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Japan Today

Missionary Inference
October 9



Missionary GOD GAVE me an Asian Identification an Asian face or an Asian

heart. He did not give me tongue, but He gave me a

love for the Asian. This is the testimony of missionary identification. The problems of identification confronted Moses (Hebrews 11:24,25). At just the right time Queen Esther identified herself with her people. Paul became servant unto all that he might gain the more. The missionary in many fields will be different in physical appearance. At best, his rendition of the language of his people will have its tell-tale accents and errors. In some fields the missionary will be unable to live and eat as do the people. His manner of dress may differ, and he must adapt himself to strange customs. The moving current of nationalism and the rising tide of revolution may seriously affect the relationship of the missionary with his people. He cannot ignore the social, economical, and political problems, but he must keep major emphasis on the spiritual needs. How can the local church and the individual Christian be identified with the missionary in his work? Think of yourself as the missionary. Struggle with the language. Wrestle with the powers of evil. Resist the attacks of diseases. Serve as one unknown, unnoticed, and in some instances unwanted. Your letters, prayers and money are the direct avenues of identification with your missionaries. The Lord Jesus spoke of Himself as the Son of Man more than 80 times. Was He not thusly identifying Himself with men? He associated with both the rich and the poor. He had time for the children. The common experiences of humanity were His experiences-hunger (more than half the population of Latin America go to bed hungry every night), thirst, weariness, sorrow. Jesus Christ "was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin" (Hebrews 4:15). For me Christ died, and for Him I must live. ¶Sending more missionaries and entering new fields depends on

by your willingness to be identified with Jesus Christ and the missionary J. Reford Wilson in this ministry.



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DAVE AND PAT FRANKS



MISSIONS in ACTION

AROUND THE WORLD



Frankses, Deedses Arrive in Brazil

CAMPINAS, BRAZIL-The Rev. and Mrs. Dave Franks and the Rev. and Mrs. Earnie Deeds arrived here by plane on Wednesday afternoon, August 28.

Missionary Franks returns for his second term of service EARNIE AND WILLIE JEAN DEEDS in South America's largest nation. He will work in Campinas

as well as direct field activities in absence of Field Director Ken Eagleton who is in the states on furlough.

Mrs. Franks, a registered nurse, will enter language study and assist Eula Mae Martin, R.N., in the Free Will Baptist medical clinic operated in church here.

The Deedses will enter language study in preparation for general missionary service.

To Put It Briefly . . . During recent three-Sunday period, 11 were saved in services in Rivera, Uruguay. Missionaries are encouraged . . . West Virginia and New Hampshire have both gone over 1963 foreign missions state quotas, according to July financial statement, page six . . . Osmundo Corrales, former Cuban pastor, has begun Spanish-speaking ministry in Bryan, Tex., under auspices of local Free Will Baptist association . . . Ken Eagleton, the Bill Phippses, Herbert Waid, and Volena Wilson will join Director of Conference Ministries Rufus Coffey in a Norfolk, Va., area missionary conference September 15-20.

Missionary Conference October 7-9

NASHVILLE-The 14th Annual Missionary Conference will be held at Free Will Baptist Bible College October 7-9. Wednesday, October 9, is day of foreign emphasis. (See advertisement, page five.)

Successful DVBS Reported

RIBEIRAO PRETO, BRAZIL-An average daily attendance of 46 children was recorded here during first full-fledged daily vacation Bible school sponsored by the Free Will Baptist mission in Brazil.

When the big day finally arrived, 36 youngsters lined up to march into the rented meeting hall. The group grew each day to a daily high of 55 on the fourth day. Missionaries Bobby and Geneva Poole were assisted by missionaries of the United Missionary Church.

The school consisted of Bible teaching through use of the "Wordless Book," "Gospel Hand," "Gospel Nut," object lessons, Bible stories, and filmstrips.

"We are well pleased with success of the school," reports Missionary Poole. "We

learned a lot of valuable lessons which will be helpful in the furure."

The Pooles assisted in a second week of D.V.B.S. at the United Missionary Church. Attendance, averaged 116 daily.

PORTION OF D.V.B.S. GROUP IN RIBEIRAO PRETO, BRAZIL



Japan Today

Outlook in 'Land of Rising Sun' evaluated by HERBERT WAID

WHY IS JAPAN one of the more difficult areas in the world for effective gospel witness? Is a more favorable cultural atmosphere for evangelism developing? These are but two of the questions probed in this *Heartbeat* interview with Missionary Herbert Waid. Mr. Waid's answers give valuable insight for evaluating missionary strategy in modern Japan.

HEARTBEAT: An often quoted statistic on Japan is that less than one half of one per cent of the island nation's population is Christian. And this figure includes everything under the Christian banner—Roman Catholics and liberals as well as Bible-believing evangelicals. Is this an accurate estimate?

WAID: Yes, I believe it's a reliable estimate and, if anything, becoming more and more accurate. Japan is amazingly holding down its population through socially sanctioned birth control and abortion. This static population situation makes possible more accurate statistical appraisals.

What is the popular Japanese religious pattern? The average Japanese is a Buddhist and a Shintoist. This is the socially approved religious pattern.

Are the Japanese people basically a religious people?

Yes, they certainly are. But they lack devotion in their worship. God shelves and



MISSIONARY WAID recently returned to the states following a five-year term of service in Japan. He was located in the Tokyo area the greater part of the time. He and his family will be in the states for a year of furlough.

religious shrines are everywhere. But worship does not demand personal sacrifice and dedication as does Christianity. This isn't to say that Buddhism and Shintoism do not affect the Japanese way of life. They definitely bring pressure on society. But it isn't the same as Christianity that requires total surrender to the Lord Jesus.

Do the Japanese have a conception of sin?

Yes, but it is radically different from ours. Our religious heritage in America is a Judao-Christian one finding its moral basis in the *Ten Commandments*. Japan does not have such a background. They have never had the *Ten Commandments*.

The Japanese concept of sin is based on the matter of "saving face." Sin to the Japanese is bringing reproach on his family or himself. It is better to lie than to bring reproach on his family. "Saving face" is the important thing, not adherance to a prescribed moral code. They have none.

We are beginning to understand some of the factors that contribute to the slow growth of Christianity in Japan. Are there others?

Several other factors are involved in the difficulty of proclaiming the gospel in Japan. Socially, Christianity is a problem to the believer. He becomes out-of-step with his family, his friends, the whole social order. Also, we have a unique problem with teenagers. We have complete freedom to tran them in Sunday school during their early years. Japanese look at the early years of life as the time children are to be happy. Therefore, they make few restrictions. If children want to attend Sunday school, fine. But when they reach their teens, time comes to begin to accept responsibility.

Parents become very strict. They have the say-so in marriage. Their demands often alienate the teen-ager from church.

Economically, Christianity is a problem in several ways. One way is the fact that all Japanese drink—without exception. And business takes place across the drinking table, sipping saki (rice wine). The Christian who refuses to drink is economically handicapped.

Intellectual pride is one of the greatest hindrances to gospel outreach. Young men have a tendency to go off the deep end scholastically rather than be satisfied with a fruitful evangelistic ministry. This pride in their intellects makes them vulnerable to liberalism which makes its approach not on the spiritual level but on the intellectual level. A possible solution to this problem for us is to establish an institute where we can train our young people in Free Will Baptist theological thought while controlling the tendency to become scholars rather than workers.

Are any trends toward a more favorable cultural atmosphere for gospel outreach developing?

Perhaps. We would certainly like to think so. The arrival of the career girl, the young family leaving the traditional family framework for independent life, and the growing feeling of individual independence may in time produce a greater tolerance of those who dare to break with social tradition. This would relieve some of the pressure.

Yet, to say that the situation in Japan today is greatly more favorable to evangelism would be fanciful thinking. Freedom of worship is guaranteed in the constitution although there was a time when Christianity was outlawed. But missionaries are still unwanted guests.

Is there opportunity in Japan for utilizing more American missionaries?

By all means. We have three couples now. We could use ten times that, and this is speaking conservatively.

We need young men and women prepared for pioneer work who can go into areas where no churches exist. One thousand miles separate our two fields in Japan at present. Missionaries are needed to establish works between, thus connecting our fields into one fellowship.

Prospective missionaries should go expecting to see God work in power but not prone to discouragement if Japanese don't flock into the fold. We need Noahs who have the dedication to continue faithful proclamation even without the outward harvest being seen in other parts of the world.

MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW TO ATTEND . .

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SEVEN MEN sitting around a table. Only a few minutes before, tears had flowed from nearly every eye as the living presence of the Holy Spirit was keenly felt during a time of opening devotions. Now, basking in an accute awareness that it is God's business in which they are engaged, the Board of Foreign Missions begins a day of deliberations that will in all probability carry them late into the night.

Perhaps there was a day when serving on the boards of the Free Will Baptist denomination was an honorary thing.

But today it isn't so. Board membership demands a life dedicated to the important task assigned by the National Association. Members are elected by the association for seven-year terms, one term expiring each year. It is a seven-man board.

The Board of Foreign Missions is charged with the sacred duty of administrating the foreign missionary program of the denomination. Every major activity in the Free Will Baptist foreign ministry comes under the



JOE ANGE Chairman

careful scrutiny of the board. It is not a cold, calculating task. The eternal destiny of souls in faraway places is directly involved in actions taken by the board. Absolute and continual reliance on the leadership of the Holy Spirit is mandatory. And the spiritual warfare involved in proclaiming the gospel in foreign lands concentrates in board deliberations.

Serving today on the board are:

The Rev. Joseph Ange, pastor of Central Church, Royal Oak, Mich. He serves the board as chairman. The Rev. Lonnie Davoult, pastor of Capitol Hill Church, Oklahoma City, Okla. The Rev. Winford Floyd, pastor of First Church, Elizabethton, Tenn. The Rev. Raymond Riggs, former general director, now pastor of Bethany Church, Norfolk, Va. The Rev. Gene Rogers, pastor of First Church, Mountain Grove, Mo. The Rev. Rolla Smith, former general director, now pastor of Donelson (Tenn.) Church. The Rev. Eugene Waddell, pastor of Garner (N.C.) Church.



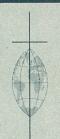
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THE FLAMING FELLOWSHIP

WE UNDERSTAND from the Word of God that the Lord Jesus Christ has graciously committed the task of evangelism to the Church... In any local situation, evangelism is not only the task of the missionary or of the pastor, but of every member of the Church of Jesus Christ . . . Evangelism is born out of flaming fellowship with God, who is fully revealed only in the incarnation of Jesus Christ, in His death and resurrection, in His ascension and intercession at the right hand of the Father—unless you are in fellowship with Him, you cannot launch out into evangelism. And if you are in flaming fellowship with God in the Person of Jesus Christ, then you cannot but be committed to the task of evangelism . . . Evangelism is not for missionaries only, but for every Christian called by the Lord Jesus Christ. -by Subodh Sahu in Commission, Conflict, Committment

as you pray for your missionaries

BRAZIL / The Earnie Deedses and the Dave Frankses have arrived here. Pray for the Deedses and Mrs. Franks as they enter language study that they will quickly learn the language and see a fruitful ministry here. Pray for Mr. Franks as he begins his second term of service. CUBA / The Thomas Willeys, Sr., continue a strategic ministry among Cuban exiles in the states. Pray for wisdom and strength in their service. IVORY COAST / The Lonnie Palmers are seeing fruit in their ministry in the Goumere area. Pray for new converts that they will have grace to break completely from the bondage of old ways. INDIA / The Carlisle Hannas and Volena Wilson are in the states on furlough. Pray for a rich ministry among God's people at home. JAPAN / More American missionaries are needed to take advantage of today's opportunity in the "Land of the Rising Sun." Pray that the Lord of Harvest will call forth laborers. PANAMA / Interest in the gospel is beginning to be seen in Penonome, one of the most Roman Catholic-intrenched cities in Latin America. Pray for the John Moehlmans as they maintain a witness here. **URUGUAY** / Decisions for Christ continue to be seen in nearly every service. Follow-up of converts is now becoming an increasingly important aspect of the work. Pray that converts will be established in the faith quickly.