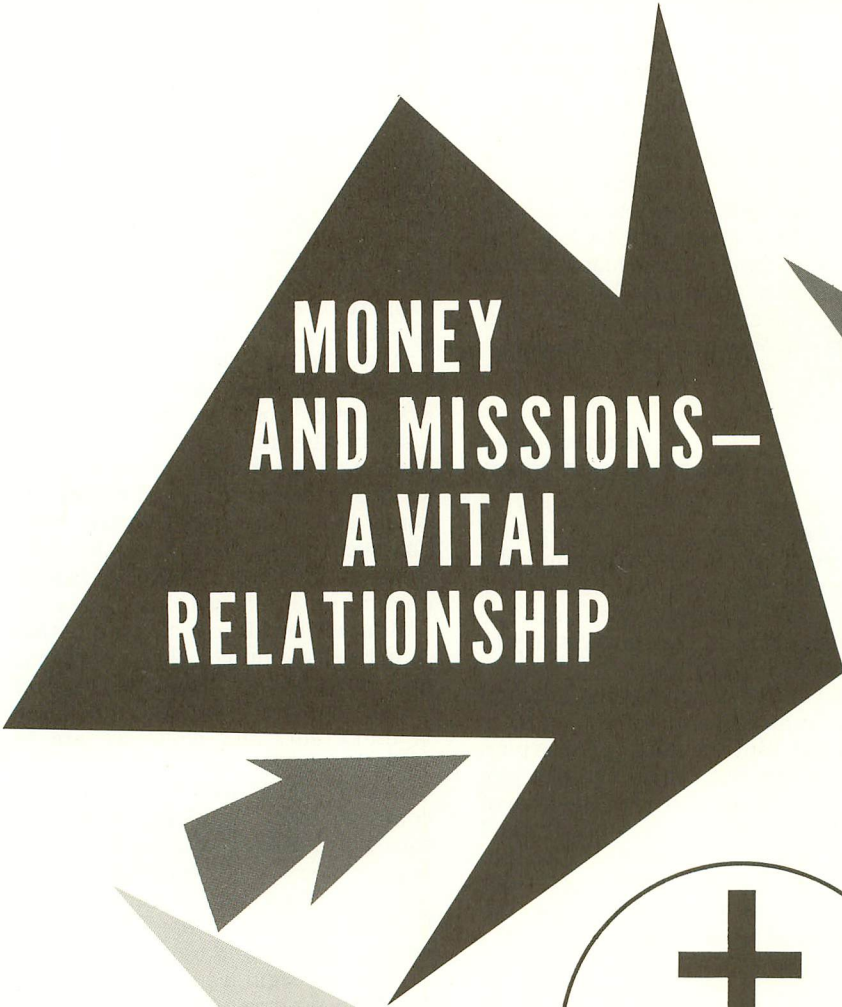
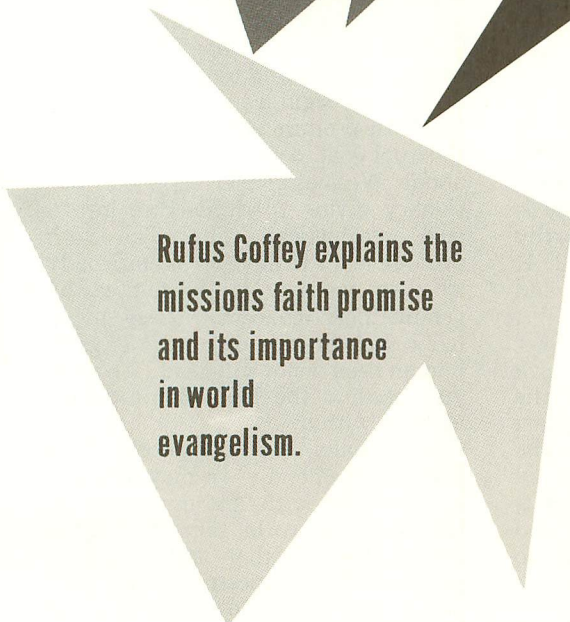


# HEARTBEAT

OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONS  
FEBRUARY 1965



## MONEY AND MISSIONS— A VITAL RELATIONSHIP



Rufus Coffey explains the  
missions faith promise  
and its importance  
in world  
evangelism.



**T**HERE SHOULD never be any lack of resources with which to accomplish God's work. Not only do we have the promises of God but we have the example of those who dared to prove those promises.

Our material poverty reveals our spiritual poverty. In Proverbs 11:24 we read, "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty." Again in Luke 6:38 Jesus says, "Give, and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and

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running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." In the light of these scriptures there is no other explanation for our financial dirth and impoverishment.

When people dare to trust and to obey God in financial matters, they reap the reward, and God's work prospers. We are told plainly in Exodus 36:5 when the tabernacle was being constructed that there was "much more than enough" for the work which the Lord commanded, and again in verse seven of Exodus 36, "the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work."

When Jesus fed the multitude, 12 baskets of food were left over from the original five barley loaves after everyone had eaten sufficiently. Paul promises in II Corinthians 9:7, 8 that as a result of liberal, generous, careful giving, God is able to make all grace abound toward us that we may have all sufficiency in everything. God's word makes it clear that there is always a sufficient supply of resources for all of His work.

The problem that we face, however, is how to tap these resources that God has entrusted to man that his work might be accomplished. It is my conviction that the faith-promise plan is the best method to stimulate the Christian to give that there may be an ample supply of money for missions. Therefore, we consider these important questions:

#### **WHAT IS THE FAITH-PROMISE PLAN?**

This is a plan whereby we consistently and sacrificially give over and above our tithes as the Lord directs. It is an act of faith whereby we agree to give to the cause of world missions in dependence upon God to meet the need. It is not good budgeting or good stewardship but complete faith in the ability of God to enable us to give more than we can humanly

see possible. For example, if we knew that we could give a dollar a week for the next year, this would not be faith, but if we decided to give two dollars a week to missions when we did not see how it would be possible to do so, this would be faith.

#### **WHAT IS THE BIBLE BASIS OF THIS PLAN?**

We are instructed in II Corinthians 9:7 that every Christian is to give "as he purposeth in his heart." This implies that we should give after we have given consideration as to the amount. Paul commanded Christians of Macedonia (II Corinthians 8:3) to give liberally even though they lived in deep poverty. And giving should always emanate from a willing, cheerful heart.

#### **WHY SHOULD WE GIVE BEYOND OUR TITHES?**

Tithes are needed for the work of the local church and its various agencies. There is such an urgent need for getting the gospel out into all the world that tithes alone are not sufficient to do all that is necessary to evangelize the world.

The Church depends upon a stated salary or anticipated income to meet its budget. But the faith-promise plan does not attempt to rob Peter to pay Paul so to speak. Through the eyes of faith the Christian with a burden and a compassion for a lost world says in effect to God, "How much can I trust God to give through me for the salvation of a lost and dying world?"

#### **WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE FAITH-PROMISE AND A PLEDGE?**

A pledge is horizontal. It is made to the church or to some other worthy cause. A faith-promise is vertical. It is made between the individual and God.

Usually there is an effort to collect the pledge, but not so with the faith promise. Since it is between the individual Christian and God, there is no follow up of this plan. The Christian seeks to give as the Lord enables him. God knows whether a person is able to give or not and whether the individual is willing to trust God. Therefore, no pressure is applied from any human source.

#### **WHAT IS THE ADVANTAGE OF THIS PLAN?**

It is a real joy to see God work through us as we become channels of blessings to others. When we endeavor to give on a faith promise basis, we realize our personal responsibility, and it is a spiritual blessing to be involved in God's plan of evangelizing the world.

Another advantage of this plan is that it allows the Holy Spirit to work fully in meeting an individual need. When the missionary is praying and trusting God to supply his needs to go to the field, this plan enables the individual Christian to share in the support of a missionary as the Holy Spirit dictates to his heart.

Also, the faith promise plan avoids constant appeals by providing a systematic, workable way of giving. Usually the faith promise is made once a year during a missionary service or during an annual missionary conference. Once this commitment has been made, the Christian is not asked to give more than this regular amount until renewal time next year.

Another benefit of this plan is that it helps the church, the missionary, and the missions department to see where they are going. God's business is important, and while we are to walk by faith, we must not be so visionary that we neglect to use common sense in planning for the future. Certainly God is able to supply every need, but many times we are disillusioned by the unbelief of Christians to act in obedience to his command to go and to give.

Another significant advantage of the faith promise is that it gives us a spiritual goal to strive for and to pray about. We must never allow our missionary giving to degenerate into a cold, mechanical thing. The faith promise helps to develop us spiritually so that we may be motivated by genuine heart-concern. Merely giving to be seen of men or on the basis of human need is not sufficient. We must give because the Holy Spirit directs us from within.

And finally, the faith promise is a barometer whereby we may measure our love, our faith, and our vision for the cause of world missions. James admonishes us that faith without works is dead. I sincerely believe that our concern for the lost world and our



obedience to the great commission can be measured by how much we are willing to sacrifice of our material wealth for the support of world missions.

**DOES THIS PLAN WORK?  
IS IT SUCCESSFUL?**

Absolutely yes! Experience has proven that people will give more through the faith promise plan than any other way. Nearly all of the outstanding missionary churches in the denomination as well as great missionary churches outside of the denomination use this plan in some form.

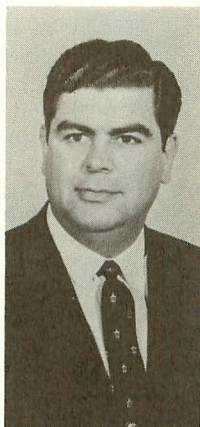
It helps develop people spiritually as they give to have a joyful experience and as they learn to trust God more completely.

The local church will benefit and prosper because of this spirit of unselfish giving. Whenever an individual Christian or a local church gets a vision beyond himself or itself, the Lord inevitably blesses. Furthermore, this plan assures that the various missions needs will be met as God has His way completely in our lives. He will lead us by His Spirit to share in a greater way in world missions.

It is my firm conviction that the faith promise plan is one of the greatest methods for extending our witness into all the world. Why don't you make a faith promise to God right now and discover for yourself the blessing of sharing regularly in God's program of redemption for a lost world? May we hear from you? (See page 5.) ■

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## A Touchy Subject AN EDITORIAL

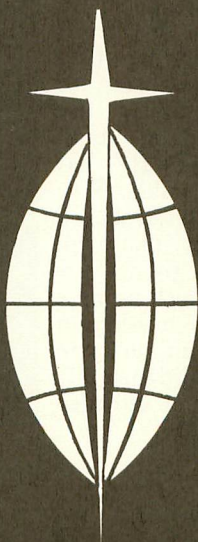
MONEY is a touchy subject . . . to most Christians. But not so to the Communists, cultists and false religionists.

Earlier this week I visited a Buddhist worship center in Tokyo, Asakasa Temple. Several thousand Japanese crowded toward the steps leading inside the house of the gods. We were moved along by the throng of jostling, chattering worshippers in a holiday atmosphere. As we edged near the center of the temple, we could hear the tingling sound of coins plinking into a large box situated before the holy place. Thousands of Buddhists were throwing money into the priests' coffers in hopes of eternal reward.

The money ceremony is a simple one. The worshipper throws his coin toward the money box, folds his hands and bows for a brief prayer. He often throws more and bows again. When his superstitious impulse is satisfied, he and his friends shove their way to long tables lining the walls where blessings may be purchased for 50 yen, 100 yen or 200 yen depending on the size of blessing one desires. The blessings are represented by strips of paper or wood or metal, depending on amount paid. Worshippers freely pay the price. It is their only hope of peace. It does not work, so they come again day after day, week after week.

We know that salvation is free. It was bought by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus. But spreading this message to the ends of the earth in fulfillment of the command "Go ye!" is expensive. The two billions who have never heard the good news of peace with God through the Lord Jesus will never hear . . . unless you and I are willing to pay the price.

The Buddhist cannot purchase salvation at a blessing table or money box. But you and I can purchase it for him by paying the cost of sending to him the glorious message of God's free gift.



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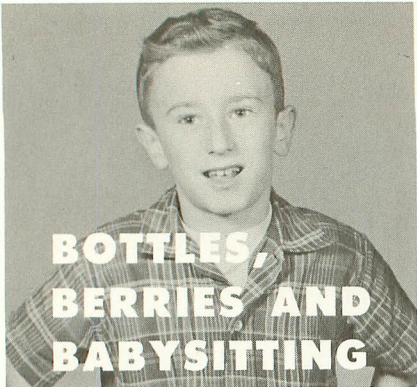
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### ***The story of a boy, a faith promise and God's provision***

**W**HEN SEVEN-YEAR OLD Roy Hundley of Anstead, W. Va., made his faith promise for the account of Missionary Jim Combs and wife, he knew circumstances were against him. But he had the faith to trust God to supply the amount.

The promise was for only one dollar a month, but to a little fellow whose father had left his mother with three small children and almost no income, it was an impossible amount. But Roy was trusting God. He knew the missionary must go to preach the gospel in the regions beyond. He also knew that it takes money to maintain a missionary operation. And he knew he had to do his fair share.

Once the faith commitment had been made, Roy settled down to find God's way of providing the sum. One month he searched around his community for old pop bottles. Upon turning them in for return deposit, he had his dollar. God had provided.

Another month Roy picked black berries to earn his faith promise dollar. It wasn't necessarily easy, but it was thrilling to pick berries so the gospel could be preached to other seven-year olds who otherwise would never hear.

One month Roy swept sidewalks. Another time he got a babysitting job. On other occasions he found other things to do to earn the amount which had seemed so impossible when he exercised faith. But God made provision again and again. And He is still providing.

Roy's dollar may look small compared to the thousands of dollars required monthly to maintain the world-wide ministry of Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions. But his faith and determination is the quality God is longing to see in each of His children . . . both those with dollars and those with abilities. ■

## **"I pray more earnestly, more specifically and more believingly"**

***The faith promise testimony of Clifford Fairchild,  
Central Church, Royal Oak, Michigan***

**A**LL TOO often when we just routinely give our tithes, we fail to give prayerfully. Giving merely becomes a habit like going to work everyday. But when we trust God to give that which we do not have, it takes faith—faith in God to supply through you the means to meet the promise made by faith. ■ When I make a faith promise, I pray more earnestly, more specifically and more believingly. God gives me renewed strength as I see the mighty hand of God doing that which I could never

do myself. ■ At the close of our recent annual missionary conference, God led me by faith to make the largest missions faith promise that I have ever made. In less than three weeks afterward, God sent in half of that amount in the form of a totally unexpected bonus. To God be the praise. ■ "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass" ■

(Psalm 37:4,5).

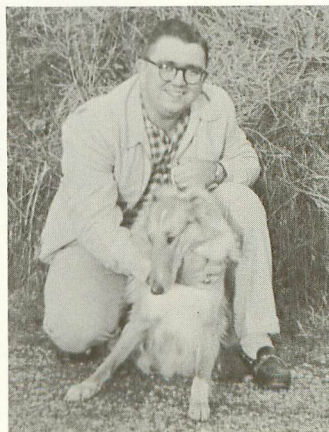
## **"Someday I will meet souls in Heaven"**

***The faith promise testimony of Bill Willis,  
First Church, Savannah, Georgia***

**W**ITH SOME Christians, the pocket book is the most difficult possession to surrender to the Lord. Sinful habits, worldliness, time, talents, energy—all these things they can willingly lay on the altar. But their money is a different story. ■ In my case this was never a problem—for only three months after I was saved the Lord convinced me that the tithe belonged exclusively to Him, and nothing has ever shaken my belief in that truth. ■ Once I began honoring God with my finances, He began supplying my every need in abundance, and He has never yet failed. ■ In 1961, I was introduced to another phase of Christian giving—the missions faith-promise to give to missions a certain sum and to trust the Lord to supply it. At first, I intended

that the money I promised to give should be taken out of my tithe, but due to the influence of my missions-minded pastor, Damon C. Dodd, I agreed to give it above the ten per cent. ■ At first, my faith was small, and the extra amount seemed enormous, but, as usual, the Lord was true to His word. And through the years as mission conference time has approached, He has laid an increasing amount

on my heart. ■ Today, as He has blessed, I am able to give more than a tithe of my gross income to the missions program. And the money is not missed. The Lord has enabled me to give, but the blessing is truly mine. For not only is He faithful to provide for my needs here, but I know that someday I will meet souls in Heaven who will be there because of our missions program. ■





# HOW TO MAKE A MISSIONS FAITH PROMISE

## THE MISSIONS FAITH PROMISE IS A SYSTEMATIC PLAN OF SUPPORTING FOREIGN MISSIONS WITH THESE ADVANTAGES:

- It provides regular, monthly support of the denomination's foreign ministry without coercion or pressure usually associated with pledges.

- It is a partnership with God in which the supporter trusts God to supply the amount he has promised to give by faith. Thus it becomes a stimulant to prayer and deepens the spiritual life of the participant as he sees God's hand of provision at work. "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Malachi 3:10).

- It brings the blessing that accompanies involvement in God's program of redemption for the human family, the blessing that comes with supplying "the want of the saints" (II Corinthians 9:12). It brings the joy of the fulfilled promise that God will "make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound unto every good work" (II Corinthians 9:8).

A foreign missions faith promise is a matter between you and God. It is the result of God-given concern and the desire to have a regular part in the foreign ministry of your denomination. These simple steps will help you make your commitment to join hands with your missionaries in reaching the unreached for Christ.

**1** Ask the Lord from your heart to lead you in the amount for which He would have you trust Him. Write the amount in space provided and sign as a reminder of your commitment. You keep this record.

**2** Fill in the faith promise form as illustrated at right. Circle the amount you promise with God's help to give each month. Place an "X" in the square left of designation to indicate how you feel God would have your gift used.

**3** Be sure to write name and address legibly on form. Include your Zip Code and name of church.

**4** Place form in the offering plate in your church, give to your pastor or visiting missionary or mail directly to Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee.

"I, the undersigned, hereby make a faith promise to trust God to enable me to give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month to foreign missions."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

CLIP AND MAIL OR PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE

TRUSTING GOD to supply the need, I make this faith commitment to pray regularly for our missionary program and to give the following:

\$ 10.00 now and a faith promise to give monthly (circle amount)

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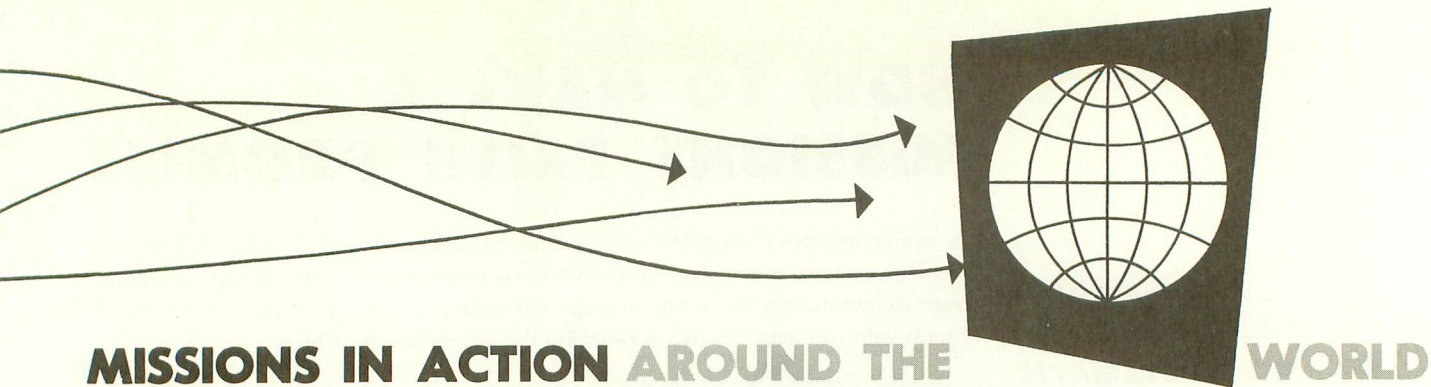
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## MISSIONS IN ACTION AROUND THE WORLD

### Need for Additional Personnel Seen in Historic Japan

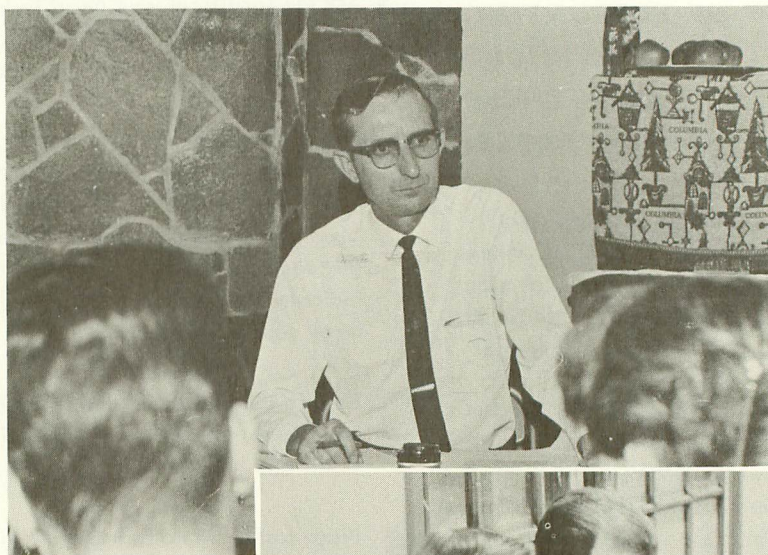
TOKYO—Two weeks of intensive consultations with Free Will Baptist missionaries here have provoked one overwhelming conclusion—more personnel is urgently needed to take advantage of evangelistic opportunities.

“People” is the word General Director Reford Wilson uses to describe his impressions of Japan. More than 10 million souls are jammed into the Tokyo metropolis alone. An air of breaking from past cultural ties is felt as thousands of young Japanese are creating for themselves a “new Japan,” more Westernized and, it is hoped, more receptive to the gospel.

Wilson and Director of Information Jerry Ballard discussed denominational missions strategy with missionaries in the Tokyo area and on the northern island of Hokkaido. Consultations were interspersed with surveying the work and ministering to churches.

The general director addressed the Hokkaido Association of Free Will Baptists in annual session January 9-10. The association charted progress in work on the island and laid plans for extending witness into other towns.

Wilson and Ballard arrived in Calcutta January 22 for 24 days of ministry in India. In addition to strategy consultations and ministering to missionaries, Wilson and Ballard are carrying a heavy speaking load addressing numerous rallies in North and South India. Ballard is shooting a filmstrip to be released later this year.



*Missionaries to Japan discuss missions matters with General Director Wilson. Top—Wilson speaks to Tokyo missionaries. Right—Wilson and Wesley Calvery. Bottom—Fred and Evelyn Hersey and Herbert Waid talk with Wilson. (Photos by Ballard)*





## Progress Continues on African Scriptures

ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST—Work continues to progress in publishing the Gospel of Mark in two tribal languages. The Gospel translated into Kulango by Missionary Lonnie Sparks is in final revision stages on the field. American Bible Society has accepted the work for publication.

The Agni translation, prepared by Missionary Bill Jones, has been accepted by A.B.S. for publication before Jones returns to Africa this summer. It will have a flexible card-board cover with a page size of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ . Format will include parallel columns with French text on one side and Agni on the other.

"This will encourage those who read only one of the languages to learn the other," remarks Missionary Jones. "It will give added incentive to read the Word."

## Mrs. Mabel Willey Injured in Accident

MIAMI—Mrs. Mabel Willey, wife of senior Latin American Missionary Thomas H. Willey, Sr., was injured in an auto accident here in early January. The Doctor has ordered that she have a month of bed rest and light activities.

## TO PUT IT BRIEFLY . . .

John Moehlman made a survey trip to Ecuador in January to further investigate possibilities of denominational witness there. A report of his findings will follow.  
... Eula Mae Martin, R.N., returns to her assignment in Brazil March 1. . . . Dave and Pat Franks have a boy, Robert David, born December 27.  
... Brazil Bible Institute opens next month. Funds still needed to complete payment on property.



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# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD / DECEMBER 1964

CASH IN BANK DECEMBER 1, 1964.....\$52,048.57

## RECEIPTS

State Quotas.....\$34,308.73  
Other Income\*.....6,567.08  
40,875.81

## DISBURSEMENTS

Foreign Fields.....\$29,153.27  
Traveling and Promotion\*\*.....11,396.50  
Administrative.....4,681.73  
45,231.50

## UNEXPENDED FUNDS

Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Aldridge.....\$ 3,961.97  
Miss Molly Barker, R.N.....2,262.98  
Rev. and Mrs. James Combs.....958.81  
Rev. and Mrs. Louis Coscia.....3,365.05  
Rev. and Mrs. Daniel Cronk.....2,838.54  
Rev. and Mrs. Earnie Deeds.....1,105.17  
Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Eagleton.....2,277.26  
Rev. and Mrs. Walter Ellison.....1,526.23  
Rev. and Mrs. Dave Franks.....100.99  
Dr. Ruby Griffin.....3,617.88  
Rev. and Mrs. Fred Hersey.....217.94  
Ella Rae Jones, R.N.....1,170.60  
Miss Eula Mae Martin, R.N.....407.44  
Rev. and Mrs. Archie Mayhew.....1,597.13  
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Palmer, Jr.....716.55  
Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Payne.....3,861.00  
Rev. and Mrs. William Phipps.....2,727.56  
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole.....473.70  
Miss Mary Ellen Rice.....2,458.90  
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson.....709.77  
Rev. and Mrs. Don Robirds.....204.44  
Mrs. Josephine Stevens.....438.69  
Miss Patsy Tyson, R.N.....1,224.96  
Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Wilkinson.....1,266.04

Miss Volena Wilson.....\$ 317.64  
Furlough Car.....500.26  
Africa—Medical Building.....6,703.48  
North India Building.....7,170.99  
Africa Vehicle.....114.15  
Payne House.....1,538.07  
Uruguay Vehicle.....1,193.67  
Waid Vehicle.....95.90  
Repatriation.....3,190.59  
Hanna Jeep.....2,085.06  
Mayhew House.....1,962.60  
Africa—Bible Institute.....181.66  
Hanna Road Project.....91.56  
Missionary Medical.....5,022.36

\$69,657.59

## DEFICIT ACCOUNTS

General Fund.....\$ 2,376.69  
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Aycock.....702.68  
Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Calvery.....2,688.57  
Rev. and Mrs. William Fulcher.....429.59  
Rev. and Mrs. Estenio Garcia.....2,102.71  
Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna.....167.84  
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones.....686.24  
Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne D. Miley.....223.32  
Rev. and Mrs. John Moehlman.....2,952.80  
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks.....168.75  
Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid.....1,951.89  
Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Willey, Jr.....516.13  
Rev. and Mrs. T. H. Willey, Sr.....218.57  
Palmer House.....3,119.65  
Brazil Bible Institute.....1,715.50  
South India Vehicle.....88.95  
Audio-Visual.....1,854.83  
21,964.71

\$47,692.88

\*\$6,000. borrowed for production of Brazil film.  
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## STATE QUOTAS 1964

STATE	DECEMBER RECEIPTS	QUOTA	TOTAL RECEIPTS	UNDER QUOTA	OVER QUOTA
Alabama.....	\$ 974.71	\$ 9,250.00	\$ 10,213.32	\$	\$ 963.32
Alaska.....		400.00	58.37	341.63	
Arizona.....	23.81	1,000.00	338.13	661.87	
Arkansas.....	1,617.38	9,250.00	9,856.10		606.10
California.....	2,260.00	13,000.00	24,737.55		11,737.55
Colorado.....	34.76	500.00	437.10	62.90	
Florida.....	731.53	7,500.00	9,511.10		2,011.10
Georgia.....	1,326.53	10,750.00	17,277.10		6,527.10
Hawaii.....		150.00	115.00	35.00	
Idaho.....	28.90	250.00	54.32	195.68	
Illinois.....	733.60	11,750.00	11,773.55		23.55
Indiana.....	35.80	3,500.00	2,418.46	1,081.54	
Iowa.....	188.00	300.00	732.28		432.28
Kansas.....	94.71	2,000.00	2,127.13		127.13
Kentucky.....	477.32	5,500.00	4,794.21	705.79	
Louisiana.....	10.00	250.00	34.32	215.68	
Maine.....	25.00	400.00	800.22		400.22
Michigan.....	7,940.17	28,500.00	37,120.26		8,620.26
Mississippi.....	507.02	6,000.00	5,941.39	58.61	
Missouri.....	1,519.29	23,500.00	22,046.03	1,453.97	
New Hampshire.....	10.00	360.00	538.36		178.36
New Mexico.....	6.06	1,350.00	414.27	935.73	
North Carolina.....	4,537.70	50,000.00	47,754.82	2,245.18	
Ohio.....	1,437.81	11,000.00	14,402.94		3,402.94
Oklahoma.....	2,941.68	25,000.00	32,483.74		7,483.74
Oregon.....		150.00	58.00	92.00	
South Carolina.....	1,885.01	18,000.00	22,516.12		4,516.12
Tennessee.....	2,923.46	27,500.00	29,443.99		1,943.99
Texas.....	439.27	13,000.00	8,391.79	4,608.21	
Virginia.....	892.16	18,000.00	14,181.14	3,818.86	
Washington.....		360.00	132.82	227.18	
West Virginia.....	684.01	5,000.00	8,886.36		3,886.36
Miscellaneous.....	74.77	3,103.10	4,193.31		1,090.21
	\$ 34,360.46	\$306,573.10	\$343,783.60	\$ 16,739.83	\$ 53,950.33

"But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

—II CORINTHIANS 9:6, 7



# PRAYERTIME

USE THIS PRAYER CALENDAR AS YOU REMEMBER YOUR MISSIONS



**FEBRUARY 15:** Pray for General Director Reford Wilson and Director of Publications Jerry Ballard who are ministering in India throughout most of February.

**FEBRUARY 16:** An accident destroyed Bill Phipps' airplane last year. Pray that the Lord will provide another one to reach areas in Panama inaccessible by road.

**FEBRUARY 17:** Archie and Sarah Mayhew, studying French in Switzerland, have witnessed to several fellow students. Pray that their witness will be effective.

**FEBRUARY 18:** Praise the Lord for recent decisions witnessed on the island of Hokkaido, Japan. Pray for the spiritual growth of these converts.

**FEBRUARY 19:** Patsy Tyson and Ella Rae Jones, appointees to Ecuador, are continuing their deputational ministries. Pray that the Lord will provide funds for their departure in early May.

**FEBRUARY 20:** Pray for the new work in Rivera, Uruguay, begun by Missionary Fulcher.

**FEBRUARY 21:** Pray for the physical strength as well as spiritual ministry of Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley in the Ivory Coast as they treat as many as 200 patients per day at the clinic in Doropo.

**FEBRUARY 22:** An opportunity to hold weekly services at a country home outside Panama City has been given to Estenio Garcia. Pray that the Lord will save many through this.

**FEBRUARY 23:** Earnie and Jean Deeds have requested prayer for the Lord's leadership in knowing which opportunities to take in ministering with the church in Campinas, Brazil.

**FEBRUARY 24:** Pray that pastors in Cuba will have the Lord's protection as they continue their valiant witness amid opposition.

**FEBRUARY 25:** Pray for Carlisle and Marie Hanna as they continue their ministry in Sonapurhat, North India.

**FEBRUARY 26:** Molly Barker underwent major surgery in late December. Pray for her continued recovery, and that she soon will be able to leave for

language study preparatory for service in Uruguay.

**FEBRUARY 27:** Pray for Jim Jones in his work at the home office. In the absence of Director of Publications Jerry Ballard, Jim has assumed much of the responsibility of the department's literature ministry in addition to his regular responsibilities.

**FEBRUARY 28:** Pray for Lonnie and Bernice Palmer in their village evangelism in Ivory Coast, Africa.

**MARCH 1:** The last Free Will Baptist missionary to go to Japan was sent out more than six years ago. Pray that the Lord will create renewed interest in this needy field and that He will call others to this area.

**MARCH 2:** Walter and Marcia Ellison are more than half through their study of Portuguese in Brazil. Pray that soon they will be able to effectively use their new language in reaching the people there.

**MARCH 3:** Pray that Christians in Paul and Amy Robinson's church in Uruguay will be grounded by the

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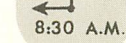


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URUGUAY

## MISSIONARIES DAILY BEFORE THE LORD

Holy Spirit as they are taught the Word.

**MARCH 4:** Pray for Dan and Trula Cronk as they proclaim the gospel in North India. Especially remember the family's health.

**MARCH 5:** Eula Mae Martin, R.N., returns to Brazil this month. Pray that she will quickly get resettled and back into her medical ministry.

**MARCH 6:** Praise the Lord for the many who are coming to the dispensary in Koun, Ivory Coast. Pray that the Lord will enable Jimmy and Janie Aldridge to reach many of these for Christ.

**MARCH 7:** Several missionary accounts are in the red. Pray that the Lord will supply these much-needed funds through concerned Free Will Baptists.

**MARCH 8:** Pray for Tommy and Emma Ruth Willey as they work in two villages outside Panama City. Pray that they will be able to lead many to Christ.

**MARCH 9:** Pray for Director of Conference Ministries Rufus Coffey as he plans missionary conferences across the Free Will Baptist denomination, and as he assumes extra responsibilities in General Director Wilson's absence.

**MARCH 10:** Bobby and Sue Aycock are ministering in Araras and Pirassununga, Brazil. Pray for spiritual strength as they deal with needs there.

**MARCH 11:** Pray for John and Barbara Moehlman in deputational ministry preliminary to departure for Ecuador.

**MARCH 12:** Pray for the children of the missionaries that they, too, will be used of God to proclaim His Gospel.

**MARCH 13:** Herbert and Geraldine Waid and Fred and Evelyn Hersey are working in Tokyo, Japan. Pray that they can effectively communicate the gospel in the world's largest city.

**MARCH 14:** Pray that Lonnie and Anita Sparks will have the leadership of God as they teach in the Bible Institute in the Ivory Coast.

FOR STEWARDS ONLY

PRESSING NEEDS FOR THOSE WHO ARE CONCERNED

### ITEM: Evangelistic Youth Film for Brazil

More than half of Brazil's mushrooming population is teen-aged or under. Pretense has become a way of life. Moral values are lost in search for material and social prosperity. Brazilian youth are in a mood for change, and they'll try anything . . . even Christ if He is proclaimed to them.

This is the problem—telling this massive teen-age audience that Christ died for their sins and longs to give them peace in their restless hearts.

Thus, the Board of Foreign Missions in collaboration with Ken Anderson, Inc., and International Films is producing a feature motion picture geared to reach the Brazilian youth where he lives. A casting director is in Brazil now, and a filming team arrives the first of March. Jerry Ballard, producer for the board, arrives March 14 from Africa to finalize production.

The film will be released in Portuguese for Brazil and Spanish for the rest of Latin America. An English version for use in the States is also being released.

**NEEDED:** Deficit in the Audio-Visual account needs to be cleared immediately (see financial statement, page 7). To maintain production schedule, an additional \$9,000 is needed during the coming six months. This film is an ideal project for youth groups, Sunday school classes and individuals who are aware of the tremendous potential of utilizing mass communications in an effective gospel outreach.

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Bill and Glenda Fulcher  
Paul and Amy Robinson

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Josephine Stevens\*\*\*\*

\*In language study  
\*\*On furlough in States  
\*\*\*Under appointment  
\*\*\*\*Associate missionary



by Eugene A. Erny

# WHAT'S THIS ABOUT "NEW" MISSIONARIES?

THE "NEW MISSIONARY" does not try to convert the heathen, announced NEWSWEEK magazine in its December 30, 1963, issue—"He bears witness to his faith by helping them in material ways." The four-page article purporting to set forth what it called "The Missionary's New Mission" disclosed the reasoning behind the changing emphasis in missions: "In a world where political, cultural, and economic independence are being pursued with religious fervor it is hard to argue that any one religion has a special virtue above any other."

Then in a subtle rebuke to reluctant evangelicals, NEWSWEEK approvingly quoted Colon Davis, an example of the "new breed" of missionaries. "Saint Paul's methods," says Davis, "are no longer successful. The direct approach does not work."

## A TIRESOME RESTATEMENT

What NEWSWEEK magazine calls "the new mission" of today's missionaries is in reality anything but new. It is but a tiresome restatement of a concept that emerged decades ago with the advent of liberal theology. And its appearance was not surprising. For whenever the church

loses the virility of its faith it turns with a passion to a social ministry in a desperate effort to retrieve a sense of purpose. Useless as a spiritual force, it resorts to the single ministry it is still able to perform—the physical and social ministry.

## PROFESSOR HOCKING'S REPORT

In 1910, however, missionary leaders at the Edinburgh Conference were still convinced that "Evangelization of the World in this Generation" was their supreme task. But a militant liberal element was already challenging the historic objectives of missions.

In 1938 a laymen's group headed by Professor Hocking made a survey of missions which resulted in the following recommendations: That in missionary work: (1) Prominence should be given to the "social gospel." (2) The program of evangelism should be discontinued in all schools and medical work. (3) Non-Christian religions and their devotees should be counted as fellow-seekers; missionaries should join in the "quest for truth." (4) Only liberal-minded missionaries should be recruited and sent out.

Many denominational leaders took the Hocking report to heart. Educa-

tion took the place of evangelism. Social work obscured the emphasis on "saving faith." In the same spirit it is today suggested that the name "missionary" be abandoned. "The word harks back to colonialism" comes the objection; "It suggests paternalism"—the "white man's burden." Why not find a better word?

Basic to these trends is the shift from conservative to liberal theology as expressed by Paul Tillich, liberal theologian of our day. "We must not carry on missions to save souls from eternal damnation; rather to transform the latent church which is present in the world religions, in paganism, Judaism and humanism."

## STRANGE NOTION

That evangelical missionaries have habitually ignored physical and social needs is a notion embarrassingly unsupported by fact. "They have always been pioneers," said Dr. Samuel Zwemer, missionary of a generation ago. "They opposed opium traffic, established standards of hygiene, promoted industry, elevated womanhood, abolished cannibalism, organized famine relief and changed the social structure of society."



But these were missionaries committed primarily and unequivocally to the preaching of the gospel. They understood that society can be changed only from within—by the regeneration of the individual through faith in Jesus Christ.

James Chalmers, martyred missionary to New Guinea, once said, "Wherever there has been the slightest spark of civilized life in the South Seas, it has been because the gospel has been preached there; wherever you find in the island of New Guinea a friendly people, there missionaries of the Cross have been preaching Christ."

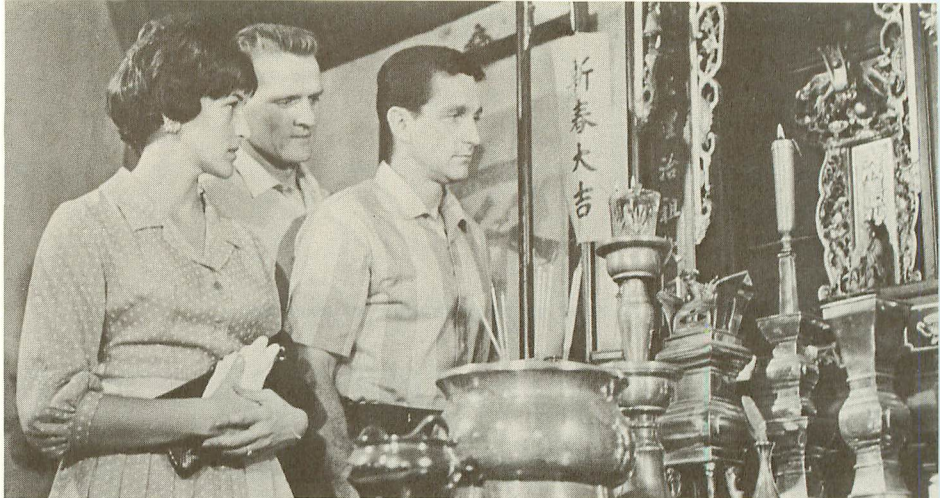
#### SAVAGES CAN BE SAVED

"We are not to give ourselves primarily to social work," insists missionary statesman Oswald J. Smith. "The gospel must go first. Raw savages can be saved. Ignorant heathen can be transformed into saints. The by-products will all follow in due time. But our work is to preach the gospel, and we must not be side-tracked. Institutional work puts the cart before the horse!"

While we acknowledge that a changing world calls for new methods and new tools, the ultimate objective is as unalterable as the Saviour who declared that His mission was "to seek and to save that which was lost." We would also wholeheartedly agree with the premise that the compassionate love of Jesus Christ will ever seek ways and means of relieving the ills and suffering of mankind.

But let us never lose sight of the fact that our commission is subject neither to changing times nor international revolution. The true missionary is still a man with a mission. That mission is as relevant in 1964 as it was the day it was issued. The mandate is still to preach without apology or discrimination the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"It is necessary for missionaries to be many things," concludes Billy Graham. "But always the main job is preaching the gospel. There is no substitute for that. We can give men skills, know-how, and tools; but if we fail to give them the good news of salvation, we have left them without God and without hope. We have withheld the most precious gift that God has bestowed upon men." ■



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## "OUT OF MY HEART"



**A word  
from the  
General Director**

■ THE USE of one's money often reveals his character. The prodigal son wasted his money in pleasure. The rich young ruler counted his earthly treasures more valuable than the pearl of great price. The rich farmer was self-centered and made no provision to share his abundance with others. ■ Mary showed her devotion by anointing the Saviour with costly ointment. Josés, surnamed Barnabas, sold his land and gave the money to the church. Paul unselfishly counted all things loss to serve Christ. ■ The character of our missionary program may be viewed from these aspects of giving by an individual, church or denomination. In light of scriptural command, need and ability, one is guided in sharing his blessings. In my traveling, I have become more convinced that our land of America is a land of abundance. These blessings of God do not come without responsibility and accountability. "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully" (2 Corinthians 9:6). ■ The cry of physical need has brought many social programs into existence, but these do not meet man's greatest need. Better housing does not provide eternal life; bread can alleviate hunger but does not give peace; a cup of water quenches thirst but does not wash away sin. ■ The compassion of Jesus for the suffering multitude demonstrated not only His power to heal but also His power to forgive (Mark 2:9-11). His feeding of the thousands set Him forth as the true bread from heaven (John 6:14,35). The character of all our missionary activity is to reveal Christ. ■ I cannot forget the thousands of faces I have seen in Japan and India—old men and women bound in paganism who will never believe, young men and women caught in the isms of a moving and changing world too busy to look at eternity. ■ How can the masses be saved? We must send more missionaries and make more effective use of modern means of communications. Our literature ministry must be enlarged; radio and television time must be purchased. The cults and the communists have proved that literature is an effective means of gaining converts. The billion-dollar business of advertising on radio and television shows the effectiveness of these in communication. ■ A gospel tract placed in the hands of a young Cuban brings him to Christ and into the ministry. A gospel broadcast is heard by a young Japanese in a TB sanitarium; he is saved and becomes a lay leader in a Tokyo Free Will Baptist church. A Brazilian stands among the crowd on the street and hears the missionary tell of the peace of God and in Christ he too finds this peace. These are but a few of the living results of our missionary ministry made possible by your gifts. ■ God is to be praised for the growth of our ministry and our Free Will Baptists are capable of even greater things through Him. In one district association more than 20 churches reported no giving to foreign missions last year. In one state the giving is less than 50 cents per member for the year, while in another state the average is more than ten dollars per member. A church each in Georgia, California and Michigan averaged more than \$25 per member. This proves the job can be done. By God's grace, it must be done.

*J. Reford Wilson*