



# INTERNATIONAL GLOBAL SHORTWAVE CLUB

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Dear Global Shortwave Club member:

## President

William G Davis Jr

## Contact Us!

Don't forget to call or write to us at least once a month. We welcome more if you have time!

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Or

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## Visit our website!

[www.ictchurch.org](http://www.ictchurch.org)

We have a whole area dedicated to our International Global Shortwave Club members. You can also find our current frequencies and times!

## Current Radio Schedule

WWCR

Worldwide Christian  
Radio

### Monday through Friday

5.890 - 0300 UTC

7.520 - 0000 UTC

### Saturday

4.840 - 0200 UTC

### Sunday

9.350 - 2100 UTC

Early in the 20<sup>th</sup> century, large businesses and government agencies began experimenting with the new wireless technology. At that point, its viability was still relatively unproven. This all changed on April 15, 1912, when the Titanic sank in the icy North Atlantic. The sinking was first reported via radio. Rescue vessels rushed to aid the perishing. Soon after the Titanic story reached the front pages of newspapers worldwide, everyone was clamoring for the life-saving technology that was now a necessity. Several commercial radio operators, including David Sarnoff, a Russian immigrant and young radio hobbyist from New York City copied the radio signals from the Titanic.

Like many of the radio operators of the day, he learned Morse code from a commercial telegraphy company. Naturally, much of the telegraphy lingo and styles for sending code transferred. The operators developed unique terminology and abbreviations, such as the Q codes, to save time when sending messages. The Q codes consisted of three-letter blocks, starting with the letter Q, representing a common term in radio operations. For example, QSO means a two-way radio conversation, QTH means location, QRM means man-made radio interference, and QRN means natural radio interference.

The Q codes are used as either terms or as complete questions. For example, you can ask, "What is your QTH?" or simply "QTH?" A few other exciting developments were the use of sending "VVV" as a test letter sequence, calling "CQ" whenever you want to talk with someone else, and sending "hi," which represents laughter.

Good listening!

*William Davis*

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