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The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to WQKV, WARSAW, IN, 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
Ministry – Natural Disasters	Closer Look	7/2/23	7:00pm	27min	Closer Look: Convoy of Hope Springs into Action: 2023 Update Convoy has been very busy so far this year. Devastating tornado outbreaks slammed several U.S. states. "Convoy is now working long-term to get people what they need appliances, furniture, roofs whatever it is." The ministry sent aid and comfort when twin earthquakes in Turkey and Syria drove 2.6 million people into tents near the rubble of their homes. Convoy continues to care for war refugees in Ukraine and those who have fled to neighboring countries. Convoy is also committed to an ongoing effort to feed children in global famine. The Children's Feeding program provides meals in 33 countries for more than 500k+ hungry kids.
Addiction	Closer Look	7/9/23	7:00pm	30min	Closer Look: Kids Fooled by Fentanyl, Rx Fakes Kids are getting pills that look like Xanax or Percocet online or in the locker room. Often laced with fentanyl, these deadly drugs can be 100x stronger than morphine. "It's terrifying," says Pat Aussem of the Partnership to End Addiction. Ed Ternan, co-founder of Song for Charlie lost his college-aged son to one pill and now helps other parents warn their children. "We still say 'just say no' but we spell it K. N. O. W. because many of these young victims are dying from taking a substance they didn't ask for.'
Business	Closer Look	7/16/23	7:00pm	29min	Small-Business Mentors Offer Free Advice Through SCORE Your idea for a great small business needs a good plan. If you already opened your shop, you may be stumped on how to grow. SCORE mentors offer free, one-on-one advice for turning a profit. "What we have seen is that when someone meets with a mentor for 3 hours or more, they are 5x more likely to increase their revenue and stay in business."
Addiction	Closer Look	7/23/23	7:00pm	29min	Parents Of Addicted Loved Ones Turn to PAL Groups for Support One of your kids is on drugs. Getting in trouble. Calling you over and over bail them out. You don't know what to do. PAL Groups bring people together to swap stories and share strategies online or in-person. "When we found PAL we're like okay, we're not alone, there's other people who've been down this road." PAL groups were first formed back in 2006 and the Christian-run non-profit now hosts more than 180 meetings nationwide. Members may attend in-person or choose to join online sessions available most days of the week. All meetings are free, confidential, and open to any parent who needs to connect with others for help and hope.

Education	Local Closer Look	7/23/23, 8/20/23, 9/17/23	7:30pm	20min	Talked with Courtney Whetstone the Development Director for the Junior Achievement center in Kosciusko and Marshall Counties in Northern Indiana. Whetstone describes the organization's vision to provide all public schools with the Junior Achievement curriculum. She explains the curriculum that is designed to give the kids a better understanding of the career choices that are available to them. Whetstone also describes how people can volunteer to share experiences from their specific career choice.
Food Insecurity	Closer Look	7/30/23	7:00pm	30min	"Share The Wealth of Your Dirt" Through AmpleHarvest.org AmpleHarvest.org is nationally recognized for successfully recruiting backyard gardeners to fight food insecurity. The site lists 8,000 local pantries which accept donations of fresh fruits and veggies. The non-profit also works to involve pastors and churches nationwide through the Faith Fights Food Waste campaign and recently added a program to feed malnourished people on Native American reservations.
Ministry – Faith	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	July 2023	4 per week, 16 total	60sec Podcast 8.59min	Family Sells Everything to Serve God in Central America BJ and Robin McCoy weren't on their church's recent mission trip to Guatemala, but when members of the mission team returned to tell them about a special need in Guatemala, the McCoys felt called to uproot everything they've known and start fresh in Central America. Their move requires that they leave behind their current jobs (BJ has worked for the state of Kentucky as an environmental scientist and Robin has been a high school principal) and start work at the Christian Academy of Guatemala, a school that "exists to support the missionary community in Guatemala by providing a biblically-based, quality English education to prepare lives for Christian service." BJ said. "We are selling everything we ownour house, our vehicles, our boat, our cat (laughter) and our family is headed to serve at the Christian Academy of Guatemala." Their young children, Scout and Jay and excited about the move. Will language be a problem? Robin says, "I feel like this is one way that God really prepared our family is I was actually a high school Spanish teacher before I became an administrator." The McCoys are in awe of the way God's hand is on this adventure. "It's almost a daily occurrence of we're just amazed at how He's put things in place and allowed things to happen," Robin said. The family plans to leave the United States on July 11, and will stay the entire school year. They're asking for prayer as they head out on this new adventure.

Healthcare	KLOVE's Positive	July and August	4 per week,	60sec	Police Officer Creates Software to Help Families Who Have Loved Ones with Alzheimer's, Autism
	People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	2023	16 total	Podcast	There's a tendency for some people with cognitive issues to 'wander.' They can easily get lost and may not be able to adequately communicate their circumstances to people they see, or even police. Orangeburg, S.C., Public Safety Officer Lt. Jennifer Haig noticed on Facebook that the family of a friend from her high school days was trying to help a loved one who has Alzheimer's. "And I just started thinking 'what could be done to make things a little bit easier for them?''' Officer Haig has known the family for years, and Joe Bonnette – the person with Alzheimer's – was once her volleyball coach at school. So, this was personal. Jennifer started researching to learn more about the ways Alzheimer's and other conditions can stress families – and what might be helpful. This led to a concept, which Lt. Haig shared with her supervisors. And they saw the value. The software program became known as Project Bonnette, named with Joe in mind, but to serve any family
Sports – Human	KLOVE's	July 2023	4 per	60sec	in need of this special life-protecting registry. Bicycle Challenge Against Human Trafficking, Jeff Crashed
Trafficking	Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast		week, 16 total	Podcast	At 54 mph! Amazing Recovery Jeff Conaway signed up with Team ZOE to take part in the super-challenging Race Across America. The ZOE goal was to raise awareness of human trafficking, especially involving children. Brad shared about ZOE's mission and also about the annual Race Across America. That is an ultra-endurance competitive cycling race that starts in Oceanside, California, with the finish line at Annapolis, Maryland, 3,100 grueling miles later. The 7-day race got underway in June of this year. Jeff and the team were 800 or 900 miles into the race when the unimaginable happened halfway through Colorado! Jeff and his bicycle crashed at 54-miles-per hour on a descent in a remote area of the Rocky Mountains near Trinidad, Colorado. Jeff became the rider who 'went down.' As his recovery continues, "It's been a blessing. I feel great." And Jeff notes that his wife, Chloe, a nurse, was initially concerned that he would never be walking again and was fully prepared to "take care of me for the rest of her life." "From that, and where I am today is nothing short of a miracle." Now, just weeks after the crash, Jeff has gotten the green light from his medical team to go back to work. He's still "nursing" his collarbone, but his wounds have healed. He's going on daily hikes with his family and even riding a stationary bike. "Back to my normal way of life and couldn't be happier!" He explains that ZOE takes part in the coast-to-coast race every-other-year, "So as long as the team wants me back, I have every intention of being on that team" in 2025.

Childhood Issues	Closer Look	8/6/23	7:00pm	17min	Free Brand-New 'Threads' for Teens in Foster Care Children in foster care often arrive at a new placement with just the clothes on their backs. Cathy Hamilton founded San Antonio Threads to give brand-new clothes to older youth (12yrs-21yrs) who have no family to take them shopping. "I've had kids say things like 'old clothes have bad memories; new clothes have good memories thank you for the fresh start."
Animal Safety	Closer Look	8/6/23	7:17pm	13min	Retired Racehorses Cool Hooves at Old Friends Farm, Kentucky Nearly 200 elderly horses get free hay and healthcare at Old Friends Farm in Georgetown. Residents have included famous thoroughbreds Silver Charm and Touch Gold, but also others not famous but whose owners could no longer care for them. "We owe it to them," says farm founder and caretaker Michael Blowen. "These horses are to Kentucky what the automobile is to Detroit." Nearly 200 horses get free hay and healthcare at Old Friends Farm in Georgetown. "We go through 350 lbs. of carrots a week,' Blowen laughs. A dozen more Old Friends horses live nearby at a care home for elderly humans to provide the unique comfort of equine companionship. The Farm has even inspired a copycat version in Japan. Horses can live 25-30 years so after they are no longer bred or raced, they still have many years of life ahead. Blowen prides himself on giving these hardworking animals rest from labor and the freedom to express their unique personalities. "They're smart and they're differentand they literally tell us what they want and when they want it," like Silver Charm, he says, who does not like to be petted – but enjoys posing for selfies with visitors. "We had one woman with Asperger's who said Silver Charm gave her a kiss and she decided life was worth living again," Blowen recalls. "We have all kinds of stories like that of what these horses have done for people."
Public Safety	Closer Look	8/13/23	7:00pm	29min	Be Safer at Work or Church, Thoughts on Security You see trouble, you hear it – now believe it. "Trust your intuitionyou know when a situation is different," says Hector Alvarez, an expert in workplace security with more than 25 years of experience in threat assessment. "One of your best bets for surviving these incidents is thinking about it before it happens." Preparation is key says Mindi Russell, Executive Director of the Law Enforcement Chaplaincy of Sacramento. "Instead of, 'it will never happen here,' have the mindset that if something happens, this is what we'll do."

Healthcare	Closer Look	8/20/23	7:00pm	15min	Tackle Childhood Obesity at Home, Church, and School Millions of American kids suffer words like chubby or chunky – or fat – to describe their young bodies. The COVID-19 lockdowns only worsened already alarming levels of childhood obesity, as the CDC found the BMI (body mass index) in children ages 2-19 years old increase nearly doubled during the pandemic. Excess weight weakens growing muscles and joints and can lead to juvenile diabetes or even trigger life-threating asthma "Prevention is what we really want, right?" says Geri Henchy, Director of Nutrition Policy at the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC). "We want kids to be in environments that are not obesogenic; where they're gonna get healthy meals, where there isn't a lot of junk food, where they have activities that's really gonna make a difference for kids."
Family Issues	Closer Look	8/20/23	7:16pm	14min	Teens Aged-Out of Foster Care Get Help From 'Dream Makers' Without family and often lacking life skills, former foster kids become homeless adults by the thousands, turning to drugs and crime on the streets just to survive. "Every statistic you hear that is going bad in the United States, a lot of them link back to the foster care system and those kids just not being taken care of." Dream Makers steps in to link aged-out foster kids with practical assistance by connecting them with the generosity of strangers. "It totally up to the community to fulfill the dream." The young adult with a need fills out an application to ask for things that teens with families could easily get from a mom or dad: like money for work clothes, or a laptop for school, or maybe a used car – but Melton says the most common dream request from these youth by far is – food.
Technology	Closer Look	8/27/23	7:00pm	29min	Don't Click That Link! Be CyberSmart Spam on social media. Emails that shout 'click here!' from an inbox full of tricks. Modern cybercriminals commit considerable time and talent to hacking your life. "If you have a gut feeling, if you have an instinct that something isn't right here – please listen to that." Don't click! Monika Kelly talks with Gavina Avila of the Better Business Bureau and Darren Mott, retired FBI agent and expert on cybersecurity.

Special	KLOVE's Positive	August 2023	4 per	60sec	Special Olympics Athlete Kaitlin Dykes Takes Part in The Polar Plunge
Olympics	Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	2023	week, 16 total	Podcast 5.07min	Polar Plunge Each year in February and March, thousands of people all around the nation jump into freezing cold waters to raise awareness for Special Olympics in an event called the "Polar Plunge." Kaitlin Dykes, a Special Olympics athlete from Chesapeake, Va., is incredibly brave. As a Special Olympics athlete for the past ten years, Kaitlin recently jumped into the freezing cold ocean as part of the organization's annual Polar Plunge. "It's very cold. We all go to the beach and have some fun. I go all the way in the water, under the water and high-five all the divers," Kaitlin said. Kaitlin loves God and the Special Olympics "because everyone is welcomeall ages and all abilities and all the special gifts that God gives us." Kaitlin participates in several Special Olympics events including basketball, softball and soccer. She says participating in Special Olympics events and fundraisers like the Polar Plunge give her a chance to shine the light of Jesus. "I always wanted to be a missionary. I thought being a missionary means that you have to go somewhere but I realized that I am a missionary. God used me right where I'm ateverywhere I go," Kaitlin said.
Communication	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	August 2023	4 per week, 16 total	60sec Podcast 15.43min	The 'Lost Art of Letter Writing' - Patti Garibay Encourages Girls to Discover Real Friends American Heritage Girls founder Patti Garibay is giving young girls a chance to connect the old-fashioned way – by becoming pen pals. "It's just a beautiful way to have a memory and also to have great communication with someone that they don't even know." Garibay says girls are used to a lot of disappointment, especially through negative interactions on social media. But the AHG Pen Pal program gives them a chance to foster meaningful and lasting relationships. "It is a wonderful way for likeminded girls to really foster relationship and that's doing the old- fashioned handwritten letters that are sent to each other," says Garibay. She says writing letters to each other is "a beautiful way to have a memory and also to have great communication with someone that they don't even know." Garibay believes there's something special about writing a letter to someone you care about. She says there's "sort of a blessing there, there's a focus that takes time and means 'you are worth it, you are special.""

Childhood	KLOVE's	August	4 per	60sec	Pastor, Dad, Shares 10 Valuable Things He's Learned
Issues	Positive	and Sept.	week,	00300	About Teenagers
135465	People	2023	16 total	Podcast	Although he's now lead pastor at Bible Baptist Church in
	News			18.13min	the Greenville, South Carolina, area, Stephen Cox is also a
	Podcast				former youth pastor. And concern about young people
	with on-air				remains very much top of mind. "My heart is still with
	60sec				teenagers," and he continues to share his wisdom and
	promo for				faith at youth events in many states. Pastor Stephen
	podcast				crafted a list of 10 things he 'heard and observed.':
					1. Many are hurting - Broken homes, broken relationships,
					disappointments 2. Many are confused - So many voices speaking into their
					lives
					3. Many are distracted - social media
					4. Many feel alone - isolation, abandoned, social media
					5. Many are searching - looking for someone that cares
					6. Many are empty - looking to fill a void with a
					relationship or substance
					7. Many want a role model or mentor - An example to
					pour into their lives
					8. Many would turn to Jesus if we showed them Jesus - He
					is the Answer, He fills the Void, He is the Friend
					9. Many need a church that cares - Camp, conferences and
					retreats are great but the church needs to disciple these
					young people. Train them and love them.
					10. Many want the truth - stop trying to be cool and just
					preach the Word to them. They are hungry for truth.
					Let's determine to reach the next generation with the
Sports Faith	KLOVE's	August	1 nor	60sec	gospel and love them to Jesus.
Sports - Faith	Positive	August and Sept.	4 per week,	ousec	Kevin Drake Oversees Upward Sports as It Launches Baseball & Softball
	People	2023	16 total	18.55min	Kevin Drake wants more people to know Jesus. As head
	News	2020	10 1010	Podcast	of Upward Sports, Kevin is overseeing the launch
	Podcast				of baseball and softball opportunities. That's in addition to
	with on-air				their well-known basketball programs for churches.
	60sec				"Every child has an opportunity when they're playing
	promo for				Upward Sports to hear about Christ." Drake says Upward
	podcast				Sports provides the equipment, programming, and
					everything that a church needs to be able to run a sports
					experience with the sole purpose of sharing the Gospel in
					their community. "The reality is, is that fewer people are
					coming to church, says Drake." He believes many kids and
					their parents might never go to church on a traditional
					Sunday morning, until they encounter Christ through
					a Saturday experience with sports.

Faith	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	August and Sept. 2023	4 per week, 16 total	60sec 15.46min Podcast	Only 1.7% 'Chance of Survival,' Amputations – Overcomer Gary Wants People to Know His Jesus "At 7:18 a.m. on January 1, 2020, I died." That's the opening sentence in a newly written account of Gary Miracle's incredible personal experience. Fast-forward to today. His body is very different. His faith is stronger. His outlook is positive - and his passion is all about encouraging people to know and trust a good God. "No More Bad Days," available soon, takes a reader into unimaginable emotional depths. Gary went from a six- foot-two pretty health guy to a very changed man with amputated hands and feet. Gary prays that "No More Bad Days" gives people the will "to fight for life" – real life. And Gary is 100% certain that Jesus has been walking – and always will walk with him, even though the once simple task of walking has taken on a whole new dynamic.
Charity	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	August and Sept. 2023	4 per week, 16 total	60sec 5.25min Podcast	Malachi, Age 11, Sets Up Lemonade Stand to Raise Money for Fallen Officers' Families It takes a child with a caring heart to do what Malachi Fronczak does. The Kokomo, Indiana, 11-year-old has operated a sidewalk lemonade stand for seven years: Malachi's Magnificent Lemonade Stand. It has taught him a lot about the concept of business and has helped him with people skills. But above and beyond that, Malachi has acquired an appreciation for people serving in law enforcement. And when he heard about an officer losing his life in the line-of-duty, Malachi asked his mother, Trisha, if he could donate the money from his lemonade sales to help the officer's family members. That was a 'yes.' And just this year, tragically, three Indiana law enforcement officers made the ultimate sacrifice within days of each other. And, again, Malachi went to work to do what he could to encourage those left behind. He doesn't understand why anyone would want to harm a police officer. And he realizes when an officer is lost, often, a kid has also lost his dad or mom. So, Malachi helps. "They went through enough and they need a boost in life." Malachi, too, feels a benefit in doing the lemonade blessings. "The warm feeling of them getting something they need."

Economy	Closer Look	9/3/23	7:00pm	29min	Food Prices, Fight Inflation from Your Fridge Inflation, simply defined, is a rise in the cost of things we need to live – like food. When COVID-19 forced shutdowns, foodstuffs no longer flowed easily and inexpensively from farms to factories and stores to your kitchen. This global disruption, combined with federal fiscal policies to fight economic slowdown, nearly guaranteed that Americans would feel checkout sticker shock. Food prices are especially vulnerable to pressures of the pandemic, says Joe Balagtas, Associate Professor of Agricultural Economics at Purdue University. "Higher farming costs, like fertilizer, fuel," make basic ingredients more expensive. Even the Russian invasion of Ukraine in early-2022 "created uncertainty" as both nations had previously been major exporters of global wheat. The tight labor market in the U.S. also affects your total at the register. "Labor along the food supply chain accounts for something like half of the cost of our food," he says, so "while good for individual worker, rising wages increase the price of food we purchase because the cost of delivering those goods to us in the grocery stores and restaurants is rising." While our grocery bills are undeniably afflicted by global factors, lifestyle blogger Jordan Page challenges us to focus less on prices and more on waste. Another strategy for eating on a budget? "Make your protein the sidekick and not the hero," she offers. "Take that steak, cut it up, make fajitas with lots of veggies and tortillas and rice, things that fill
Food Insecurity	Local Closer Look	9/3/23	7:30pm	20min	 you up they have a variety of nutrients but cuts down on your cost exponentially." Talked with Merlin Gonzales, Founder and CEO for the Faith Hope and Love Community. Gonzales shares that
					the Faith Hope and Love Community is much more than a food bank as he details the difference between a food pantry and a missional food pantry. He also reviews the statistics of those who are receiving food assistance and shares his thoughts on how the economy affects those in need and how volunteers are reaching out to help.
Mental Health	Closer Look	9/10/23	7:00pm	13min	Like CPR, Get Trained in Youth 'Mental First Aid' How do you approach a teen without getting a door slammed in your face? "A trusted adult is what a youth needs more than anything," says Lori Butterworth of AIM, which strongly recommends all adults get certified in Youth Mental Health First Aid. She compares it to CPR. "What if we worked really hard to raise the probability that when a child or teen has a mental health crisis that there is someone there to help them and save their life?"

Human Trafficking	Closer Look	9/10/23	7:14pm	16min	Teens Chatting on Social Media Vulnerable to Human Traffickers "Just so you know, some kids that are trafficked actually aren't taken from their home – they still live at their house." How does this happen? Social media chats. Expert tricksters spend months or even years lying to build friendship. Your good and smart kid may believe their online friend is their age "by the time they went to meet this person, it wasn't who they thought they were." Once the youth is tricked into sexually explicit activities, they may be too afraid to tell you.
Healthcare	Closer Look	9/17/23	7:00pm	30min	Young Girls Pregnant and Scared Turn to StandUpGirl.com Dawn-Marie Perez, Executive Director of StandUpGirl.com says their site stands ready to help. "Our mission is to have these girls be able to find life-affirming information through us and then we connect them with pregnancy centers in their neighborhood." Quick response is essential. "If you go google the word 'abortion' right now there are millions of websites that are gonna come up. Our goal is to have StandUpGirl show up on that first page of their google search."
Food Insecurity	Closer Look	9/24/23	7:00pm	30min	"Share The Wealth of Your Dirt" Through AmpleHarvest.org AmpleHarvest.org is nationally recognized for successfully recruiting backyard gardeners to fight food insecurity. The site lists 8,000 local pantries which accept donations of fresh fruits and veggies. The non-profit also works to involve pastors and churches nationwide through the Faith Fights Food Waste campaign and recently added a program to feed malnourished people on Native American reservations.
Food Insecurity	PSA	9/24/23 – 10/7/23	112 spots, 8 times each day	15sec	Faith Hope and Love Community is changing the lives of food insecure neighbors. How? By engaging in relationships with them on their path to self-sufficiency, through missional Food pantry training. For more information visit F H L Community dot org.

Natural	KLOVE's	Sept.	4 per	60sec	Meet Woody Faircloth: Bringing Donated RVs To Disaster
Disasters	Positive	2023	week,		Survivors, Now in Maui
	People		16 total	11.11min	When Woody Faircloth and his then 6-year-old daughter
	News			Podcast	Luna saw the devastation of the Paradise Fire in California,
	Podcast				they knew they had to do something. Woody came up
	with on-air				with the idea of donating an RV to someone in need.
	60sec				Woody started a non-profit called Emergency RV and in
	promo for				the past five years, they've been able to donate more than
	podcast				130 recreational vehicles to people in need. "We've
					delivered those now in fires in the Pacific Northwest, we
					helped with the big tornadoes that happened in Kentucky
					a couple Christmases ago, a Native America tribe who lost
					about 60 homes in southern Louisiana after Hurricane Ida
					so we've kind of expanded and have been all over the
					country now," Woody says. Woody jumped into action
					after the fires in Hawaii. "The last five that we've sent, we
					put on a ship to Maui to some of the 18 firefighters who
					lost their homes and there's just no shelter and it's a really
					tight market, so we were able to get free shipping." How
					has providing shelter affected Woody? "It's changed me
					fundamentally. Things that used to bother meyou know
					getting a flat tire on my car or just things that happen in
					lifeit doesn't bother me anymore. I mean, my problems
					are really not problems."
Entertainment	KLOVE's	Sept.	4 per	60sec	An American Ninja WarriorFor Christ
	Positive	2023	week,		This was the third season Elijah Browning took part in the
	People		16 total	15.50min	American Ninja Warrior competition on NBC, and the
	News			Podcast	Tennessee athlete is only 18 years old. That's remarkable.
	Podcast				"Super-blessed to get my dream handed to me a little
	with on-air				early," explains Elijah. He had been competing in Ninja
	60sec				Warrior-type local competitions since he was ten years
	promo for				old, hoping to be trained up when he became old enough
	podcast				to compete for the national TV production. At the time a
					contestant was required to be at least 19 years old. But
					something unexpected happened for Elijah. "I got a call
					out-of-the-blue when I was 16 years old" from the host of
					American Ninja Warrior offering an age exception and
					invitation. He also points to his support team, including his
					mother, Renee, who was on-set with him, helping with
					mindset encouragement. Elijah sees the Ninja Warrior
					competition as "70% mental, 30% physical."

Social Media	KLOVE's	Sept.	4 per	60sec	Rob Kenney, "Internet's Dad" Shares Life Hacks,
Social Micala	Positive	2023	week,	00300	Encouragement, And Loves God
	People	2025	16 total	15.50min	With prompting from his daughter, Rob Kenney launched
	News		10 10101	Podcast	
				Podcast	a social media outreach during the COVID-19 outbreak.
	Podcast				"We were all locked away," and the idea was to offer a
	with on-air				'dad video' to encourage or entertain people coping with
	60sec				the pandemic. "I put up my 'How to Tie a Tie' video on
	promo for				April 2 of 2020 and about a month-and-a-half later, my
	podcast				channel went viral! That was scary for me, but I'm grateful
					that I went viral for something wholesome." These days,
					Rob is on multiple social media channels, including
					Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube as Dad, How Do I? And
					"On TikTok, I'm The Real Dad, How Do I? because there
					were people who were imitating me." The videos show
					Rob demonstrating how to put air in your tires, unclogging
					a toilet, applying deodorant & cologne, how to shave,
					explaining an Allen Wrench, or making popcorn. Things a
					dad would share with a child. Why is Rob committing so
					much time and effort to these videos? "I think that there's
					definitely a need for people to understand how cool it is to
					be a dad. I feel like that's a mission that God has given me
					to try to encourage dads to hang in there, and you're
					needed and you're valued." It bothers him when he sees
					TV shows offering "stereotypes, Homer Simpson and Al
					Bundythe bumbling dufus of a dad. And you know, I've
					met a lot of cool dads and a lot of very good dads. We
					need to encourage that behavior." Due to the popularity
					of his channel, Rob authored a book "Dad, How Do I?"
					which shares about important character traits for a good
					life, his own faith in Christ, and 58 useful 'how-tos.'