



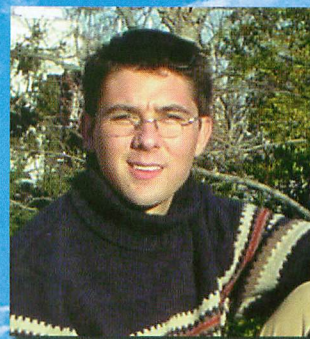
# HEART BEAT

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## Preparing for Service Abroad



**The French "M" Team**

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*Judy Lytle*

*Matt Markins*

# Preparing for Service Abroad

By **Eddie Payne**,  
Director of Mobilization and Recruitment

## Moving Through the Process

with **Judy Lytle**, candidate coordinator, and  
**Matt Markins**, initial contact coordinator

Jan. 21, 02

To: Matt@nafwb.org

Hey Matt,

This has been one great week on the road. The long hours in services are tiring but very worthwhile. Several have already expressed serious interest in missions during this conference.

I'm enclosing the name of one young man. Please send him an application for E-TEAM 2003, the Phase 1 - Let's Get Acquainted form, and the Candidate Process Guide. See you in the office next week.

Eddie

Send to:  
Joe Sands  
2217 West Colorado  
Good Prospect, AL 36345  
334/712-0882  
jjoe11@mynet.com

Jan. 23, 02

eddie@nafwb.org

Eddie,

Thanks for the info. I touched base with Joe by e-mail then by phone and will mail the forms tomorrow. Man, is Joe pumped for missions. He plans to work this summer to be ready for college and seems to be a great prospect.

Matt

Aug. 26, 04

To: matt@nafwb.org

Matt,

My life will never be the same. I know now that God wants me on the mission field. Please send me the forms necessary to move forward after graduation. I'm doing a lot of cross-cultural ministry related to my missions studies. It is so exciting to have English conversation partners from other nations. I think one of those I work with is seriously considering the claims of Christ.

Joe

Sept. 11, 03

To: jjoe11@mynet.edu

Hey Joe,

Just wanted to let you know that I sent the Overseas Apprentice form. I look forward to working with you as part of the 2004 OAs to Spain.

Matt

Joe went to a denominational college and Matt stayed in touch with him.

Jan. 23, 02

To: jjoe11@mynet.com

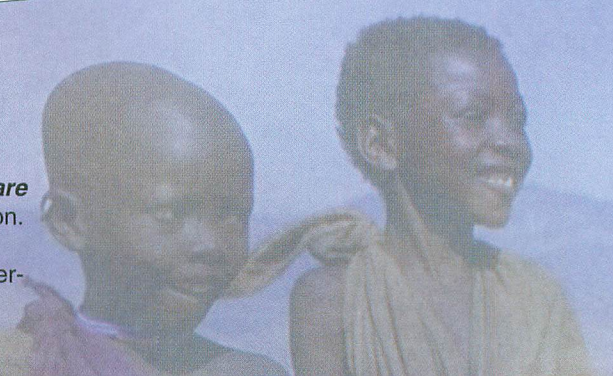
Hey Joe,

Great to know of your interest in missions. Let me know a good time to phone so we can talk about the future. You can call me back at 615/760-6157, or use the toll free number: 877/767-7736.

Hope to talk soon.

Matt

**ATTENTION:** The above candidates are **fictitious** as is their personal information. The timeline for moving through the process is realistic. Foreign Missions personnel contact information is accurate.





Matt

## Joe and Julie for Spain

Cc: Julie@myner.edu

What thrilling news! Our prayers are with you and your plans to serve the Lord together. We will help in every way possible to move you toward the field of God's choosing. I'm sending you copies of the Preliminary Application for updating the information. We hope to take you to the Candidate Committee when you graduate and are ready for your internship/study.

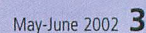
Blessings,  
Judy

Blessings on you and your growing family...  
Judy

Joe and Julie moved through the candidate process as many others have done and look to become a fruitful part of the team in Spain.

So glad you arrived on the field. I'm pleased to tell you that there are now 217 others in the candidate process. May your tribe increase!

Eddie







*This building (left) was rented to house the Good News Chapel, a new work being started in the area of Tokyo, Japan. Overseas assistant Brenda Wendlandt (above) gives her testimony through a Japanese translator in the Iriso FWB Church.*



*Andy and Andrea Moore (seated, right) are greeted by a young man from the church in Uberlândia, Brazil.*

## Tokyo Team to Start "Good News Chapel"

According to missionaries Ken and Judy Bailey, the Tokyo church-planting team will call their new work "Good News Chapel." A recent Bible college graduate, Mrs. Amano, will start working with the team in May in their recently acquired facilities.

The Iriso church is cooperating with the new team, and Miss Brenda Wendlandt, a short term, will be teaching English as a means of making contacts for the new church.

## Bowermans Reconfirm Commitment to Kuna

Eddie and LaRhonda Bowerman have reconfirmed their original commitment to work among the Kuna Indians in Panama. The last issue of *HeartBeat* reported that the Bowermans and the Panama field council had decided not to pursue a ministry among

the Kuna.

Eddie explained that they had considered not returning to the tribe due to the potential of creating factions as a result of other groups visiting the Kuna in their absence. These had caused problems in the tribe previously. In retrospect, the Bowermans feel they have developed significant relationships among the Kuna people to make their potential for evangelization greater than many of the other groups.

Eddie and LaRhonda indicated they have gained new assurances from the Lord that they should continue working with the Kuna people. They are excited at how the Holy Spirit has been moving in their lives and ministry, assuring them of God's continued interest in both the Kuna ministry and their participation in it.

Currently the Bowermans are hoping to return to Panama City in July. They expect to start renewing contact and studying the Kuna language by August or Sep-

tember. The family plans to reside in Panama City on the weekends and in the village during the week.

## 171 Attend Easter Service, Greet Moores

Missionary Nancy Hughes reported 171 people at church services in the Second Free Will Baptist Church in Uberlândia, Brazil, on Easter Sunday. The church held a reception that day for Andy and Andrea Moore who had just moved to Uberlândia after completing language study in Campinas.

Plans call for the Moores to work with youth and young couples and teach in the Bible institute next semester. Andy also will preach some in addition to visiting and teaching Sunday school.

## Alice Smith Reports on I. C. Evangelism

The Ivory Coast Free Will Baptist young people held their annual Easter evangelistic campaign in Tanda March 27-30.

Missionary Alice Smith of Agnibilekrou reported 33 decisions for Christ during the campaign. She urged people to pray for pastor Théophile and the Tanda church as they disciple these new converts.

In Agnibilekrou four people made decisions for Christ on Easter Sunday morning. "I'm especially rejoicing over Madame Kambou's salvation," says Alice. "She is a little Lobi woman for whom we've been praying a long time."



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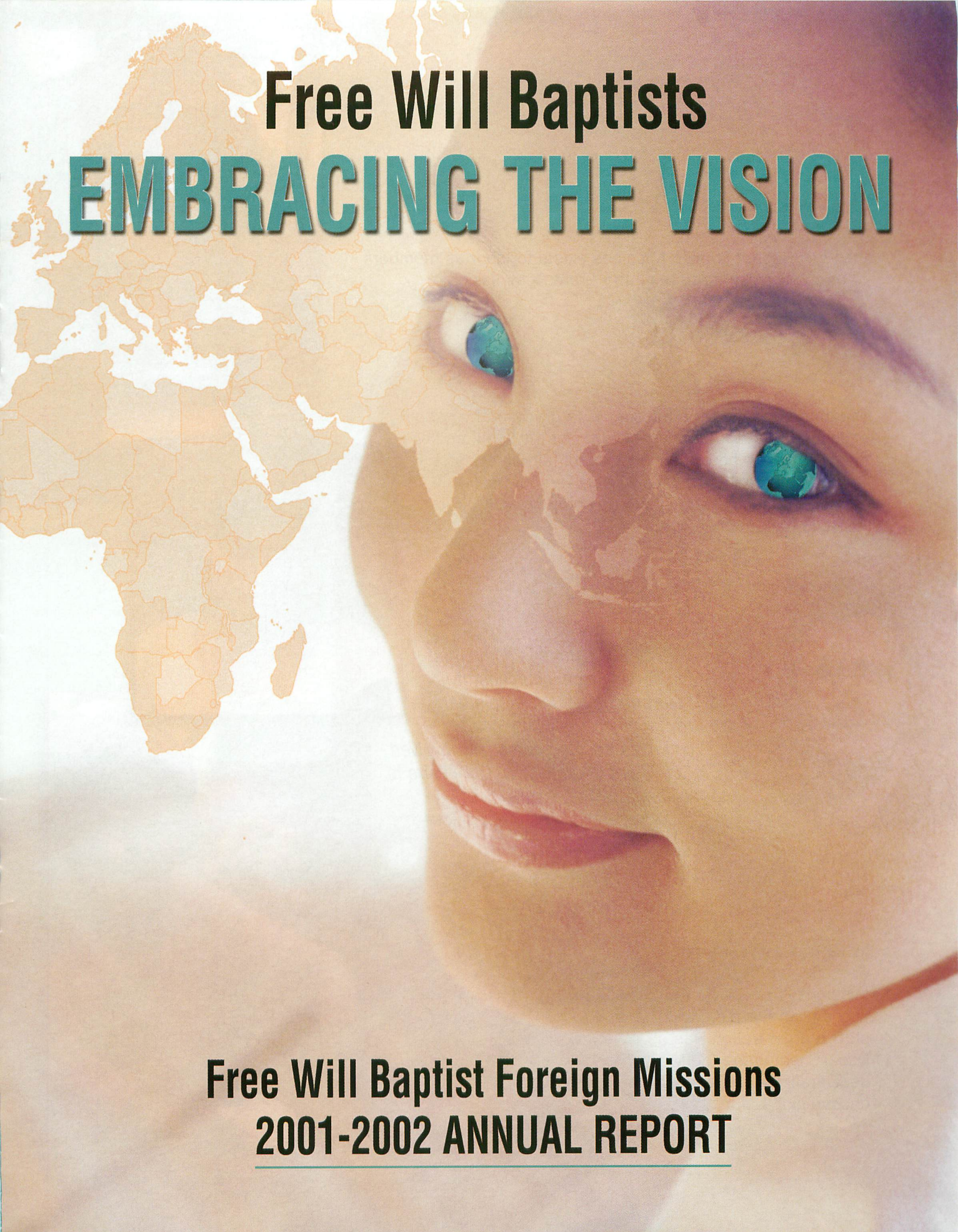
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A close-up photograph of a person's face, looking slightly upwards and to the right. The person's eyes are replaced by small, detailed globes of the Earth. A semi-transparent, orange-toned map of the world is overlaid on the left side of the image, partially covering the person's face and the background. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light blue and white.

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**Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions**  
**2001-2002 ANNUAL REPORT**

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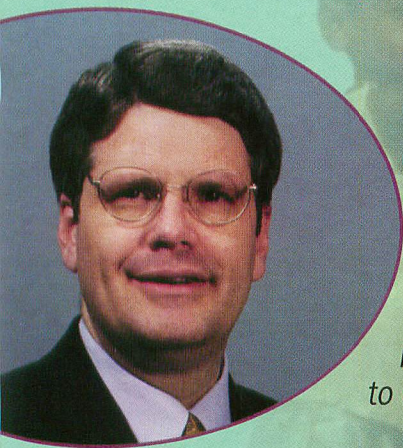
# FREE WILL BAPTISTS *Embracing The Vision*

## OUR STATEMENT

Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions exists to labor as members of the body of Christ to fulfill the Great Commission.

## OUR TASK

The primary task of the mission is to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to the unevangelized of the world and to disciple those who evidence personal faith in Christ. Our ultimate goal is to develop believers into self-supporting, self-governing and self-propagating Free Will Baptist churches.



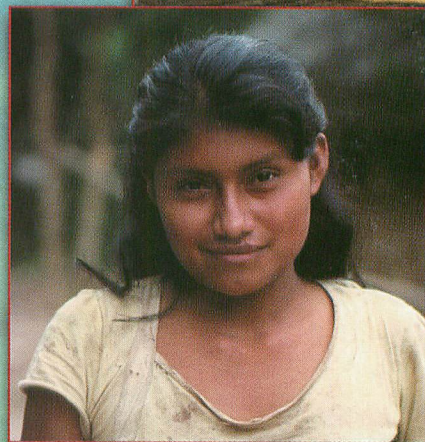
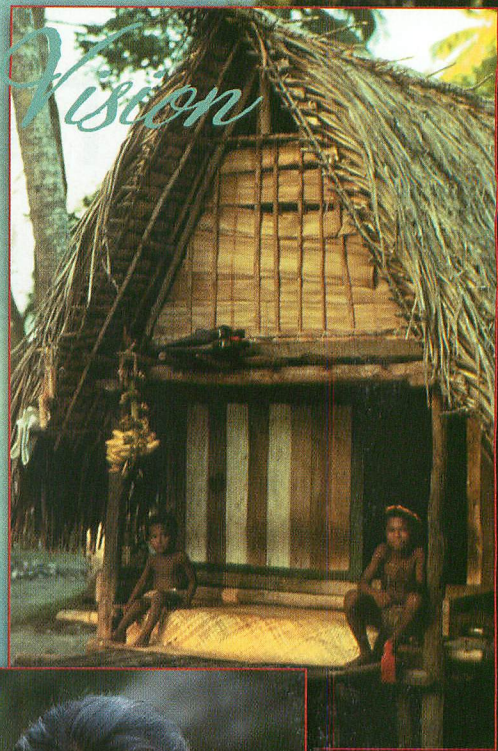
## OUR COMMITMENT

*"Foreign Missions is committed to serving local churches. It is our firm belief that a spiritual dynamic occurs when local churches become personally involved in the Great Commission. Our desire is to facilitate such an involvement."*

—James Forlines, general director

## OUR ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

In 1997 a 10-year strategic plan was adopted by the Board of Foreign Missions. To position the Mission to accomplish the plan, an extensive staff reorganization was approved. Departmentalizing the Mission and decentralizing decision making is yielding encouraging results.



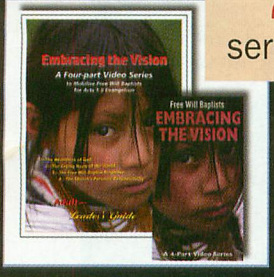


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## Embracing The Vision

### OUR PROGRESS - TIME LINE

**2001** FM produces video series, *Embracing the Vision*

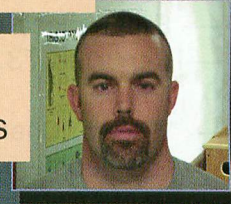


**2001** India holds Jubilee Celebration



**1999** Home Staff Reorganizes

**2000** Pro-Vol Network begins



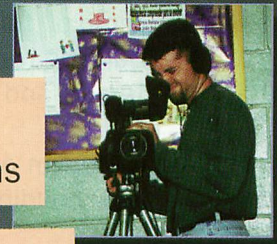
**1993** FM budget tops \$4,000,000

**1993** First Acts 1:8 program starts

**1992** FM agrees to cooperate with ELIC



**1986** Video production begins



**1985** FM program celebrates 50 years



**1983** Missionary force exceeds 100

**1974** FM budget tops \$1,000,000

**1968** Call-a-thon for Foreign Missions starts

**1966** Number of mission fields increases to eight

**1963** Missionary force reaches 50

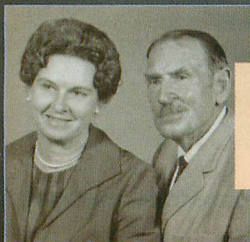
**1961** Cuban relationships cut off



**1950** Riggs becomes first director



**1942** Willeys enter Cuba



**1935** National Assn. forms, appoints L.B. Barnard

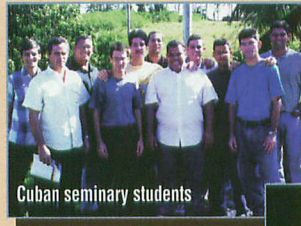


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## OUR MINISTRIES

### Cuba

- Celebrated 60th anniversary
- Started the second class at Cedars of Lebanon



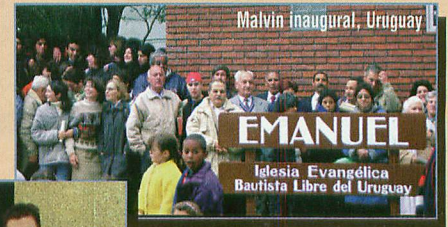
### Panama

- Experienced challenges in the Kuna outreach
- Reported 732 converts in 2001; 56 lay preachers



### Brazil

- "Second Chance" team ministered in Araras (18 people from 6 churches in South Carolina)
- 48 institute students studied
- New churches built



### Uruguay

- Continued a successful "Pro Templo" fund
- Building remodeled in Santa Teresa and one purchased in Malvin



### France

- A Muslim outreach team approved
- New building purchased for Nantes

### Spain

- Jhon Fredy prepared for ministry
- Alcala pastor went "full time"

### Ivory Coast

- Launched the Community and Health Evangelism (CHE) program
- Major ministry roles assumed by Africans in 2001

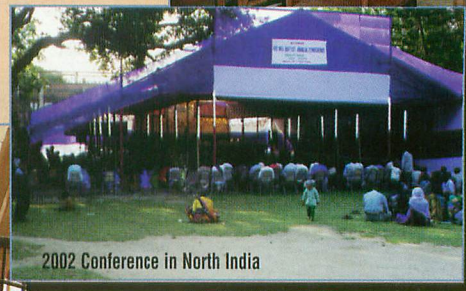


### India

- 2,500 attended North India annual conference
- 100-year-old Nepali woman saved
- Baptized 510 in India and Nepal

### Russia

- Started remodeling the Bible institute in Chelyabinsk
- Russian churches and works reported over 1,000 attending





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## OUR MINISTRIES

### Korea

- Held the first National Association of FWB in Korea



Korea first National Association

### Japan

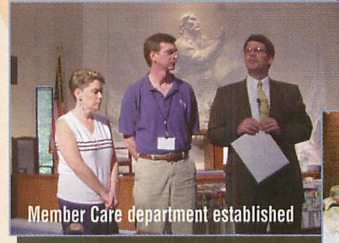
- Began a strategy for two teams: Hokkaido and Tokyo



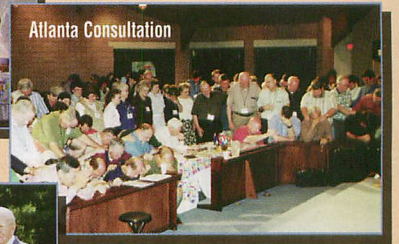
Japan team

### U.S.A.

- Established a new Member Care department
- Approved over 100 for overseas service of some kind
- Gathered entire missionary family at the Atlanta Consultation; four directors came together for first time
- Distributed 700 *Embracing the Vision* video series
- Produced *Embracing the Vision II* series
- Sent four 2001 TEAMS to four fields
- Developed Mobilization/Partnerships
- Global Focus Seminars and Global Impact Celebrations held



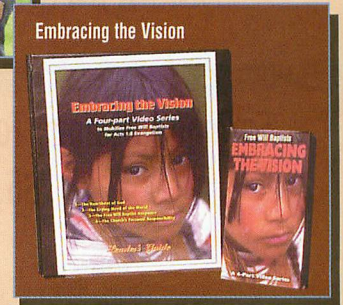
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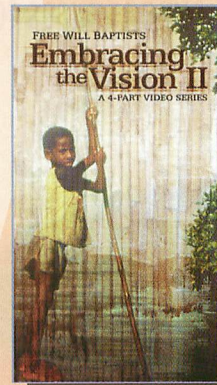
Atlanta Consultation



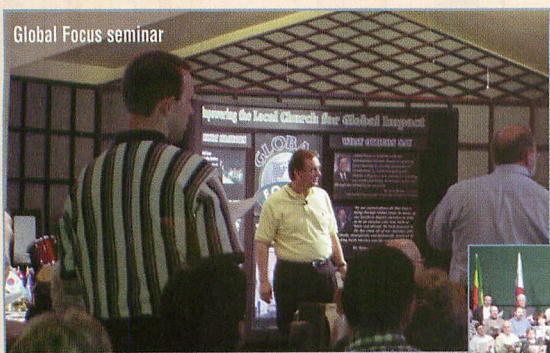
Atlanta Consultation:  
four FM directors



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Global Focus seminar



TEAM Japan 2001



Russellville's Global Impact Celebration



Mobilization via CURE

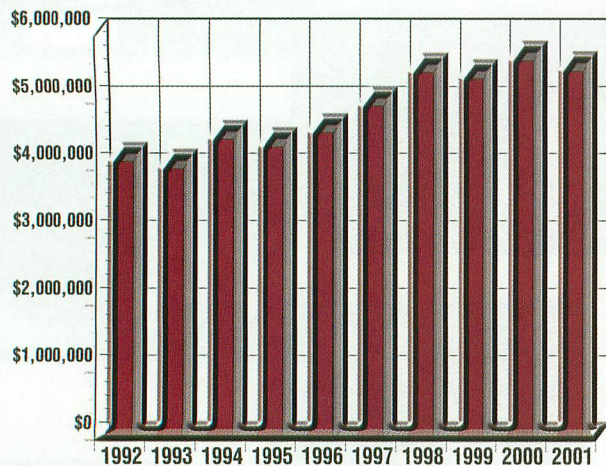


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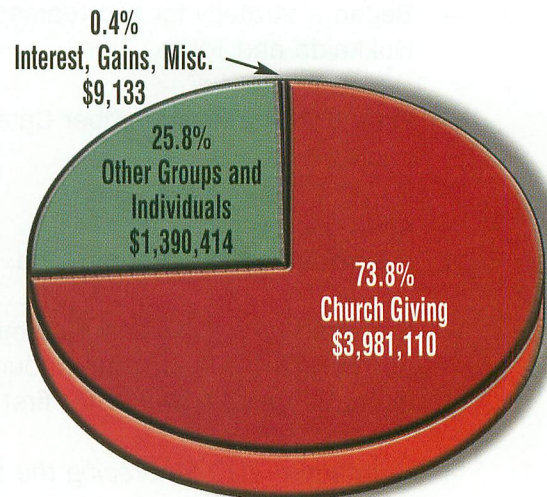
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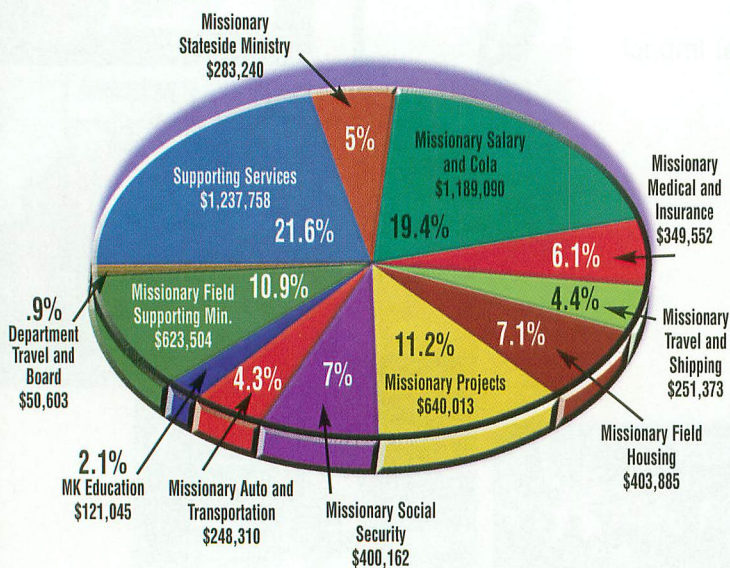
### Ten-Year History of Income



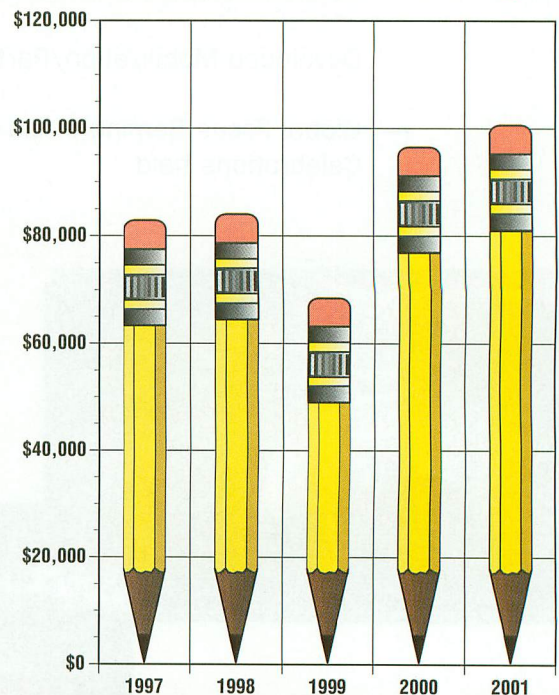
### 2001 Sources of Foreign Missions Income



### Foreign Missions Total Expenditures for 2001 \$5,718,535



### Five-Year World Missions Offering



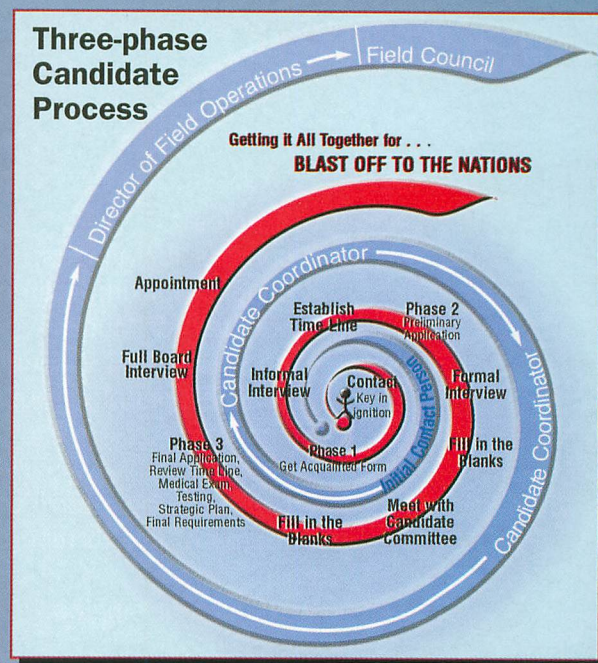


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## OUR MOBILIZATION

Below is evidence of progress due to recruiting efforts of the Department of Mobilization and Recruitment:

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>#Teams</u>	<u>#Members</u>	<u>Overseas Apprentices</u>
1997	2	16	12
1998	2	19	11
1999	1	9	21
2000	2	30	15
2001	4	42	16
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>75</b>
2002	6	65	34



## OUR PROSPECTS

Projections:

	<u>E-TEAMS</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Overseas Apprentices</u>
2003	8-9	80-90	40
2004	10	100+	45





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## OUR OPPORTUNITIES

### Church Planters

Brazil	—	6 couples
Cote d'Ivoire	—	5 couples for villages; 4 couples for urban areas; 2 couples for Muslim evangelism; and 2 couples for unreached people groups
France	—	5 couples
Japan	—	5 couples
Panama	—	2 couples, short term or career
Spain	—	5 teams of five to nine people each
Uruguay	—	2 couples or singles

### Education

Brazil	—	3 Bible institute teachers; 1 specialist to train youth leaders/trainers; 2 with Master's degrees to teach in American school and assist in church-planting
Cote d'Ivoire	—	1 full time for ICA; 1 short term at ICA; 2 for Sunday school curriculum development
Japan	—	1 institute director/educator; 10 short-term English teachers; short term for international and Christians schools
France	—	1 or 2 couples for leadership training
Panama	—	Home school assistant/ childcare
Russia	—	2 couples to develop curriculum and teach at Bible institutes; other pastoral trainers
Uruguay	—	U.S. certified for Uruguayan- American school

### Construction

Brazil	—	Short-term building teams
Côte d'Ivoire	—	Short-term personnel for maintenance and construction
France	—	Short-term building teams
Japan	—	Short-term building teams
Russia	—	Short-term building teams
Spain	—	Short-term building teams
Uruguay	—	Short-term building teams

### Camp, Music, Drama and Youth

(may be individuals, couples, teams)

Brazil	—	Children's home, music, drama, English, sports camps, literature distribution, cooking classes
France	—	English, music, sports, drama
Japan	—	Conversational English, music, puppets, sports, literature distribution, <i>Jesus</i> film, etc.
Russia	—	Leadership training, music, youth, women's ministry, marriage and youth counseling, etc.
Panama	—	English, sports
Spain	—	Music, camp, sports, English
Uruguay	—	Music, youth, marriage seminars

### Other Specialty

Côte d'Ivoire	—	1 single male dorm assistant; dentist and hygienist at ICA (2 weeks at a time during school year)
France	—	University ministry team; evangelistic team using the arts for communication; intercessory teams
Panama	—	Pastors, short-term, to teach Panamanian pastors; medical personnel (doctors and nurses) to work among Kuna Indians
Uruguay	—	Team to set up daycare project





## New Pastor Called to Iriso Church in Japan

The Iriso Free Will Baptist Church in a suburb of Tokyo, Japan, recently called Kiyoshi Kojima, a seminary graduate, to assume responsibilities as pastor of the church beginning in April. The new pastor graduated in March.



*Kiyoshi Kojima*

Pastor Sabuta had to resign his position with the church due to ill health.

## Lytle Visits India, Expresses Highlights

Steve Lytle, director of field operations, visited India March 4-21. He attended the annual conference of Free Will Baptists on the mission compound in Sonapurhat, West Bengal, in North India March 7-10.

Approximately 2,500 people attended this year's meeting, including more than 100 from Nepal. A highlight of the conference was the testimony of a Nepali woman who is over 100 years of age. She told how she was saved just a few years ago.

Lytle had the opportunity to speak twice during plenary sessions, twice more during Bible classes to the Nepali people, at a cottage prayer meeting, and to all of the pastors. He also gave a devotional at the baptism of 36 new believers. Brother Hanna reported 525 conversions and 510 baptisms in India and Nepal during 2001.

From North India Steve traveled to Coimbatore to visit the Free Will Baptist work in South India. During the week of March 12-19 he spoke in seven churches. He also conducted a seminar for the South India pastors, Bible institute students, and evangelists.

"Among the many highlights



*Hundreds of Free Will Baptists participate in the annual conference of North India (above). Steve Lytle receives a gift (right) in South India and a Nepali woman over 100 years of age (above) testifies of her salvation.*



of my trip were the North India conference, the opportunity to fellowship with Brother Carlisle Hanna, a true missionary hero, and seeing the place where Laura Belle Barnard and Volena Wilson lived and worked in South India," declared Lytle. He returned to Nashville, Tenn., on March 21.

## News Capsules

**Brazil**—Bobby and Sue Aycock in Barbacena, Brazil, were scheduled to begin a stateside assignment on April 18. They plan to be in the United States for two months.

**Japan**—Missionaries Nathan and Linda Snow arrived in the United States from Japan on April 2 to begin a year of stateside assignment.

**Brazil**—Jim and Vicki Sturgill reported Dr. Marco Antonio, a cardiologist in Belo Horizonte, Brazil, made his decision for Christ public on March 24. He had made a decision privately several months earlier.

**Côte d'Ivoire**—Lila Nichols, missionary in Gouméré, Côte d'Ivoire, expressed praise recently that she

had been given permission to teach Bible classes in one of the Gouméré schools. Koffi, a young man in the Gouméré church, has agreed to take over the classes when the Nichols leave for stateside assignment in July.

**Japan**—Alicia Hart, overseas assistant, left from Raleigh, N.C., on March 20 for a two-year assignment in Japan. She has been taking a three-week course in Japanese and was scheduled



*Alicia Hart*

to start teaching English classes in mid-April.

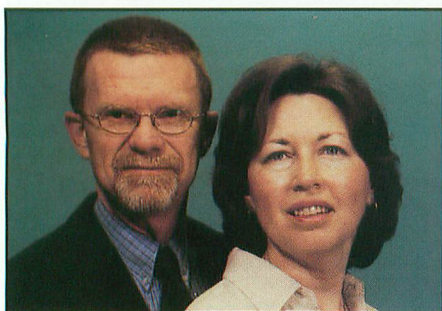
**Brazil**—According to missionary Nancy Hughes, a 14-year-old girl, Rosilane, was saved recently in the Second Free Will Baptist Church in Uberlândia, Brazil.

**Spain**—Missionary Jeff Turnbough and two lay preachers in the church in Villalba, Spain—Jhon Fredy and Javier—have been preaching a series of messages on spiritual warfare.

**Knoxville, Tenn.**—Missionaries Jerry and Barbara Gibbs, who have been on stateside assign-



# NEWS IN REVIEW



**Jerry and Barbara Gibbs are scheduled to return to France in May.**

ment since July 12, 2001, are scheduled to return to France on May 20 to resume their ministry in St. Nazaire.

**Brazil**—Jim and Vicki Sturgill came to the United States on April

## GIFTS FROM THE HEART

These special gifts were received in February and March 2002:

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**The choir of First FWB Church in Russellville, Ark., sings during their Global Impact Celebration March 6-10. Many people made commitments to service (inset) and \$178,000 was committed to world outreach.**



13 to attend the wedding of their youngest daughter, Vera, who was to be married on April 20. They will also attend her graduation from Free Will Baptist Bible College on May 16. Retired missionary Dave Franks Sr. went to Brazil to fill in for the Sturgills.

## Global Focus Impacts Russellville, Pastors

The Global Focus Leadership Seminar March 6-8 and Global Impact Celebration March 6-10 at First Free Will Baptist Church in Russellville, Ark., made a significant impact on the church and leaders.

More than 60 participants from 14 states were enrolled in the leadership seminar. "Wow! I wish my whole church could have been here! Very insightful, instructional, inspirational and very practical," said Pastor Mike Mounts of the Westerville FWB Church in Westerville, Ohio.

David Joslin, executive director of Arkansas Free Will Baptists, said, "From my perspective, the session with Global Focus was highly successful."

Home missionary Tim Lewis of Ogden, Utah, said he wants to "help our church see that even though we are small, we can

make a global impact."

The Global Impact Celebration (the church's missionary conference) motivated 17 people to declare willingness to serve as career missionaries and 169 to express willingness to serve as short-term missionaries. Offerings plus faith-promise commitments totaled \$178,000 for the year for local, national and international missions.

Pastor Doug Little declared, "I have great expectations and I know this church will never be the same."

## Sturgill Reports Records at Belo Horizonte

Missionary Jim Sturgill says several records have been broken in the Belo Horizonte church in Brazil since the first of January.

New record highs included attendance in children's church in a single night, 22; number present for a church service with no special activity, 61; monthly average attendance for church services, 50; and Carnaval retreat average, 50.

In another note Sturgill indicated all the work on the church building was finished so the engineer can give final approval. It has been nearly an 11-year battle to complete the building.



## Miharashidai Chapel Rents Two-story House

The missionary team in Hokkaido, Japan, has reported renting a larger facility for the Miharashidai Chapel at a lower cost. The church, which has been meeting in a one-room storefront building, will now meet in a house with two stories and four rooms on each floor.

Missionaries indicated that two of the downstairs rooms will be combined to make a large worship center and the children's church will be conducted in another room.

## Pastor Faces Loss Over Full-time Status

Osmír, newly elected pastor of the São José Free Will Baptist Church in Campinas, Brazil, faces possible loss of a large amount of his retirement if he assumes full-time status for the church. The church voted to hire him full time.

According to missionary Curt Holland, if Osmír just quits his current job without permission, his retirement fund may be jeopardized. The law says he can be given his retirement after three years with special consent. Curt urged people to pray that Osmír will make the right decision regarding this circumstance.

## Seven Saved at Family Camp in Uruguay

Seven people made decisions for Christ during the family camp held February 9-15 in Uruguay. According to missionary Molly Barker, 71 campers and 36 visitors attended.

Those saved included six teenage boys and one 20-year-old man.

Miss Barker, who lives and labors in the area of Rivera, indi-

cated another mini-family camp was planned for March 27-30. In addition to the camps, five vacation Bible schools were conducted in the Rivera area, two in January and three in February.

## Dr. Paul Harrison Teaches in Russia

Dr. Paul Harrison, pastor of Cross Timbers Free Will Baptist Church in Nashville, Tenn., left for Russia on March 20 to teach at Chelyabinsk Bible Institute, an affiliate of the Baptist seminary in

Moscow. He taught third- and fourth-year students an intensive course on church history March 25-28.

Dr. Harrison returned home in time to preach in his pulpit on Easter Sunday, March 31.

## Gilliland Attends I.C. Field Council Meeting

Neil Gilliland, director of member care, traveled to Ivory Coast on March 16 to attend the annual field council meeting of Ivory Coast missionaries.

Having served approximately 10 years as missionary to Côte d'Ivoire, Neil sought to address the needs of those in that setting. He returned to the United States on March 22.

## 21 Enrolled in Bible Institute in Barbacena

According to Bobby Aycock, 21 students are studying in the Bible institute which is held in a spacious apartment in the center of Barbacena, Brazil. Eight students are from Conselheiro Lafaiete,

one is from Antonio Carlos, and the rest are from Barbacena.

Nine students are men and seven of these feel called to full-time ministry. Some of the young ladies are dating preachers and other young ladies aspire to be preachers' wives.

## FINANCIAL BEAT

### Through March 2002

Income for February .....	\$ 441,173.21
Income for March .....	449,661.02
Total income through March .....	1,201,715.85
Projected income through March .....	2,542,687.19
Total expenses through March .....	1,518,804.86
<b>Total 2002 Budget (including VISION projects) ...</b>	<b>\$10,170,748.77</b>

These accounts are in the deficit:

Bailey .....	\$ 4,209.59	Martens .....	24,420.93
Callaway .....	868.14	McDonald .....	3,750.65
Chang .....	67,648.52	Owen .....	15,120.52
Gainer .....	14,122.47	Sturgill .....	1,194.53
Hanna .....	868.51	Teague .....	4,766.47
Holland, C .....	3,626.73	Wendlandt .....	3,042.71
Johnson, K .....	14,159.98	Russian Ministries .....	35,617.73
Lancaster .....	6,208.18	Third World Dev .....	3,768.20
Little .....	8,596.06	Support Services .....	405,262.19
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>\$617,252.11</b>		

These accounts are low and needy:

Blanchard .....	\$ 808.66	Snow .....	2,014.98
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## STATES IN ACTION

State/Source	Gifts in March 2002	Gifts thru March 2001	Gifts thru March 2002
Alabama .....	\$ 46,195.02	\$ 98,997.50	\$ 93,419.49
Arizona .....	304.00	1,576.47	1,004.31
Arkansas .....	46,723.41	90,958.03	90,582.52
California .....	8,662.37	10,766.94	14,412.83
Canada .....	570.48	798.73	628.57
Colorado .....	231.16	645.00	667.66
Florida .....	12,809.06	42,031.79	41,693.19
Georgia .....	12,523.18	48,549.36	26,722.46
Hawaii .....			
Idaho .....	222.04	856.53	718.18
Illinois .....	15,038.84	27,923.56	35,011.15
Indiana .....	4,615.76	16,861.79	15,546.14
Iowa .....	280.44	290.73	620.44
Kansas .....	165.27	499.09	545.73
Kentucky .....	4,214.56	17,583.19	17,123.24
Louisiana .....	1,675.00	1,457.53	1,820.00
Maryland .....	4,386.05	16,403.28	18,291.02
Michigan .....	14,058.28	39,214.21	40,037.50
Miscellaneous .....	175.00	460.00	1,571.26
Mississippi .....	1,846.66	19,876.00	24,057.94
Missouri .....	48,534.61	82,046.51	117,761.11
Montana .....	175.00	700.00	590.00
Nebraska .....		500.00	500.00
New Mexico .....	124.53	211.75	255.97
North Carolina .....	68,064.46	159,262.53	208,542.27
* Northeast Assn .....	705.00	1,494.30	1,195.00
** Northwest Assn .....	1,371.62	1,456.88	1,581.62
Ohio .....	5,001.56	22,781.17	22,091.70
Oklahoma .....	37,552.32	75,742.57	95,536.80
Pennsylvania .....		75.00	75.00
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Pennsylvania .....		75.00	75.00
South Carolina .....	31,490.18	103,350.80	77,102.12
Tennessee .....	52,938.43	194,271.68	152,588.75
Texas .....	9,266.98	20,729.50	19,752.33
Virgin Islands .....	100.00	350.00	300.00
Virginia .....	5,693.63	17,485.94	18,773.12
West Virginia .....	7,632.89	24,392.59	25,543.77
WNAC .....	4,963.22	26,962.18	29,681.99
FWB Foundation .....		26,872.81	
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>\$ 448,311.01</b>	<b>\$1,194,435.94</b>	<b>\$1,196,345.18</b>

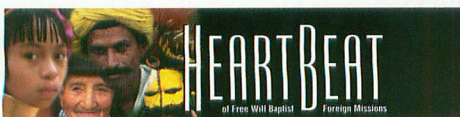
\*Northeast Association  
New Hampshire, Vermont, New Jersey, Maine, Connecticut, Washington, D.C., and Massachusetts

\*\*Northwest Association  
Alaska, Oregon and Washington

Does not include VISION projects

Note: Miscellaneous includes miscellaneous sources, states and interest income.





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## Forlines' Focus

*By James Forlines, General Director*



### CONSIDERING GOD'S CALL

The lead article in this issue, "Preparing for Service Abroad," portrays a teenager progressing from a short-term missions experience in high school to appointment for career missionary service.

As you read this article scores of youth are following that path. In a few years they will be serving as career missionaries in various fields around the world. We praise the Lord for these young people who have their entire lives ahead of them to share the gospel. This is the backbone of our Mission.

### Opportunities Abound

But this is not the only scenario of service possible within Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions. Opportunities abound for those who would like to use their gifts, talents, training and abilities to further the Lord's cause around the world.

In 1994 we learned that Baptists in the former Soviet Union had beliefs very similar to those of Free Will Baptists. An investigative team, led by General Director Eugene Waddell,

went to Ukraine and Russia to meet with Baptist leaders. A Free Will Baptist layman with Russian language skills was living in Alabama. His pastor informed the Foreign Missions office and Mike Corley was asked to accompany the team to serve as a translator.

### Grandparents Are Serving

During that adventure the Lord moved Mike's heart to see the immense need of the Russian people. After returning home, he found that God was working in the heart of his wife, Cathy, as well. They inquired about serving as missionaries to Russia. Though they are grandparents and in their 50s they are serving with distinction in Russia today.

Doug and Patty Chamberlin have reared their children to be concerned with the needs of unreached people around the world. It was no surprise when their daughter Leah attended missions camp at Free Will Baptist Bible College during the summer and eventually went on several missions trips. Neither was it incredible when Andrew, their son, participated in teen missions trips.

### Parents Are Going

But God had more in store for the Chamberlins than just involvement through their children. With Leah finishing college (and preparing for the

mission field) and Andrew finishing high school, God spoke to Doug and Patty themselves. They are currently seeking support to go to Spain for a two-year assignment. Someone asked them, "Have you retired?" "No," they replied, "we just quit so we could go."

### Many Ways Are Available

Multitudes of ways are available for you to serve. Missionary service is not limited just to young people. Retirees have volunteered for service overseas at no cost to the Mission. Countless professionals have offered their services for short-term trips. Many individuals with construction skills have donated labor for the Missionary-In-Residence house on the campus of Free Will Baptist Bible College.

### God Has a Place for Everyone

No matter who you are, or what your skills may be, God has a place for you in the cause of world evangelism. In Isaiah 6 the prophet caught a glimpse of the majesty of God on His throne. The voice of God was heard saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" The Corleys, the Chamberlins, and multitudes of others have said, "Here am I, send me." Isn't it time you considered God's call?

*James Forlines*