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OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONS

Special Cuban Refugee Report

april '62



TORCH OF FRIENDSHIP IN DOWNTOWN MIAMI

The Living Christ for the Dying Heathen

*The church must reach the millions
who are without knowledge*

that Jesus died and lives to save. There are 100,000 more souls in our world today than there were yesterday. Your Free Will Baptist missionaries are the hands of our church reaching the dying multitudes.

The church must preach the message of salvation. No excuse has ever become a substitute for the command of Christ. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Our Free Will Baptists have the men and the money to carry out this task. "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!" Your Free Will Baptist missionaries are the feet of our church today walking the roads of India, the streets of Japan, the trails of Latin America, and the paths of Africa.

The church must teach its members the personal responsibility of making Christ known. A revival of post-resurrection witnessing will make dead churches come alive.

We are asking Free Will Baptists to give \$245,000 this year for foreign missions. Page six of this issue gives your state quota and giving. What is your church doing to prove your love and faith in the resurrection of Christ? What are you doing in obedience to the Lord's command? Make your life count for Christ. Give your offering now.

by

J. Reford Wilson



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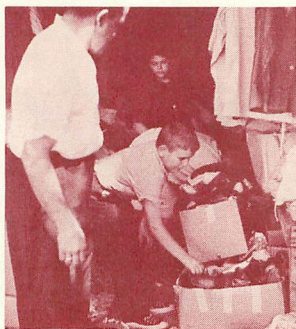
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Boards Unite in Joint Miami Project



Perez (L) works at present inadequate quarters.

MIAMI, FLA.—The foreign and home mission boards have pooled resources and manpower for a concentrated Cuban refugee program in this resort city.

To be known as CERF (Cuban Emergency Relief Fund), the project will be under the direction of veteran Latin America missionaries, the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Willey, Sr. The Rev. Benito Rodriquez and the Rev. Mario Perez are assisting the Willeys in addition to the home mission staff already in Miami.

The emergency program is demanded by the urgent situation in this city brought on by the hundreds of Cuban refugees arriving here weekly.

Since no budget allocations are made for this project, the foreign and home boards are appealing for emergency funds above regular missionary support to provide for needed space and equipment to maintain the agency. A building is being acquired for distribution of clothing and food and for spiritual counseling.

In addition to necessary operational funds, there is an urgent need for good, usable clothing (not rags) and for food. Canned or dried foodstuffs may be sent to CERF. However, money with which to purchase food wholesale is preferred.

All clothing and food should be sent directly to CERF, care Melitino Martinez, 441 S.W. Sixth St., Miami, Fla. Monetary contributions should be sent to the Foreign Mission Board, 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville 5, Tenn.

(See special report, page four.)

**Free Will Baptist
Foreign Missionary**

NEWS

Wife of Board Member Passes

GARNER, N.C.—Mrs. Leah Waddell, wife of the Rev. Eugene Waddell, member of the foreign mission board and pastor of the Garner Free Will Baptist Church, died of cancer April 5.

Mrs. Waddell was active in denominational work until the last few days of her illness which has been known for several months. She is survived by her husband and four children.

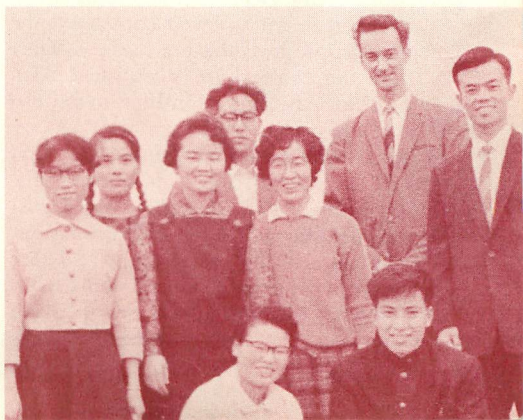
Candidate Approved for Brazil

NASHVILLE, TENN.—Mary Ellen Rice of North Carolina received approval for service in Brazil during the annual foreign mission board meeting here April 2-6. Eleven prospective missionaries were interviewed.

In other business, Jerry Ballard's title was changed from promotional secretary to director of publications and information, more clearly defining his duties.

A major portion of time was spent deliberating the 1963 foreign missions budget to be recommended to the National Association in July.

Missionary Herbert Waid shown with group of Japanese students with whom he is working.



by JERRY BALLARD

Miami:

Refugee City

NEWSPAPER HEADLINES and television accounts have told the tragic story of Cuba. Articles continually seep through the sugar cane curtain giving insight as to why nearly 2,000 Cubans are fleeing the island weekly.

While in Miami a few days ago, I read an Associated Press report about housewives fighting in Cuban market places for food with which to feed their children.

The report continued, "All of Cuba is hungry and has just emerged from its first week of rationing with hardly a hope that there will be any improvement. An entire nation is on the edge of starvation and complete economic collapse."

While visiting the Cuban Refugee Emergency Center in downtown Miami, I interviewed two groups that had just arrived from Cuba by boat. In one of the cases, 14 Cubans survived rough Caribbean waters in a 24-foot boat with a 15-horsepower motor. The motor cut off 17 times during the journey. Their first comment was that here they found friendship, freedom, and food.

Every person interviewed confirmed the fact that people in Cuba are hungry. They say that the masses are dissatisfied with communism. And, they continue to get out of Cuba any way possible.

I stood on the observation deck and watched a capacity load of refugees disembark from a Pan American flight just arrived from Havana. Their only possessions were the clothes they were wearing. There were tears of sadness for family and friends still living on the Red island prison. And,

there were tears of gladness accompanied with shouts of "We're free!" or Spanish equivalents. But, above all, there was an attitude of hope.

Every Cuban with whom I talked radiated with gratitude for America and joy just to be alive and free. I didn't hear a single complaint. And, I talked with a medical doctor who was once head of the largest hospital in Pinar del Rio, a man of wealth and prestige who now had not even a watch for his wrist.

There was the young man who formerly owned a rice plantation, a \$28,000 home with a yacht by his back door and a Chrysler



Melitino Martinez speaks with woman at airport awaiting arrival of her husband.

in his garage. Now he is wearing used clothes received from the Free Will Baptist refugee agency. He is content to be alive and free, and his heart is warm and receptive.

About midnight one evening I was sipping a cup of coffee at a sidewalk cafe when I heard a trill of Spanish from my left. I turned and saw two teenage boys who undoubtedly were refugees. There was the desire to witness to them, but there was also the barrier of language and the fear that they might resent intrusion. However, I had to at least give them Spanish tracts we printed in Nashville and brought down.

I approached the two young men and repeated the only Spanish phrase I know. They turned, and upon realization that I was an American spontaneously displayed expressions of gratitude and respect. I handed them the tracts, and immediately they began to read, and I saw something which broke my heart. Here were fellows who were unreachable a few days ago but now, because of the turn of events, are open and responsive to the gospel. There are thousands more just like them.

More than 100,000 refugees have already poured into Miami. Others will come. These men and women know what it is to have life, and they are open to the gospel which imparts eternal life.

This is a day of golden opportunity in Miami for Free Will Baptists. Missionaries on the scene say that there is no greater need or challenge among Latin Americans in the entire southern hemisphere. But, we must act now.

The emergency situation in Miami caught both the foreign and home mission boards unprepared. No appropriations for an emergency refugee operation were made in 1962 budgets. Yet, the need is urgent. Both boards are appealing for funds above and beyond regular missions support to provide necessary space and supplies to meet the challenge of Miami.

CERF (Cuban Emergency Relief Fund) has been set up to administrate this emergency ministry. (See article, page three.) Your help is needed.

Firstly, you can seek God's face in behalf of those working in an attempt to reach Cuban refugees for Christ and for yourself that God will clearly show you what He

would have you to do about this tremendous opportunity.

Secondly, you can give sacrificially so that necessary operational funds will be available to maintain CERF. This is an emergency situation which demands emergency support. Contributions should be clearly earmarked and sent to Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, 3801 Richland Ave., Nashville 5, Tenn.



Cubans debarking one of nine Pan American flights arriving from Cuba each week.

Thirdly, you can send good, used clothing to CERF, care Melitino Martinez, 441 S.W. Sixth St., Miami, Fla.

And, fourthly, you can sponsor a Cuban family by bringing them into your community, helping them find a home and job. By doing so, you will have the golden opportunity to win them to the Lord Jesus. There is also a need for families who will sponsor Cuban children who are in America without their parents. If you are interested, write CERF.

You can do something. And, whatever you do, do it today! ■

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD / MARCH '62

CASH IN BANK MARCH 1, 1962.....\$36,055.82

RECEIPTS

W.N.A.C.	\$ 285.02
Refunds	53.24
Alabama	403.64
Alaska	11.00
Arizona	7.00
Arkansas	244.34
California	265.40
Florida	381.37
Georgia	1,053.08
Idaho	75.85
Illinois	946.78
Indiana	185.39
Kansas	73.04
Kentucky	131.43
Michigan	1,006.47
Mississippi	314.00
Missouri	1,653.19
New Mexico	18.90
North Carolina	2,955.38
Ohio	730.15
Oklahoma	2,172.38
Oregon	10.00
South Carolina	959.25
Tennessee	1,327.44
Texas	1,487.51
Virginia	971.73
West Virginia	196.76
Washington	8.27

17,928.01

\$53,983.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Africa	\$4,739.00
Brazil	1,058.90
Cuba	2,022.00
North India	1,205.33
South India	598.67
Japan	1,622.25
Latin America	779.86
Uruguay	524.00
Missionary Medical Allowances	59.43
Missionary Social Security	89.88
Missionary Itinerary Expense	430.32
Itinerary Expense	219.13
Operation Expense—	
Department Car	61.67
Books, Tracts, etc.	35.61
Films and Supplies	21.03
Traveler's Insurance—	
General Director	116.50
Salaries	1,567.86

Withholding Tax	46.20
Social Security	45.00
Postage	105.82
Office Supplies	51.16
Housing Allowance—	
Promotional Secretary	100.00
Payment on Residence	65.67
Insurance and Expense on	
Residence	69.64
Printing	1,594.71
Maintenance	35.91
Telephone Service	43.66
Miscellaneous	4.82
Auditor	290.00
	17,604.03
	\$36,379.80

UNEXPENDED FUNDS

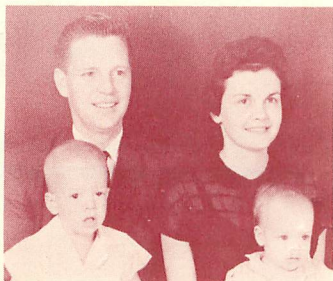
General Fund	\$ 1,049.18
Printing Press	186.16
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Aycock	853.14
Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Calvery	3,953.75
Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Eagleton	689.64
Rev. Dave Franks	1,278.67
Rev. and Mrs. William Fulcher	1,855.05
Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna	1,584.56
Rev. and Mrs. Fred Hersey	1,848.76
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones	211.68
Miss Eula Mae Martin, R.N.	1,321.03
Rev. and Mrs. Daniel J. Merkh	255.82
Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne D. Miley	1,628.85
Rev. and Mrs. John Moehlman	90.70
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Palmer	503.30
Rev. and Mrs. William Phipps	643.50
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole	769.69
Miss Mary Ellen Rice	177.65
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson	83.69
Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid	59.82
Rev. and Mrs. Samuel L. Wilkinson	1,183.19
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Jr.	56.88
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Sr.	221.00
Miss Volena Wilson	1,864.44
Furlough Wagon Depreciation	420.21
Africa—Medical Building	9,333.98
Africa—Children's Division	3,971.18
Airplane	103.00
Repatriation and Reserve	2,917.04
	\$39,115.56

DEFICIT:

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel R. Cronk	\$1,986.97
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks	708.97
Mrs. Josephine Stevens	39.82
	2,735.76
	\$36,379.80

STATE QUOTAS

STATE	QUOTA	PAID	BALANCE
Alabama	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 970.52	\$ 5,529.48
Arizona	2,000.00	42.00	1,958.00
Arkansas	7,000.00	940.64	6,059.36
California	11,000.00	1,847.41	9,152.59
Florida	6,500.00	591.32	5,908.68
Georgia	8,000.00	1,967.56	6,032.44
Idaho	200.00	75.85	124.15
Illinois	10,000.00	2,543.07	7,456.93
Indiana	2,000.00	353.66	1,646.34
Kansas	500.00	165.04	334.96
Kentucky	5,500.00	375.75	5,124.25
Maine	200.00		200.00
Michigan	25,000.00	3,365.64	21,634.36
Mississippi	5,000.00	653.00	4,347.00
Missouri	18,500.00	4,240.19	14,259.81
New Mexico	1,000.00	119.80	880.20
North Carolina	50,000.00	10,624.19	39,375.81
Ohio	8,000.00	1,686.78	6,313.22
Oklahoma	14,000.00	3,856.28	10,143.72
South Carolina	12,500.00	3,185.24	9,314.76
Tennessee	20,000.00	4,355.19	15,644.81
Texas	11,000.00	2,322.53	8,677.47
Virginia	13,500.00	2,553.94	10,946.06
West Virginia	3,500.00	591.35	2,908.65
Miscellaneous	3,741.00	908.33	2,832.67
	\$245,141.00	\$ 48,335.28	\$196,805.72



Sammy, June, Kevin, Kimberly

Sammy and June Wilkinson surrendered to the will of God for their lives and found satisfaction through

SERVING CHRIST IN SOUTH AMERICA

THE FACT that a missionary's testimony can vitally affect young people with whom he comes in contact is clearly seen in the lives of Sammy and June Wilkinson.

Sammy was reared in a Christian home and gave his heart to the Lord at the age of 12. It was during grammar school days that God began to plant missionary seed in his heart through the testimony of Laura Belle Barnard, pioneer Free Will Baptist missionary to India.

"Miss Barnard taught Bible in our school," Sammy relates, "and when she left to go back to India I never forgot some things I had learned. When she came home later and urged more people to go to the mission field, it seemed that the Lord was speaking to my heart about it."

The Georgia native entered Free Will Baptist Bible College in 1949, and during his first year surrendered to the will of God for foreign service.

June, too, was reared in a Christian home and by the age of 12 had received the Lord Jesus as Saviour.

"When I was about 15," June recalls, "I heard Wesley Calvery (now serving in Japan) give as his testimony Galatians 2:20, and then I realized that it was not enough just to abstain from worldly amusements but that we

must crucify self and follow the ways of the Lord."

For many months the Lord had been speaking to June regarding foreign service. "At the age of 14 I knew that the Lord was speaking to me about being a foreign missionary, yet I did not make a final surrender for foreign service until I was 16 and a senior in high school. I made a public statement to this effect at the National League Convention in 1952."

June enrolled in Free Will Baptist Bible College. It wasn't long until she met Sammy, and God led them to a ministry together in foreign service. They were married in 1955.

Today, Sammy and June are standing in the gap for Free Will Baptists in Jaboticabal, Brazil. They need your prayers. They need your support.

Biographical Data

Birthdays: Sammy, May 13, 1933; June, June 29, 1934

Places of Birth: Sammy, Glennville, Georgia; June, Lexington, Texas

Parents: Sammy, D. E. and Mary Wilkinson; June, Joseph and Viola Goode

Education: Sammy, B.A., Free Will Baptist Bible College, Special, Columbia Bible College; June, Kilgore Texas Junior College, Free Will Baptist Bible College

Children: Kevin, May 11, 1957; Kimberly, August 26, 1958; Kenan, December 30, 1961

Field Address: Caixa Postal 217, Jaboticabal, Sao Paulo, Brazil, South America

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The Tom Willeys, Sr.**

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The Lonnie Sparkses

JAPAN

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The Fred Herseys***
The Herbert Waids

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The Daniel Cronks
The Carlisle Hannas

SOUTH INDIA

Volena Wilson

URUGUAY, S.A.

The Bill Fulchers*
The Paul Robinsons*

ZULULAND, S. AF.

Josephine Stevens

*In language study

**On itinerary in states

***On furlough in states

as you pray for your missionaries...

BRAZIL, S.A. / The work of the dispensary here in Campinas is expanding under the direction of Eula Mae Martin, registered nurse. *Pray for those to whom she ministers that they might come to know the Great Physician.*

CUBA / The churches are continuing with regular services. *Pray that the pastors may wisely minister to their people and pray for the teaching of the children.*

IVORY COAST, AFRICA / The work is progressing on the clinic building which is being made larger than first intended. Bill Jones continues his work of translating the Gospel of Mark into the Agni language. *Pray for the health of Dan Merkh in the building of the clinic and for wisdom to be given in the work of translation.*

INDIA, NORTH / The Cronks have returned to the states for furlough. Carlisle and Marie Hanna assume the full responsibility of the mission stations. *Pray that God will give them special strength for their added task.*

JAPAN / The local church groups are showing maturity and stability. They are assuming more of the responsibility of the work. *Pray that these young Christians will grow stronger spiritually.*

URUGUAY / The Paul Robinsons are having difficulty in getting their equipment out of customs. The Bill Fulchers are completing language study in Costa Rica this month, will join the Robinsons in Uruguay. *Pray for these missionaries as they choose their area of work.*