

# WJMM

106.3 fm

# WCGW

770 am

3950 Lexington Road  
Versailles, Kentucky 40383-1742

Mr. Kermit Geary  
1266 Riverview Drive  
Walnutport, PA 18088

March 12, 1997

Dear Kermit:

I am in receipt of your reception report of WCGW, 770-AM. I have checked the information you provided and find that you did, indeed, hear our special DXers test broadcast on Sunday morning, March 2, 1997 between 5:14 and 5:47 AM EST.

WCGW is licensed to Nicholasville, KY and normally operates from local sunrise to sunset with a power of 1,000 watts into a non-directional, single 298 foot vertical radiator. WCGW uses a Harris 1000-watt solid state transmitter. Both our transmitter and tower are located about three miles east of Nicholasville, Kentucky. WCGW provides solid daytime coverage to 43 counties in Central and Eastern Kentucky. Our main offices are in Lexington, Kentucky and studios are co-located with WJMM-FM just east of Versailles, Kentucky on U.S. Route 60. WCGW's programming is delivered to our transmitter site, about 13 miles away, via dual 945 mHz microwave STL's (Studio Transmitter Links). This dual microwave link is required as we broadcast in AM stereo (one of the few stations here still doing so).

Our regular programming consists of Southern Gospel Music and Inspirational programming. WCGW is owned by the Mortenson Broadcasting Company which also operates numerous other AM and FM stations throughout the country.

I am pleased to verify your reception of WCGW-770 AM. Believe it or not, our staff is interested in receiving reception reports and enjoys hearing from distant listeners. All of us wish you the best of luck in your DXing activities.

Sincerely,



Tom Mulvaney, KR4BD  
Announcing Staff WCGW  
Member, National Radio Club

P.S. Great to hear from you again. Sure wish I had an HQ-180. As a kid, that was the radio I always wanted. If I had room for one today, I'd probably buy one at one of the ham radio flea markets. I was a charter member of the IRCA in the early 1960's (one of the first 100 members) but dropped out in the late 60's when I went off to college. I joined the NRC about 6-8 years ago, so I could keep up with what was going on. If you have any 1964-65-era DX Monitors you'll probably find me. I used to live in Riverside, CA (near Don Erickson) then moved to Warren, OH. My rig at the time was a 1937 vintage boatanchor, namely an RCA ACR-111 (16 tubes, 2 RF and 3 IF stages). That radio covered 500 kHz to 32 mHz and was hotter than a firecracker on the broadcast band. It originally belonged to W6AA, the first licensed ham in California. Sure wish I still had that radio! Today, my listening post is filled with ham gear . . . My main rig is a Kenwood TS-690 transceiver which does fairly well on the broadcast band.

I enjoy doing these tests, but less than a dozen reports received this year. The last two years saw more than 25 each time, so maybe I'll wait a year or two before doing another. I have worked weekends at WCGW for three years, now. The management has been very gracious in letting me do these broadcasts.