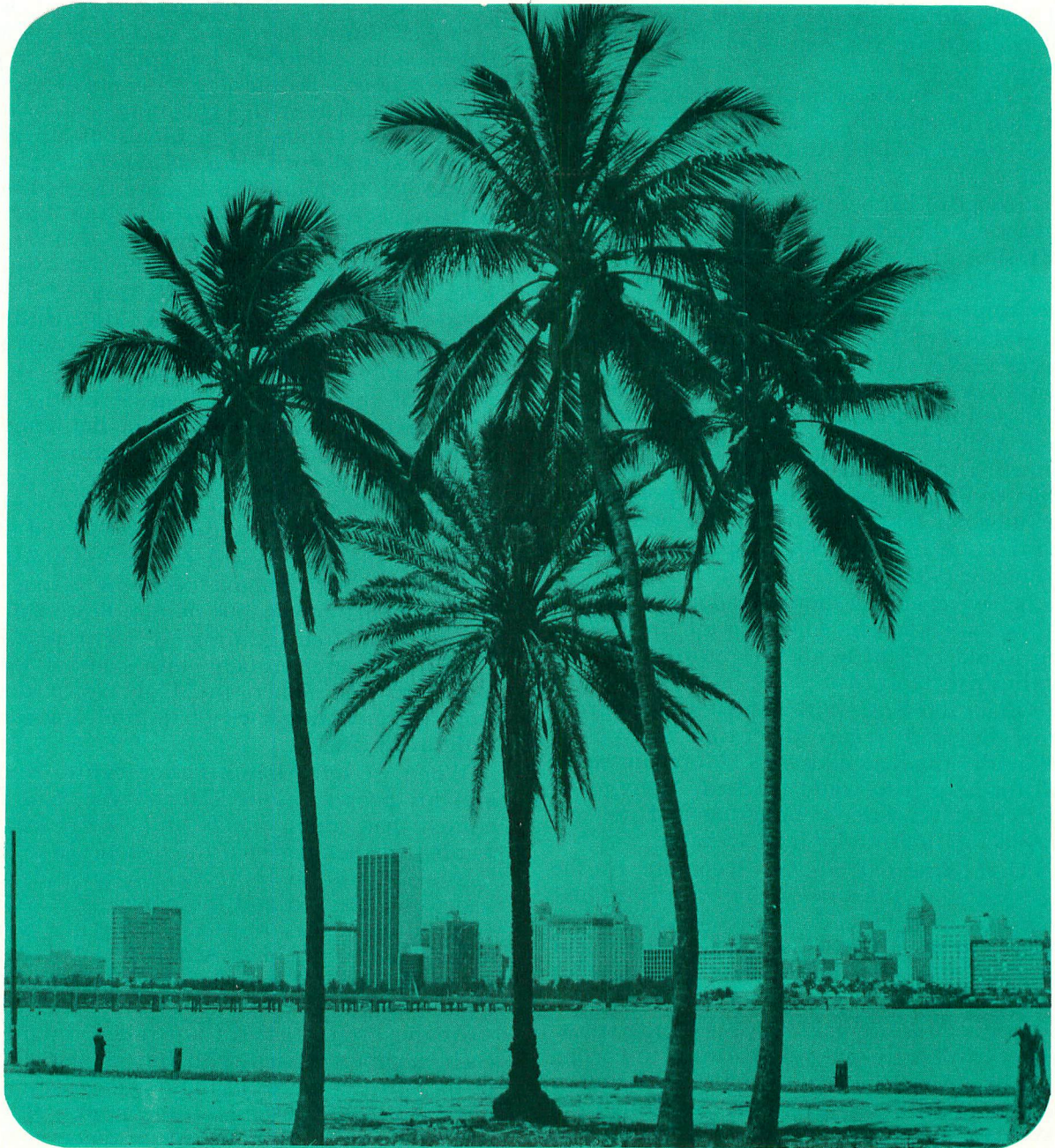


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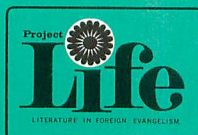
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A LIGHT FLICKS ON

by JERRY BALLARD

A SPECIAL



REPORT ON THE MIAMI CAMPAIGN

JUAN HERNANDEZ works hard. He goes to bed early. When we pushed the buzzer at his front door around 7:30 in the evening, he was already asleep. We hesitated to ring ►

A LIGHT FLICKS ON

► again, but somehow it seemed to be the thing to do. A light flicked on in the window of Hernandez' upstairs apartment. The curtains were pushed back and the window raised. "What is it?" the still slumbering voice questioned. "What do you want?"

"We're from Publicaciones Impacto," we informed him in Spanish, "and we've come to deliver the Gospel of John you requested. May we come up?"

Juan turned to his wife who had been working in the back of the apartment and said, "Go open the door. The men with the Gospel are here." He turned to us, now wide awake with enthusiasm, "Just a minute. We'll open the door."

Juan was one of 700 who responded to our special Easter season offer of the free Gospel of John in Spanish, a beautifully illustrated edition designed to capture the interest of anyone. The offer had been mailed to nearly 12,000 Cuban homes in the sprawling, bi-lingual city of Miami, reaching an estimated 30 percent of the refugee population with a full-color gospel pamphlet, the account of the resurrection from Mark's Gospel, and a letter explaining the offer.

"We believe everyone should read and study the Bible," we had written. The copy of the Gospel of John would be sent to all who returned the attractive business reply card.

More than 100 Free Will Baptist women from all across the country gave their time to type envelopes with supplied addresses. More answered the call for help than could be used. Many made donations to cover costs of materials and postage. All prayed for their addressees by name.

And God answered prayer. Response to the mailing was more than twice that of any similar campaign to date. Previous efforts have received from one and a half to two and a half percent returns. The Miami mailing netted a six percent return.

The object was to gain entrance into those Cuban homes where people were already interested in the Bible. A special Project LIFE (Literature in Foreign Evangelism) team of six students from Free Will Baptist Bible College were selected to assist Cuban Christians in Miami in making the contacts. Students were paired with Cubans, the student initiating the contact and the Cuban following through with the witness in Spanish. The team could handle only half the mail response, leaving the remainder to be processed by Cuban believers on their own and by mail. Working from April 7-14, the Project LIFE team made 350 deliveries.

Juan Hernandez was only one. But he was typical of many. Cubans are hospitable people by nature. Yet, they can very politely "turn you off" if

they aren't interested in what you have to say. Some did. Instead, Juan was one of the many who "turned us on."

He had been anxiously waiting to receive his free Gospel. His background? Typical Roman Catholic, "but I have two sons—one a Catholic and the other a Baptist," he explained. "I'm proud of them both." So the door was opened for a direct gospel witness. In explaining how to use the new Gospel of John, we pointed out key passages in the first and third chapters, especially John 1:1-13 and 3:1-21. John 3:16 is glorious good news in any language. Juan and his wife were both eager to study the Bible, and they gladly received their first two lessons of a 24-part home study course on John, which was offered each contact. They expressed the desire for further instruction and promised to attend the Spanish Free Will Baptist Church only a few blocks away.

Out of the 350 contacts made by the Project LIFE team, 131 were enlisted in the home study course with scores of others promising to think about it or "maybe I'll give it a try." As the remaining 350 are contacted, others no doubt will begin their search for truth in the Word of God.

Where this search will end is unknown. It is too early to talk about "decisions," since verbal commitments by people of non-Protestant backgrounds are often meaningless. Through Project LIFE, men are brought into contact with the Word of God. Then the Holy Spirit does His work of convicting men of sin and drawing them to Jesus Christ.

When we left Miami, Pastor Benito Rodriguez and his people of the Cuban Free Will Baptist church had their hands full. Forty-six people wanted further personal discussion. Scores of contacts were still to be made. Home-study courses had to be checked and the next lessons delivered. Our Publicaciones Impacto phone in Miami had already begun to ring as students called with comments about their new discoveries in the Word of God.

As the Project LIFE team rolled toward home, each member carried with him a new awareness of the spiritual needs of those who've never heard, a greater consciousness of the power of God to work through His Word, and a renewed commitment to be a part of God's team of witnesses scattered throughout the world. They left behind them a closely knit group of Cuban Christians whose eyes had been opened with the possibilities of personal witness. And they left the seed of the Word planted in the lives of hundreds who otherwise may never have been given the opportunity to know the gospel.

The Miami campaign isn't over. It has just begun. And it will not end until every Cuban is given his chance to believe and searching hearts come to know the Savior. □

AS A Project LIFE team member I was impressed that even though our time in Miami sometimes resembled a vacation we were on serious business. While we were sent by Project LIFE Control, in reality we were chosen for this task by the Lord himself. It was He who commanded us in Matthew 28:19-20 to spread the gospel over the face of the earth. Therefore, in Miami we were merely fulfilling a part of our life's commission. Perhaps more than any other thing, the necessity of extending the gospel lies foremost in our minds. Through this brief contact with some who had never before heard of a risen Savior, our eyes have been further opened to the existing need. Our team has been challenged by the fact that so many are still unreached by the gospel. It is a shame that they have never heard; it is a far greater shame that no one is telling them. Pray that the dedication of Christians will parallel the world's need.

PROJECT LIFE TEAM REFLECTIONS

WORKING WITH Project LIFE in Miami was indeed a blessing and a challenge to me. This work gave me a greater insight to the need of ministering the gospel to a world of lost souls. I enjoyed the hospitality and fellowship of the Spanish-speaking people, especially those we worked with. As the work progressed, the spiritual bond of fellowship grew. Why? Because the Lord's work was being done as Americans and Cubans worked together, speaking two different languages. Yet, we both shared the blessings in obeying our Lord's command: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

I LEFT FOR Miami on April 6 without knowing what to expect there. After eight days of meeting people of various walks in life, I found that all have the same hunger of the Word of Life and were eager to receive a portion of the Scriptures. My joy was clouded by a sad experience when my companion and I knocked at the door of a house, and a lady in her early 20's welcomed us into the living room where her husband and two other gentlemen were seated. When we had handed her the Gospel of John and explained the object of our visit, she replied that she and her husband are already receiving Bible lessons free of charge. Then she proceeded to introduce to us the two men and said, "We are very pleased to be able to study the Bible with these two gentlemen. They belong to the Jehovah's Witnesses." My heart is heavy as I wonder how much am I to be blamed for not having reached this family in time.



JIM LYLE



MIKE SPIKES



NOVIS EDWARDS



JOSEPH BRAGG



GERMAN VOGEL



CHARLES FRANCCN

IT IS ALWAYS a good feeling to know that you have helped someone. The last night that we were in Miami, we had a little get together at Benito's house. This was after we had finished passing out the gospels for that night. During this time each one there testified concerning the week that had just passed. I really received a great blessing when I heard the Cuban men say, "I had never done anything like this before. I never realized that it was so easy to witness to a person, a total stranger at that." I pray that the Lord will not let them forget how easy it is.

MY VISIT to Miami has been one which I will long remember. I thank God for giving me the privilege to serve Him among the Cubans. It was such a blessing to give the gospel to many who had not read it before. There were many things which impressed me, but the greatest impression was the fact that people the world over have a need just as you and I do, and that Christ died to meet the needs of all men everywhere.

MANY ENJOYABLE blessings were received while working with the Cuban people in Miami. The greatest of these to me was that of meeting and witnessing to those who had never heard the true gospel before. Second was the seminar taught by the Willeys each morning concerning the practical personal problems that are usually encountered on the mission field. The prayers of every Christian is desired for this work, seed planting, which was begun in Miami. Personally I feel that we were able to do very little, but I trust that the Lord will use it for His glory.



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EVANGELICAL PRESS ASSOCIATION

by EMMA RUTH WILLEY

a piece of ice and a word of prayer

IT HAD BEEN nearly two years since the girls and I had spent a night in our little thatch roof mission house in the bush village of Jenene, and I must confess that as I lay there with the sheet pulled up over my head I was meekly waiting for some dear scorpion or tarantula to fall on top of us. By one o'clock sleep still had not come, and I nearly jumped off the bed when suddenly a man's voice came out of nowhere, "Willey . . . Willey!"

The weary groan that came from Tom Willey at that moment represented eight months of grueling responsibility and nerve shattering problems to say nothing of the fact that we had just arrived at 5:00 that same afternoon. A 60-mile jeep ride might be a snap at times, but with rivers to ford, dry season dust to fight and a cow pasture road to drive, one arrives a bit "done for."

"Que paso? What is it? What's wrong?"

"Pardon us for bothering you at this hour," the man said, "but there is a woman on the other side of the river having attacks and her husband wants

to know if you'll take her to Panama to the hospital."

"But what kind of attacks? How does she react?"

The man went on to explain that the woman was having such severe headaches that even with four men they could not hold her still. "She's 'out of her head,'" he went on. "We keep calling her and she doesn't answer."

These are the times when one must indeed pray a "missionary prayer"—a problem at hand, an urgent need for which you have no preparation and very little knowledge; yet, they have nowhere else to turn. Since all of them thought it might be a cerebral hemorrhage Tom explained that if that were the case the rough jeep ride would probably do more harm. Even then, however, we could hear the screams piercing through the night and the man outside continued to wait.

Switching from Spanish to English Tom said to me, "What do you think it could be?" I had no idea what it might be and the only things that came to my mind at that moment were migraine headaches and ice. We both agreed that giving any type of medicine would be dangerous, for should the worse come, a superstitious people would invariably blame the treatment.

Finally my husband dragged himself up, dressed, chipped off a piece of ice from the cooler and crossed the river to see what could be done. As he began to question the woman's husband he found that the story went something like this:

"About 18 months ago her father died, and since then he has 'appeared to her' on several occasions to tell her that he left some money buried near a tree in a certain pasture. The money is for her, but she is to wait seven years, take one person with her, and then go to look for it. Tonight she 'saw him' again. The other times she has been very nervous and afraid, but this is the first time she has had the pain."

After briefly surveying the situation Tom told those standing around that he would first of all pray. The husband had never heard of the gospel, and few if any of the bystanders were believers. When he finished praying the woman said, "He's gone now; he won't be back."

Then Tom prepared cold compresses, placed one on her head and explained to the husband how to carry on the process. Within three to four minutes she was asleep and slept through the night. Was the problem altogether physical? Was Satanic power involved? Who can say.

Next morning during vacation Bible school I slipped out for a visit with the nearest neighbors. "How is the sick woman?" I inquired. "Did the ice help?"

"Yes," replied one, "it helped a lot, but as far as we are concerned the thing that really did the job was the prayer Tomás prayed. It drove the evil spirit away."

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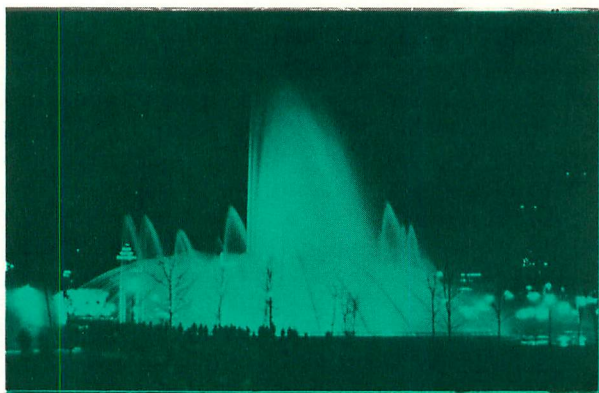
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

JULY 10-13, 1967



Once again Free Will Baptists turn their eyes toward a convention city for a week of fellowship, review and inspiration. More than 3,000 delegates, pastors and visitors will converge by auto, bus, train and plane (maybe even by boat, this year) on Jacksonville, Florida. Will you join friends from across the country who will make this the greatest convention on record? The "Sunshine State" awaits you! This year's theme:

TEACH OR PERISH



**HEAR MOVING MESSAGES
BY KEY PERSONALITIES**



**CONVENTION THEME
TEACH OR PERISH**

MILTON WORTHINGTON

is pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Tupelo, Mississippi. He will bring the keynote message on Monday night, July 10. His subject: "That Other Responsibility."



ROBERT SHOCKEY

is pastor of the Second Free Will Baptist Church in Ashland, Kentucky. He will speak on Tuesday night, July 11. His subject: "Thy Word is Truth."



LONNIE SPARKS

is a second-term missionary to Ivory Coast. He will return to the States on furlough to be our speaker Wednesday night, July 12. His subject: "Our Mission High Fulfilling."



LUTHER GIBSON

is pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Mountain Grove, Missouri. He will bring the closing message on Thursday morning, July 13. His subject: "Strength Through Maturity."



WITH THE conviction that it is not enough just to hold a sound system of doctrine, Free Will Baptists at this year's convention will examine the teaching responsibility of the church. Our theme is "Teach or Perish" and every attempt will be made to discover in what measure we have been communicating the truth of God's Word and how we may become more effective in the future.

This year, of all years, you should be present. For if you believe that the gospel is still relevant to our generation and that every Christian and the Church must effectively communicate that gospel, you should lend your support to this concern. Central to your opportunities are the four special preaching services which will bring spiritual challenge and enable you to evaluate the teaching ministry of your church.

Since we are meeting in the "Sunshine State" there are excellent opportunities for combining this trip to your denomination's annual convention with your summer vacation. Join your fellow Free Will Baptists in Jacksonville!

EVERY VOICE IS IMPORTANT

The ministry of the National Association is important to all Free Will Baptists. It is through the association that churches across America unite in programs of mutual concern. The voice of your church in business considerations is important. Be sure it is represented.

The procedure for registering a church delegate is a simple one. Elect one during a church business session and, if possible, pay all or part of his expenses to Jacksonville, Florida. Fill out the credential form appearing on the back page of this insert and have it signed by the pastor or church clerk. This signed credential form and the \$10.00 registration fee authorizes the delegate to represent his church with full privileges of a voting delegate.

It is important to note that delegates representing state associations also must have officially signed credentials to register as a delegate. Each state is allowed five delegates-at-large, but their registration is paid through state clerks when the state letter is mailed to Nashville. Where there is no state association, the section titled "Representation" in the By-Laws should be consulted to learn basis of representation.

PROGRAM



HIGHLIGHTS

FELLOWSHIP OF CHURCH MUSICIANS

Monday, July 10, 2:30 P.M.

Organized last year at Little Rock, this will be the second meeting of the fellowship which seeks to share knowledge of church music, methods and materials, and to improve the effectiveness of church music throughout the denomination.

WORKSHOP ON CAMPING

Monday, July 10, 1:30 P.M.

For all individuals interested in the camping program of their church, district or state. Conducted by Jack L. Franck, associate director of Christian Camps and Conferences.

WNAC FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Monday, July 10, 5:00 P.M.

Friendly get-together for all women of the auxiliary and others interested in this time of fellowship. Speaker: Anita Sparks, Ivory Coast. Theme: "The New Africa—Unlimited Opportunity."

YOUTH COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, July 11, 8:00 A.M.

National finals for Sword Drill, Bible Tic Tac Toe, Bible Bowl, Adventurer's Declamation, Herald's Declamation and Crusader's Declamation.

WOMAN'S NATIONAL AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Tuesday, July 11, 9:00 A.M.

Over 1,000 women are expected to register for a review of last year's work and to approve plans for next year. Theme will be "So Send I You" with Dave Franks, missionary to Brazil, featured speaker.

PASTOR'S WORKSHOP

Tuesday, July 11, 10:30 A.M.

"Building A Denominational Sunday School" will be the theme of the morning session. Roger C. Reeds and Harrold Harrison will be speaking. In the afternoon session, Wayne E. Buchanan, Jr., of Moody Bible Institute will give a demonstration on the use of visual aids in teaching.

YOUTH RALLY

Tuesday, July 11, 1:30 P.M.

For all young people attending the convention. The rally will feature The Bordermen in song and message. Immediately following, a field trip is planned for Learners and Adventurers (primary and junior age) to the Jacksonville City Zoo. Cost, including picnic supper: \$1.25.

PASTOR'S DINNER

Tuesday, July 11, 5:00 P.M.

Pastors 60 years of age and older will be our guests and will be given special recognition. Henry Melvin, whose ministry spans the 31 sessions of our association, will be the speaker.

HERALDS, CRUSADERS & AMBASSADORS BANQUETS

Tuesday, July 11, 5:00 P.M.

Separate banquets are planned this year, one for the Heralds and another for the Crusaders and Ambassadors. The Bordermen will present a program to a combined audience.

PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday, July 12, 7:00 A.M.

A time of prayer when all convention delegates may join together in common intercession for God's will to be done in the business sessions. Bonnie Hughes, pastor of Loyal Chapel Church, Columbia, Tennessee, will be the leader.

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

Wednesday, July 12, 7:30 A.M.

Short session planned for CTS leaders who work with Adventurers, Heralds and Crusaders.

MASTER'S MEN BREAKFAST

Thursday, July 13, 7:00 A.M.

Planned as a time of fellowship, inspiration and challenge for the laymen of the denomination. Speaker: Ray C. Turnage, superintendent of Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Greenville, Tennessee.



THE BORDERMEN

APPLICATION FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS



**31ST ANNUAL CONVENTION/JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
JULY 10-13, 1967**

Name _____ Children _____

Name _____

Address _____

Arrival Date _____ Arrival Time _____ Date of Departure _____

(Reservations will be cancelled at 6:00 P.M. unless late arrival indicated)

1st Hotel Preferred _____ 2nd Hotel Preferred _____

Type Accommodations and Rate _____

(If not available, next highest rate will be assigned)

Note: All hotels are within walking distance of the Civic Auditorium.

GEORGE WASHINGTON—HEADQUARTERS

Air Conditioned, Radio and TV, Free Parking. No charge for children under 14 and in same room.

Singles: \$7.00

Doubles: \$9.00

Twins: \$11.00

ROBERT MEYER

Air Conditioned, Radio and TV, Free Parking, Swimming Pool. No charge for children under 14 and in same room.

Singles: \$9.50

Doubles: \$13.50

Twins: \$15.00

ROOSEVELT

Air Conditioned, Radio and TV, Free Parking, Swimming Pool. No charge for children under 14 and in same room.

Singles: \$7.00

Doubles: \$9.00

Twins: \$11.00

MAYFLOWER

Air Conditioned, Radio and TV, Free Parking. No charge for children under 12 and in same room.

Singles: \$8.50

Doubles: \$11.50

Twins: \$12.00

MAIL THIS APPLICATION TO: FREE WILL BAPTIST CONVENTION BUREAU, P. O. BOX 538, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA.

All reservations will be confirmed by the convention bureau. Each request must give definite date and approximate hour of arrival. Be sure to include names and addresses of all persons who will occupy the rooms requested. Notify the convention bureau immediately if reservations have to be cancelled. Make your reservations before July 1, 1967.

↑ THIS PORTION OF PAGE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS ONLY ↓

DELEGATE'S OFFICIAL CREDENTIAL

Clip and bring to the registration table at the Civic Auditorium in Jacksonville.

THIS CERTIFIES that

_____ is a duly authorized delegate to the National Association of

Free Will Baptists from _____
(Church or State Association)

_____ of (if church, give city and state)

(Only one signature is required.)

Moderator or Pastor

Clerk or Secretary

IMPORTANT: All delegates representing a state, district association, or local church must present this form, properly signed to be registered.

BANQUET TICKETS

Clip and mail to: Tickets, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee 37202.

All banquets have been arranged for a certain number. To avoid disappointment, you are urged to order tickets early. No tickets will be mailed out or reserved without payment. Refunds are available through July 1, 1967. **Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request for tickets.**

Enclosed is my check or money order for the tickets indicated below:

- ☐ WNAC FELLOWSHIP DINNER—\$2.50
Monday, July 10, 5:00 P.M.
- ☐ PASTOR'S BREAKFAST—Free
(Pastors Only)
Tuesday, July 11, 7:00 A.M.
- ☐ PASTOR'S DINNER—\$2.50
(Pastors and their wives)
Tuesday, July 11, 5:00 P.M.
- ☐ HERALD'S BANQUET—\$2.50
Tuesday, July 11, 5:00 P.M.
- ☐ CRUSADER'S AND AMBASSADOR'S BANQUET—\$2.50
Tuesday, July 11, 5:00 P.M.
- ☐ LAYMAN'S BREAKFAST—\$1.75
Thursday, July 13, 7:00 A.M.

WITH YOUR MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD



PANAMA



Missionary Tom Willey, Jr., has gained a hearing for the gospel in bush areas of Panama by bringing in special medical help for Panamanians who live miles from doctors and dentists. (Staff photo)

BRAZIL

Jail Services, Bible Classes Quicken Pace

Pirassununga—More effort is being exerted to reach the lost in this city. God has opened new doors and results are being seen.

City jail services are conducted each Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Several prisoners have made salvation decisions.

The door to have jail services was opened in an unusual way. Missionary Louis Coscia went to police officials to secure permission to use a loud speaker for street services. While there, they talked with him about the need for a spiritual ministry among prisoners and asked if he would be interested.

A Bible club designed to meet the needs of the children has been started. Each Tuesday morning the children who live near the church gather to sing choruses, recite Bible verses, read the Bible and listen to the Bible lesson. Students are assigned various projects to help

create more interest and a better understanding of God's Word.

Prayer meetings in homes twice a week are proving a real blessing and source of power for the overall ministry. Church attendance has increased. Two young men recently made public salvation decisions.

First district youth rally was held at the Pirassununga church on March 25 with the Araras and Campinas churches cooperating. Two young people from each church competed in a sword drill for the banner. The Campinas church won. The next district rally is scheduled for June 24 at the Campinas church. "We feel these rallies will be a real spiritual help to the youth of our churches," Coscia reports.

Special evangelistic services were held here April 12-16. Rev. Manoel Simoes of Ribeirao Preto was the evangelist.

IVORY COAST

More Baptisms Reported As African Work Expands

Koun—Encouraging reports come from Ivory Coast stations as God continues to draw men to Himself from throughout the area.

A woman who had heard the gospel only one time six years ago when Bill Jones and Lonnie Sparks preached in her village came to the mission station here to say, "I've come to pray. I want to follow God now. I'm tired of following the fetishes (idols)." The planted seed brought forth fruit in season.

In Goumere, four more young people have made decisions. Both John and Romans are in use in mimeographed form. Luke 5 in tract form has been printed in Kulango and are in shipment from the States.

Eight young men and two women were baptized April 2 at Doropo. Regular services have been started in two more Lobi villages by Eddie Payne and Dr. LaVerne Miley.

Five attended a special three-day training institute at Koun. Excellent progress is reported in Agni literacy work with good interest seen in Bible classes.

Bill and Joy Jones experienced unusual blessing in a week of special services with missionary children at Bouake. "Virtually every child there consecrated themselves anew to the Lord," it is reported.

Odus Eubanks of Texas hands a check to General Director Wilson in partial payment of commitment for Lonnie Palmer vehicle. Texans hope to raise the remaining \$2,500 by August, 1967.





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"AND HOW SHALL THEY PREACH, EXCEPT THEY BE SENT" (Romans 10:15).

USE THIS PRAYER CALENDAR AS YOU REMEMBER
YOUR MISSIONARIES DAILY BEFORE THE LORD

SUNDAYS

AFRICA

■ Dr. LaVerne Miley requests prayer for wisdom from the Lord in the hospital building program. Pray also for an additional nurse of the Lord's choosing for the Doropo, Ivory Coast station.

■ Pray for the Lord to work mightily in the lives of native Christians that they will live holy lives before their people.

■ Pray for Kwame Mafo, an important elder in Goumere, Ivory Coast. Lonnie Sparks has been witnessing to him regularly. Pray for his soon conversion to the Lord.

■ Pray for believers in the Koun area who are isolated from missionaries by heavy spring rains. Pray that they will be faithful in witness.

MONDAYS

EUROPE STATESIDE

■ A survey of west-central France was made by Dan Merkh the last of March and first of April. (Watch

for full report in June issue.) He was deeply moved by the urgent needs seen as city after city was found with little or no gospel witness. "Six couples could be used immediately in this area," Merkh writes. "Let us earnestly pray that God will call forth some of our pastors and young people to this field."

■ Pray for a young French girl who has received the Lord through our ministry in Grenoble, France.

■ Begin now to pray for the coming annual session of the National Association to be held July 10-13 in Jacksonville, Fla., for God to be glorified in messages and business. Pray about attending yourself.

TUESDAYS

FAR EAST

■ Time is drawing near for the Fred Herseys to return to Japan to begin their third term of service, and their account is still seriously short of funds needed. As of May 1, the Hersey account was deficated \$171,91. The account must ac-

cumulate \$6,500 before the Herseys may return. They are due to return in August, thus the urgency of this need. Please pray for God's provision for His servants to return to their post in one of the world's neediest fields.

WEDNESDAYS

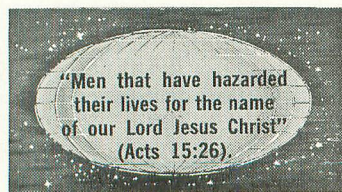
NEAR EAST

■ Visa needs stand at the top of the prayerlist for India. Pray that application for the Joe Haases to enter South India will be approved soon. A second application is being made for the Sherwood Lees to enter North India. Pray fervently for a miracle of God in granting permission for these to join a desperately shorthanded staff in the second largest population mass on earth.

■ The famine in India continues to take its toll not only in lives lost to starvation but also in unstable social and political conditions. Pray that God will use these days of hunger and unrest to create a thirst for the Lord Jesus Christ. Pray that missionaries may have extra strength for the multiple

PERSPECTIVE

ON THE WORD AND THE WORLD



by RUFUS COFFEY

THIS IS AN age of thrills, excitement and adventure seeking. Young people are especially looking for something spectacular. In their struggle for identification and recognition they are willing to do, dare and die for fame, acclaim and applause.

Amid the call of the world to brave dangers, risk perils in man's venture to outer space, young people are called to the regions beyond where Christ has not been named. This is not a soft task for

women. It is a hazardous job that calls for men.

Christ calls young people to sacrifice, to suffer, to achieve something worthwhile. He calls for true heroism in the greatest cause on earth, world evangelism.

Will you abandon your life to Christ and invest your talents in His service? Will you join the ranks of the immortal and hazard your life for the Lord on one of the mission fields of the world?

demands on their time, energies and resources.

- Pray for national pastors in South India as they expand efforts.

THURSDAYS

LITERATURE,
RADIO, FILMS

- Script discussions are underway on a missions documentary on the work in Ivory Coast, West Africa. Pray for the communications division that it will be led by the Lord in development of a motion picture that will be mightily used to stir hearts about missions.

- Pray for the more than 700 Cuban families who received the gospel into their homes through the recent Project Life Miami campaign. Pray that many will come to know the Lord as they study His Word. Pray also for those directing follow-up.

FRIDAYS

PORTUGUESE
AMERICA

- Pray for the Bobby Pooles as they take refresher study in Portuguese, the language of Brazil.
- Pray for the church in Ribeirao Preto as it seeks to purchase property on which to build a sanctuary. Pray that they will have the faith to trust the Lord to supply this need and that He will glorify Himself in His provision.

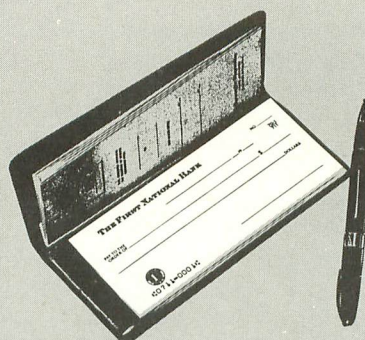
- Pray for the new bookstore ministry begun in Araras. Jim Combs is in charge. Pray that God will use it to strengthen the life and witness of local believers. Pray also for recent converts in this Brazilian city and surrounding area.

SATURDAYS

SPANISH
AMERICA

- Vacation Bible school in March enrolled 60 children in Panama City and 22 in Jenene, Panama. Evening evangelistic services saw 18 professions of faith. Pray for those who heard the gospel and especially for those who made decisions that they will mature in the Lord and become active witnesses.

- The church in Cuba continues to experience harrassments. (Watch for report in June issue.) Pray for strength to stay true to the Lord.



THE FINANCIAL STORY

FREE WILL BAPTIST
FOREIGN MISSIONS

MARCH 1967

CASH IN BANK MARCH 1, 1967.....\$40,982.72

RECEIPTS

State Quotas	\$38,323.74	
Other Income	242.72	38,566.46
		\$79,549.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Foreign Fields	\$25,669.68	
Travel & Promotion	8,820.50	
Administrative	5,796.34	40,286.52
		\$39,262.66

Exchange	12.00	
		\$39,250.66

UNEXPENDED FUNDS

Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Aldridge	\$ 3,627.63
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Aycock	4,579.51
Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Calvary	186.80
Rev. and Mrs. Jim Combs	1,486.18
Rev. and Mrs. Louis Coscia	914.75
Rev. and Mrs. Ken Eagleton	3,223.04
Rev. and Mrs. Walter Ellison	1,093.76
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Fulcher, Jr.	2,240.86
Rev. and Mrs. Estenio Garcia	1,847.95
Miss Ruby Griffin, M.D.	382.20
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Jones	3,820.97
Miss Ella Rae Jones, R.N.	3,457.93
Rev. and Mrs. Sherwood Lee	5,035.73
Rev. and Mrs. Archie Mayhew	292.50
Rev. and Mrs. Dan Merkh	3,075.81
Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley	11,385.24
Rev. and Mrs. Jim McLain	6,209.84
Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Palmer, Jr.	1,747.48
Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Poole	3,116.90
Miss Mary Ellen Rice	1,129.63
Rev. and Mrs. Norman Richards	3,991.44

Rev. and Mrs. Lonnie Sparks	279.77
Mrs. Josephine Stevens	561.19
Miss Patsy Tyson, R.N.	4,547.06
Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid	1,643.22
Rev. and Mrs. Tom Willey, Jr.	2,019.71
Africa Medical Building	5,931.39
Africa Bible Institute	277.80
Africa Vehicle	114.15
Brazil Vehicle	1,332.19
Furlough Car Loan Fund	954.26
Mayhew House	3,660.08
North India Building	374.27
Repatriation	3,370.73
Deed of Trust	3,000.00
	90,911.97

DEFICIT ACCOUNTS

Miss Molly Barker, R.N.	\$ 685.51
Rev. and Mrs. Dan Cronk	3,434.56
Rev. and Mrs. Earnie Deeds	2,449.95
Rev. and Mrs. Dave Franks	136.50
Rev. and Mrs. Howard Gage	896.25
Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna	2,282.96
Rev. and Mrs. Fred Hersey	396.69
Miss Eula Mae Martin, R.N.	563.09
Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Payne	202.22
Rev. and Mrs. Bill Phipps	3,040.02
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robinson	2,139.35
Rev. and Mrs. Don Robirds	3,926.05
Rev. and Mrs. Sam Wilkinson	1,107.05
Rev. and Mrs. Tom Willey, Sr.	2,853.82
Miss Volena Wilson	1,753.20
Audio-Visual	16,821.97
Brazil Bible Institute	300.81
Cuba Emergency Relief Fund	3,117.05
Operational Fund	5,554.26
	\$51,661.31

CASH IN BANK APRIL 1, 1967.....\$39,250.66

STATE QUOTAS—1967

STATE	MARCH RECEIPTS	QUOTA	TOTAL RECEIPTS	UNDER QUOTA	OVER QUOTA
Alabama	\$ 879.61	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 2,640.37	\$ 12,359.63	\$
Alaska		300.00		300.00	
Arizona	574.86	2,500.00	612.03	1,887.97	
Arkansas	1,462.22	15,500.00	4,954.52	10,545.48	
California	1,692.57	34,000.00	5,933.50	28,066.50	
Colorado	28.43	1,250.00	93.88	1,156.12	
Florida	1,016.87	15,000.00	2,957.69	12,042.31	
Georgia	2,749.24	23,500.00	6,074.36	17,425.64	
Hawaii		250.00	45.00	205.00	
Idaho	37.58	500.00	160.18	339.82	
Illinois	959.86	13,500.00	2,333.79	11,166.21	
Indiana	250.86	3,750.00	646.43	3,103.57	
Iowa	170.50	1,500.00	557.39	942.61	
Kansas	141.30	3,500.00	465.21	3,034.79	
Kentucky	301.43	6,500.00	1,371.04	5,128.96	
Louisiana	67.14	250.00	68.14	181.86	
Maine	80.00	2,000.00	290.00	1,710.00	
Michigan	3,655.56	50,000.00	10,066.53	39,933.47	
Mississippi	541.51	7,250.00	1,143.65	6,106.35	
Missouri	2,274.85	34,000.00	7,881.51	26,118.49	
Nebraska		250.00		250.00	
New Brunswick, Canada	5.00	250.00	26.00	224.00	
New Hampshire	57.74	1,000.00	136.84	863.16	
New Mexico	99.55	1,000.00	232.23	767.77	
North Carolina	6,330.74	60,000.00	16,728.54	43,271.46	
Ohio	1,732.72	19,000.00	4,119.16	14,880.84	
Oklahoma	3,022.59	45,000.00	10,253.01	34,746.99	
Oregon	17.61	250.00	105.95	144.05	
South Carolina	3,023.15	25,500.00	7,248.50	18,251.50	
Tennessee	4,080.91	40,500.00	10,573.49	29,926.51	
Texas	1,091.43	15,000.00	2,782.64	12,217.36	
Virginia	1,332.45	15,000.00	3,632.53	11,367.47	
Washington	51.81	750.00	143.72	606.28	
West Virginia	593.75	12,500.00	1,942.79	10,557.21	
Miscellaneous	214.20	3,265.57	2,554.29	711.28	
Total	\$38,537.94	\$469,315.57	\$108,774.91	\$360,540.66	



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GOD OF THE IMPOSSIBLES ■ I do not stand at the Red Sea or Jordon River where God rolls the waters back. I do not see physical giants or Jericho walls to conquer. But I am confronted with 20th century "isms"—liberalism, materialism and communism. The Inspired Bible interests the minds of all ages in an endless search for its eternal truths. The expanding field of scientific knowledge and limitless space induces man to incredible explorations. The impossibles seem more possible. ■ The world's population is growing ten times faster than the church. How can we win the world to Christ is not the question. But how can we preach the gospel, *how can we give everyone at least one chance to hear* is the question. Is it possible to reach the ears of more than three billion souls with the message? But 1973 the Coca Cola company has planned to make its product available to every person. ■ God has not commanded the impossible. If every church broadcasting the gospel at home where people have heard and heard and heard again would sponsor a broadcast where some have never heard, we could spread the message. ■ If churches would give as much for foreign literature as they spend for literature at home where people have read and read and read again, we could place the gospel in hands which have never held the message. ■ If one church cannot financially support a missionary family, three or four churches could possibly underwrite the work of a missionary. ■ Last month our staff and several women in the Nashville area stuffed nearly 40,000 letters. They were letters with a heart appeal. We asked ourselves—will our people understand? Will the letter be tossed aside? Will it sound like a beggar? What response can we expect? Will deficit accounts be cleared? How long must we observe a "hold the line" policy? We were reminded that our God can do the impossible.