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Thank the Lord for the \$6,000 we needed so desperately to get back to the field! To tell the truth, we were a little concerned. We had begun to wonder if we might have to wait another year to return to Brazil.

I still remember the day Henry Van Kluyve informed us that Project 5000 might be our rescue. It was! We returned to Brazil in April of 1970 rejoicing that God had provided our needs.

Over the years hundreds of people have signed up to participate in Project 5000. And although the number still falls short of the goal of 5000 participants, approximately 2500 have been involved in giving to special needs through this program.

Project 5000 has supplied money to erase deficit accounts and has helped to provide needed funds for at least 12 missionaries to go to the field. It has also helped to build a school dormitory in the Ivory Coast and has provided money for a Japan land fund project.

Yes, Project 5000 has played an important role in Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions outreach!

The original Project 5000 plan was designed to enlist 1000 individuals in each of five designated areas of the United States who would respond to urgent needs by sending \$10 upon request but no more than twice each year. Today Project 5000 is no longer

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needs met . . .**

Project 5000 Did It!®

By Don Robirds

concerned with the division into areas but is aimed at enlisting 5000 individuals from anywhere who will participate in the program. This would provide a potential of \$50,000 twice each year as necessities might arise.

With rising costs, economic uncertainties, and a great deal of general unrest among those within our society, every agency dependent upon donations faces a potential crisis. These conditions do tend to affect the income for foreign missions.

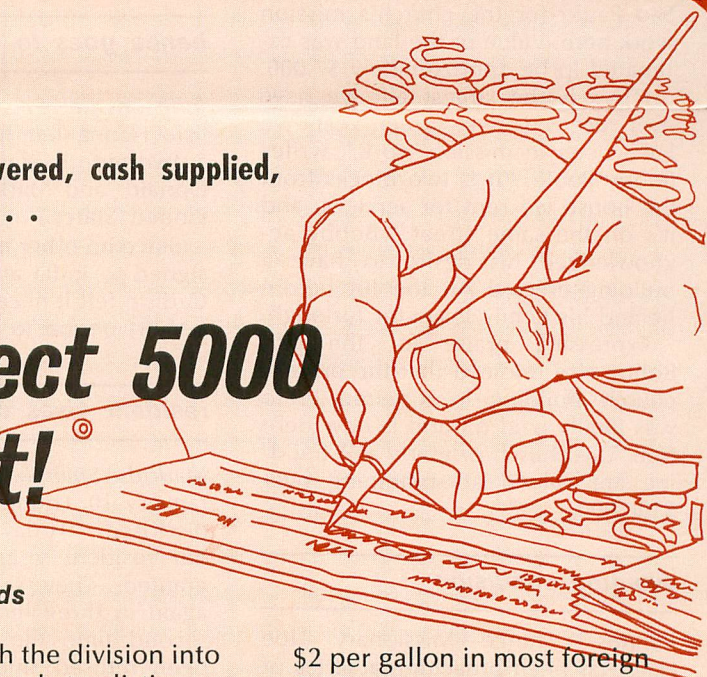
At the same time, financial needs of the department continue to escalate: Brazil experienced a 30% inflation during the past year, and gasoline prices are now averaging approximately

\$2 per gallon in most foreign fields.

Additional funds are needed to meet these extra field expenditures. Those who participate in Project 5000 in 1976 will be helping to supply these urgent necessities.

Any individual can participate in Project 5000 whether he is signed up or not. And anyone wishing to become a member may do so by sending his name, address, and an indication of his desire to the Department of Foreign Missions, Project 5000, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tenn. 37202.

A letter has been mailed to all Project 5000 members requesting their \$10 now. All members are urged to respond immediately.





emphasis: world

EVENTS OF NEWS AND PRAYER SIGNIFICANCE

brazilian donates property

Ribeirao Preto, Brazil—A lot (plot of ground) measuring 78' x 130' was donated recently by a lawyer from Sao Paulo for the church's mission work here. Value of the land was estimated to be approximately \$7,000.

"This is the largest gift we have ever received these fifteen years we have been in mission work," writes Bobby Poole. "It is two blocks from the house we rent for services, and it's on the same street." Bobby acknowledged his desire to have a building erected on the lot before he and his family leave for furlough.

Expressing praise for the gift, Bobby also rejoiced that the present church building in Ribeirao Preto was finally paid off and is now debt free. The church property and building are valued at something over \$100,000.

avoiding confusion

Rennes, France—Missionary Joe Haas has been preaching a series of messages on the Holy Spirit. "We face the same problems here in France as you have at home with tongues," writes Joe. "We have some folks that were in a Pentecostal church before, and I want them to know that we are not charismatic."

Haas indicated the church is still growing and expressed praise for the evidence of God at work in their midst. "We are really praying that the transition from our leadership

to Jerry's (Gibbs) will go smoothly and that he will be accepted by all of the folks," Joe added.

The Haases are scheduled to begin furlough in April of this year.

hanna goes to india

Johnsonville, S.C.—Missionary Carlisle Hanna left here January 5 for a two-month stay in India. Marie, Donald, and Mark remained in the United States.

Since no other missionaries are assigned to India at the present time, Carlisle felt it necessary to return for a short period to oversee the work.

resident visas denied again

Madrid, Spain—In a letter dated January 10, Lonnie and Anita Sparks disclosed, "Today we learned that our resident visas again were not granted. They said we could ask again in three months." This is the second time the resident visa has been refused since the Sparks became eligible to apply.

They along with Dock and Norma Caton are still involved in Spanish language study here. They are due to finish their studies some time in June of this year.

Lonnie and Anita have conducted Bible studies with one family and have contacts with others. They have not begun the work officially because their studies do not allow time to get too involved. They request prayer for direction as they finish language study.

hanna in india for two months



december record month

Nashville, Tenn.—Foreign missions receipts during December set a new one-month record of \$120,398.76. The previous record was set last year during the month of April when \$117,324.63 was receipted by the Department of Foreign Missions.

Total receipts for 1975 came to \$1,087,644.39. This was an increase over 1974 of \$161,351.02. While only 12 states met or surpassed the quota set by the National Association, 28 states increased their giving over that of the previous year.

This was the first time Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions has ever receipted more than a million dollars in a calendar year. And even though receipts were \$142,355.61 below the projected budget, foreign missions personnel expressed praise to God for the response of Free Will Baptists in 1975.

filkins return to bouake

Nashville, Tenn.—Howard and Joan Filkins and their children left the United States December 28 to return to the Ivory Coast where they resumed their duties as houseparents at the Ivory Coast Academy at Bouake.

The Filkins had been in the United States for a short furlough since July of last year. Doubts arose concerning their return on schedule since their account was in the red. But churches in the state of Missouri and other churches scattered across the country responded with last-minute com-

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mitments which allowed the Filkins to return in December.

Jerry Pinkerton and his family left Bouake to resume their ministry in Nassian.

23,000 crowd stadium

Managua, Nicaragua—A continent-wide live radio and TV (taped) audience estimated to be near 100 million and a local stadium crowd of over 23,000 closed the 22-day Luis Palau Nicaragua '75 evangelistic campaign December 4 in this hot Central American republic. More than 6,000 persons made public decisions to receive Christ as Savior during the three-week campaign.

The 22 nightly sermons were transmitted live via satellite to 56 radio stations in 20 Spanish-speaking countries. Most Latin American observers labeled this "the most far-reaching Christian communications network in church history."

smith goes to europe

Nashville, Tenn.—General Director Rolla Smith left here January 28 en route to Europe where he will visit and counsel with missionaries in Spain and France.

This will be the first trip abroad for Mr. Smith since assuming his present post in September of last year. He is tentatively scheduled to return to the United States on February 16.

news briefs

Jaboticabal, Brazil — The annual Brazil field council meeting was held here January 5-8. The Rev. Bill Robinson, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Columbus, Miss., preached to the missionaries.

sexton bids smith farewell—to meet soon in france



Nashville, Tenn.—Rev. Henry Van Kluyve, director of deputational ministries, underwent surgery January 5, for removal of the gallbladder. At last report he was recovering rapidly.

Bouake, Ivory Coast—Ivory Coast missionaries gathered here for their annual field council meeting which began January 1.

return to the field

Nashville, Tenn.—Two missionary couples were scheduled to leave in January and February for their respective fields of service:

Don and Billie Sexton were scheduled to leave January 20 from New York for France following a nine-month furlough. The Sextons are still undecided about their particular location when they return.

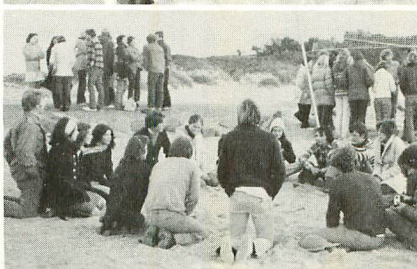
Louis and Florine Coscia plan to leave for Brazil on February 17 to begin their third term of service. They will be returning to the city of Uberaba in the state of Minas Gerais.

young people's retreat

Rennes, France—Missionary Jerry Gibbs reports a retreat was held October 30-November 1 for the young people of the church, for students, and for some young people in the area. Approximately 50 young people attended the meeting. Speaker for the event, a Frenchman, is the director of a children's home.

Jerry has been conducting classes with university students on Saturday

top—coscias begin third term of service;
bottom—french youth on outing with Gibbs



and Sunday nights in Rennes. He related a tragic story of one American girl who attended the last Bible study class in English before vacation:

"That night I put even a greater emphasis on salvation," writes Jerry. "We don't know if she accepted the Lord or not. That next Thursday she was out on her motorbike on a cold, foggy night. She slipped under the wheels of a passing garbage truck and was killed instantly."

Jerry later had the opportunity to present the gospel to her friends at a memorial service which some students conducted in a Catholic church.

changing face

Nashville, Tenn.—Although Spain has had some political unrest due to the changing leadership, evidence indicates some changes in attitudes which could open many doors in the future.

According to *The Church Around the World*, a Tyndale House publication, the chairman of the Catholic council of bishops in Spain is calling for ending the privileged position of Catholicism as the official Spanish religion.

Also, a newspaper survey in Spain indicated most Spaniards have a Bible but don't read it. Approximately 80% feel the need for a more "real" faith.

financial facts

Through December 30

On deposit December 1	\$ 258,454.65
Receipts thru December 30	1,089,562.17
Disbursements thru December 30	1,084,292.19
Projected receipts thru December	1,230,000.00
Total 1975 Foreign Missions budget	1,230,000.00

Missionary Deficit Accounts

All of the following accounts are in the deficit:			
Aycock	\$3,347.93	Lee	\$ 962.17
Callaway	733.94	McLain	2,668.77
Crowson	1,458.45	Morgan	1,293.13
Deeds	2,268.92	Payne	894.42
Dickens	913.11	Poole	891.49
Ellison	1,616.09	Sturgill	112.13
Gibbs	1,565.59	Waid	2,435.16
Haas	4,870.02	Wilkinson	289.30
Hersey	3,507.27	Willey, M.	862.74
Hughes	1,590.98	Willey, Jr.	1,447.07
Inscoe	6,476.22	Wode	398.60

1976 PROPOSED BUDGET:
\$1,232,007.00

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editor's catchall

SPIRITUAL AIDS

HAVE YOU ever wondered what you could do to help a missionary in a personal way? A number of people have asked me this question.

Having served in Brazil for six years, I know that one of the missionary's greatest difficulties is finding time to keep his spiritual life "built up." He is constantly giving out the message with very little input. He needs spiritual aids!

One of the greatest means of spiritual supply could be cassette tapes with messages, Bible studies, lectures, etc. He could listen to these while relaxing or driving his car. Hundreds of tapes are available. Consider buying some and sending them to your missionary.

Here are some addresses where you might get information on available tapes:

Free Will Baptist—

Archie Mayhew's teaching tapes: EAST COAST—Tarrytime Tape Ministries, Route 2, Bon Aqua, Tenn. 37205; WEST COAST—King Distributors, 1254 San Moritz Drive, San Jose, Calif. 95132; MID-WEST AND NORTH—Wayne Wagner, 2415 South Clay, Springfield, Mo. 65807.

Keith Kenemer's tapes: Christian Ministry Supplies, 107 West Cuyler, P. O. Box 952, Dalton, Ga. 30720.

Randall House Publications, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tenn. 37202.

Rev. Bob Shockey, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tenn. 37202.

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financial facts

STATE QUOTAS—1975

State	Quota	Total 1975 Receipts	Under (—) Over (+) Quota
Alabama	\$45,000.00	\$ 37,331.08	\$ 7,668.92—
Arizona	6,000.00	3,344.36	2,655.64—
Arkansas	45,000.00	52,750.84	7,750.84+
California	50,000.00	52,596.93	2,596.93+
Canada	1,000.00	702.00	298.00—
Colorado	1,000.00	1,047.55	47.55+
Florida	40,000.00	30,607.85	9,392.15—
Georgia	45,000.00	34,173.83	10,826.17—
Hawaii	1,000.00	380.00	620.00—
Idaho	1,000.00	1,258.06	258.06+
Illinois	35,000.00	40,279.85	5,279.85+
Indiana	9,500.00	10,371.83	871.83+
Iowa	1,500.00	2,069.81	569.81+
Kansas	6,500.00	5,243.52	1,256.48—
Kentucky	21,500.00	22,990.84	1,490.84+
Louisiana	1,000.00	1,449.00	449.00+
Maryland	5,000.00	3,769.47	1,230.53—
Michigan	75,000.00	53,846.29	21,153.71—
Minnesota	500.00	265.93	234.07—
Mississippi	21,000.00	17,593.15	3,406.85—
Missouri	100,000.00	93,084.67	6,915.33—
Montana	100.00	50.00	50.00—
New Mexico	1,000.00	537.70	462.30—
*Northeastern Assn.	3,150.00	2,868.08	281.92—
**Northwest Assn.	2,500.00	1,562.56	937.44—
North Carolina	165,000.00	156,804.78	8,195.22—
Ohio	45,000.00	27,807.73	17,192.27—
Oklahoma	100,000.00	117,032.25	17,032.25+
Pennsylvania	100.00	180.00	80.00+
Puerto Rico	100.00	.00	100.00—
South Carolina	70,000.00	69,803.47	196.53—
Tennessee	175,000.00	138,170.75	36,829.25—
Texas	20,000.00	20,075.11	75.11+
Virginia	50,000.00	44,999.83	5,000.17—
West Virginia	45,000.00	33,199.30	12,300.70—
Other States	1,000.00	2,145.33	1,145.33+
Miscellaneous	40,050.00	7,250.64	32,799.36—
*Northeastern Assn.			
New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine			
**Northwest Assn.			
Alaska, Oregon and Washington			

STATE QUOTAS—1976

PROPOSED BUDGET OF INCOME

State	1976 Quotas	Monthly Quotas
Alabama	\$ 45,000.00	\$ 3,750.00
Arizona	6,000.00	500.00
Arkansas	50,500.00	4,208.33
California	50,000.00	4,166.66
Canada	1,000.00	83.33
Colorado	1,000.00	83.33
Florida	40,000.00	3,333.33
Georgia	45,000.00	3,750.00
Hawaii	1,000.00	83.33
Idaho	1,000.00	83.33
Illinois	35,000.00	2,916.66
Indiana	9,500.00	791.66
Iowa	1,500.00	125.00
Kansas	6,500.00	541.66
Kentucky	21,500.00	1,791.66
Louisiana	1,000.00	83.33
Maryland	5,000.00	416.66
Michigan	75,000.00	6,250.00
Minnesota	500.00	41.66
Mississippi	21,000.00	1,750.00
Missouri	96,000.00	8,000.00
Montana	100.00	8.33
New Mexico	1,000.00	83.33
*Northeastern Assn.	3,000.00	250.00
**Northwest Assn.	2,500.00	208.33
New York	150.00	12.50
North Carolina	165,000.00	13,750.00
Ohio	45,000.00	3,750.00
Oklahoma	100,000.00	8,333.33
Pennsylvania	100.00	8.33
Puerto Rico	100.00	8.33
South Carolina	70,000.00	5,833.33
Tennessee	175,000.00	14,583.33
Texas	20,000.00	1,666.66
Virginia	50,000.00	4,166.66
West Virginia	45,000.00	3,791.66
Other States	1,000.00	83.33
Miscellaneous	40,557.00	3,379.75
*Northeastern Assn.		
New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine		
**Northwest Assn.		
Alaska, Oregon and Washington		

Rev. Frank Thompson, Route 3, Johnson City, Tenn. 37601.

Other Possibilities—

Bible Teaching Tapes, 4612 South Harvard, Tulsa, Ok. 74135.

Audio Bible Studies, 6430 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, Calif. 90028.

Cassette Campus, Box 618, Winona Lake, Ind. 46590.

I cannot vouch for the quality nor content of all of these cassettes. Each tape must be evaluated on its own merits.

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