

HEARTBEAT

OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONS

AUGUST 1965

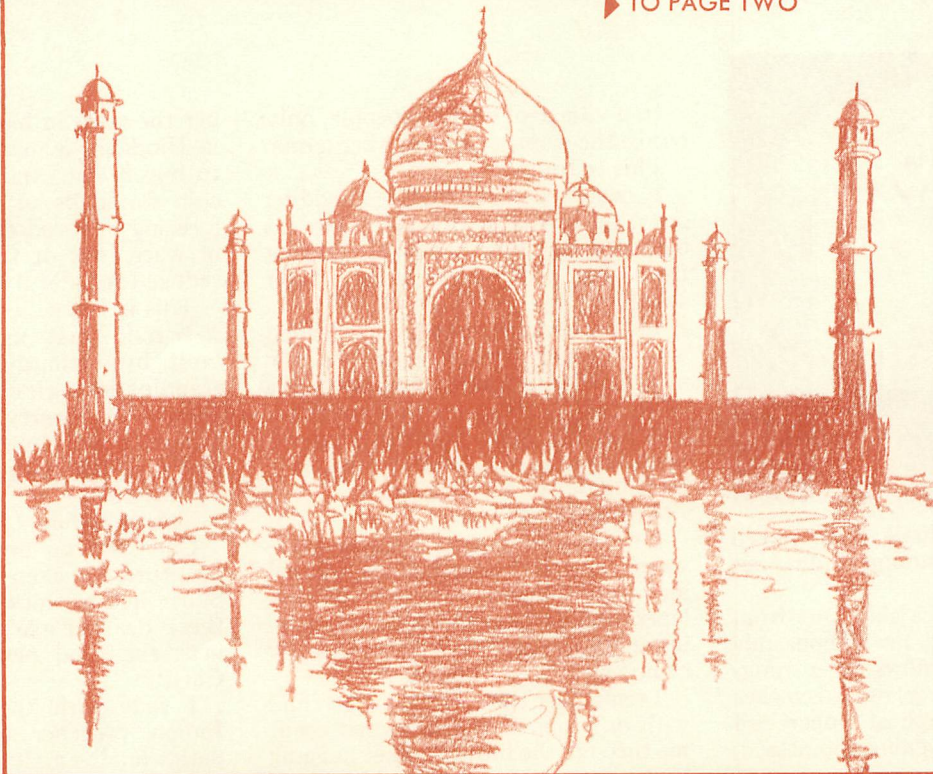
THIS IS INDIA

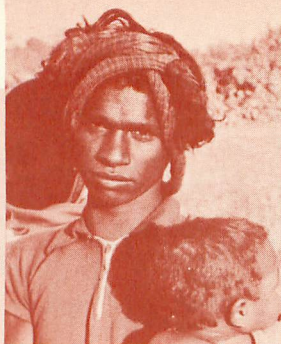
IS INDIA A DESTITUTE, GOD-FORSAKEN LAND?
JERRY BALLARD RECALLS THESE IMPRESSIONS

IT ISN'T EASY to helplessly watch a mother hug her baby to her bosom knowing he is going to die. Perhaps she wasn't fully aware of it, but I knew it. She had already lost one. And the tiny, gasping baby she held so tightly will soon be dead, too, from malnutrition. This is India.

It isn't easy to see small children,

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A BRIEF LOOK AT INDIA TODAY

AREA: 1,261,597 sq. mi. **POPULATION:** 449,381,000 **RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND:** Hindu, Moslem
LITERACY: 20 per cent **LANGUAGE:** Hindi (National), Urdu, English, 11 other major languages

VALIANLY FIGHTING staggering illiteracy and poverty, India today is a land of conflict and change yet a land of strategic importance if the world is to be won to Christ.

Occupying most of the Indian subcontinent, India is bounded on the north by Himalayan mountains, and on the south by the Indian Ocean. The two divisions of Pakistan flank each side. The climate ranges from sub-tropical in the south to near arctic in the mountains. Almost all rainfall comes during the monsoon season.

Modern history began in India when Vasco da Gama established Portuguese trading posts during the time of Moslem control. Britain entered in 1609 with the East India Company. Gradually gaining control, she established the first organized government in 1858. After World War I a fierce nation-

alism arose. Several years of riot and mass arrests followed, and India was granted her independence on August 15, 1947.

Since adoption of the constitution in 1949, education has grown tremendously. More than 78,000 new schools have opened, and colleges and universities number more than 2,000.

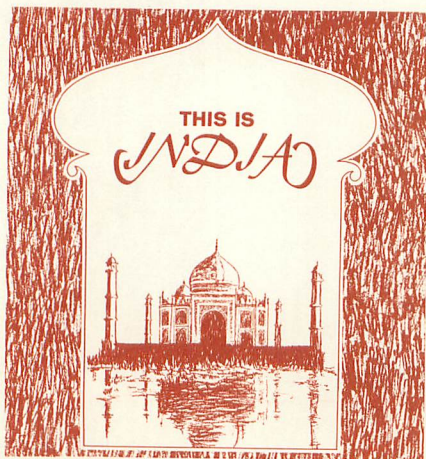
Primarily rural, with 70% of the population active in agriculture, India ranks second in world rice production and fifth in production of sugar. Agricultural gains are being made, but food to feed millions of hungry mouths is still a critical problem. Disease, compounded by unsanitary conditions and mushrooming population, is also a major concern.

The largest religion is Hinduism, claiming 85% of the total population. Buddhism, begun in India and at one time a dominant force,

has faded largely and is no longer an effective power. Moslems in India number 35 million and Sikhs, eight million. The Christian community, although allegedly dating from the time of Thomas the apostle, includes only ten million of all faiths. It is estimated that less than half of these know the true meaning of the gospel.

Present Free Will Baptist mission activity began in 1935 when Laura Belle Barnard entered the field. She pioneered work in South India and later was joined by the Paul Woolseys who served one term and pioneered North India field. Miss Barnard is now head of missions department at Free Will Baptist Bible College.

A beachhead is established both north and south and is being expanded by a present staff of five—the Dan Cronks, Carlisle Hannas and Miss Volena Wilson. ■



► the age of my little Kim, naked with little bloated tummies ruling out hope for adulthood.

I looked into faces skin-taut from hunger and exposure. I saw thousands huddling in the shadows at evening-time pulling their dirty, ragged clothes around them in search of a degree of warmth from the evening coolness.

This is India.

In a village of 60 to 75 people, only one of the women can write her name. This is India.

I watched multitudes plodding down dusty roads with their burdens balanced on their heads or hanging from bamboo poles across their shoulders.

I saw oxen pull wobbly carts loaded with meager wares ready for the marketplace. I walked by open stalls where village business is transacted, watched the flies swarm over goats' meat, smelled the stinch of spoilage filtering out of wayside cafes.

This is India.

I walked down trash-strewn walkways carefully side-stepping animal and even human waste. I saw the lepers and beggars and deformed staring at passersby, searching for a ray of hope but never finding it.

I remember the face of a small child with only one arm who peered up at me through the filthy blanket hugging his boney, aching frame, and I remem-

ber the tears in his voice as he asked in Hindi for a small coin with which to buy bread. And I knew to give a coin would be of no more value in meeting his need than dipping a cup of water out of the Atlantic would reduce the tide.

This is India.

I rode past magnificent palaces built by maharajas of a past era standing in stark contrast against the entrenched poverty of India's millions. I saw the wealthy unconcerned about and even flourishing on the plight of the masses.

This is India.

Can God do anything in such a destitute, forsaken land? Is the Holy Spirit free to work here, too? Or are these dear people doomed never to hear the good news of new life in Christ?

I rode with the missionary and Indian preacher over gutted cart paths finally arriving at one of the thousands of villages in our area of

North India. It seemed the whole village came out to meet us.

They are warm, friendly people—but they have an emptiness in their countenances. They listen to the gospel, but it is so foreign to them. A God who loves . . . peace of heart . . . eternal life . . . these concepts are difficult to comprehend when for so many years one has lived in superstitious fear worshipping a stick carefully propped up by mud with a tiny flower hanging down from a string.

But they welcome the preacher, they listen to the message, and someday . . .

This, too, is India.

I stood on the edge of the crowd at the fair attracted by Missionary Dan Cronk's accordion. I saw scores of young men eagerly purchase Gospel portions from our dedicated hostel boys who sifted through the throng of people who know nothing of the Word of God but are anxious to get their hands on anything to read. I saw young boys run after the jeep as we tried to leave and make us stop and sell them Gospels, also.

This, too, is India.

I rode with the missionary through the countryside where he pointed out village after village where the gospel has never been proclaimed. The missionaries and their helpers push to exhaustion, but the field is too big. I recalled a scene back in the States when veteran Latin America Missionary Thomas Willey, Sr., threw his arm over missionary to India Carlisle Hanna and, though past the age when average men retire, said, "If none of these young people will go back to India with you, I'll go." And if he could, he would.

I visited a small Santal village about an hour or so from Kishanganj, North India, where we had tea with a Christian family. Dusk settled. Oil lamps were lit to push back the shadows. The chilled night air brought a feeling of anticipation.

A table was placed in an open clearing with crudely constructed chairs for the missionary, the Indian pastor and foreign guests. Women and children gathered on straw blankets near the speaker's table. The men sat on roughly hewn benches around the edges of the clearing.

Nearby, other villagers beat drums, played homemade musical instruments and drank rice beer. Soon they would be drunk and pair off with each other's wives. ▶ TO PAGE NINE

Our Ten Most Crucial Problems ■ In an article in the current MOODY MONTHLY, Robert Flood cites the ten most crucial problems facing missions today:

- (1) Overall strategy
- (2) Recruiting the new generation
- (3) Nationalism and the race issue
- (4) Transferring controls to nationals
- (5) Planting a permanent church
- (6) Communism and revolution
- (7) Ecumenism vs. evangelical cooperation
- (8) Reaching the masses
- (9) Relevancy in presenting gospel today
- (10) Failures in the home church

■ Some 40 top missionary executives, including General Director Reford Wilson, were quizzed by the magazine to ascertain these problem areas. ■ Other problems not making the top ten but deserving mention are resurgence of universalism, explosion of education making university campuses strategic mission fields, operating hospitals and institutions in a volatile political climate, education of missionary children, confusion of separation with isolation, reaching youth, reaching tribes. ■ Many of these problems have been surveyed in HEARTBEAT columns of the past. Future editorials will deal with those considered most crucial for Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions. ■ If you are interested in receiving a reprint of the MOODY MONTHLY article, they are available on request from the Foreign Missions Department, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tenn. 37202. ■ The order of problems listed is significant. Heading the list are strategy and recruiting the new generation. ■ Where do we go from here? One missions leader charged, "We have lacked foresight, long-range thinking, planning. Most missionaries and their leaders are so involved in the routine of their current programs that they give little thought to the future." ■ What must be our method in these critical times? Will horse and buggy strategy keep pace with jet age developments? ■ How do we make the most efficient use of total manpower available? And how do we challenge more young people to give themselves for missionary service overseas?



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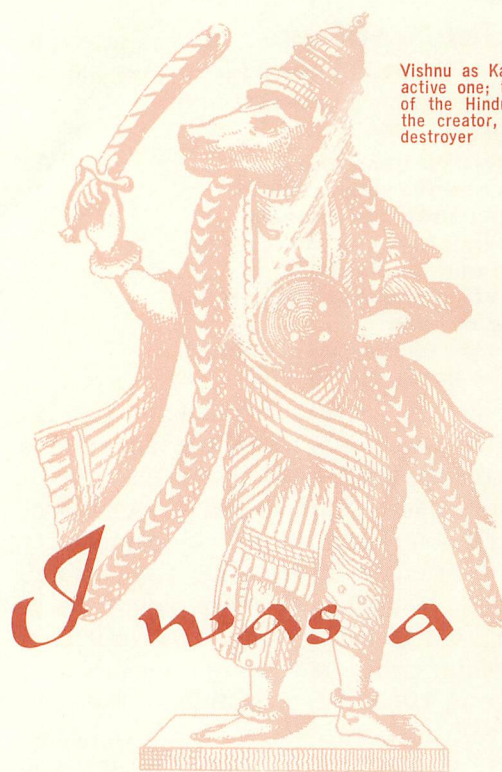
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Vishnu as Kaninkī or Katkī; the active one; the preserver god; one of the Hindu triad with Brahma, the creator, and Siva, the destroyer



I was a Hindu priest

the testimony story of Jacob Paul

I WAS BORN into a Hindu family which had its origin in a village near Kotagiri. My grandfather and father were village priests.

My grandfather's family is a large one. We indulged in all the customs of our forefathers—offering sacrifices to idols, worshipping images and following all Hindu rites.

When my father died, I became the village priest or “poojari,” as we call it. I had to shave my head and go through special ceremonies. One thing I had to do was to take a burning stick out of the fire when the body of my father was placed in the grave and drop it into the grave with my father. I don't know why we did this. It was just the custom. Most Hindu practices are ancient customs which purposes have been lost through the ages.

Another ceremony was necessary to keep my father's sins from having an effect on me.

Although I was a poojari, I was addicted to drinking and lived in sin. I worshipped all the gods—33 million in all. I don't have space here to list the sacrifices I offered. I visited famous holy shrines, giving alms and offerings as well as shouldering “kavadi,” a type of sacrifice performed in front of the image of the god.

My real name—Jacob Paul is my Christian one—is the name of a famous god in the south, Palanie. Because I was named for him, I felt I should go once a year to the god's temple to worship. It would take me a day and a half to walk the distance. I would eat nothing en route until after worship. On my walk back I would carry a frame-type

thing on my shoulders. All this was in my vain attempts to work my way to a better life.

I remember Miss Laura Belle Barnard visiting our village frequently during this period to tell us about Christ and distribute tracts and booklets to our people. I gathered people together and warned them not to listen to her or the others who came with this new religion. I stirred up villagers to oppose the missionaries, saying they had come to destroy our religion. I refused to read their literature.

In spite of this, Miss Barnard and the Rev. Henry Merriweather, a retired Ceylon and India General Mission missionary from England, kept coming. They said my gods were made of stone and wood but their God lived. This angered me. I fought even harder to drive them away. If anybody became a Christian, I kept him away from our village and had no association with him.

Our campaign against the missionaries grew more intense with every visit. Our young men would yell when the missionary would try to preach. This, however, did not discourage the missionaries. Instead, they began coming two and even three times each week. This was the beginning of my struggle with Jesus Christ. But though the missionaries patiently tried to talk with me about the Bible, I paid no heed.

In 1932, my wife gave birth to a son. We rejoiced over it and decided to offer sacrifice to our gods and name the child after them. We consulted an astrologer who told us



that our boy should be named Krishnan because he had been born on Saturday. Hence, amidst pompous ceremonies, the baby was given the name Krishnan.

When our son became five years old, the problem of admitting him in a school arose. There was, of course, no school in our village. At a distance were two schools. One was under Hindu management. The other was run by the missionary, Miss Barnard. Mission school teachers often came to our village to collect the children for their classes. If I were to send my son to the Hindu school, I would have to take him in the morning and fetch him home in the afternoon. That meant not only a waste of time, but also my not being able to get to my own job in time. Being priest was not a full-time occupation. I had to work in addition.

Thus, a conflict arose in my mind. It seemed to be good common sense to send my son to the mission school.

When Krishnan was 15, he asked my permission for Christian baptism. I was shocked and became very angry. I was the leader giving counsel to many not to become Christian and here was my own son wanting to be baptized! What a shame that would be for me! I asked him to wait.

After a few days he came to me again with deep conviction and desire to be baptized. He was so adamant in his request that I let him do what he liked.

After this, I began to listen to the gospel as the missionaries came to preach, and I read tracts and booklets they gave me. I was aware of the struggle in my soul.

At this same time I took employment from a kind Christian lady who gave me a Gospel of John and asked me to read the first chapter. I began to read and was moved and shocked by the Word of God as the Holy Spirit revealed to me my true, sinful self.

I wondered what I should do. If I became a Christian I would be expelled from my community and would lose my status as a poojari. Even in my sleep my soul was restless. But I did not abandon reading the Bible. The words of the Lord comforted and strengthened me, especially Luke 1:77—"To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins"—and Matthew 19:21—"Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me."

I resolved to accept Christ as my Saviour. I spoke to my wife at midnight and told her about Jesus Christ and the saving power of His atoning blood shed on Calvary. I explained to her the utter uselessness of idol worship, sacrifices and good deeds which could save no man from eternal damnation.

At first, my wife was upset to hear all this from me, but when I read to her the Lord's Word, she agreed to my decision. I went to the missionary lady next day and told her of my conviction. She told me to continue to read the Bible earnestly.

My son was to give his testimony at church, so I attended. Mr. Merriweather preached. Then he asked anyone who wanted to receive Christ to raise his hand. I stood and said, "With both hands and both feet I will!" And on December 28, 1953, I was baptized.

My family and the village folk heatedly disapproved of this turn of events and caused me trouble in many ways. I went through many trials and tribulations. Financial difficulties landed me in some straits. But the Lord's hand was with me through all these changes. He never failed me.

Even so, I was slow to grow strong in the Lord. I had not given up some of my evil habits. Without knowledge of the missionaries, I continued to smoke and to drink. Many times the doctor warned me to give up smoking. But I was unable to overcome this weakness.

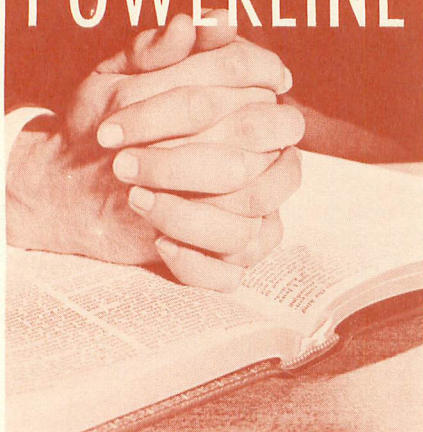
One day I invited two catechists to dinner. I was smoking in the corner out of sight, but they discovered me. I came in hastily and began to serve them food. But they wanted to pray first. They prayed earnestly and in tears for me. That broke my heart. They said they would not eat at my table if I did not yield up that sin. I determined to surrender myself completely to Christ, and we prayed together for deliverance.

At this time, Miss Volena Wilson was conducting a Bible conference at the church in Kotagiri. I confessed my sins and secured the assurance of our Lord's help and guidance in my spiritual growth. I had been ailing from a sickness for a long time which could not be cured by the doctor or medicine. But after this experience, my Saviour, through His loving grace, healed me completely. He leads me wonderfully and crowns me with His blessings since I came to know Him.

My oldest son, Wilson Raj, has been called by the Lord to preach. I praise the Lord for this and the many other gifts He has bestowed on my family.

I am now a deacon in the Free Will Baptist Church in Kotagiri, rejoicing that after so many years in the darkness of idolatry, I was given the opportunity to see the glorious light of the gospel. ■

POWERLINE



PRAYER IS POWER

"CALL UNTO ME, AND I WILL ANSWER THEE, AND SHEW THEE GREAT AND MIGHTY THINGS, WHICH THOU KNOWEST NOT."

JEREMIAH 33:3

REMEMBER THESE BY NAME

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USE THIS PRAYER CALENDAR AS YOU REMEMBER YOUR MISSIONS

AUGUST 15: Jim and Shirley Combs and Don and Carol Robirds are more than half through language school in Campinas, Brazil. Pray for God's continued blessings in learning Portuguese.

AUGUST 16: John Moehlman ministers in a camp in Oklahoma through August 20. Pray that many young people will accept the challenge of missions.

AUGUST 17: Praise the Lord for answered prayer in sending Suseela Bai, recent Bible institute graduate, to assist Missionary Volena Wilson at Kotagiri, South India.

AUGUST 18: Bill Jones and Jimmy Aldridge begin construction almost immediately on Bible institute at Koun, Ivory Coast. Pray that young men will be trained effectively.

AUGUST 19: Pray for the Lord's guidance for Ken and Marvis Eagleton in decisions and plans for Brazil Bible Institute.

AUGUST 20: A mission has been established in village of Aqua Buena outside Panama City by Estenio and Anita Garcia. Pray that many will find Christ as the gospel is preached.

AUGUST 21: Wesley Calvery holds missions services in Louisiana today and tomorrow. Pray that many will be renewed in their missionary vision.

AUGUST 22: Special prayer is requested by Lonnie Palmer for two young men at Laoudi-Ba who want to enter Bible institute this school year. Pray that the Lord will direct them.

AUGUST 23: Pray that God will raise up His man to pastor the Free Will Baptist church established in Taiwan.

AUGUST 24: The Jaboticabal, Brazil, church, pastored by Dave Franks, has almost completed payment for property. Pray that they will be able to build soon.

AUGUST 25: Praise the Lord for recent decisions in Rivera, Uruguay. The Bill Fulchers lead this church.

AUGUST 26: Dan and Trula Cronk are ministering in villages around Kishanganj, North India, among Pakistani refugees. Pray for the salvation of souls.

AUGUST 27: Pray for continued blessing in church established recently by the Fred Herseys in Tokyo.

Call for Deliverance

From Greenland's icy mountains,
From India's coral strand;
Where Afric's sunny fountains
Roll down their golden sand:

From many an ancient river,
From many a palmy plain,
They call us to deliver
Their land from error's chain.

Shall we, whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Shall we to men benighted
The lamp of life deny?

Salvation! O Salvation!
The joyful sound proclaim,
Till earth's remotest nation
Has learned Messiah's name.

REGINALD HEBER

AUGUST 28: Pray for needs of Bill and Barbara Phipps in connection with aviation ministries at Las Tablas, Panama.

AUGUST 29: This week missionaries on furlough, board members, missionary candidates and department staff will gather for study, challenge and fellowship. Pray for God's blessing and leadership.

AUGUST 30: NEEDED: Translator. Pray that God will supply a Brazilian translator to work with Missionary Don Robirds in Portuguese literature ministry in Brazil.

AUGUST 31: Learning a new language is never easy. Pray for Dr. Ruby Griffin, studying French preparatory to medical ministries in Ivory Coast.

SEPTEMBER 1: Pray for Free Will Baptist ministry among Cubans in Miami. Benito Rodriguez and Moises Toirac are pastoring churches there.

SEPTEMBER 2: Ella Rae Jones, R.N., and Patsy Tyson, R.N., leave today for language study in Costa Rica prior to medical ministries in South America. Pray for quick comprehension of Spanish.

SEPTEMBER 3: Mary Ellen Rice ministers in child evangelism in Brazil in addition to work at Bible institute. Pray that many young people will accept Christ.

ONARIES DAILY BEFORE THE LORD

SEPTEMBER 4: Pray for God's direction for Lonnie and Anita Sparks in preparation for new school year opening next month in Kulango Bible Institute in Goumere, Ivory Coast.

SEPTEMBER 5: Pray that Molly Barker, R.N., will gain a thorough knowledge of Spanish prior to service in Uruguay.

SEPTEMBER 6: Free Will Baptist denominational schools—Free Will Baptist Bible College, Oklahoma Bible College and California Bible Institute—begin new school year. Pray for God's direction for faculty, and pray that many students will hear and accept God's call for missionary service.

SEPTEMBER 7: Pray that many will be reached by Dub and Marcia Ellison in their new place of service, Livramento, Brazil.

SEPTEMBER 8: The Paynes—Eddie and Sandra, R.N.—have assumed responsibility of clinic ministry at Doropo, Ivory Coast, in the absence of Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley. Pray for physical and spiritual strength.

SEPTEMBER 9: Pray that many Indian students will be reached by hostel ministry of Carlisle and Marie Hanna in Sonapurhat, North India.

SEPTEMBER 10: Bobby and Sue Aycock are maintaining work in three towns, Araras, Pirassununga and Piracicaba, Brazil. Spiritual and physical strength are needed.

SEPTEMBER 11: Praise the Lord for safe arrival of Tom, Jr., and Emma Ruth Willey from Panama for furlough. Pray for their stateside ministry.

SEPTEMBER 12: The Durham, N. C., area missionary conference begins today. Pray for God's blessings on the LaVerne Mileys and Wesley Calverys as they present the need and necessity of missions.

SEPTEMBER 13: Pray that mission begun in Curticeiras, Uruguay, by missionary Paul Robinson and Christians from Santa Teresa church will be a means of reaching many with the gospel.

SEPTEMBER 14: Eula Mae Martin resumed medical ministries in Brazil around August 1. Pray that many will be healed spiritually as well as physically.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD / JUNE 1965

CASH IN BANK JUNE 1, 1965.....\$45,641.49

RECEIPTS

State Quotas.....\$33,733.08
Other Income.....6,672.07
40,405.15

\$86,046.64

DISBURSEMENTS

Foreign Fields.....\$22,496.55
Traveling and Promotion.....5,746.71
Administrative.....3,854.33
32,097.59

\$53,949.05

UNEXPENDED FUNDS

General Fund.....\$ 2,808.92
Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Aldridge.....1,146.41
Miss Molly Barker, R.N.....2,596.93
Rev. and Mrs. James Combs.....909.02
Rev. and Mrs. Louis Coscia.....3,172.57
Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Cronk.....1,456.72
Rev. and Mrs. Earnie Deeds.....482.57
Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Eagleton.....2,568.96
Rev. and Mrs. Walter Ellison.....1,317.53
Rev. and Mrs. Dave Franks.....76.38
Dr. Ruby Griffin.....4,317.06
Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna.....57.03
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones.....2,972.50
Miss Ella Rae Jones, R.N.....4,310.34
Miss Eula Mae Martin, R.N.....544.83
Rev. and Mrs. Archie Mayhew.....897.43
Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Payne.....4,644.13
Rev. and Mrs. William Phipps.....1,299.46
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole.....34.82
Miss Mary Ellen Rice.....2,340.30
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson.....1,207.51
Rev. and Mrs. Don Robirds.....1,203.54

Mrs. Josephine Stevens.....578.33
Miss Patsy Tyson, R.N.....4,343.55
Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Wilkinson.....1,315.46
Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Sr.....152.94
Furlough Car.....500.26
Africa—Medical Building.....6,597.18
North India Building.....4,372.06
Africa Bible Institute.....760.78
Africa Vehicle.....114.15
Mayhew House.....5,056.98
Brazil Bible Institute.....486.71
Brazil Vehicle.....1,711.64
Payne House.....1,538.07
Repatriation.....3,190.59
Missionary Medical.....5,022.36
Hanna Road Project.....234.10

\$76,340.12

DEFICIT ACCOUNTS

Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Aycock.....\$ 988.63
Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Calvery.....1,491.46
Rev. and Mrs. William Fulcher.....459.75
Rev. and Mrs. Estenio Garcia.....3,281.38
Rev. and Mrs. Fred Hersey.....920.93
Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne D. Miley.....395.98
Rev. and Mrs. John Moehlman.....1,470.39
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Palmer, Jr.....1,592.80
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks.....348.30
Rev. and Mrs. Moises Toirac.....330.00
Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid.....1,590.42
Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Willey, Jr.....1,892.60
Miss Volena Wilson.....919.89
Palmer House.....1,943.16
Audio-Visual.....4,765.38
22,391.07

\$53,949.05

STATE QUOTAS 1965

STATE	JUNE RECEIPTS	QUOTA	TOTAL RECEIPTS	UNDER QUOTA	OVER QUOTA
Alabama.....	\$ 688.73	\$ 12,250.00	\$ 5,159.50	\$ 7,090.50	
Alaska.....		300.00	49.01	250.99	
Arizona.....	54.97	750.00	680.39	69.61	
Arkansas.....	882.51	13,000.00	7,735.22	5,264.78	
California.....	1,507.46	20,000.00	15,493.30	4,506.70	
Colorado.....	31.26	500.00	277.93	222.07	
Florida.....	866.20	10,500.00	5,967.74	4,532.26	
Georgia.....	1,490.54	15,750.00	9,632.77	6,117.23	
Hawaii.....	16.00	150.00	166.00		16.00
Idaho.....	32.41	200.00	161.75	38.25	
Illinois.....	968.30	11,700.00	6,322.28	5,377.72	
Indiana.....	731.50	3,500.00	1,624.87	1,875.13	
Iowa.....	65.50	750.00	507.45	242.55	
Kansas.....	489.09	2,500.00	1,233.43	1,266.57	
Kentucky.....	678.43	5,500.00	2,195.73	3,304.27	
Louisiana.....	9.35	200.00	66.64	133.36	
Maine.....	60.00	100.00	528.40		428.40
Michigan.....	4,936.28	45,000.00	19,264.18	25,735.82	
Mississippi.....	502.09	6,000.00	2,585.40	3,414.60	
Missouri.....	2,118.36	23,500.00	14,481.23	9,018.77	
New Hampshire.....	15.36	750.00	164.85	585.15	
New Mexico.....	111.49	1,350.00	313.31	1,036.69	
North Carolina.....	4,746.77	48,500.00	25,200.73	23,299.27	
Ohio.....	1,987.39	11,000.00	7,427.93	3,572.07	
Oklahoma.....	2,700.72	45,000.00	15,545.13	29,454.87	
Oregon.....		100.00		100.00	
South Carolina.....	1,766.79	18,500.00	9,766.73	8,733.27	
Tennessee.....	3,303.22	30,000.00	17,192.87	12,807.13	
Texas.....	1,296.58	13,500.00	5,205.52	8,294.48	
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Pray for God's provision to bring these needy accounts out of the red.

MEET YOUR MISSIONARIES TO INDIA



DAN & TRULA CRONK

DANIEL CRONK had never given much thought to God, much less to missions, before his conversion. But soon after he was saved, knowing that God wanted to use him, Dan, a Michigan native, entered Free Will Baptist Bible College to prepare for service.

The Lord began to lay missions on his heart. Dan recognized God's leading through the abiding conviction that he should go, plus the authority of God's Word and its command.

God also spoke to Trula Gunter of East Tennessee concerning missionary work, laying India on her heart. In fact after she became conscious of the Lord's call, she had no other desire than to serve in India. While attending Free Will Baptist Bible College, she met Dan, and they were married.

Appointed by the Board of Foreign Missions in 1948, they departed in September of that year for service in North India. Progress at first was slow—people seemed unresponsive—but the Lord's blessings were ever present. Seventeen years have passed now, and many have found new life through Dan's and Trula's witness.

First ministries were among Bengal and Hindi speaking peoples of Bengal and Bihar Provinces. The Santals, a strongly Moslem aboriginal tribe, were later reached. Recent influx of Pakistani refugees has given further opportunity for witness. A hostel ministry also is maintained.

Dan was born February 28, 1923; Trula, June 7, 1925; and Randall, April 3, 1955.



CARLISLE & MARIE HANNA

SOON AFTER his conversion, Carlisle Hanna recognized that God had a work for Him to do. Not until a year later, however, while in Free Will Baptist Bible College did he yield himself for service in India. "Since that time," he relates, "I have been happy in my service for the Lord. There is a deep abiding peace that I find as I follow Jesus Christ day by day."

Marie Wright accepted Christ at age 13 and knew even then that the Lord wanted her as a missionary. Two years later while praying, she recalls, "I told the Lord if He were calling me as a missionary I would go. Immediately it was as plain as if a voice in the room spoke 'I want you in India.'"

Complete dedication to God's will, coupled with an abiding conviction that India was His choice for them, led the Hannas to apply for missionary service. Appointed in 1951, they sailed in October, 1952, with infant daughter Sheila Marie.

Heartbreak came in 1953 with the death of Sheila on March 17, but even in this God was continuing to refine His servants for the ministry of patience and understanding which enables them to win many to Christ.

Living in Sonapurhat, Carlisle and Marie maintain hostel ministries among boys and girls attending nearby schools. Preaching points in surrounding villages afford additional opportunities to tell of Christ.

Carlisle was born August 3, 1929; Marie, April 6, 1928; Brenda Kay, June 18, 1954; Donald Timothy, October 24, 1956; and Mark David, July 4, 1960.



VOLENA WILSON

THE EVANGELIST standing at the front of the congregation of young people gave a simple invitation: "Come, dedicating your lives to go wherever the Lord leads." A young business college student could resist the urging of the Holy Spirit no longer. She moved down the aisle to make public her decision to follow the Lord "to the regions beyond."

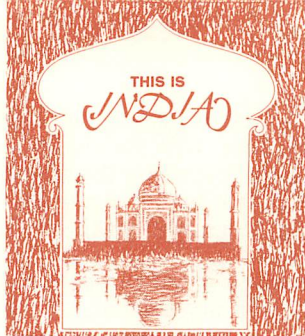
Volena Wilson was saved at an early age in her native North Carolina, but with this major step began a life of faith that was to see the Lord's provision for her needs over and over again. Although having no money for study, she entered what is now Nyack Missionary College. The Lord proved Himself by supplying every need as it arose.

"When I was approached by our board about India, I kept thinking how far away India was," Miss Wilson recalls. "I wished that the Lord would choose a place nearer home for me. However, I promised the board that if the Lord would give me a clear leading that India was where He wanted me, I was willing to go."

Following the Lord's guidance she sailed for India in 1951 with Miss Laura B. Barnard, returning from furlough. Miss Wilson is now serving her third term in South India, ministering among several churches, assisting national pastors, supervising Christian elementary schools, and leading Bible classes and vacation Bible schools.

Miss Wilson's birthdate is March 11.

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► But in our oil-lit sanctuary, more than two dozen voices were lifted in praise to the Lord against the backdrop of heathen darkness.

After opening formalities, John Mukul opened his Bible and began to preach a simple gospel message. He is an unusual young man . . . handsome, moderate of stature, trained at our Free Will Baptist hostel and at Calcutta Bible Institute, fluent in five languages, a great personal soul winner as well as convincing preacher.

As he spoke, all eyes, even those of the children, were glued to him. They were interested eyes . . . questioning, searching, desiring, receiving. The weird music from across the compound continued, but it didn't deter interest.

Mukul finished his sermon and bowed in prayer. Then he asked if any present wanted to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. No one in these villages had ever responded in an open service. Several had received Christ through personal witness, but to confess Christ before the village is revolutionary.

Slowly, four men raised their hands.

A song was sung. Mukul decided to see if the men really meant business. He asked them to come to the table which had served as his pulpit to pray a prayer of confession.

They all four came . . . the 75-year old village grandfather, the area government representative, two other heads of families. And one by one they prayed for forgiveness and announced their reception of Jesus Christ into their hearts.

The long days of faithful witness, the cruel trips over the bumps and through the dust, the heartache and anxiety of seeing so many without Christ and such little response . . . all passed into oblivion, lost in the thrill of souls born into the Kingdom of God.

Good-byes were said, and as the jeep bounced back through the night to the mission station, our hearts were filled with praise that here, too, God is at work drawing men to Himself through the Lord Jesus Christ.

And I breathed a prayer of thanksgiving that this, too, is India. ■

**The missionary
wets his parched
tongue with boiled
water and
wonders . . .**

*Is it
worth it?*

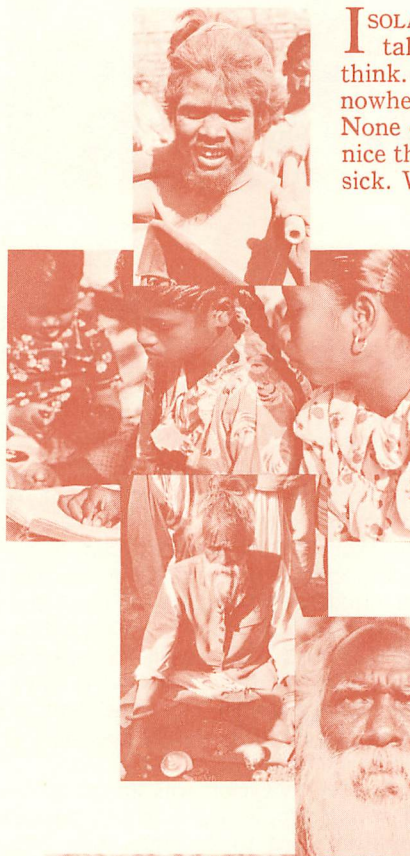


A STAFF PHOTO FEATURE

ISOLATION, that's what does it. Few people to talk to. Gives a man too much time to think. Living in this old house at the end of nowhere. No running water. No flush commode. None of the luxuries of home. Missionaries like nice things, too . . . Everyone seems hungry and sick. What can we do? Scarcely enough rice for ourselves. Even at best, the food is poor. Missionaries need to eat, too . . . And the dust. The jeep is wide open. A regular automobile wouldn't last long on these roads. No place to take a shower. Missionaries like to stay clean, too . . . Always wonder what's in the water. Boiling kills the bugs. But out in the villages they don't always boil things too well. Missionaries like to be healthy, too . . . Never seem to get caught up. Always letters to write. People continually at the door. I wonder, is it worth it all? Missionaries

get tired and discouraged, too . . . Wonder about that man I talked to at the market . . . and the little children in the village whom I promised to come back to see . . . and the old man by the side of the road. I'm his only hope . . . and the village grandfather who received the Lord last week. He

surely is a changed man . . . and my hostel boys. Their dedication to the Lord shames me . . . And the man who wanted to buy a Gospel. He really was interested. Have to remember him in prayer . . . At least we aren't completely alone out here. The Lord's with us, and He knows our needs. And folks at home remember us and are praying . . . Is it worth it? You know the answer. ■



MISSIONS IN ACTION AROUND THE WORLD



MORE THAN 2,800 Free Will Baptists jam Raleigh's Memorial Auditorium to hear Dr. LaVerne Miley on missions night of annual convention of the National Association. (Staff Photos)

Missions Emphasis, Human Relations Statement, College Expansion Plans Spark Annual Meeting

Raleigh, N. C.—Past attendance records for a session of the National Association of Free Will Baptists fell when more than 2,800 filled Memorial Auditorium to hear Dr. LaVerne Miley, medical missionary to Africa, in the association's annual missions service July 14. The Wednesday

evening event was a highlight of the three-day 29th annual session.

Dr. Miley and family arrived in the States July 5 to begin a year of furlough following a term of service in the Ivory Coast, West Africa.

The annual missions night has been an outstanding feature of past conventions. This one was no exception. A Holy Spirit quietness prevailed as Dr. Miley related ways God is working in Africa and how he had no alternative but to go in response to God's command.

As the invitation was given, scores of young people, parents and pastors came forward to dedicate their lives to the task of reaching the world for Jesus Christ.

In other action, the association approved a total denominational budget for 1966 of more than \$1,300,000 including \$403,895.55 for foreign missions.

Dr. W. Stanley Mooneyham, moderator, charged the general board, "The business of the church is not to bring peace in hostility; it is not even to bring peace between races . . . The chief business of the church is simply to call men and women out of this perishing world."

A \$2,250,000 expansion program for Free Will Baptist Bible College was approved by the association with work to begin immediately on the first stage which will include a classroom-library complex, a women's dormitory and a men's dormitory. A fund raising campaign is the first step. This stage will cost approximately \$1,225,000.

A human relations statement was adopted listing principles to guide associational agencies facing human relations problems. It declared that "all persons should equally enjoy those freedoms and privileges intended by God from creation, taught in the Bible, and provided by the Constitution of the United States of America. The Church of Jesus Christ must recognize the dignity of every person as a creation of God and must actively seek ways to bring that person into a right relationship with God, regardless of race or national origin."

The statement advanced no easy solution to human relations problems but stated that "adherence to Christian principles and Bible teaching is relevant and essential to the solution of any and all social problems." It pointed out that "it is not the chief business of the church to lead in social reform since the Great Commission calls for reconciliation of man to God, but a natural consequence of regeneration is right relations of one man to another."

A five-man human relations committee was established to study further "the problems and possibilities in the area of human relations as related to the agencies of the National Association of Free Will Baptists."

A change in format for the annual meeting was approved. Previously, the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention met Monday evening through Tuesday afternoon. In the future, the association will open officially on Monday night with the general board, W.N.A.C., Master's Men youth and other groups meeting Tuesday morning and afternoon.

Dr. Robert Picirilli, registrar and Greek professor at Free Will Baptist Bible College, was elected moderator of the association replacing Dr. Mooneyham, special assistant to Dr. Billy Graham, who stepped down after serving three terms. Dr. Picirilli has served as clerk and member of the association's executive committee for several years.

Next year's annual meeting will be held in Little Rock, Ark.



DR. LAVERNE MILEY

Joneses, Wilkinsons, Martin Return to Field

Nashville—Miss Eula Mae Martin, a registered nurse, left Miami July 30 for her second term of service in Brazil. Miss Martin, from North Carolina, resumes medical ministries in the state of Sao Paulo.

Also returning to Brazil for second term, the Rev. and Mrs. Sammy Wilkinson and children, Kevin, Kimberly and Kennan, left August 10 for Sao Paulo. After a language refresher course Sammy and June will assume ministries in Ribeirao Preto.

Bill and Joy Jones, missionaries to Ivory Coast, Africa, leave New York later this month for their second term of service. The Joneses will continue translation ministries among the Agni tribe and will assist in publication and distribution of the new French children's magazine, *ECHO DE TAM TAM*. With

Jimmy Aldridge, Bill will open a Bible institute in Koun, French-speaking, in early 1966. The Joneses hail from Texas.



MR. JONES



MRS. JONES



MISS MARTIN



MR. WILKINSON



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Tom Willeys, Jr., Arrive Home for Furlough

Miami—Missionary Tom Willey, Jr., and his family arrived here the first of August to begin a year's furlough following a term of service in Panama where they have worked since early 1962.

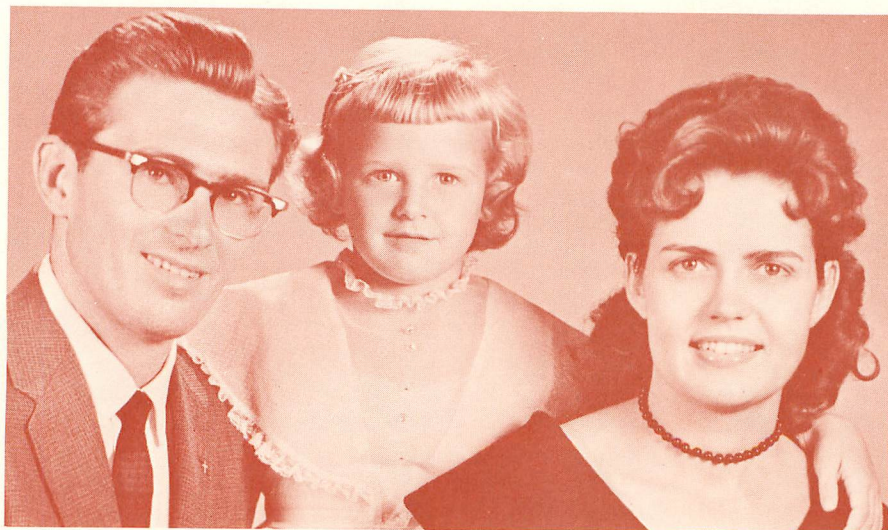
Tom, born in High Point, N. C., on July 13, 1932, is son of the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas H. Willey, Sr., senior missionaries to Latin America. Wife

Emma Ruth was born in Bridgeton, N. C., on December 19, 1935, and is the daughter of the late Rev. J. R. Bennett and Mrs. Bennett.

The Willeys have two children—Alicia, born December 17, 1956, and Anita, born December 27, 1962.

Prior to transfer to Panama, the Willeys served in Cuba. Tom is a graduate of Free Will Baptist College.

TOM AND EMMA RUTH WILLEY with daughter Alicia. Not pictured is daughter Anita who was born since this photograph was taken.



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"OUT OF MY HEART"



A word
from the
General Director

■ "I will build my Church" is not only a plan but a promise by the divine Architect, Jesus Christ. He has chosen to use redeemed men to accomplish this work. ■ We often face the modern Sanballats (Nehemiah 4:1) who mock the work of the Church. They draw their bows and shoot their arrows of criticism without regard to the inflicting damage. ■ The Church suffers from these attacks. Workmen are discouraged. The weak fall by the wayside. The uninformed are led astray. The heathen follow other gods. Confidence and respect for leaders are destroyed. Faith in the almighty God is discounted. Religious anarchy prevails. ■ But we have the plan and the promise, "I will build my Church." This building has not been completed although one Christian generation after another has contributed to this project of eternity. Church history reveals that some have been sacrificial in their work. ■ This Twentieth Century has provided the Church the distinct advantage of greater facility of communication. The Church has had at its disposal more men, money and means to reach this generation with the gospel. ■ This age has also confronted the Church with some of its gravest problems: two world wars, the spread of communism, the resurgence of non-Christian religions, increase of wealth creating a more materialistic society, a decline in morals discrediting the standards of Christian living, a religious movement identified as ecumenism (one world-wide church organization) largely influenced and controlled by religious liberals and modernists. ■ These things neither alter the plan nor change the promise. My concern is that we Free Will Baptists conform to God's plan and receive the blessing of the promise. ■ We can become guilty of mocking the work by non-participation. It is easy to stand aside and shoot arrows of criticism. It can be dangerous to become involved with present-day conflicts. It can be a costly venture both in money and lives. ■ Dr. A. W. Tozer has written that God does not need us, but we need God for His work. It is heaven's project being done on earth. It has pleased God to save sinners and build His Church.

■ Completion of the task was assured when Christ gave answer to the disciples regarding the end of time: "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (Matthew 24:14). We share in this great climax as we send missionaries into all the world.

J. Reford Wilson