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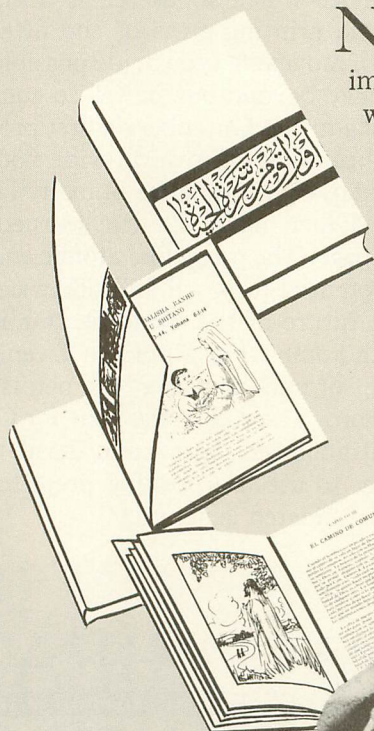
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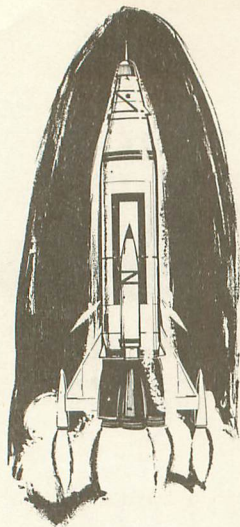
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by  
HAROLD STREET





## Power Unlimited

THIS GENERATION has witnessed such an outburst of physical power in the unlocking of the atom and in the harnessing of electronics that we are not surprised by anything physical scientists produce. Atomic energy, hydrogen bombs, electronic computers, intercontinental ballistic missiles, space travel, and moon probes we witness and hardly wonder, what next? • Many of the products we buy daily did not exist five years ago, and there is no telling what will appear tomorrow. In all this display of scientific development and expansion of power we may be inclined to forget that mankind in days past has produced an even greater power. It was the power that unlocked the minds of men and made possible the spreading of information wherever mankind had learned to read. • Who can measure the impact of Gutenberg's invention of the printing press? By a mechanical device which to us seems absurdly simple, the first crude printing press of the fifteenth century and the use of moveable type made possible the expansion of knowledge beyond our power to comprehend. • It is significant that Gutenberg's first product was the Bible—the beginning of a world-wide flood of God's Word published by Bible societies in many lands. • To be sure, wicked men have likewise learned the value of the printed page. The press, like atomic energy, has infinitely vast potential for good and, likewise, for destruction. • The future of the world lies far more with books than with bombs. For all of the Twentieth Century development of nuclear power, the pen is still mightier than the sword. The call of the hour for God's people is the Spirit-anointed heart and head with ready hands and feet to use the printing press to get God's Word to our bewildered generation.

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# Can We Win the Human Race?

An examination of the problems and possibilities of  
winning this generation to Christ during this generation

by *THE EDITOR*

**F**OR EVERY THREE members added to church rolls annually, a net gain of 20 unchurched people are added to the multitudes who do not know Jesus Christ as Saviour.

The population explosion about which we have heard so much during recent years confronts the Church with the greatest evangelistic dilemma ever. People are being born more rapidly than they are being reached for Christ. Percentagewise, the world is becoming more non-Christian each passing day.

In Monterrey, Mexico, recently I was told that in that city, Mexico's third largest, 240 births were recorded daily. Add to this the vast number who are born outside of hospitals, and one can quickly see the phenomenal thing taking place in our world. World population is increasing at the rate of 57 million annually. At the present rate of evangelization, 50 million of these will never know forgiveness of sin.

The Church faces this great question—Can we win the human race for Christ? Is there any way we can reach our generation during our generation?

This is a matter of utmost importance for the Bible-believing Christian. Every child of God needs to remember three important facts of God's Word in light of our present population explosion.

Fact One: *Men without Christ are lost!*

This is an easy fact for Christians living in modern America to forget. We often live as though we believe that "men without TV sets are lost" or "men without second automobiles are lost." Things good within themselves have absorbed our interests to the detriment of world evangelism.

Romans 5:12 dogmatically declares, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned."

Every man reaching the age when he chooses for himself right or wrong automatically chooses wrong, because it is his nature to sin. And through this disobedient nature he rejects God. All 57 million people being added to the world's population this year are born with sinful natures.

Because of man's sin and failure to know Christ as Saviour, he is under the condemnation of God. "He that believeth not is condemned already."

Fact Two: *Jesus is the only Source of salvation!* Christ endured the cross so that the wrath of God could be satisfied and man removed from condemnation. "Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law" (Galatians 3:13).

But there is no other way for man to be reunited with God and to have eternal life. Jesus Himself said, "I am the way ►



## *“Literature is most effective weapon available today.”*

► ...no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”

In Africa today there is a revival of Islam. For every one convert to Christianity, there are nine to the worship of Mohammed.

In Japan, men are crying for salvation in the name of Buddha and Shinto. In Latin America, the name of Mary, Mother of God. In India, their Hindu gods. Throughout the world, many people are seeking salvation in the name of Karl Marx and Lenin.

But, Acts 4:12 emphatically declares, “Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”

Fact Three: *Men cannot be saved unless they are given the gospel!*

The most logical discourse in print is found in Romans 10. Paul reminds us that every man who calls on the Lord Jesus will be saved. But then he poses these very practical considerations.

“How shall they call on him in whom they have not believed?”

“How shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard?”

The perplexing problem thus facing the Church today is that the 57 million people being added to the world's population each year are lost in their sin unless we get to them the gospel message.

Can we win the human race? Has God given us the means with which to reach a mushrooming populace with the gospel?

In light of the 57 million annual increase in population, it is interesting to note that more than 50 million people are learning to read each year. The literacy rate is keeping pace with population while rate of world evangelization is lagging depressingly behind. These facts startlingly point the Church to this truth: *Literature is the most effective tool for gospel propagation today.*

The power of the printed page is a long established fact. Napoleon said, “I fear three newspapers more than a thousand bayonets.” When Commu-

nists marched in victory in China, their symbol of conquest held aloft on waving banners was a drawing of a printing press. The Chinese believed a Communist lie . . . because it was in print. Men believe what they see in print.

God recognized the power and value of written matter in using this means to give His Word to the human race. Men have successfully manipulated various translations of the Bible, but ancient manuscripts stand as of old because they are preserved in written form.

The most powerful substance in today's world is not nuclear force nor military might. It is a tiny substance 25 ten thousands (.00025) of an inch thick, the thickness of printer's ink when applied to commercial paper.

The cultists know this.

The so-called Jehovah's Witnesses own the largest single printing establishment in the world, located in Brooklyn, N.Y. They print and distribute 80 million books and 85 million copies of *Watch Tower* and *Awake* magazines annually. They know that a man's thought life is molded by what he reads and that “as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.”

The Seventh-Day Adventists operate nearly 50 publishing houses around the world spending more than \$15 million annually for literature. Their 300 different periodicals appear in more than 200 languages. They know that literature is the one missionary that can go into every part of the world and can stay when human witnesses must leave.

The Christian Scientists publish the *Christian Science Sentinel*. These, along with display racks filled with free pamphlets, are found in transportation centers, professional offices, and public buildings in nearly every city of any size in the country. They know that the best time to reach a man with their “gospel” is when he has time on his hands, when he's alone and anxious to receive words of comfort and instruction.

The Mormons or Latter-Day Saints



have vast numbers who devote two years to "evangelistic work" which consists primarily of distributing their delusive concepts. In Uruguay alone, an estimated 100 Mormon "missionaries" are at work—more than all evangelical workers, foreign and national, combined.

The Communists have long recognized the power of the printed page. Since 1913, Russian book production has increased by 38 times. In Latin America, perhaps the greatest ideological battlefield in the world today, 350 Communist or pro-Communist periodicals, exclusive of Cuban publications, are in circulation.

The question is not whether the peoples of the world will read. The question is—*What* will they read? Will it be the twisted half-truths of the cults, the diabolical lies of Communism, or the truth of the Word of God? Our answer here will determine the answer to the question—Can we win the human race?

The Board of Foreign Missions joins with other agencies involved in world evangelism in the recognition that literature is the most effective means available to multiply the efforts of missionaries seeking the souls of men. And the board has taken definite steps to help meet the pressing need for evangelistic literature.

This month sees the inauguration of

*Impacto*, a two-color, 24-page, 8½"x11" quarterly magazine in Spanish. The publication is geared to an evangelistic Bible study format featuring 13 consecutive studies on a selected Book of the Bible. Evangelistic articles geared to Latin American life complete the format. Edited by Benito Rodriquez, it will be used in Spanish-speaking Free Will Baptist fields throughout Latin America and the United States.

Stepped up production of evangelistic and new convert materials in Spanish and Portuguese is in progress. Tracts in French for use in the Ivory Coast are on the drawing board. A Portuguese version of *Impacto* is scheduled for release this time next year. A doctrinal book in Spanish and Portuguese is also planned.

During October, Protestant Press Month, Free Will Baptists are called upon to share in the expanded literature ministry of the Board of Foreign Missions. A special gift at this time and a covenant for regular prayer and support will be great encouragement to those involved in this strategic ministry.

Your help *does* make a difference. And everyone can do something. May God lead you clearly in the share He wants you to have in the task of winning our generation to Christ. We can win the human race . . . if you are willing! ■

### Clip and Mail

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GOD, I want to share in the literature ministry of the Board of Foreign Missions. I want to have a part to play in the salvation of souls through literature.

- ☐ I promise to pray regularly for world evangelization.
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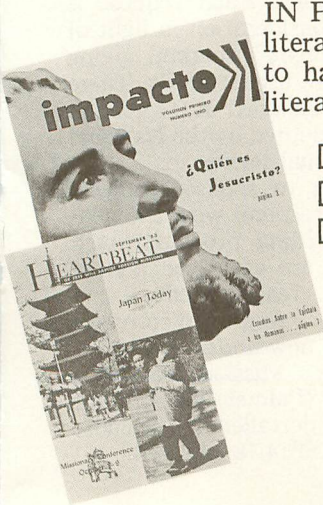
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**MISSIONARY VELONA WILSON** is given a warm welcome home by the Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Kell and members of her home church, the First Free Will Baptist Church of Marion, N. C. Miss Wilson is on furlough from service in South India.

## Missionary Projects Gaining Interest

NASHVILLE—A record number of missionary projects are being sponsored by individual churches and church groups across the denomination. "We are indebted to many groups for their marvelous response to specific needs," commends General Director Reford Wilson.

During recent years, woman's auxiliaries, Master's Men organizations, youth groups, local churches, and district and state conventions have provided mission residences, chapels, hostels, and clinics in Africa, Japan, India, and Cuba. Automobiles, trucks, and an airplane also have been provided.

On the whole, projects are an effective method for increasing missionary interest and involvement. However, there have

been occasions when adoption of projects without consultation with the foreign missions department has been detrimental to the overall missionary program.

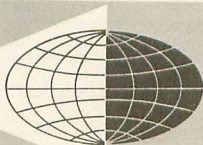
Each year, missionaries present needs to the field council in each area of missionary operation. The council, in turn, makes official request to the Board of Foreign Missions. Each request is given prayerful consideration in light of the overall missionary program, giving precedence to more urgent needs. These projects are then included in the foreign missions budget adopted by the National Association in annual session.

Groups desiring to sponsor projects are invited to correspond with the general director regarding projects which are approved and in greatest need.

Approved projects now under way:

Mission residence (Palmer); \$6,000; undertaken by friends; \$614.18 received.

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**AROUND THE WORLD**





Uruguay vehicle; \$2,500; Berkeley, Mo., First Church with assistance requested from other Missouri churches \$145.00 received.

Uruguay Land Loan Fund; \$1,000; Woman's Auxiliary of Missouri; \$1,007.42 received.

Vehicle (Waid) \$3,000; partial support of Woman's Auxiliary of Virginia; \$615.11 received.

Vehicle (Deeds); \$2,500; Woman's Auxiliary of Arkansas; \$25.81 received.

Vehicle (Aldridge); \$3,000; Northport, Ala., First Church; \$737.11 received.

Vehicle (Payne); \$3,000; Woman's Auxiliary and youth groups of Oklahoma; \$1,803.27 received.

Mission residence (Payne); \$5,000; Woman's Auxiliary of California; \$325.27 received.

Brazil Bible Institute; \$7,000; no sponsor as yet; \$7,318.89 received.

Hostel Building Fund (North India); \$8,500; Woman's Auxiliary of California and Texas and Tennessee churches.

Vehicle (Sparks); \$3,000; Oklahoma churches \$2,765.07 received.

(Receipts are through September 30.)

**To Put It Briefly . . .** The Lonnie Sparks family sails for the Ivory Coast from New York October 11 . . . the Eddie Paynes sail for language study in Switzerland October 24 in preparation for service in the Ivory Coast, also from New York harbor. . . . *Impacto*, new Spanish language magazine, now ready.

**MISSIONARY BILL FULCHER** stands beside new church sign in Rivera, Uruguay, where God is working in an unusual way.



## RECORDS

★ **Dynamic Dimensions of Witness** (Word, W-3260-3-LPI). The stimulating messages of Dr. Robert A. Cook, Dr. George Ford, Dr. A. W. Tozer, Dr. G. Aiken Taylor, and Dr. Curtis Nims delivered at the 1963 convention of the National Association of Evangelicals. An outstanding recording achievement enhanced by the music of Frank Boggs and dramatic narration by Bill Pearce. A practical study guide is included. Every pastor and lay leader ought to possess this unusual and significant album.

**Choir Sing!** with the Paul Mickelson Choir (Supreme SM-1018). Another production by one of America's foremost men of music. Refreshing arrangements of well known songs with the Mickelson touch of perfection. Complete book of choir arrangements included. One of the highest quality recordings in our library.

**Magnify the Lord**, Forward in Faith Choir (Heart Warming, LPS 1752). This album does exactly what the title suggests. Style is fresh and exuberant in Heart Warming tradition.

## BOOKS

★ **Into the Word** by Paul Inbody (Impact Publications). A new convert Bible study for Free Will Baptists by a Free Will Baptist. Establishes believer in the Word of God. A must for new believers.

**Everybody's NOT Doing It!** by Mel Larson (Beacon Publications). Teen-agers will go for these seven crisp and pointed messages.

**Say 'Yes' to Life!** by Anna B. Mow (Zondervan, 152 pp.). For the Christian who wants to grow, especially for those who are puzzled by their "growing pains." A book that can change your life from one of drab discontent to effervescent vitality.

**Jesus As They Say Him** by William Barclay (Harper and Row, 429 pp.). An interesting and stimulating work seeking to see Jesus through the eyes of His contemporaries.

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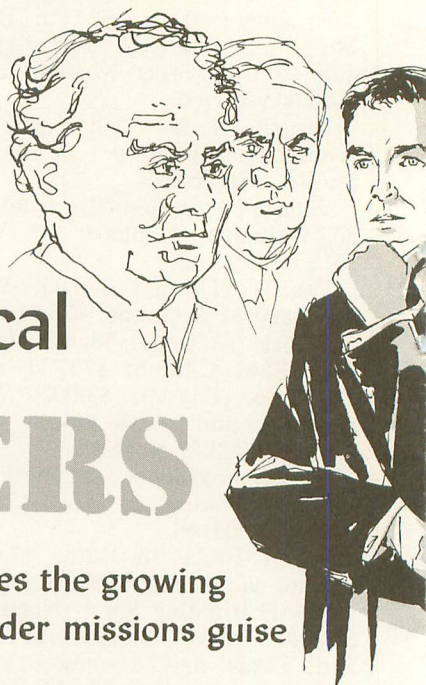
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by DR. CLYDE W. TAYLOR

# Caution: Evangelical SWINDLERS

A noted missionary authority exposes the growing problem of religious panhandling under missions guise



**S**WINDLERS ARE a pretty sad lot under any circumstances. But it would be hard to conceive of a more reprehensible character than the one who uses the gospel of Jesus Christ as the flag under which he carries out his fraudulent schemes.

Such swindlers do exist, however, and I am becoming alarmed at the degree to which they have been able to hoodwink the evangelical public. They prey upon churches and individual Christians who have a sincere interest in the gospel witness in foreign lands.

Their appeals to the Christian public usually fall into two categories. They pretend to operate either missionary activities or charitable works such as orphanages, leprosariums, etc.

Now in case you don't read the rest of this article and are about to decide right here to cut off your contributions to all of these organizations, let me quickly say that most of the missionary and charitable ministries that you know about are legitimate and need and are worthy of your continued support.

If you finish the article, you'll learn

how to tell these legitimate operations. Don't cut off worthy ministries.

But watch out for the swindler who either pretends to have a work which does not exist or which does not meet the proportions of the description.

Here is how these religious con men get started. Our shady character sets up a religious non-profit corporation with a board of flattered yes-men and then takes a trip around the world. He encounters national workers that are "available" and concludes that he must put them to work. He never bothers to check on their stories. If so, he would discover that in most cases they have been disciplined out of national churches, for any number of immoral or unethical offenses and were not considered worthy of Christian ministry.

Then he launches a publication to a mailing list that he manages to procure and begins to tell his story. I have before me such a publication that is fleecing gullible evangelicals of missionary giving. It reports on mission work that doesn't exist and even its geography is fabricated. But the articles





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are cleverly written and well illustrated (it is easy to photograph the work of other missions), so the swindler is probably doing well financially while enjoying tax exempt status by Internal Revenue Service.

Some of these operations have a denominational slant or emphasis. This is particularly true in Baptist and Full Gospel circles where the local congregation decides which missionary activities it will support. Many others are non-denominational in their approach.

A man who has visited many mission fields and now seeks support across the board from a great variety of evangelical churches currently operates such an agency. He raises money for the support of nationals "who can do the work so much more cheaply and better" than the missionaries. After checking his reports and statistics, we find gross misrepresentations and have had to recommend that evangelicals not support his work.

Some of these swindlers are Americans, some are nationals of other countries. Just because a national from some

country overseas has visited your church and is a "real evangelical," don't put him on your payroll. You may be throwing your money away and you are certainly not helping the work in his native land. One church stubbornly misspent money in this way for ten years and only recently consented to do an investigation which proved that their support had been wasted.

In a few cases the chislers have run into trouble with the various agencies of government: Post Office Department, State Department, Immigration Service, Internal Revenue Service, etc. But all too often they stay on the thin edge of the law where they cannot be caught by law enforcement officials.

The only alternative means of putting these people out of business—and this is by far the best solution anyway—is for evangelicals to be more alert to missionary organizations and the charities to which they give. If the people who give knew how their money was used, the swindlers would soon be out of business.

Too few evangelicals ask for a financial accounting from the organizations to which they give. How efficiently does it operate? What does it really accomplish? Can the results be checked out by other sources? These are the questions that need to be raised by individuals and churches which support missions. The reputable mission agencies will have the answers.

Two evangelical organizations help solve this problem by vouching for the fiscal integrity of their member mission agencies. The Interdenominational For-▶

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## *Here's how you can recognize "missionary" con men.*

► eign Mission Association was formed in 1917 and the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association in 1946.\* The IFMA includes in its membership many of the non-denominational "faith" boards, while the EFMA includes both denominational and non-denominational boards. Both of these organizations maintain high standards of membership. Only mission agencies which are thoroughly evangelical in character and

which have the highest ethical standards can belong.

There is a simple rule to go by: *Don't support a mission until you have checked it.* If it is a member of either of the two organizations mentioned above, you can be sure that it is operated by people of recognized Christian integrity.

Even at that you may want further information about its activities. Such information can best be obtained by writing to the mission board directly.

In cases of independent mission agencies not belonging to either of the above organizations, be sure that:

1. It is a bonafide, incorporated mission with a solid board of directors (watch out for the family affair which is headed by "me, my wife and my daughter-in-law").

2. It carefully screens its missionaries and national workers and directs their activities overseas.

3. It uses funds efficiently—get a financial statement which can be clearly understood.

Where there is doubt about any organization, ask further. Inquiries may be directed to either of the organizations mentioned earlier.

But do be cautious. There is too much work to be done, too many trustworthy missionaries to send, too many fine national pastors and workers to support for money to be wasted on the swindlers. ■

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## Blood, Bananas, and a Gospel Tract



**I**GNACIO RODRIGUEZ is a dumpy little Panamanian. He lacks most of his front teeth. His skin is dark, and his black eyes flash under his sombrero rolled up on both sides exposing cold black hair.

I first met Ignacio at the provincial hospital Alquilino Tejeira in our city of Penonome. His mother, a cancer victim, lay dying from lack of blood. The only blood bank in Panama is in Panama City, 93 miles and three hours away.

When I heard that the type needed was "Type A," I saw my opportunity to help. "Type A" is my blood type.

Ignacio has a tender heart. He wept like a child when he realized his mother would not live, even with the blood. And he had no hope of seeing her in eternity. She was a Christian. He is not.

Nearly a month passed before I saw Ignacio again. Then one Sunday morning he appeared at our door with a small "mano" or bunch of bananas. He came in gratitude for the blood given several weeks before. Yet, we knew it was more than that. We knew God was at work.

He stayed only long enough to give a word of advice about exterminating the "harreras" that were attacking our rose bushes at night. A short time later, we learned Ignacio had moved and that we could reach him in the Land Rover recently provided for our ministry here. He lived in the little pueblo of Marcia Abajo.

The rough road required patience, but, finally, we arrived at a small, mud-walled house where Ignacio lived.

Immediately we found that he and his wife had a genuine interest in the gospel. They enthusiastically received the gospel tracts, Scripture portions, and other literature we left with them. He willingly agreed to allow his home to be used for gospel services.

I asked him if he would accompany the "gringo" missionary to other mud-walled houses in the pueblo. He said he would.

His pueblo is typical of hundreds in this Central American republic. There is a well in the middle of a large clearing. All around are the homes of the pueblo's inhabitants. In these dirt-floored homes

live people who have been neglected by the evangelical witness in Panama.

But, what about Ignacio? He received our gospel literature with an open heart. He listened intently to our verbal witness. He wanted the missionary to return and was willing to help him meet others. Yet, he was not ready to receive Christ as Saviour. Why?

The gospel of salvation through faith in Christ is a new thing to these Panamanians. They do not understand our "new religion." They do not realize that true Christianity is not a ritualistic religion, but is a Person, the Lord Jesus Christ, who longs to enter their hearts and give them new life. In their background, they find this glorious truth hard to comprehend.

Is Ignacio's case hopeless? By no means! He has listened. He is interested. He is a simple man, but salvation is knocking at his heart's door.

Will you enter this spiritual warfare with us? Will you pray for Ignacio and the scores of others like him who want to know more about Christ that they may come to trust Him? ■



## *"Is the printed page God's planned impact for today?"*

FROM PAGE ONE ► are formed, our attitudes toward life are determined in large measure by what we read. Our personalities, our very souls bear the indelible impression of printer's ink.

Queen Esther in Old Testament days sought the king's mercy on behalf of her threatened people, and the Gentile king's written decree blanketed the land and spared the lives of a multitude of Jews.

Jehovah told Isaiah: "Take thee a great roll and write in it with a man's pen." And Isaiah wrote: "Unto us a child is born . . . and his name shall be . . . the mighty God."

Centuries passed. The faithful waited. And one day an angel caroled: "Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." The ink of prophecy glowed upon the arrival of the Saviour of the world!

About 100 years later, this same Jesus spoke from heaven to the chronicler John about those names of the blessed "which are written in the Lamb's book of life." And the written truths of the New Testament brought light and power to the young Church, and the redemptive message of the Son of God swept over an empire.

Then for 12 centuries the gospel flame flickered and sputtered. Precious parchments lay carefully guarded by a few scholars. Dust accumulated. Superstition and ignorance flourished. Millions lived and died without reading: "But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name."

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In the 16th century, Martin Luther's inkpot became not only a physical missile hurled at the oppressive devil, but a weapon for truth imprinted on millions of pages as the first moveable printer's type produced the Scriptures and doctrinal teachings for the masses. Today, four centuries later, there are more Bibles produced and sold than any other book.

Yet, while a great host reads this precious Word of God, many, in answer to the question, "Understandest thou what thou readest?" must say, "How can I, except some man guide me?"

We must face the truth of God's own Word: "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

The world-wide call is for gospel booklets, correspondence courses, commentaries, and Bible study aids that will help to lead men to the Christ of the Scriptures and of Calvary.

Never in the history of the Church has there been so many missionaries (42,500), but the mushrooming world population is growing non-Christian at the rate of 50 million annually!

Most missions are finding the need for missionaries much greater than the supply. Could it be that God is moving in the rapid concentration of population in urban areas and the increasing world leadership of 80 million each year? Is it unreasonable to think that the printed message is God's planned *impact* for these last days of unprecedented need and opportunity?

A single piece of literature may reach as many as 60 people. One hundred dollars invested in literature may bring the message of eternal life to 10,000 dying people. Prayer can make every piece of literature a two-edged sword. Have you considered the "extended fingers" you can give your missionary as you place far-reaching literature in his hands? ■





*introducing...*

## Jimmy and Janie Aldridge

**J**IMMY WAS under conviction. But he refused to yield his life to the Lord. The Rev. Raymond Riggs was evangelist for the meeting in Jimmy's home church in Cordova, Ala. The message had been clearly presented, but Jimmy wanted to live his own life.

And then a strange thing happened. The evangelist gave the invitation to parents who would dedicate their children to the Lord. Jimmy's parents went to the altar. During the months to follow, Jimmy could not forget that his parents had given him to the Lord.

Jimmy Aldridge had been saved at the age of 13 during an evangelistic meeting held by the Rev. Joseph Ange, chairman of the Board of Foreign Missions, in Cordova.

"The Rev. Lester Jones was my pastor," Jimmy recalls, "and he got me into the Word and grounded in my Christian experience."

It was while in Free Will Baptist Bible College and after contacts with several missionaries that Jimmy finally surrendered his will to the Lord. He could never escape the fact that his parents had dedicated him to the Lord.

"The conviction that God wanted me in foreign service deepened during the six years that followed my surrender to the will of God. And God gave me a wife with the same firm conviction," Jimmy relates.

Regarding his call to foreign service, Jimmy explains, "There is nothing

spectacular to point out, only an inner voice that I personally am to literally obey God's 'Go ye' as regards the foreign field. Peace with God and with myself has come only as I have directed myself toward the foreign field."

Janie Aldridge, a South Carolinian, was converted at the age of ten. Through the guidance of her Christian mother, Janie grew in her walk with the Lord. Studies at Bible college deepened her love for the Lord and willingness to serve Him as He saw fit.

The Daniel Cronks and Carlisle Hannas were a great influence in her young life. "It seems that I grew up with the desire in my heart to be a missionary," Janie recalls. "I know that God gave me this desire, and it has always been the direction of my life."

Jimmy and Janie sailed in July for Switzerland where they are presently engaged in language study preparatory to service in the Ivory Coast, Africa. They covet your prayers and faithful support.

### BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

**Birthdays:** Jimmy, January 18, 1938; Janie, August 17, 1940

**Places of Birth:** Jimmy, Cordova, Ala.; Janie, Lake City, S.C.

**Parents:** Jimmy, Wilburn and Hattie Aldridge, Cordova, Ala.; Janie, W.W. (deceased) and Nell Melton, Lake City, S.C.

**Education:** Jimmy, B.A. from Free Will Baptist Bible College, University of Tennessee, graduate study Columbia Bible College; Janie, Free Will Baptist Bible College, R.N. from South Carolina School of Nursing

**Present Address:** Institute Emmaus, Venes s LauSanne, Switzerland

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# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD / AUGUST '63

CASH IN BANK AUGUST 1, 1963.....\$55,443.67

## RECEIPTS

Income on Press.....	\$ 12.47
CERF.....	9.00
W.N.A.C.....	130.82
Sale—"Unto the Uttermost".....	5.25
Refunds.....	265.81
Furlough Car.....	250.00
Alabama.....	998.76
Alaska.....	11.70
Arizona.....	10.00
Arkansas.....	267.42
California.....	2,152.28
Colorado.....	27.70
Florida.....	409.95
Georgia.....	1,921.69
Illinois.....	416.72
Indiana.....	123.57
Iowa.....	98.95
Kansas.....	123.40
Kentucky.....	280.16
Louisiana.....	1.35
Michigan.....	1,519.83
Mississippi.....	404.63
Missouri.....	1,969.23
New Hampshire.....	15.00
New Mexico.....	35.92
New York.....	5.00
North Carolina.....	2,724.28
Ohio.....	751.23
Oklahoma.....	1,855.35
South Carolina.....	870.96
Tennessee.....	1,981.53
Texas.....	401.27
Uruguay.....	5.00
Virginia.....	1,184.58
Washington.....	25.00
West Virginia.....	578.94
Exchange.....	5.13

21,849.88

\$77,293.55

## DISBURSEMENTS

Mission Fields.....	\$16,459.40
Traveling and Promotion.....	1,199.47
Administrative.....	4,474.55

22,133.42

\$55,160.13

## UNEXPENDED FUNDS

General Fund.....	\$ 3,567.07
CERF.....	9.00
Rev. & Mrs. Jimmy Aldridge.....	5,150.29
Rev. & Mrs. Bobby Aycock.....	619.90
Rev. & Mrs. Wesley Calvery.....	1,607.96
Rev. & Mrs. Daniel R. Cronk.....	327.04
Rev. & Mrs. Earnie Deeds.....	2,334.01
Rev. & Mrs. Dave Franks.....	3,166.37
Rev. & Mrs. William Fulcher, Jr.....	1,885.32
Rev. & Mrs. Fred Hersey.....	1,141.36
Rev. & Mrs. Bill Jones.....	519.62
Miss Eula Mae Martin, R.N.....	353.73
Rev. & Mrs. Archie Mayhew.....	576.14
Dr. & Mrs. LaVerne D. Miley.....	730.43
Rev. & Mrs. Eddie J. Payne.....	5,866.81
Rev. & Mrs. William Phipps.....	1,781.75
Rev. & Mrs. Bobby Poole.....	988.95
Miss Mary Ellen Rice.....	1,672.62
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Robinson.....	1,024.59
Rev. & Mrs. Lonnie Sparks.....	1,767.47
Mrs. Josephine Stevens.....	43.60
Rev. & Mrs. Samuel L. Wilkinson.....	1,964.91
Rev. & Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Sr.....	430.35
Miss Volena Wilson.....	742.87
Furlough Car.....	949.26
Africa—Medical Building.....	5,743.02
Africa—Children's Division.....	4,068.13
North India Building.....	7,127.65
Repatriation.....	3,190.59
Sparks' Vehicle.....	524.36
Palmer's House.....	194.71

\$60,069.88

## Deficit Accounts:

Rev. & Mrs. Kenneth P. Eagleton.....	\$ 1,103.62
Rev. & Mrs. Carlisle Hanna.....	293.17
Rev. & Mrs. John Moehlman.....	779.09
Rev. & Mrs. Herbert Waid.....	993.57
Rev. & Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Jr.....	287.21
Rev. & Mrs. Lonnie Palmer, Jr.....	1,453.09

4,909.75

\$55,160.13

## STATE QUOTAS

STATE	QUOTA	PAID	UNDER QUOTA	OVER QUOTA
Alabama.....	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 6,425.66	\$ 574.34	
Alaska.....	300.00	107.77	192.23	
Arizona.....	1,000.00	260.98	739.02	
Arkansas.....	8,000.00	4,844.81	3,155.19	
California.....	12,000.00	10,041.05	1,958.95	
Florida.....	6,500.00	4,442.95	2,057.05	
Georgia.....	8,500.00	8,272.56	227.44	
Hawaii.....	100.00	72.30	27.70	
Idaho.....	200.00	9.32	190.68	
Illinois.....	11,000.00	3,637.11	7,362.89	
Indiana.....	2,500.00	1,066.65	1,433.35	
Kansas.....	1,250.00	919.72	330.28	
Kentucky.....	5,500.00	2,262.01	3,237.99	
Maine.....	250.00		250.00	
Michigan.....	26,500.00	20,462.79	6,037.21	
Mississippi.....	5,500.00	1,900.17	3,599.83	
Missouri.....	21,500.00	13,316.57	8,183.43	
New Hampshire.....	200.00	272.31		72.31
New Mexico.....	1,250.00	495.44	754.56	
North Carolina.....	54,000.00	25,731.00	28,269.00	
Ohio.....	9,000.00	5,190.19	3,809.81	
Oklahoma.....	17,000.00	15,684.26	1,315.74	
South Carolina.....	15,000.00	8,920.02	6,079.98	
Tennessee.....	22,500.00	15,611.39	6,888.61	
Texas.....	12,250.00	5,681.53	6,568.47	
Virginia.....	17,500.00	8,195.92	9,304.08	
Washington.....	250.00	101.58	148.42	
West Virginia.....	4,000.00	5,507.38		1,507.38
Miscellaneous.....	3,968.29	2,511.44	1,456.85	
	\$274,518.29	\$171,944.88	\$104,153.10	\$ 1,579.69





# powerline

... the ministry of prayer

## IN WHOM WE TRUST

MATTERS OF FINANCE . . . will provide the greatest occasions of faith that the missionary will experience. It is imperative that the foreign missionary know what it means to trust God explicitly for material needs. It is one thing to look to a denomination for support, but quite another thing to look to God for support through the denomination. John Stam, missionary martyred in China, put it this way, "Then let us not put our trust in men, or in any God-dishonoring methods of raising funds for the work. These are not certain enough. . . . The faithfulness of God is the only certain thing in the world today. We need not fear the result of trusting him."

—By Jerry Ballard in *Unto the Uttermost*

## as you pray . . .

**BRAZIL** / More than half the population of this great country is below the age of 21. And they all are learning to read. Tracts have proven a valuable means of extending the missionary's ministry. *Pray that God will work through literature to win many to Himself.* **CUBA** / Renewed attempts are being made to get literature to Christian groups on the island. *Pray that God will grant victory in this undertaking.* **INDIA** / Literature distribution through fair booths has been greatly used by the Lord here. *Pray for the power of the Spirit to be manifested in this ministry.* **IVORY COAST** / Work is in progress on a reading primer in Kulango and gospel tracts in French for use here. *Pray that God will provide needed funds.* **JAPAN** / Plans continue to be laid for special tenth anniversary evangelistic emphasis in 1964. *Pray that God will work in an unusual way in this historic undertaking.* **PANAMA** / The stepped-up Spanish language literature program should be a spur to missionary activity here. *Continue to pray for a spiritual breakthrough in this difficult land for gospel penetration.* **URUGUAY** / Missionaries here look forward to receiving the new Spanish magazine *Impacto*. *Pray that the Holy Spirit will use the publication to make ministry here even more effective.*



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## 'out of my heart'

*a word from the general director*

■ The ministry of foreign missions cannot lose its identity in the rushing tide of religious ecumenism. I do not believe that all religions meet the spiritual and social needs of man and finally bring him to heaven.

■ I cannot leave the evangelizing of the world to an ecumenical movement which would sacrifice truth for a visible pretext of unity. I cannot fall into the arms of an indiscriminate lover called liberalism who denies the deity of Jesus Christ, the authority of the Bible, and the personal experience of saving grace—the new birth. I do not believe that the heart of Romanism has changed, so I cannot lay my head upon the bosom of the pope and apologize for Martin Luther and the Reformation.

■ It is Impossible for the Christian to play hands with a ruthless and atheistic Communism and call it "peaceful co-existence." Many decry these things, but stand like a frightened boy watching the building burn, an empty bucket in his hand and a well near by.

■ I believe in foreign missions because Christ commanded the preaching of the gospel to all the world. I believe in foreign missions because men apart from Jesus Christ are lost.

I believe in foreign missions because the Holy Spirit is calling men and women forth to other lands. I believe in foreign missions because we have a unique message to proclaim. Christ is the only Saviour.

■ There is still a foreign ministry for the Christian church of America. No other country has the resources of men and money for reaching the world for Jesus Christ. Robert P. Evans writes in his book *Let Europe Hear*, "Over a quarter of a million towns and villages in Europe do not have an adequate gospel witness. Most of Europe's 73 million children between the ages of five and 14 have never heard the gospel."

■ To stop sending missionaries would be disobedient to the command of Christ, quench the Holy Spirit who sends them forth, stifle the growth of the church for which purpose it exists, and close eyes and ears to the needs and cries of millions without Christ.