

Heartbeat

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Planning for IMPACT

in a land of idolatry





Planning for IMPACT

by Herbert Waid

Impact! Outreach! Yes, encounter in the homes and hearts of Japanese people. That is what we want!

For more than eleven years we have lived and labored in this community in the city of Sayama on the outskirts of metropolitan Tokyo, Japan. And for the past eight years we have had some type of outreach. But we want to make an even greater impact with a greater outreach than ever.

Missionary Fred Hersey began the work here. We continued the work and later turned it over to a young national pastor as we assumed the role of supplementing the church meetings with home meetings, mainly in our home. We had informal youth meetings and even cooking classes for un-churched wives. Meanwhile, Fred started a new work in another community of the same city.

With less than one per cent of Japan's population being Christian, opportunity is everywhere. But evidence of the opportunity and need in this area is seen in the recent opening of meeting places by two other mission groups. Another is also investigating possibilities of a future work here.

The cults are actively engaged in the area: Jehovah's Witnesses, Mormons, Seventh-Day Adventists and others. But the false religions of the east claim the larger number of followers: Buddhism, Shintoism, and Deism. And an ancient militant Buddhist sect recently revived, Soka Gakkai, always draws the largest plurality of votes in our city elections. Then one other striving force, Communism, has had a taste of unprecedented success through the takeover of many high offices including the mayorship of Tokyo.

To gain a true perspective of need, one should know that 60% of Japan's 102 million people are

under the age of 19. These young people lack purpose of life because of the social and religious upheaval following World War II. Communism and Soka Gakkai are moving in to meet the need caused by this void.

Besides the military young men from the Japanese Air Force Base here, we have several factories, such as Honda Automobile, with their dormitories filled with young men and women away from home. Our city also has two high schools (all Japanese high schools are private) which draw commuting young people from this area.

If we limit ourselves to our area alone, the city of Sayama, we have 22,686 households with 38,300 males and 34,446 of the weaker sex to whom we can minister. And with the crushing population of Tokyo overflowing in our direction, this is a rapidly growing area.

Yet, with this great number of people in our city, the five evangelical groups—two Free Will Baptist, two T.E.A.M., and one O.M.S.—are touching very few. If one subtracts the missionaries and pastors, on any given Sunday perhaps 25 Sayama adults might be in the morning worship hour. This is like having 70 people in church in all of Nashville on a Sunday morning. Or it would be like having 40 people in Raleigh, N.C., or 30 people in Richmond, Calif. or Royal Oak, Mich., on a Sunday morning.

What might be the answer for greater impact? We certainly can't afford to sit and wait for people to come and knock on our door—few have. Nor can we just continue dishing out the gospel in our churches with the people out of hearing on the outside.

There is an answer! But if it be true that people reject our Christ because they do not know Him and we cannot introduce them because they don't know and trust us, then by all means we must make friends. And though we would like to make this encounter on a spiritual level from the beginning, if the local man is going to want to meet us half-way, we must offer a service he desires. Only after establishing our good will in a man's mind, will we have a basis for man-to-man friendship. Then we hopefully can introduce him to our Greatest Friend.

Besides this indirect aggressive evangelism, there is a great potential for so-called "passive evangelism." We have found that when we have

been able to establish friendship with the Japanese, our Christian home and normal Christian lives have had a greater impact than words which were spoken. But still, the key is encounter! For no matter how pure, good, or right we are, if we are isolated from the people by superstition, fear, ignorance, or shyness, we will fail in evangelism. As long as they fear the "white devil" or believe that "only church members can go to church" or that "Christians don't get any fun out of life", we have no basis for communication. We must find ways to help them jump these hurdles.

We have proposed an Evangelism/Encounter Center for Sayama. This would give us the basic tools to get the job started. God's blessing on dedicated, talented, and trained personnel will get the job done. But without the facilities, we can hardly get started. A driver is more important than his car, but he is not very efficient without one. And God is working even now in the lives of some key Japanese young people, preparing them to do their part.

What we would like to do is use a multiple approach. If possible, we would offer "custom bait" to each member of the community and a specialized spiritual service for each group. We would offer cooking classes for mothers, English classes graded according to abilities, informal hours set according to age, etc. We would hopefully offer ladies' morning services and evening youth rallies as well as regular church services.

Yes, these are our plans for impact and outreach. But other factors are entering the picture as our present Irumagawa (the main community of Sayama) church is being pressured to move. The present site can no longer be rented. The landlord has offered to sell the church an alternate site when it opens for development. He desires the present church site since it is a more prime business area. This gives the church some leverage but it is God's will that counts.

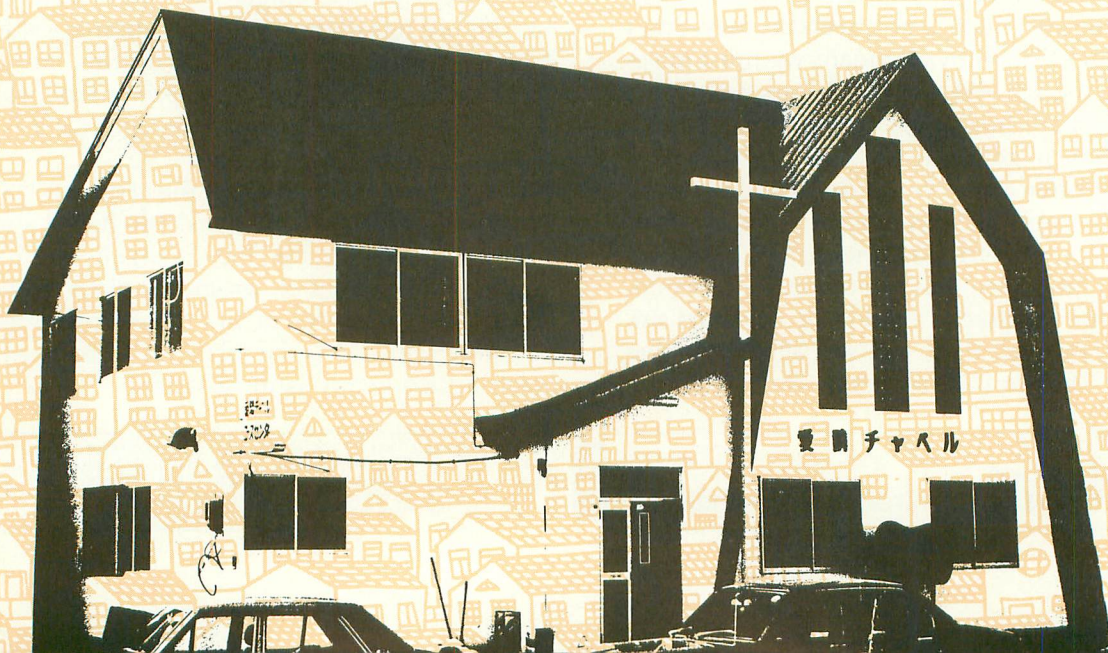
Last August I met with the Foreign Missions Board and presented my plans. The Board approved a \$35,000 project for the Evangelism/Encounter Center, but personnel, program, place and finally money are the order of my prayer priorities. Will you pray with us as we plan for impact and outreach in this needy land of Japan?



by Olena McLain

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

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Will you please teach me English?" "Do you have an English class at your church?" How many times do missionaries to Japan hear these questions? To be truthful, I got to the place these questions were repulsive. After all, was that all the Japanese people thought we had come thousands of miles to do—teach English? At times it seemed we would get bogged down teaching English and our purpose for coming would be lost.

Then during the worship service on Sunday morning I would look at the fine looking young deacon leading the service and remember he came to the church to study English. At the Airin Chapel English class he met young people from the church. He began to understand that the missionary who was teaching him English also had a greater message for him. He kept coming, kept hearing the gospel, and in time give his life to the Lord, he became a faithful deacon of the church.

At the same time I could look at the young mother sitting next to me during the worship service who was the deacon's wife. She came to Airin Chapel from across the city, about an hour's bus ride, to study English one night a week. There she received an invitation to worship services and started attending regularly on Sunday morning. Soon she realized the gift of peace, joy, and eternal life offered to her by Jesus Christ was what she had been seeking. She was saved, baptized, became a Sunday school teacher, and met a Christian who later became her husband. Now she has a Christian home and two lovely little girls that have been dedicated to the Lord.

These are just two examples of people who have come to study English. Not every one who comes to study attends church, but English classes have proven to be a very good method of contact. Many times people come expressing a desire to learn English, when really they are looking for an answer to a need in their life, and are just using a round-about approach to find the answer. They may feel that Christianity has the answer to their need, but they will not express this.

I was surprised when Wesley Calvery asked me if I would take his classes at Sapporo University while he was on furlough. I was a teacher of children—not a college teacher. But here was a wide open door to hundreds of young people. Thursday of each week I went to the university and taught English to approximately 100 junior college girls. Then I went into the regular university section to teach American Customs and Culture to a class of juniors and seniors.

There were days when I wondered if this was a waste of time. Was I really fulfilling the purpose of our being in Japan? Then in the Sunday evening meetings geared for young people I would see three or four girls from my English classes, or a couple of fellows from the university.

One young man kept coming and was saved during the Saturday night youth meetings. He became



a faithful member of the church.

No, it was not a waste of time! Some had come in contact with the gospel that otherwise might not have been reached. The seed was sown and that is the first step in building for the future.

Jim had to step in as pastor when the Calverys left for furlough. Language was still a problem and he had to depend upon the laymen to help. They took more and more of the responsibility of the church program. Layman participation has seemed to be one of the facets that has helped the church in Sapporo grow.

When the Calverys came back from the states Jim, along with Bob Partee from Arkansas, Larry Condit, a short term missionary from California, and members of the church literally began building for the future. They built a new, larger sanctuary with an adjoining youth center. They labored from early morning until late at night. Again the church people took responsibility and learned lessons of the Lord's faithfulness in helping to meet problems and supplying needs.

We saw the Lord work in another way. The Japanese church members began to realize their responsibility of taking the gospel to their own people. Perhaps more thrilling than leading a soul to Christ is seeing a babe in Christ witness to others and give his personal testimony about the saving power of Christ, then lead someone to the Lord.

At the present time four young people from the church in Sapporo are attending Christian colleges preparing themselves to carry the gospel to their own people.

How do missionaries build for the future? The same way a building is constructed: by laying a *foundation* of the Word of God, then building plank by plank. The missionary hopes to complete a building that will stand alone. Then he can move on to begin another.

CRISIS!

by Janie Aldridge



When Samuel walked into the living room that evening, I knew something was wrong. Frustration and anxiety characterized his countenance, and his spirit—a man who had taken a beating from the Lord: “Madame, if Jeanne keeps Simon in that village two more days, he will die. I’ve seen it happen too many times.”

My husband and I first became acquainted with Jeanne and Samuel not long after arriving in Boudoukou. After several weeks of contact and conversation with Samuel in his bookstore, Jimmy invited him to our home for a visit; Jeanne came, too. This was the first of many visits. We learned that he had grown up in the family of Prince Adringa. After the Prince was killed in an auto accident, Samuel was put out on his own. Through sheer determination and hard work, he has become a successful businessman.

Samuel told us that he and Jeanne were not legally married, but had mutually consented to live together (this is the practice in Africa). After two years together, Jeanne, a beautiful, educated girl, was expecting her second child.

Samuel was open and interested in our message of a new life in Christ. After several months he came to understand and accept this gift. Like a child, he was thrilled and amazed at the new world opening before him. Night after night he would come for “another feeding”, often exclaiming, “Why, nobody ever told that before!”

Months rolled by before Jeanne began coming to church, bringing her two children, Charles and the new baby Simon Peter. It was after the flash card series “Pilgrim’s Progress” that she was ready to pass through the “gate of decision.” We were thrilled!

Now as Christian adults, the big question loomed before them: “What to do about marriage?” Their culture said continue as you are, but they were learning a “new culture” or way of life revealed in God’s Word. The demands seemed too great! One man, one wife, for a lifetime! “Is this possible for an African man?” he asked. “Yes,” was our answer, “and God’s way is the best.”

Next came months of turmoil. The decision was hard to make. Did he really love her? Could he be faithful to her only? All we

could do now was pray, asking God to work in them "both to will and to do His good will." Time passed. He was avoiding the decision, giving himself more and more to his business. We changed our prayer, "Lord do something. Don't let them get away from you."

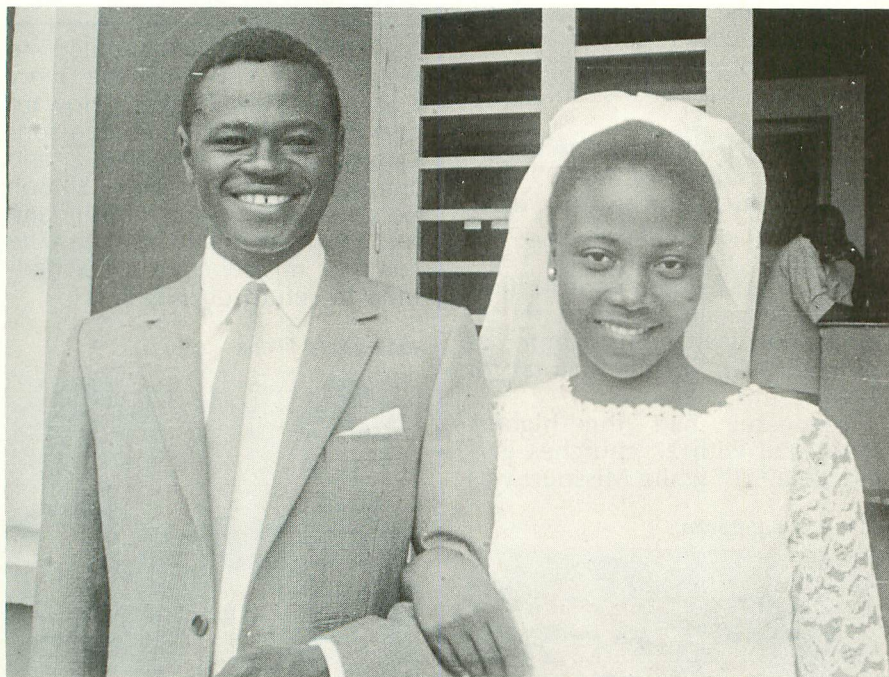
Jeanne and Samuel were miserable. Realizing they could not, as Christians continue to live together in adultery, they decided on their own to live separately for a three month period and then decide definitely. By this growth and understanding, we were encouraged. She returned to her village. Then baby Simon became ill. The change back to swamp water and corn meal mush was too much. Continuous vomiting and diarrhea caused serious dehydration. Samuel went to visit Jeanne but was unprepared for the shock of finding Simon near the point of death.

This was when he came to us that evening asking for help. We went to her village the next morning to see what we could do. Upon arrival we were greeted by the chief, Jeanne's father, who sent word to her that we had come. She came quickly,

her face beaming. As usual she placed Simon in my arms, but I, too, was unprepared for what I saw. Could this be Simon, who a few weeks before was a healthy, laughing, cooing (only to Madame) baby? I wanted to cry! I now held a thin, shriveled-skinned, listless child who stared at me with vacant, sunken eyes. How could it be possible!

Realizing the baby must have immediate care and medicine, we asked Jeanne if she would return to Bondoukou, not as Samuel's "wife" like before, but for Simon's sake. Samuel understood that in their present situation, he had no right or authority over Jeanne nor the children—that they did not belong to him. The decision was Jeanne's. Yes, she would return. Then, Samuel said in tears, "We can't go on like this." At that moment he realized how much he loved and cared for her and the children.

Six weeks later, Baby Simon was in good health again. The wedding gown was made. And our hearts sang out, "O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvellous things; his right hand, and his holy arm hath gotten him the victory."



M.K. Viewpoint

by Becky Robinson

I was born in Costa Rica and came to Uruguay with my parents when I was two months old. I've lived here all my life except for two years we were home on furlough. During this time I went to school in Michigan and it was a real change for me. It was the first time I had ever been to an English School.

I go to a Spanish speaking school here and have learned to read and write in Spanish. The school year in Uruguay is from March to December, and my classes are from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The schools here aren't as nice as the schools in the States. The teachers yell a little and get on my nerves, but I get used to it. Really, they're pretty good teachers.

Christmas is in the summer here. What a difference! No snow and ice like we have in Michigan. I remember the first time I saw snow. It was Christmas season in 1966 when we arrived in Detroit on our first furlough. I had a lot of fun playing in the snow.

I was saved in the States when I was five years old. I remember that I had been watching a television program. I was frightened, and in bed when I called for Mom. She got out of bed and showed me the plan of salvation. She told me I could trust in the Lord and He would take care of me!

I am happy being an M.K. But sometimes I feel sad: This past furlough I made some good friends and I couldn't stand the thoughts of saying "goodbye." Still I'm glad to be back in Uruguay.

I've been helping in the work since we've been back. I play our little portable organ and the accordian. I help on Sundays and at times on Friday. I also teach Bible stories to some small kids in our church in Santa Teresa. You see, I feel as much responsibility as my parents to win souls to the Lord.



emphasis: world

EVENTS OF NEWS AND PRAYER SIGNIFICANCE

baptized 27

Agua Buena, Panama—Missionary Bill Fulcher reports he baptized 27 people here on April 8. Part of those baptized were the fruit of a recent revival in which 14 made professions of faith in Christ.

At a recent film showing here approximately 150 people were present.

Bill indicated the church anticipates an official church organization soon.

special meetings

Tokyo, Japan—Special meetings are being held here each month in an attempt to reach new people, according to a recent report from Missionary Fred Hersey.

He reports that some 35 new contacts attended a special meeting in February and some 50-70 attended a more recent 5-day children's meeting.

Fred is also teaching English conversation classes for adults on Sunday afternoons in an attempt to reach unsaved young adults.

ellison, franks return

Nashville, Tenn.—The Walter Ellisons and the Dave Franks are scheduled to return to Brazil near the end of this month. This will be the third term of service for the Ellisons and Pat Franks and the fourth for Dave.

Dave and Pat will begin a new work in the area of Barbacena

dub and marcia ellison



where the Bob Aycocks are working.

Dub and Marcia Ellison will return to Livramento on the Brazil-Uruguay border where they have worked their two previous terms.

poole reports on institute

Ribeirao Preto, Brazil—According to Missionary Bobby Poole, the Bible Institute being conducted in the church here has four students enrolled for the semester. Courses being offered are Child Evangelism, Bible Synthesis, and Personal Evangelism.

Bobby indicated that a good number had expressed interest in studying next semester.

call-a-thon response good

Nashville, Tenn.—The 1973 Call-a-thon Sunday proved to be much more effective than that of the previous year as a total of \$15,003.28 was reported to the missions office by telephone. This beat last year's total by \$5,555.06.

Some 181 churches with an average offering of \$82.89 per church participated in this year's Call-a-thon, compared to only 153 which participated last year.

The largest single contribution was once again recorded by St. John's Free Will Baptist Church of Patrick, S.C., giving a total of \$718.13 this year.

Tennessee had the highest state total with 27 churches giving \$2,566.57 while Missouri was

dave and pat franks



second high with 21 churches giving \$1,602.46.

Much of the credit for this year's Call-a-thon success can be attributed to those who helped in a telephone brigade to remind pastors of the special day.

Following is a list of states with the number of churches participating from each and the state total:

State	Churches Participating	Amount
Alabama	11	\$1,123.80
Arizona	1	60.00
Arkansas	13	657.61
California	7	471.61
Florida	11	739.13
Georgia	9	497.67
Idaho Assn.	1	246.25
Illinois	9	912.65
Indiana	2	86.79
Iowa	1	29.00
Kentucky	4	410.62
Maryland Assn.	5	251.26
Michigan	8	620.39
Minnesota	1	42.50
Missouri	21	1,602.46
New Hampshire	2	30.77
North Carolina	8	1,199.22
Ohio	12	738.98
Oklahoma	8	521.73
South Carolina	5	1,003.58
Tennessee	27	2,566.57
Texas	4	262.00
Virginia	4	267.92
West Virginia	7	660.77

leave for ivory coast

Nashville, Tenn.—Scheduled to leave New York for the Ivory Coast on May 28 were Howard and Joan Filkins, their three sons Danny, David and Dale; and summer missionaries Sharon Roberts, Alice Faye Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Crowson. The summer missionaries are scheduled to return on July 27.

the howard filkins



every home crusade

Rennes, France—"With our team of students this year we have done a lot of literature work, making and distributing thousands of pieces of literature," writes Joe Haas. "Right now we are doing an Every Home Crusade in our city and are already seeing some fruit from this work."

Joe reports that the Bible Clubs are also producing prospects for the church. Five persons reportedly were saved during the past month.

Joe writes concerning a family in Rennes, "Five of their six children have been saved since we returned from the U.S. One afternoon a few weeks ago Barbs and I felt the Holy Spirit leading us to visit again in their home and present the Good News. They (the mother and father) accepted Him into their hearts."

"mom" willey improved

Panama City, Panama—Mrs. Mabel "Mom" Willey reports that her health has improved after a borderline sugar flareup which hospitalized her earlier. First report was that she had "the flu bug." Recent tests showed her body was assimilating sugar normally again. She was to undergo another test at the end of April.

Treatment for the ailment was strictly by diet without the use of medication.

missionaries arriving

Nashville, Tenn.—Scheduled to arrive in the U.S. for furlough on May 22 were the Bill Fulchers

france—witnessing for Christ



from Panama. They will be home only during the summer months.

Also scheduled to arrive home this summer are the Jimmy Aldridges from Ivory Coast and the Ken Eagletons from Brazil. Actual dates and places of arrival were not known at press time.

mission board meets

Nashville, Tenn.—The Board of Foreign Missions met here May 7-9 in their annual session.

An annual budget of more than one million dollars was proposed for 1974.

In other action the board interviewed three couples and two single girls. Miss Mirial Gainer was approved for a short-term special assignment in France. (No other official appointments were made at the meeting.)

On Monday evening the general director's wife, Jean Wilson, reported on their trip to Ivory Coast and France earlier this year. Dr. L. C. Johnson was also on hand to give observations on the trip he and his wife made to Panama and Brazil in January of this year.

Board officers elected were Dr. Joe Ange, chairman, Rev. Raymond Riggs, vice chairman; and Rev. Rolla Smith, secretary.

news briefs

Ribeirao Preto, Brazil—The privilege of acting as chaplain for a 53-room modern hospital here has been extended to Missionary Bobby Poole. Pray for him in this special ministry.

Norman, Okla.—Larry Miley, student at Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College here and son of Missionaries Dr. and Mrs. LaVerne Miley, left May 12 for Ivory Coast, West Africa. He was

ivory coast
mrs. wilson



richards—
"money tree"



accompanied by another student, Dennis Staggs of Lawton, Oklahoma.

Nashville, Tenn.—Summer missionaries Lloyd Donica and Tom McCullough were scheduled to leave May 23 for France. Stoney Creech was to leave May 21 to spend the summer in Panama.

Searcy, Ark.—Missionary Norman Richards was turned into a living money tree here on April 15, in a special effort to raise money for Call-a-thon Sunday. He was turned green with \$81 for the special event.

Nashville, Tenn.—Brenda Hanna, daughter of Missionaries Carlisle and Marie Hanna, was scheduled to depart May 22 for a visit with her parents. She plans to return from India on July 6.

annual meeting

Jaboticabal, Brazil—The annual Fellowship Meeting of the Brazil churches was held here on April 21. Approximately 275 persons were present for the meeting.

Among the events of the day was the election of officers as a first step toward organization into an association of churches.

Also included on the program was the ordination of Laercio da Silva to the gospel ministry. He is pastor of the Campinas church.

to help in building

Bixby, Okla.—Mr. and Mrs. Don Allen left May 7 for Ivory Coast, West Africa. Mrs. Allen is a sister of Missionary Judy Bryan. Mr. Allen will be helping Missionary Howard Gage with some of the finish carpentry work on the new dormitory in Bouake.

fellowship meeting



view from this side

editor's catchall

BOOKS ON THE OCCULT

MORE AND MORE the occult is becoming the "in thing" here in America. I am amazed at the number of new books out on the subject, both for and against.

While I see a danger in becoming overly anxious and "involved" in combatting the movement, there is a definite place for more truthful knowledge about the subject of the occult and its inherent dangers.

Some have asked me about a list of books on the subject. I cannot give a complete list of books available on the subject, but I would like to call your attention to a few. These should help you know more about the matter from a biblical standpoint. I do not necessarily agree with all that these authors may say, however, one should be able to gain some insight through reading these books:

Christianity and the Occult, by J. Stafford Wright, Moody Press, \$.75; *Satan Is Alive and Well on Planet Earth*, by Hal Lindsey, Zondervan, \$2.25; *The Christian and*

the Occult, by Roger C. Palms, Judson Press, \$2.50; *Satan, Satanism and Witchcraft*, by Richard W. DeHaan, Zondervan, \$.95; *The Spirit World*, by McCandlish Phillips, Victor Books, \$1.45; *What About Horoscopes?*, by Joseph Bayly, David C. Cook, \$.95; *The Fortune Sellers*, by Gary A. Wilburn, Regal Books, \$1.25; *Demon Experiences in Many Lands*, a compilation, Moody Press, \$.50; *The Wierd World of the Occult*, compiled by Walker I. Knight, Tyndale House, \$1.25; *I Talked with Spirits*, by Victor H. Ernest, Tyndale House, \$1.95; *Are Demons for Real?*, by Robert Peterson, Moody Press, \$.75.

The following two books would be better for pastors and more mature Christians:

Christian Counseling and Occultism, by Kurt E. Koch, Kregal Publications, \$4.50; *Biblical Demonology*, by Merrill F. Unger, Scripture Press, \$2.95.

The February, 1973, issue of *Eternity* magazine had an excellent article by Hal Lindsey entitled, "Hal Lindsey on Jeane Dixon." It is a good treatment concerning the "authenticity" of this "prophetess." Mr. Lindsey treats the matter kindly, yet very biblically.

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Henry Van Kluyve

WHAT WILL IT DO?

Have you ever seriously considered the value of a missionary conference/crusade to the overall ministry of the local church? Will it enhance the spiritual growth? Will it serve to increase my attendance? Will the church's giving go up?

Yes, a well-planned, prayed-over missionary conference will do something for your church:

1. *It will invite God's special blessings.* As the church obeys the command in scripture to proclaim Christ to all nations, unusual and extraordinary blessings will be poured out upon the total church program.

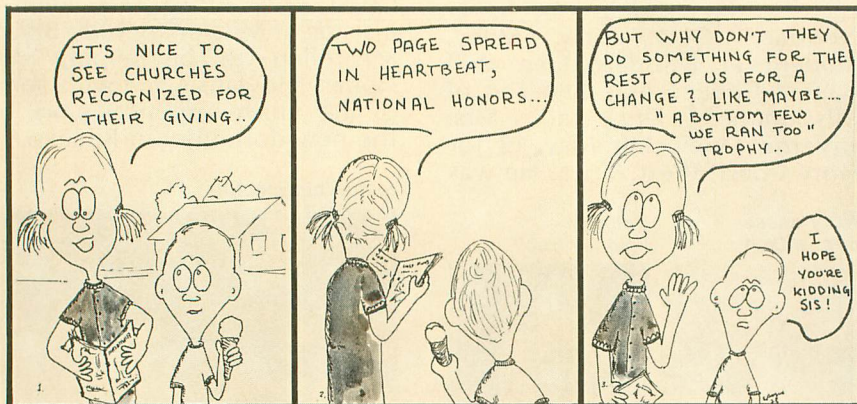
2. *It will allow the Holy Spirit to deal with individual hearts.* A regular diet of missions will incite people to a greater involvement. The missions capsule contains all the ingredients necessary to produce a healthy Christian.

3. *It will broaden the church's vision and increase the burden for souls the world over.* When a missionary crusade is initiated in the pastor's heart and given a regular place on the church calendar, it serves to call the people to lift up their eyes and catch a glimpse of what God sees. (See John 4:35.)

4. *It will deepen lives spiritually through personal (faith promise giving) involvement.* It will add a measure of depth to the church, both individually and collectively.

5. *It will create a closer tie between pastor and pew.* On many occasions I have viewed the pastor's glowing countenance as he looked over the faith promise cards after the services. In some cases he expressed amazement at what some pledged to do for Christ's cause. In other cases he wondered how they would fulfill their venture of faith. But, overall, he rejoiced to see his flock follow the Shepherd.

payne's people



'out of my heart'

J. Reford Wilson

"SHOW US GOD"

Philip asked Jesus for a revelation as man is asking today: "Show us (God) the Father." Jesus gave Philip a gentle rebuke. "Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works" John 14:9, 10.

Man, created in the image of God, possesses the qualities to reveal the Father. Isaiah declared that man was formed for the glory of God (Isaiah 43:7). The fall of Adam marred the image and in fallen man is seen a distortion of what man was created to be.

Paul writes to the Romans of the disastrous effect the fall of Adam had on the human race—"none righteous . . . none seeketh after God . . . throat an open sepulchre . . . tongues used for deceit . . . mouth full of cursing . . . feet swift to shed blood . . . all the world guilty before God" Romans 3:10-19.

Jesus Christ, the perfect sinless man, could say, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." By His life, by His teachings, by His death, by His resurrection, Jesus revealed what redeemed man can now show to a lost world.

Jesus said the evidence of His God-quality person was in what He said and did. ". . . the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake" John 14:10, 11. He

declared that those who believed on Him would do even greater works. His "Sermon on the Mount" and His amazing miracles make one wonder of "greater words and works."

Fulfillment of this prophecy was made evident in the "Acts of the Apostles" and the succeeding ministry of His Church.

The book of Acts is a thrilling story of spirit-filled, spirit-directed men and women who were witnesses wherever they went. Their circumstances did not alter their message. Kings and peasants trembled before these who knew the power of God.

The mission of the Church and the witnessing of its members today is a continuation of revealing God to man. This is the life of the missionary. The pagan is asking, "Where is God?" "Show us your God!" The missionary must show the holiness of God in his conduct and also the wrath of God in his dealing with sin. He must demonstrate the love of God in action and in attitude.

Paul set the example of sacrificial service and great compassion—Romans 9:1-5. To the Corinthians he wrote that he became "all things to all men" in order to win some.

We have men and women today who by their "words and works" are showing God to pagan societies. Our teams of summer missionaries have a unique opportunity to demonstrate their faith and love in varied task of service.

Compare the opportunities: A city in France, 150,000, with only two protestant churches and many other towns and cities—some smaller, some larger, without a gospel witness. How many churches are in your city?

There are hundreds of Lobi and Agni villages and more than 200 Koulango villages without a Christian witness. Over 90 per cent cannot read, thus only a verbal witness can be understood. Spain, Italy, Japan, Panama, Brazil and other open nations are waiting for men and women to "Show us God!"

financial facts

THROUGH APRIL 30

ON DEPOSIT APRIL 1	\$322,113.34
RECEIPTS THRU APRIL 30	313,414.19
DISBURSEMENTS THRU APRIL 30	291,184.90
PROJECTED RECEIPTS THRU APRIL 30	321,500.00
TOTAL 1973 FOREIGN MISSIONS BUDGET	964,511.00

MISSIONARY ACCOUNTS*

Aldridge	\$ 8,565.16	Miley	18,347.19
Aycock	6,028.16	Palmer	(63.03)
Banks	1,291.15	Payne	(1,041.65)
Barker	2,570.42	Pinkerton	5,024.54
Bryan	4,107.40	Poole	5,816.36
Calvery	1,999.72	Richards	2,404.43
Caton	1,394.49	Robinson	11,198.93
Combs	18,689.13	Sexton	12,836.30
Coscia	2,041.69	Sparks	24,640.13
Cousineau	1,186.05	Stevens	868.19
Craft	(534.04)	Sturgill	7,466.25
Cronk	6,808.69	Vanhook	1,187.28
Deeds	1,978.42	Waid	529.24
Eagleton	14,162.51	Wilkinson	6,273.82
Ellison	9,399.72	Willey, Jr.	7,293.10
Filkins	12,343.33	M. Willey	1,316.29
Franks	8,636.68	Africa Bible	
Fulcher	592.16	Inst	313.80
Gage	2,166.59	Brazil Inst.	481.48
Gibbs	1,075.72	Brazil Veh.	3,889.17
Haas	15,909.63	Japan Land	
Hanna	19,613.17	Fd. Tokyo	267.17
Hersey	1,088.87	Proj. 5000	771.02
Hughes	4,263.59	S. India	1,467.22
Inscow	4,048.28	Spain	3,828.01
Lee	8,681.10	Summer	
McLain	2,573.99	Miss.	5,232.27
Mayhew	2,888.51	Willey Mem.	
Merkh	924.61	Loan Fd.	1,991.21

STATE QUOTAS—1973

STATE	RECEIPTS THROUGH APR. 30	QUOTA	UNDER/ OVER (+) QUOTA
Alabama	\$10,843.97	\$31,500.00	\$20,656.03
Arizona	430.91	5,500.00	5,069.09
Arkansas	8,968.94	42,000.00	33,031.06
California	12,059.40	51,000.00	38,940.60
Canada	243.00	700.00	457.00
Colorado	276.02	2,300.00	2,023.98
Florida	11,635.55	24,000.00	12,364.45
Georgia	10,956.64	35,500.00	24,543.36
Hawaii	208.05	800.00	591.95
Idaho	158.66	2,000.00	1,841.34
Illinois	8,503.14	25,500.00	16,996.86
Indiana	2,358.71	7,500.00	5,141.29
Iowa	310.60	3,500.00	3,189.40
Kansas	722.11	8,000.00	7,277.89
Kentucky	5,548.86	19,000.00	13,451.14
Louisiana	30.00	2,500.00	2,470.00
Maine	316.00	2,500.00	2,184.00
Maryland	822.61	2,000.00	1,177.39
Michigan	18,960.75	70,000.00	51,039.25
Minnesota	120.74	100.00	20.74
Mississippi	4,712.40	18,000.00	13,287.60
Missouri	28,204.64	70,500.00	42,295.36
Montana	16.00	50.00	34.00
New Hampshire	176.43	1,600.00	1,423.57
New Mexico	70.02	2,000.00	1,929.98
New York	107.50	50.00	57.50
North Carolina	46,268.16	130,000.00	83,731.84
Ohio	9,246.96	38,000.00	28,753.04
Oklahoma	29,849.85	80,000.00	50,150.15
Oregon	5.00	800.00	795.00
Pennsylvania	15.00	100.00	85.00
Puerto Rico	24.00	100.00	76.00
South Carolina	21,724.43	60,000.00	38,275.57
Tennessee	51,697.93	108,800.00	57,102.07
Texas	4,867.29	20,500.00	15,632.71
Vermont	.00	50.00	50.00
Virginia	10,690.00	40,500.00	29,810.00
Washington	539.65	2,000.00	1,460.35
West Virginia	10,435.58	35,500.00	25,064.42
Wyoming	.00	100.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	425.32	19,961.00	19,535.68

* Amounts in parenthesis indicate deficits

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DELEGATE'S OFFICIAL CREDENTIALS

THIS CERTIFIES that _____
is a duly authorized delegate to the National Association of Free Will
Baptists from _____,
(Name of church)
_____ of _____, _____
(District Association) (City) (State)
(Only one signature is required)

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