programmes all need to be managed and kept in good condition. And, yes, backups of most of the information is made so that when a document does 'go missing' it can be retrieved again.



The days are gone when one used magnetic tapes, like cassettes, to store the radio programmes on. Today everything is stored on computers. Most of the programmes are 'transported' over the internet to the transmitters. One of Gottfried's tasks is to help in developing a system that is used worldwide to store and distribute the programmes so that people can listen to them over radio, internet, cell phones and satellite.



We hope you get the idea that whatever we do today, computers are always part of what we are doing and that people are needed to maintain and support the radio producers and other staff to do the normal day to day tasks.

In our previous report we indicated that we would be doing fundraising in 2013 which did not happen. As we are in need of funds to enable us to be working with TWR we will need to set time aside to raise more monthly financial support. We will appreciate any help that will enable us to do this task that is before us.

Thank you for the continued support over the last year we have received through your gifts and contributions to the mission fund of our denomination.

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