

## **God gives multiple Victories and WJLU is born! by Dick Van Zandt**

- 1) IT TOOK 5 YEARS TO GET THE FCC PERMIT FOR WJLU: Back in the early 1980s the FCC legal staff didn't want Christian organizations to acquire radio frequencies and they worked hard to hinder them. As a result, the FCC dismissed our Application for WJLU 3 times and we had to redo the 100 page application and resubmit. God encouraged us not to give up. After 5 years of prayer and hard work God gave the victory and we received the FCC Construction Permit to build WJLU! õThanks be unto God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christö! 1 Corinthians 15:57
  
- 2) IT TOOK A YEAR TO GET OUR TOWER PERMIT: After receiving the FCC Construction Permit to build WJLU we needed to build a radio tower. Some members of the Volusia County Council didn't want any more towers to be built. One councilman even went to the local neighbors and encouraged them to oppose the tower. Special County meetings were held. It took 11-1/2 months of working with the Volusia County Building and Zoning Department to obtain the Permit. õThanks be unto God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christö!
  
- 3) GOD CONFIRMS PROGRAMMING: When WJLU went on-the-air back in 1989 we felt strongly that God wanted an outstanding Bible program to be broadcast at 7:00am daily, and the search began. After a few weeks we felt persuaded to broadcast a brand new radio program called õTurning Point with David Jeremiahö. DVZ called Turning Point's main number and guess who answered the phone: David Jeremiah himself! DVZ shared how we'd like to broadcast his program on WJLU to help reach the greater Daytona area for Christ. David Jeremiah joyfully replied: õI'd love to share Christ and His Word with the Daytona Beach area, when can we beginö? Thank You Lord for guiding programming decisions!
  
- 4) GOD PROVIDES THE IDEAL STUDIO: When Cornerstone acquired WMFJ-AM the FCC required us to combine the Studio of WJLU & WMFJ in a central location halfway between New Smyrna Beach and Daytona Beach. For several weeks, Dick Reed and Dick Van Zandt did an exhaustive search and it became clear that 4295 Ridgewood Avenue was the ideal location. The building was For Sale but there was a major problem: the price was 3 times higher than our budget would allow. After prayer, we made the Seller an offer for one-third the asking price. The offer was rejected, but we kept praying. A year later, the building was scheduled to be Auctioned off at Noon. However, in a last minute phone call to the Seller, they agreed to accept our offer and cancel the Auction. WJLU & WMFJ have been housed in this beautiful building ever since. õThanks be unto God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christö! 1 Cor. 15:57