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The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to WCRR, MANISTIQUE, MI, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period of 1 July to 30 September. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance. All times are Pacific.

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Issue	Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Program
Healthcare	Closer Look	7/4/21	7:00pm	16min	<p>Blood Donations Needed. Can You Spare A Pint?</p> <p>Turns out there is no substitute – none – for real human blood. It is entirely unique. “Blood doesn’t grow on trees,” says Rodney Wilson of the American Red Cross. The life-saving transfusion you or a loved one may need depends on the generosity of your neighbors. “We can’t make it in a lab – it can only come from a donor willing to give it.”</p> <p>Related Links:</p> <p>Find an American Red Cross blood drive near you: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive</p>
Healthcare	Closer Look	7/4/21	7:16pm	14min	<p>Sunscreen Now Prevents Skin Trouble Later</p> <p>“Your skin is your biggest organ, your first impression,” says Dr. Christina Feser of Cumberland Skin Surgery and Dermatology in Lebanon, TN. “A lot of people really take their skin for granted...it has the most diagnoses that are out there in any specialty of medicine.”</p>
Addiction	Closer Look	7/11/21	7:00pm	28min	<p>Vaping Often Fails as Alternative to Smoking</p> <p>Vaping is marketed as a safe alternative to traditional cigarettes, but 'dual use' plus dramatic surge in teen addiction and recent links to lung disease send most e-cig claims up in smoke. Talked with Linda Richter of the Center on Addiction and Dr. Michael Blaha, cardiovascular research director at Johns Hopkins Hospital.</p> <p>RELATED LINKS:</p> <p>10 Surprising Facts About E-Cigarettes (Center on Addiction)</p> <p>Outbreak of Lung Injury Associated with the Use of E-Cigarette, or Vaping, Products (Centers for Disease Control)</p> <p>"5 Vaping Facts You Need to Know," by Dr. Michael Blaha M.D., M.D.H.</p> <p>Linda Richter, Dir. of the Policy of Research and Analysis for the Center on Addiction (bio)</p> <p>"Can vaping damage your lungs? What we do (and don't) know," Harvard Health</p>
Animal Safety	Closer Look	7/18/21	7:00pm	14min	<p>Dog Is Their Co-Pilot: Pittsburgh Aviation Animal Rescue (PAART)</p> <p>Co-pilots Jon Plesset and Brad Childs fly single-engine planes based out of Pittsburgh, PA. Their passengers never complain about leg room, and with four-legs each, they would likely have a lot to say. Instead, these travelers typically wag their tails and offer up grateful licks for landing a one-way flight for life.</p>

Ministry - Mental Health	Closer Look	7/18/21	7:14pm	16min	<p>Tails Wag for People in Need: Canines For Christ</p> <p>Dogs have a special place in our hearts. Animals classified as canines (K9s) have rightfully earned the title 'man's best friend' through centuries of companionship, comfort and unmatched service to humanity. Even people who prefer cats have to admit, dogs are pretty special. "Most of us know, people that pet dogs, the dog provides comfort, they get happy when they do -- and so we wanna make people happy," says Chaplain Ron Leonard with for Canines for Christ.</p>
Education	Closer Look	7/25/21	7:00pm	15min	<p>'Dare To Dream' School Assemblies Ignite Hope In Tweens, Teens</p> <p>If you're committed to helping kids grab their God-given potential, Randy Rich says first you have to find them. "And where do kids meet in the largest numbers in a mandatory setting? School!" Randy is a former NFL defensive back and vice president of Air1's Dare To Dream. "And guess what? Schools are required to have a certain amount of assemblies during the course of a year to encourage their students!" The D2D motivational program does visit high schools but sees greatest success among kids slightly younger. "By the time a student reaches 8th grade a little over 80% of their value system in place – meaning the way they look at morality, sexuality, integrity – so where are we focusing our intention with Dare to Dream? Middle School." Various artists, musicians and pro-athletes take the mic to share their own struggles to believe and achieve. Kids hear Christian music artists like Lauren Daigle and Toby Mac on videos to kick off each session. The assemblies are not evangelistic, but principals and teachers are fully aware that Dare To Dream is sponsored by Christian radio network Air1. Air1 - Worship Now is owned by Educational Media Foundation (EMF) and is a sister to the K-LOVE Radio Network.</p>

Technology – Childhood Safety	Closer Look	7/25/21	7:15pm	15min	<p>Young Children Give Out Phone Numbers, Chat with Strangers Online</p> <p>“Technology scares us most of the time,” admits Patrick Craven, director of the Center for Cyber Safety and Education, “and our kids are involved in it.” The Center focuses on building awareness of ever-present threats like identity theft and online predators. Surveys of youth and their online habits are alarming. “I gotta tell you,” says Craven. “It was pretty shocking – just frightening.” The realities of internet missteps by younger and younger children exposes an urgent need to teach kids how to spot and report suspicious activity. “A child gets a phone now on average by 10-yrs-old. We can’t wait till they’re in middle school or high school.” The shift to distance-learning during the COVID-19 pandemic added a new dimension to the risk, as kids were mandated to spend even more unsupervised time online. Increased cyber connection with your child’s school also increased family exposure to ID thieves and potential financial ruin as emails that appear to be from teachers could actually be phishing scams. “Schools for a long time didn’t really think they were susceptible to that because they didn’t feel like they had anything anybody wanted – but they have a lot – they have lots of personal information on those children.” Savvy criminals have turned to setting up fake credit card accounts using a child’s social security number because they know it will be literally years before the theft is even discovered. “There’s been lots of cases where children have had bankruptcy because where loans were taken out in their name.” Protective apps, strong passwords, discretion on social media posts and direct parental supervision remain crucial to preventing such events, but Craven says there is no substitute talking to kids about how to protect themselves from digital threats.</p>
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Mental Health	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	July 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 13.57min	<p>Could Sharing A Pizza Prevent A Suicide?</p> <p>Physician Matthew Sleeth has seen most every situation that requires an emergency room visit, including people who have tried to take their own lives. He believes that we are now experiencing a "culture of suicide," explaining, "Over the next year, 10-million Americans will seriously struggle with whether or not to end their lives. Of those 10-million, 1.5-million will actually end up in emergency departments being treated for depression or suicide attempts. And we lose one person about every ten minutes in the United States to that." Besides churches coming alongside, Dr. Sleeth believes individual Christians can also make a definite difference in the life of someone struggling with dark thoughts and hopelessness. You know, you can go to a church and feel isolated, but when somebody says, 'Hey, how about coming with me to get pizza or coming to my house for a meal,' that's a very powerful invitation." In his book, "Hope Always: How to Be a Force for Life in a Culture of Suicide," Dr. Sleeth writes. "Note that the root of "hospitality" and "hospital" are the same; hospitality heals!"</p>
Domestic Violence – Special Needs	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	July 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 12.58min	<p>Not Discouraged by Her Blindness, Hannah Intends to Help People Facing Domestic Violence</p> <p>Hannah Abel's inability to do certain things independently leads her to "want to help others ... and I love just working with people and helping them get to a better spot than the one they're in." That's why, although she's legally blind, Hannah refuses to allow her eyesight to stop her from pursuing her goal of becoming a licensed social worker, with a focus on domestic violence. In one of her first classes at Cedarville University, she went to a domestic violence shelter and saw the sensitive ministry taking place, "and I just learned about abuse in general and it really laid heavy on my heart." Once she graduates, Hannah knows prayer will be an essential part of every workday. "I could not see myself going in to work at a domestic violence shelter - even a day - without just praying through the entire day because it takes a lot of endurance and I'm going to see some very hard things and I'm going to have to learn how to handle them – and I think just going to the Lord in prayer is going to be so helpful and encouraging," she shares. Concerning her vision, at age 9 Hannah was diagnosed with Stargardt macular degeneration. When I asked, "So you've not let this hold you back?" Hannah's answer was quick and direct. "No," and then she added, "I don't see the point in letting it hold me back ... It's not debilitating. Like, I can still live my life. It just takes adjustment. Now approaching age 21, she points out that she's lived more than half her life with the vision situation, so it "just is normal" for her.</p>

Farming	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	July 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 12.06min	Jonathan Webb: Determined to Help Appalachian Young People Have a Better Future The Future of Farming: AppHarvest - Growing Food 24/7/365, Weather Doesn't Matter Students at a number of high schools in Appalachia are getting a leg-up on technology and a possible future career through the generosity of AppHarvest, providing "container farms" free-of-charge to help students understand hydroponics, literally farming without dirt. The refurbished shipping containers are controlled by an app, and maintain perfect growing weather inside, with no concerns about frost, hail, drought, or sunlight. AppHarvest CEO Jonathan Webb describes what's inside the high-tech containers. "There's LED lights and sensors and software, and the students can operate the farm with an iPhone and iPad. And what we're really trying to do is inspire the next generation to get into agriculture and be excited about farming. And if you look at the U.S. today, the average age of the American farmer is in the mid-60s and we have to do a lot of work to engage our youth."
Veterans	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	July 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 2.18min	Woman Leaves 17-Year Career to Help Veterans Christy Lucas spent 17 years in schools. She was a teacher then principal. She left her career because, "I just felt like God was calling me to something bigger." Christy created Roots for Boots, a small but mighty organization. They serve veterans, active duty, and military families in many ways. They run a monthly food bank, help with rent and utilities, even home repairs. Christy's favorite item to secure for veterans are all-terrain mobility chairs. She says they provide freedom for the veterans.
Faith	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	July 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 16.53min	Youth Pastor's Summer Bible Idea Keeps Students from Leaving the Faith Youth Pastor Will Standridge from Amarillo, Texas was worried too many students were leaving the Christian faith. So, he challenged them to read, or 'shred' the Bible in 66 days over-the-summer and build a stronger relationship with Jesus. "Once young people lose that original interest in Christ, it takes a lot to bring them back into the fold," says Pastor Will. He believes not getting the right answers to their questions can lead students to quitting their faith all together. Pastor Will says if they can instill in young people a faith in God's inerrant inspired Word and the Gospel that's contained in there, they're setting students up to be able to deal with any situation that that comes their way in life. And his efforts are paying off. At least 30 young people have taken up the challenge, and a chance to grow deeper in their faith with God.

Special Needs	Closer Look	8/1/21	7:00pm	16min	<p>Special Needs Families Get 'Buddy Breaks' With Nathaniel's Hope</p> <p>Special Needs families frequently suffer isolation. Nathaniel's Hope trains churches to provide respite care. Volunteers learn to do crafts and play games with the children for 3-hour blocks of time. "There's no better cup of cold water you can give to a family impacted by disability than a break," says NH and Buddy Break co-founder Marie Kuck. It starts, she says, with having a willing heart. "Tear down those walls and build friendships." Monika Kelly reports.</p> <p>RELATED LINKS: Nathaniel's Hope - Buddy Breaks Nathaniel's Hope - VIP Birthday Club</p>
Human Trafficking	Closer Look	8/1/21	7:15pm	14min	<p>'Without Permission' Educates Parents and Police On Human Trafficking</p> <p>Your teen meets a nice stranger at the mall. Or a guy she doesn't know likes all her posts on Instagram. What begins as flattery and flirtation has led thousands of kids -- kids just like yours -- down the dark and demeaning path to human trafficking. Groups like Without Permission urge parents to warn their teens about the trick's child predators use to trap victims. Kindra Ponzio talks with CEO Debbie Johnson, CEO of Without Permission. 1509 K St, Modesto, CA 95354 209.622.0156</p> <p>Related Links: Without Permission provides a free guide for families to become aware of dangers and to be safe 'digital citizens.'</p>
Incarceration – Ministry	Closer Look	8/8/21	7:00pm	30min	<p>Jail to Jobs, Prison Fellowship 'Remembers Those In Prison'</p> <p>The Bible's book of Hebrews calls Christians to "remember those in prison." Today, in the United States more than 2-million men and women are behind bars. Even more striking, 2 out of 3 prisoners, when they get out, will re-offend and go right back in. Christ-centered ministries like Prison Fellowship and Jail To Jobs Austin break into that hopelessness with practical and spiritual reform. Hip-hop artist Lecrae partners with Prison Fellowship, performing concerts in select prisons, speaking and encouraging inmates to embrace a second chance at life. In Austin, Christian-based program called Jail to Jobs is another example of a restorative approach, successfully redirecting teenagers caught breaking the law. As the name implies, the ministry goes into juvenile halls and offers young men and women a chance to show up on a jobsite and learn a trade when they are released. "If we can get them to us, and mentor them and teach the word of God," says Jeremias Cooper, JTJ Travis County director, "then we can start making some changes in their lives."</p>

Employment	Closer Look	8/15/21	7:00pm	30min	<p>Land Your Next Great Job! Crossroads Career Services Offers Advice</p> <p>Losing your job can be emotionally draining and can even lead to questioning your faith in God. “To have some anger, some bitterness, some regret is a very natural thing,” agrees Dave Sparkman of Crossroad Career Services, who challenges jobseekers to ask themselves “...a truly curious question. ‘I wonder what God’s up to here?’” CCS is a collaboration of career coaches founded more than 20-years ago on the principle that no one should struggle alone to find meaningful work. Their professionals help Christians examine their lives and skills and help them prayerfully consider a vast array of vocational opportunities.</p>
Healthcare	Closer Look	8/22/21	7:00pm	29min	<p>Living with Chronic Illness? Advice for Faith and Family</p> <p>“It can be very isolating when no one really gets it,” says Susan Rodriguez at Hospital for Special Surgery in New York. As a licensed clinical social worker, she works with patients who experience emotional pain caused by their debilitating physical condition. “They feel like they’re being looked at as lazy, not wanting to work, saying ‘my family thinks I just wanna be home all day,’ she explains, “but many are licensed, they hold degrees...they have contributed to society and they want to continue doing that.” Billie Branham reports.</p>
Mental Health	Closer Look	8/29/21	7:00pm	18min	<p>Free Help for Heroes! CRC Offers “Spiritual First-Aid”</p> <p>The fires are out. Suspects are in custody. Ambulances, gone. All is calm. But who helps heroes of public safety when their grueling workday is done? Enter, Crisis Response Care. “Our goal from day one is to come alongside,” says CRC director Pastor Mike Henderson of K-LOVE Radio. Crisis Response Care offers dozens of free, expert workshops on self-care for first responders. Classes include titles such as Enhancing Resilience, Managing Relationships During a Crisis and Psychological First Aid. Discussions take on the harsh realities of grief and trauma and encourage peer support for suicide prevention.</p>

Sports – Special Needs	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	August 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 11.14min	<p>Paralympian Grace Norman Ready for Tokyo Games, Trusting God</p> <p>Grace Ann Norman is incredibly focused on final training for the Tokyo Paralympics 2021, which start August 24th. She is already an established triathlon competitor, with gold, silver, and bronze medals. Her typical training day sounds grueling, but she's up for it. Grace explains that Cedarville University "helped me discover what I believe about Christ and define my own spiritual journey ... who I was as a person, and an athlete, and as a follower of Christ." We asked how Grace is able to get her mind and body to work together as one? "You know, it can be difficult. Sometimes a body wakes up, feels great – but my mind's not really there. Other times, my mind's there, I'm ready to kill a workout and my legs won't really follow." Keeping herself in synch, Grace says recovery from the demanding training is important, "but that also means taking time for myself."</p>
Veterans	Closer Look	9/6/21	7:00pm	17min	<p>Arts & Crafts Ease PTSD In Veterans</p> <p>24/7 Veterans Crisis Line for you or a loved one: Call 800-273-8255, then select 1. Start a confidential chat. or Text 838255. If you have hearing loss, call TTY: 800-799-4889. PTSD Foundation of America works to free veterans of debilitating anguish that can lead to a breakdown in mental health. Talked with Ryan Rogers about healing from the 'moral injury' of combat. Peer-to-peer Warrior Groups are available in cities nationwide.</p>
Patriot Day	Closer Look	9/12/21	7:00pm	14min	<p>9-11 Remembered, Heroes and Hope</p> <p>Thousands of people lost their lives on September 11th 2001 when terrorists hurled commercial airplanes as weapons in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C. In the months that followed, untold millions more nationwide were altered permanently as America adjusted to its newfound vulnerability. For those who witnessed the aftermath up close, the effects of 9-11 were infinitely more personal than intrusive changes to airport security. Gruesome sights on-site permanently redirected their personal health and professional ministries.</p>
Faith – Education	Closer Look	9/19/21	7:00pm	16min	<p>GenZ Christians Surveyed on God, The Bible and Society</p> <p>Today's Christian college students exist in a world powered by heightened awareness of social injustice and the racial divide. They are hungry for real solutions – from parents and pastors. Greg Jao of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship USA routinely meets with college students on campuses as the ministry communications officer. Despite the perceived gap between what churches 'teach' and what churches 'do,' surveys find GenZ Christians are still open to learning what the Bible says about the issues most important to them: racial reconciliation, climate change/Creation-care, immigration and adoption/foster care. They crave spiritual guidance on profound questions of practical faith.</p>

Education – Employment	Closer Look	9/19/21	7:16min	15min	<p>Tech Careers Encouraged Among Black Youth Through ‘Hidden Genius’</p> <p>The Hidden Genius Project launched when five business and tech titans, all black men, partnered to mentor black boys for careers in science and technology. Rooted in inner-city Oakland California, they established a training system which since 2012 has expanded south to Los Angeles and even internationally to London, England and South Africa.</p>
Self-Care	Closer Look	9/26/21	7:00pm	28min	<p>‘Rest’ Is More Than Sleep – What Kind of Tired Are You?</p> <p>Rest is the root of the word ‘restoration’ – and restoration is a principle that medical internist Dr. Saundra Dalton-Smith sees as crucial to seven distinct areas of your life. “Rest isn’t just the cessation of activity,” she says, suggesting that for optimal health “you have to get to the point of knowing what restores you. What fills you back up?” 7 types of Rest: Physical, Mental, Emotional, Spiritual, Social, Sensory and Creative.</p> <p>Related Links:</p> <p>Dr. Saundra Dalton-Smith - REST QUIZ - What Kind Of Rest Do You Need?</p>
Special Needs	KLOVE’s Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	Sept. 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 2.47min	<p>YouTube Team Showcase Autism Awareness...And Comic Books</p> <p>Miguel Figueroa had the idea to create YouTube videos with his 13-year-old daughter, Iliana. But after hearing her dad's suggestion, Iliana said she would not be able to because she has autism. Miguel's heart broke hearing his daughter's response. "Iliana was very non-verbal for a while. I use YouTube as an outlet to get her talking more and engaging more." It worked. Iliana opens up creating the videos. She is involved in organized sports and is excited to inspire other families who live with similar challenges. Miguel says, "It's made me so proud as a parent for Iliana because not only is she overcoming her obstacles but she's learning things outside of our bubble and how she can help others."</p>
Faith	KLOVE’s Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	Sept. 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 9.13min	<p>Pastor Levi Lusko: During These ‘Crazy Times’ Help Kids Understand Who God Is</p> <p>Would this be a particularly good time to talk with children about God? “Absolutely. I think if we can help them to see that – even in the midst of the most crazy times – we have help, we have strength from God, then we’re setting them up for success – we can model that for them, too.” The thoughts of pastor and author Levi Lusko. As a parent, “my goal isn’t to protect them from the world – at a certain point – but to prepare them for the world.” One definite way to help kids understand faith in Jesus is by sharing what’s in the Bible. To help with that, Pastor Lusko has written a children’s devotional, “Roar Like A Lion.”</p>

Mentorship	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	Sept. 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 14.11min	<p>Tech Careers Encouraged Among Black Youth Through 'Hidden Genius'</p> <p>The Hidden Genius Project launched when five business and tech titans, all black men, partnered to mentor black boys for careers in science and technology. Rooted in inner-city Oakland California, they established a training system which since 2012 has expanded south to Los Angeles and even internationally to London, England and South Africa. Brandon Nicholson, founding Exec Dir. is an Oakland native who returned to his hometown after earning his college degree on the east coast. In the years since he joined the effort, more than 7,000 teenagers have been through various classes and seminars, but he says the central gem of Hidden Genius is its 15-month Immersion Program. Young black boys in 9th-11th grade commit to two intensive summers of study, after-school workshops and one Saturday a month for about 800 total hours of instruction. The boys are matched with mentors to learn all aspects of computer science and upon completion graduate with their own web, software or business project.</p>
Employment	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	Sept. 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 14.42min	<p>Dale Kreienkamp has a heart for people who are out-of-work and for those who are underemployed. His professional and ministry mission has led him to help others out of this crisis and find hope. "I twice went through a journey of being unemployed, and it was that journey that led me to the place where I am today, that is, how do I give back and help others who are going through that journey of unemployment." Through his own job-loss experiences, Kreienkamp works to help others "get out of the rut, get unstuck and move forward." He says losing a job gives us a chance to pause and think through what our next steps should be; to think where you can best to use your skills, your gifts and abilities in a way you get joy out of your next new job. And trusting God through this process is key.</p>