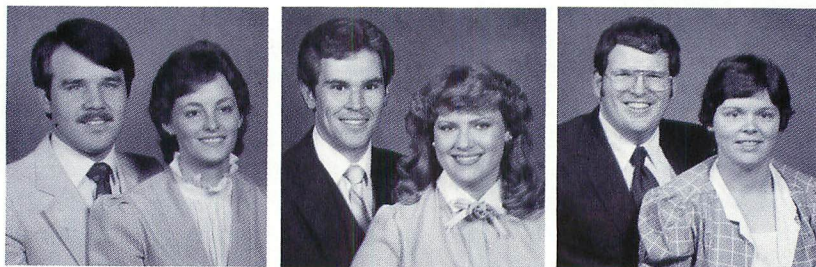


HEARTBEAT

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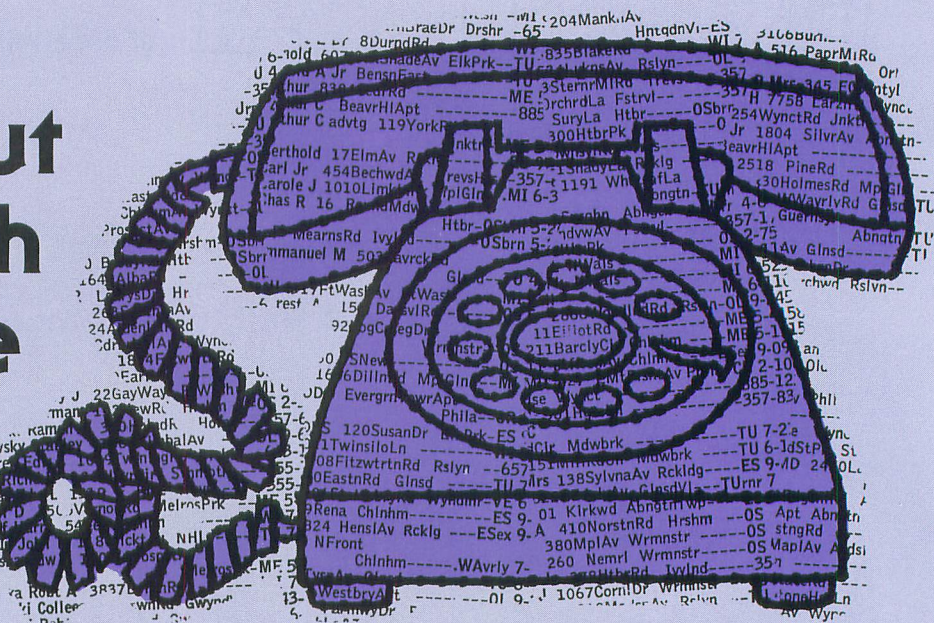


New Missionaries

REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEONE

Reach Out and Touch Someone

by R. Eugene Waddell



She was nearly 70 years of age. Her stooped frame told much about the heavy burdens she had borne. Her black skin reflected the heat of the sub-Sahara sun as she approached the mission station in Bouna, Ivory Coast.

This African woman was responding to the good news she had heard at Panzarani: "The white men in Bouna will teach us the ways of the true God." So she came with a small delegation, including the chief, to inquire.

The Holy Spirit soon brought her to the glorious assurance that Jesus Christ had died but now lives to deliver her from her fears. Until that time her life had been controlled by fear. She had been taught that some evil spirits lived in every tree and rock, that every object she could see was indwelt by spirits. She believed that everything which happened to her resulted from the work of these gods. Through the years she had sacrificed chickens, goats and even cattle. When

she heard that the one sacrifice of the Son of God could forever remove her guilt, she rejoiced.

Soon after the woman's conversion, Eddie Payne and Mike Cousineau visited her village. She wanted to destroy her idols. The pagan villagers were afraid. "Don't kill our gods." But she brought out her clay images and wooden objects of reverence and broke them up and burned them with fire. As she rejoiced she said, "I feel as if the true God has descended into our midst."

Because Christians cared, they reached out and touched this old African widow. They did it by sending the Paynes and the Cousineaus as their representatives.

Millions of people overseas are still waiting for someone to reach out and touch them. They need the touch of love. They need the touch of concern. And thank God, we have some young volunteers who are anxious to go!

This year's Call-a-thon gifts

will help send these dedicated young people to the field. For years the month of April has been designated as foreign missions month for Free Will Baptists. Fund-raising efforts for foreign missions during the month are reported by phone on Call-a-thon Sunday, which is April 29 this year.

Many benefits come from participation in Call-a-thon. It offers every church an opportunity to have a part in sending out new missionaries. Christ commanded, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." Call-a-thon gifts in 1984 will help send new missionaries by providing needed equipment, helping to pay transportation costs to the field, and supplying funds toward language study.

In response to our prayers, God is sending out at least 20 of these new workers. They will show those in heathen darkness "the light of the world." And as people are saved, Bible-believing Free Will

Baptist churches will be started in these lands. Young nationals will be called into God's service. Missionaries will train these nationals to reach and teach their own people. This will perpetuate the gifts which have been given.

Remember, these new missionaries are our children. Our sons and daughters have been saved at Free Will Baptist altars, challenged in our camps and trained for foreign missions service in our colleges. Unless Free Will Baptists send them, they cannot go. The Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists and Independents will not send them. Surely, Free Will Baptists want to have a part in their ministry!

If every Free Will Baptist church would receive a generous missions offering during April, the needs of all the appointees could be met. As the results of the month-long missions emphasis are called in, April 29 should be a day of great victory!

Your Call-a-thon gift is a wise investment because it can help these candidates avoid travel costs and will keep them from spending so much time away from their families. In addition, a very generous Call-a-thon response could enable some candidates to leave for the field much sooner. This will give perishing souls the chance to hear the gospel earlier.

Although many of our people regularly support missions through the faith-promise plan, a large segment of the denomination never gives to foreign missions. Call-a-thon offers an excellent opportunity to remind these of their obligation and enlist their support, at least this one time

during the year. This special day gives every person a chance to share.

Here are some suggestions on how to make Call-a-thon successful:

1. Urge the pastor and leaders in your church to *set a goal*. The woman's auxiliary has shown us the power of asking for a certain amount of dollars per member for their projects. They raise thousands of dollars for missions each year through this method.

2. Talk to your Sunday school superintendent and your pastor. Ask them to *set aside all the Sunday school offering* on Call-a-thon Sunday for foreign missions. This gives even the smallest child an

Call-a-thon will help provide needed equipment, transportation costs, and language study.

opportunity to make his contribution. Some churches send all Sunday school offerings received during the entire month of April for foreign missions. This, too, is a great way to multiply the offering.

3. Remind your Sunday school class and the church officers that April 29 is Call-a-thon Sunday and encourage them to seek a *special offering* in church or Sunday school.

4. Talk to other members of your church and see if your pastor will *plan a special foreign missions offering on Easter Sunday*. Some churches use the "thirty pieces of silver"

campaign. Others use coin folders which we provide on request. These are especially effective among the younger people.

Again this year the woman's auxiliary is sponsoring a pre-Easter week of prayer. These groups of women might promote missionary giving in their church, seek to reach a specific amount and report the results on Call-a-thon Sunday.

5. If you are a young person, *seek to get the other young people involved* in this special world outreach effort.

American teenagers spent 42 billion dollars in 1981. Be an example of sacrificial giving and encourage others in your age group to earn money through special projects, a car wash, a walk-a-thon, etc. Non-Christian youth do amazing things for telethons and community projects. Surely Christian youth can do more to get the gospel to those who have never heard.

6. Organize a *committee* or urge the pastor to appoint one *to raise funds for foreign missions*. We hope to see at least 200 groups—churches, Sunday school classes, Master's Men, Woman's Auxiliaries, CTS classes, deacon boards, etc.—raise \$200 toward that \$40,000 Call-a-thon goal.

Finally, call in the results. On April 30 we hope to announce the victory and notify our appointees that they are much nearer their goal: They will soon be preaching the gospel in the regions beyond. Through them we will be reaching out to touch others like the African woman in Panzarani. □

R. Eugene Waddell is associate director of foreign missions.

TO DAN CRONK:

Greetings and wishes in the name of our Savior Lord Jesus Christ. You know my beloved father Rev. D. Dorairaj, retired pastor of the Immanuel Free Will Baptist Church in Kotagiri, slept in Jesus at 5:10 p.m. on the 13th of August, 1983 at the Baptist Mission Hospital, Bangalore. His mortal remains were interred at 11:00 a.m. on the next day in Bangalore protestant cemetery after a brief thanksgiving service in Berea Baptist College chapel, Bangalore . . . Closing with love in Him,

Soni



TO VOLENA WILSON:

We were all around his bed (10 children, their spouses, grandchildren and several pastors) thanking and praising the Lord for all His goodness to Dad. We all commended him into the loving Savior's hands.

At 5:00 he opened his eyes and looked at us; everyone of us and gave up his spirit into God's comforting hands. His face was shining and he looked young in his face. There was hope, joy, and peace to enter into his Father's prepared place.

Dani

DORAIRAJ: **FAITHFUL SERVANT OF GOD**

by Dan Cronk

The day before Pastor Dorairaj died, Dani, his son, had arranged a preaching service in his own house and invited unsaved neighbors to come. Although the 65-year-old

pastor was ill and away from his own house, it was a pleasure for him to participate in this means of evangelization of the unsaved.

The church in America often

pays tribute to the missionary who serves overseas. Books, articles, etc. are written about those who have traveled abroad, but rarely do we find books or lengthy articles

written about the God-called faithful national servant of God. He is so often behind the fruitful ministry of the American missionary—the unsung hero who so often has been the source of a missionary's success.

In 1956 D. Dorairaj joined the missionaries, Miss Laura Belle Barnard and Miss Volena Wilson, as a mission worker. He also became pastor of the Immanuel Free Will Baptist Church, the first FWB church organized in South India. At the insistence of the people he served at the Immanuel church, he was ordained in 1958 as a Free Will Baptist minister. He served God as pastor of that church for 26 years, first working with both missionaries, then after Miss Barnard's return to the States, 10 years with Miss Volena Wilson.

In 1967, after Miss Wilson's return to the U.S., the Tamilnad Association of Free Will Baptist Churches of South

Dorairaj was a good father, rearing 10 children, all of whom are active in the church. One is a nurse, several are teachers, and one son is studying for the ministry. The latter has a desire to start a Bible institute in Coimbatore, where we have a FWB church.

The busy pastor also had oversight of the Christian day school related to Immanuel church. His wife Hepsibah was the school principal for years. Later, as mission representative, Pastor Dorairaj had the additional general oversight of the second Christian day school at Gopalapuram. Along with pastoring a growing congregation, he was involved with an extension house church that had a worship service during the week and several extension Sunday schools in the tea gardens.

I feel it would be safe to say that we would have no continuing work in South India if this Indian man of God had not been faithful all these years. Dorairaj could be characterized as a team man who gave opportunity to his colleagues to make their contributions. He evidenced no desire to take praise for himself. He was a man of prayer. Both Carlisle and I loved him as a Christian brother and co-worker. And I believe all Free Will Baptist ministers in America would have been proud to have known him as a brother minister.

Miss Wilson, who worked the longest and in closest association with this Christian leader says Pastor Dorairaj was "one of the finest Christians I have ever known, a gentleman,

dependable, consistent in his daily walk and totally committed to God. He took his responsibilities seriously and was a true and unusual pastor. Pastor Dorairaj was a man of compassion with a deep and abiding love for all. Therefore God wonderfully blessed his ministry with us for almost 26 years, and it was my privilege to serve the Lord with this

The national servant of God is often behind the fruitful ministry of the American missionary.

splendid Christian man."

Sister Hepsibah—his faithful wife, principal of the Christian day school, and mother of his 10 children—wrote, "It was true in our dear pastor's case: 'The Lord will beautify the meek with salvation'" Psalm 149:4.

Perhaps Miss Barnard's use of scripture best expresses the sentiments of all of us: "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" 2 Samuel 3:38. □

Dan Cronk served 24 years as a missionary to India. He and his wife, Trula, now reside in Nashville, Tenn., and he serves on the Board of Foreign Missions.

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India was formed, and Dorairaj was elected moderator. At that juncture he was no longer considered an employee of the mission but a fully autonomous pastor of the Immanuel FWB Church.

Pastor Dorairaj assumed the oversight of all the FWB work in South India and worked very closely with me. Then, after I left in 1972 he worked with Carlisle Hanna who still visits the South India work from time to time.

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They can neither read nor write! They have had no formal training. And these Ivorians are called “illiterates.” Westerners often think of them as “ignorant and unlearned.” But they certainly are not uneducated!

It could safely be said that 85 percent of the people who attend our church in Doropo, Ivory Coast would be classified as illiterate. Yet, many of these demonstrate multi-lingual talents, broad religious knowledge, and survivor instincts that would indicate anything but ignorance.

Several “illiterate” people in our church speak as many as six different languages. Most—including children from three years of age and up—speak at least two languages.

Though pagan in nature, the religious knowledge of every African would probably be quite broad. Religious instructions cover a wide range of subjects from where to build a house to whom a person can joke with, etc.—in other words, all the ways of fetish worship. These teachings have not been put into a “written formula,”

yet they are learned in all their intricate details.

Then, I must add, Ivorians are survivors! Yes, they have an uncanny resourcefulness which has enabled them to survive when many a scholar would have surely perished. With basic hand-made tools and materials, they can provide a home, food, and clothing for their family. As our American pioneers were self-educated and community cooperative, so are these people. And no one dare call them “ignorant.”

I, personally, do not buy the contention that you can’t “educate” an illiterate society without making them literate.

Many demonstrate multi-lingual talents, broad religious knowledge, and survivor instincts.

They are already educated and quite sufficient in these three basic areas of life:

- (1) the art of communication,
- (2) religious awareness, and
- (3) the art of survival.

We must ask ourselves then, is our goal to re-educate them

or to make them literate? Although I feel literacy ministries are good, profitable and necessary, my training is not for literacy work. Consequently, this is not my primary goal.

I want to re-educate them!

Generally, they don’t need education in the art of communication. And while we might help them improve their methods of survival, their religious knowledge needs our primary attention. That is our area of concentration: “To open their eyes and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me” Acts 26:18.

In order to effectively teach a people one must (1) know their language, (2) understand their basic religious ideas, and (3) understand and appreciate their struggle to survive.

To learn about someone’s culture a person must be a good listener. It is much more difficult to listen than to talk. It takes a lot of concentration, understanding and devoted willingness to see things in their context. Nationals often see things from a perspective totally different from our own. But if we will allow ourselves to be taught, perhaps we will learn better how to teach.

There has to be a way to effectively teach our people. I’m not convinced that we missionaries have spent enough time on “how to” along with our “what to” in regard to our missionary task.

Here are a few of our observations of Lobi teaching methods and attitudes (realize,

RE-EDUCATING THE EDUCATED

by Clint Morgan



please, that most of this has been in informal teaching situations with some observations made from church leaders while speaking at church):

(1) *Honesty*: I must say, honesty to a degree. In our language learning if we were doing awful, we were usually told so; if we were doing well, we were told; if we were forgetful, we were told, "You are forgetful." If a child is lazy and will not learn, they tell him he is lazy and is making no effort to learn.

(2) *Encouraging*: They would say to us, "In a year you will be speaking our language." If a year passed and we still didn't have it, they would simply add another year. It at least gave us hope.

(3) *Give responsibility immediately*: I went over to a friend's house to learn how to tie roof poles together. I wanted to look and listen; he wanted me to work and learn. I was promptly handed a length of tree bark (rope size) to start tying.

(4) *Intensified giving of information*: The Djoro initiation rites which last about one month altogether provide the children the intense training time to learn the fundamentals of fetish worship.

(5) *Must meet a relevant need*: For children to survive the struggles of this world, they must know the way of Djoro. This promotes the need for Djoro. And the timing, between 7 and 13 years of age (sometimes older) when they are beginning to take on adult words, forces them to learn how to live in the adult world.

Second, I believe the Holy Spirit will reveal their real

needs. I cannot begin to tell you how important and how powerful prayer is in this area. The Holy Spirit will keep the missionary keen and sensitive to the needs of the people and when they sense this caring attitude they will come to Christ.

If the Holy Spirit can't work in the life of an illiterate to make him an evangelist, pastor, witness, or teacher, we are wasting our time.

While one may be limited in the intellectual area, who limits the Spiritual aspect of our lives? If the Holy Spirit can't work in the life of an illiterate to make him an evangelist, pastor, witness or teacher, we are wasting our time. If the devil can produce fetishes, charlatans and propounders of his lies out of illiterates, I am quite confident the Holy Spirit can do more.

Settling these questions brings us to the task. What are we doing? These techniques and processes are probably not very outstanding, but we hope and believe they have been and are being effective:

(1) *Seminars*—We cover specific subjects such as "Life of Christ"; or demonstrate evangelistic outreach.

(2) *Special sessions* are held to discuss matters like how to conduct a Christian funeral, how to find a wife, and family relations. These are limited to church members only. We give them the information first and challenge them to set the example.

(3) *Special groups*—These are young people only, married

couples only, etc. We try to give biblical teachings relevant to their needs.

(4) *One on one*—Personal visitation provides time to give private counsel concerning problems we have seen in their lives or problems they have revealed.

(5) *Open services*—This includes the Sunday and Wednesday services as well as special occasions. Our Christmas session is one of the more interesting. We march around town singing hymns and people follow us back to church where we have a Christmas play. This is somewhat unique in that we have such stories as "Prodigal Son," "Noah and the Ark," and "Abraham and Isaac." But remember these all point to Christ!

We use some of these techniques:

(1) *Flannelgraph*—I use the flannelgraph a lot on Sunday morning as a majority of those present are non-Christian and interest is relatively low. We are now teaching the redemptive story from creation to the cross. The flannelgraph really helps hold their attention.

(2) *Object lessons*—We do not hesitate to take practically anything to church that will help teach a truth. Everything from rocks to a guitar case. Objects known and objects unknown are used to teach truths known and truths yet unknown to them.

(3) *Cultural illustrations*—This illustration, showing how to settle a big argument, has been especially effective: In its simplest form, if two members of a family (or extended family) have an argument which

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appears may end in blows, someone of the same clan can throw ashes between the two and sweep the ashes with leaves of a certain tree. Then, the argument must stop immediately. If one carries on the argument he is subject to death. We used this to illustrate the enmity between God and man. The blood of Jesus poured out between us destroys this enmity forever.

(4) *Picture book series*—We have series on the miracles of Christ, Satan, justification, etc.

(5) *Proverbs*. This is a culturally acceptable way to teach the truth.

(6) *Parables*. Biblical and cultural parables are used. What better technique than that used by our Master?

(7) *Plays*. We have plays for our Christmas program and are hoping to have one this year for Easter. I have also used role-playing on Wednesday night and in some village services.

(8) *Music*. Our church uses several culturally acceptable instruments such as drums and cowy shell shakers (like a tambourine).

The re-education process is a very long road. At times it can be extremely frustrating. But one must have patience and the Holy Spirit will give us what we need.

Re-educating the educated! That is our goal. Using methods that are scripturally sound and culturally acceptable, we are trying to make a dent in this unending task. □

Clint Morgan is serving his second term of missionary service in the Ivory Coast, West Africa. He and his wife, Lynette, work in Doropo among the Lobi people.

Giving More Than Possible!

by Andy W. Lay



How many times have you sat in church and heard a missionary pour out his heart about the needs of the world, and you truly wanted to make a large gift for world evangelism? But when you looked at your bank balance and remembered the pile of bills yet to be paid, you were only able to give a token amount. You say to yourself, "Wouldn't it be wonderful to be rich and be able to give a sizeable gift to missions!"

Before you sigh and give up hope of ever making a significant gift for world evangelism, consider the actual accounts of the real people whose stories follow.

Mrs. Smith* is a widow-lady with no children. She is in her early 60's and planning to retire soon from a nursing career. She and her husband had purchased a couple of rental houses as investments. While he was alive, he took care of the upkeep and maintenance of the houses while she found renters, collected the rent and did the bookkeeping.

Now that her husband is gone even the upkeep and maintenance is her responsibility. She has talked to her accountant about selling the houses, but when he explained how much capital gains tax she would be liable for, she felt almost trapped into

keeping them, in spite of the work of keeping them up.

Imagine Mrs. Smith's joy when she learned of a special trust into which she could place her rental houses, transfer the management responsibility to the trustees, pay no capital gains tax, and increase her net income besides! But best of all, she set up the trust so that at her death whatever remained in the trust would be a gift to missions—a \$60,000 gift to missions! More than she ever thought possible!

Joe and Betty Gardner* have been farmers all their lives. They never thought of themselves as wealthy, but with the present inflated price of land, they realize their farm is worth in excess of \$400,000. Their two grown children live in the city and have no interest in assuming the farming operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner have been doing some serious thinking about their estate plans and how to divide their possessions after they both go to be with the Lord. Though

The trust would be a gift to missions—a \$60,000 gift to missions.

both their children are living for the Lord, they are reluctant to leave them their entire estate outright.

They were thrilled to learn of a special agreement which would place their major assets into a trust that would guarantee payment to their children of 10 percent of their estate per year for ten years. The children would therefore

receive the equivalent of 100 percent of their parents' estate over the ten-year period. But since those payments could probably be made from the earnings of the trust, at the end of the ten-year period, there would likely still be as much in the trust as originally funded it. The Gardners decided to leave that entire balance for reaching those who have never heard. Can you imagine what a gift of \$400,000 would do when invested in our foreign missions program?

Miss Parker* was a maiden lady nearing retirement. She had not accumulated much of this world's goods during her lifetime. The only possession of significant worth was a modest home she had inherited from her mother. As she was considering the preparation of her will, she decided not to leave her house to her brother or nephews, as they were already well taken care of. She learned that she could place her home in a special contractual agreement, live in it as long as she wanted, or sell it if she was unable to keep it. But whatever was left at the time of her death would go immediately into the harvest of souls.

Miss Parker had faithfully given \$4 per month to missions above her tithe to her church. When she realized that in making this agreement she was making provision for a \$15,000 gift to missions, her heart was flooded with joy!

The three examples above illustrate the use of a Charitable Remainder Unitrust, a Testamentary Annuity Trust, and a Revocable Life Estate Agreement respectively. The first two provide significant tax

advantages: income tax, estate tax, and capital gains tax deductions. All three examples pass the estate assets to the children and/or the Lord's work without having to go through probate proceedings.

Using trusts to avoid probate has several advantages:

1) they are usually distributed faster; 2) they usually save a significant amount of money consumed in the probate process; 3) they are private transactions—not open to the public record as probate is; and 4) they are more difficult to successfully challenge in court by individuals who would be motivated to contest your decisions.

She was making provision for a \$15,000 gift to missions.

There are many other estate planning tools available to those interested in conserving the maximum amount of their estates for family members and the Lord's work. Estate taxes and settlement expenses can be significantly reduced by proper planning.

Maybe the next time you hear an appeal for missions, you can do more than just wish you could make a large gift.

For more information about the agreements mentioned in this article, or other estate planning information, write Foreign Missions, P.O. Box 1088, Nashville, TN 37202 or phone (615) 361-1010. □

Andy W. Lay is a Free Will Baptist minister from Missouri. He is currently serving as vice-president/treasurer of World Literature Crusade, Chatsworth, California. *The names in the above article have been changed in the interest of those involved.

Missionaries Serving and Where They Serve

BRAZIL, SOUTH AMERICA

Louis and Florine Coscia	Dave and Pat Franks
Jim and Karen Cowart	Tommy and Nancy Hughes
Earnie and Jean Deeds	John and Kay Metcalf*
Ken and Marvis Eagleton	Bobby and Geneva Poole***
Terry and Jamie Eagleton* **	Jim and Vicki Sturgill

FRANCE, EUROPE

Cathy Crawford*	John and Pansy Murray
Allan and LaRue Crowson	Steve and Becky Riggs*
Jerry and Barbara Gibbs	Charolette Tallent
Tom and Patty McCullough***	Dennis and Carol Teague*
Lynn and Ramona Miley	Patsy Vanhook

NORTH INDIA

Carlisle and Marie Hanna

IVORY COAST, WEST AFRICA

Jimmy and Janie Aldridge***	Clint and Lynette Morgan
Elaine Allen***	Darrel and Lila Nichols*
Robert and Judy Bryan***	Eddie and Sandra Payne
Mike and Deleen Cousineau***	Jerry and Carol Pinkerton
Mark and Donna Daniel*	Norman and Bessie Richards
Patrick and Susan Dickens	Alice Faye Smith
Ledgel and Sharon Ferguson	Dawn Sweeney*
David and Sharon Filkins*	Robert and Pam West* **
Neil and Sheila Gilliland	Arilla Wode
Sherwood and Vada Lee	

JAPAN

Ken and Judy Bailey*	Fred and Evelyn Hersey
Jerry and Janice Banks	Jim and Olena McLain
Dale and Sandra Bishop	Judy Smith
Mirial Gainer**	

PANAMA, CENTRAL AMERICA

Stan and Brenda Bunch*	Steve and Judy Lytle
Larry and Priscilla Inscoe	

SPAIN, EUROPE

Ron and Linda Callaway	Lonnie and Anita Sparks
Lynn Midgett*	Jeff and Susan Turnbough
Dennis and Trena Owen***	

URUGUAY, SOUTH AMERICA

Molly Barker***	Walter and Marcia Ellison
Rick and Linda Bowling*	Paul and Amy Robinson

* New appointees ** Associate missionary *** On furlough

HEARTLINE

"Our missions revival was one of the best revivals we ever had. And the impact for missions was greater than any conference," Rev. Jim Shepherd commented on the March, 1982 missions thrust conducted by Clint Morgan in Joplin, Mo. Mr. Shepherd, who is now vice-president for student affairs at Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College, Moore, Okla., was pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church of Joplin at that time.

His testimony is one of many which could be cited in favor of a missions revival. A missions revival is conducted by a missions representative and emphasizes reaching the world for Christ.

Several important reasons can be given for having a missions revival. Free Will Baptists in general are revival-oriented people. And many of our missionaries are good preachers as well as teachers.

Don Sexton, missionary representative, has conducted many missions revivals. He says, "It is the very best method to give the missionary an opportunity to win souls, encourage the return of the backslider, and strengthen the church member in a local church situation." This puts the missionary in the thick of the fight for the Lord.

Sexton goes on to say, "It is a very good way for the average church member to become personally acquainted with someone that he or she only knew through letters. This contact builds a relationship that will endure for a long time after the missionary has returned to the field."

Many missionaries complain about not having enough time to really preach and share with people in the churches. When they are involved in a round-robin conference, they only have 30 to 45 minutes to unburden their hearts by preaching, reporting through a slide presentation and presenting a challenge. Several successive services in the same church allows time for in-depth preaching on a variety of themes as well as reporting on their ministry.

Special Gifts to Missions

These people gave special gifts to foreign missions in December in memory of loved ones:

Donor

Mrs. Jean Welch Henderson

In Memory of

John L. and Mary Ann Welch

A gift in memory or in honor of your friend or loved one will help carry the gospel to those who have never heard.

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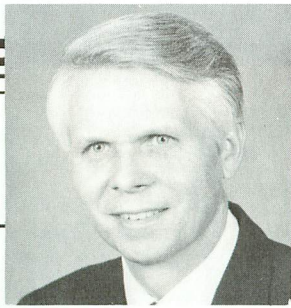
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R. Eugene Waddell
Associate Director

Another benefit, according to Mr. Sexton, is the opportunity to enlist and strengthen young prospects for the field. Many of those now serving on the foreign field were challenged through these types of meetings.

Brother Shepherd points out several important reasons why the Joplin revival of 1982 was such a success:

"Adequate preparation is absolutely essential in revival planning. I believe you have to get the people involved," says Shepherd. He organized the deacons so they visited all of the members in an effort to accomplish four things: First, they sought to explain what the revival was about as they gave each family a revival packet. Second, they tried to enlist the people to pray for and attend the missions revival. Third, they endeavored to secure the names of additional prospects for the church. And finally they sought to get the families to attend a home prayer service the week prior to the revival.

The program proved to be another important key to the success of the meeting. The church enjoyed a fellowship supper each evening, followed by a 30-minute "Missions Discoveries" time. During these sessions missionary Clint Morgan dealt with such subjects as Lobi culture, the missionary family, preparation for missionary service, and the development of the Lobi church. "This expanded format allowed Clint to give a more in-depth presentation of missionary work," Brother Shepherd declared.

"Revival Discoveries" followed a 15-minute time for fellowship. The service featured revival music and preaching.

Jim concluded by noting the meeting made an impact because it "allowed the missionary to give broader exposure to the church and resulted in greater awareness and involvement by the people in the Joplin church."

Without a doubt, revival continues to be the greatest need among Free Will Baptists. And your foreign missionaries and staff want to be used of the Lord to help bring genuine revival.

Financial Summary Through January 31 Substance

Total contributions for January	\$ 195,973.17
Total disbursements for January	189,450.80
Projected receipts through January	226,224.00
Total 1984 Budget	\$2,714,688.00

Contributions for December	204,272.10
Total income for 1983	2,343,549.03
Total 1983 Budget	\$2,527,087.00

Shortage

All of the following accounts are in the deficit:

Bishop	\$ 2,750.53	Payne	\$ 2,605.06
Ellison	3,397.59	Robinson	2,321.15
Hanna	775.07	Sparks	2,625.28
Hersey	1,496.38	Webb	8,642.99
Lee	697.67	Willey	440.29
McCullough	209.99		
Total			\$25,962.00

State Quotas

State	Total 1983 Contributions	1983 Quota	Quota Through January	Contributions Through January
Alabama	\$ 118,506.67	\$ 159,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 14,319.85
Arizona	1,548.30	3,000	292	120.00
Arkansas	123,973.25	123,000	12,083	5,540.42
California	34,974.75	60,000	4,167	3,998.50
Canada	1,528.93	2,000	167	79.00
Colorado	2,286.55	4,000	333	131.59
Florida	66,435.91	70,000	6,333	14,292.33
Georgia	79,467.39	80,000	7,500	5,950.16
Hawaii	362.04	1,000	84	.00
Idaho	502.54	1,500	84	.00
Illinois	67,475.64	83,000	7,500	6,555.14
Indiana	20,543.28	21,000	2,000	1,623.77
Iowa	605.08	1,000	42	.00
Kansas	9,123.03	14,000	1,000	246.83
Kentucky	65,336.03	66,000	6,250	3,931.74
Louisiana	20.00	1,000	42	.00
Maryland	11,766.47	11,000	1,000	632.48
Michigan	99,308.85	110,000	10,083	11,162.81
Minnesota	10.00	500	25	.00
Mississippi	35,420.49	36,000	3,333	2,406.84
Missouri	172,356.94	145,000	14,583	4,894.93
Montana	439.32	1,000	84	20.00
New Mexico	156.31	500	42	1.12
*Northeast Association	3,661.31	9,000	584	341.48
**Northwest Association	2,703.70	9,500	584	250.00
North Carolina	318,582.34	355,000	29,167	28,866.39
Ohio	106,630.44	80,000	8,333	7,462.85
Oklahoma	272,767.73	315,000	29,167	33,908.24
Pennsylvania	1,450.84	1,000	167	75.00
South Carolina	148,335.39	164,000	15,833	14,462.44
Tennessee	389,367.16	325,000	30,333	19,956.26
Texas	58,230.13	64,000	5,833	5,070.95
Virginia	72,832.65	98,000	7,500	5,091.37
Virgin Islands	1,604.75	1,000	125	.00
West Virginia	60,506.22	89,000	7,083	4,520.68
Miscellaneous	7,656.82	23,807	1,988	.00
Totals	\$2,356,477.25	\$2,527,807	\$226,224	\$195,973.17

*Northeast Association

New Hampshire, Vermont, New Jersey, Maine, Connecticut, Washington, D.C., Massachusetts

**Northwest Association

Alaska, Oregon, and Washington



J. Smith Claims Surgery Gave New Opportunities

Japan—Missionary Judy Smith, who underwent an appendectomy late last year, claims, "It's given me lots of opportunities to make friends with the nurses and staff at the hospital—and the majority of them live here in our community. One nurse told me already that in her work she sees people die and that she realizes a source of power from God is important. Please pray for me as I continue my contacts with these nurses, that there will be more important results from my surgery than just the stitches in my side."

According to Judy, she was the first foreigner on whom the surgeon had operated. "I don't know who was more scared," she declared, "the doctor, the nurses, or me!"

Owens Home from Spain After First Term

Spain—Dennis and Trena Owen arrived in the United States on Thursday, January 12, to begin their regular furlough after their first term in Spain. The Owens had been in charge of the work at Alcala de Henares while Lonnie and Anita Sparks were on furlough in the States.

Dennis reported the work to be progressing well in Spain. After the distribution of 6,000 Bible study cards, they had received replies from at least two men who had shown definite interest in the gospel. Owen urged Christians to pray that these will come to know the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior.

Pinkertons Burglarized, Move to New Location

Ivory Coast—Burglars recently drugged the Pinkertons' dog and broke into the missionaries' residence in Tanda, Ivory Coast. According to a report from Jerry and Carol Pinkerton, the thieves took food items and clothing.

Jerry and Carol reported making plans to move from their house in a somewhat isolated area into a duplex owned by a Christian. Though the accommodations are smaller, they promise more close neighbors.

The couple expressed praise at finally receiving their baggage after waiting some five months since their arrival back in Ivory Coast. They



Janie Aldridge shares her thoughts through a question and answer session during the Vernon District Woman's Auxiliary missionary banquet on January 21.

didn't have to pay any customs charges and evidently things were in good shape.

Reporting on the church, the Pinkertons asserted new people were attending almost every service and one young mother of eight children "prayed" recently. Then, the woman's husband took seven of their children and left her.

Family Backs Daniels in Special Giving

Burnsville, N.C.—A special Christmas project, undertaken by several members of the family of missionary Donna Daniel, contributed some \$2,350 to the Mark Daniels' account.

Sparked by the efforts of Stanley Deyton of Burnsville, N.C., family members and relatives responded to the project in unusual ways. Some gave cash, others checks, and at least one person gave a coin collection with a face value of approximately \$120 (actual value was not known at the time of the report).

Mark and Donna are missionary appointees to the Ivory Coast, West Africa.

Lytle Cites Special Emphasis at Betania

Panama—"Excitement ran high in November," writes Steve Lytle, "with a special worship service for each of the four Sundays. We celebrated (1) national patriotic day, (2) family Sunday, (3) men's Sunday, and (4) women's Sunday. Our people participated with joy, and each service was special."

Attendance averaged over 60 in

October and November with highs of 77 and 76 on consecutive Sundays according to Lytle. A middle-aged college professor Senora Gladys, and her 16-year-old daughter accepted Christ and in November two other adults were saved.

On November 28 several young people and some men helped to knock out a wall in the church building to provide more seating capacity. The building can now seat around 80 people.

Missionary Banquet Aids Aldridge Account

Vernon, Ala.—Missionary Janie Aldridge of the Ivory Coast, West Africa, was the speaker on January 21, 1984 at a missionary banquet sponsored by the Vernon District Woman's Auxiliary.

The event contributed special impetus to the North Alabama area-wide missionary conference being held in January.

Approximately 175 people were served in the Lamar County High School cafeteria in Vernon, Ala. which was fittingly decorated in the missionary motif following the theme, "His Last Command—Our First Concern."

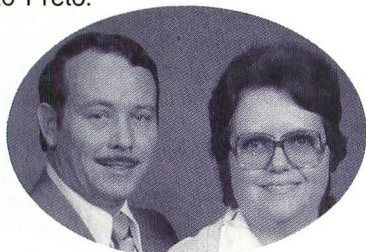
Under the leadership of their district president, Mrs. Willard (Pat) Pless, the local church auxiliary presidents and their pastors sold tickets and promoted the event to the tune of over \$900. After expenses and a personal love gift to Janie, over \$300 remained for the missionary account.

Mrs. Aldridge spoke with deep appreciation for those who sent her and Jimmy to the mission field. She also shared insights into the development of the Ivory Coast church and national leaders as the work stands in transition from mission church to maturity.

Special music was presented by the Fields family of Millport, Ala. A lively question and answer session was conducted by Miss Elwanda Oakes, district vice-president.

Mini Reports from Around the Globe

Brazil—According to missionary Bobby Poole, a 99-year-old Christian man in the church at Ribeirao Preto, Brazil died recently. Sr. Miguel Sutti, probably one of the oldest Free Will Baptists, was saved at 94 years of age. Bobby writes, "After he was saved, he would get out on the street corner and give out tracts. Most likely he would have never been saved if we had not come to Ribeirao Preto."



Larry and Priscilla Inscoe

Panama—Larry and Priscilla Inscoe along with their three children returned to Panama on January 24 to resume their work in the Las Tablas area. They are beginning their third term of missionary service.

France—Miss Cathy Crawford is currently enrolled in French language study in Albertville, France. She writes: "It's difficult to explain what it's like to be in language school. After the first few days I was excited about learning French. But as the days went by, the lessons became more and more difficult. Soon I began to feel the frustration of a language learner." But Cathy swallowed her pride and switched to a beginning French class. Now she is learning well.

Ivory Coast—"We just had a village chief saved," writes Sherwood Lee from Doropo, Ivory Coast. "The family is quite upset about it but he states that he plans to follow God's Way."

He needs much prayer during these days and the months to come."

Brazil—According to missionary Dave Franks, a daily Good News Club was held during the second week of December in a part of Belo Horizonte distant to their work. The club was held in the home of a Christian lady who attends their services. Attendance averaged approximately 40 children and eight earned a Bible by memorizing all the daily verses. Several indicated their acceptance of Christ as Savior.

Japan—The Iriso Free Will Baptist Church in Japan recently used their new cemetery for the first time as they transferred the "urn of bones" of three people who were buried in other cemeteries. "We are thankful that our people realize the danger and evil of worshipping their dead ancestors," writes Fred Hersey.

Blaine, Ky.—Mr. Clyde Ferguson, father of Ivory Coast missionary Ledgel Ferguson, died of a coronary arrest on January 26 in Blaine, Ky. Funeral services were held January 29 at Blaine Free Will Baptist Church. Ledgel and Sharon had just returned to Ivory Coast after spending the Christmas season in Kentucky.

Ivory Coast—In late December, missionary Eddie Payne reported an attendance running over 230 in the Bouna Free Will Baptist Church in Ivory Coast. He noted they had outgrown their facilities. He even indicated plans were laid to launch a building program in January.

Japan—According to recent correspondence, Jim and Olena McLain have found and rented a house in the Sapporo area of Hokkaido, Japan. The house belongs to the Lutheran mission.

Uruguay—Veteran missionary Molly Barker returned to Uruguay in November and has been actively involved in Vacation Bible School activities.

Ivory Coast—Miss Arilla Wode reported in January having begun an English conversation class for high school students in Agnibilekrou, Ivory Coast. She is also planning to give her second Bible story in Agni since beginning her study of that language.

Uruguay—A five-day evangelistic meeting was held January 4-8 in the Free Will Baptist Church in Rivera,

Uruguay. Missionary Jim Sturgill of Campinas, Brazil was the evangelist. Results were unknown at press time.

Japan—Olena McLain reported recently that she had been asked to teach English at the college in Hokkaido where Mirial Gainer is teaching. "I've taught there before and since it is in the area of our church, feel it would be a good opportunity," writes Olena. "They want Christian teachers."

Ivory Coast Water Crisis Affects School at Bouake

Ivory Coast—According to recent correspondence from Neil and Sheila Gilliland in Bouake, Ivory Coast, the nation-wide water shortage may cause the school to operate with much less electricity. "This will have a definite affect on dorm life as well as academics," says Neil.

The limited electrical current would reduce evening study hours and curtail other activities in the dormitory. Although the school has kerosene lanterns for each room, the light would not be adequate for study.

The Gillilands urged Christians to pray that God would undertake in the drought conditions.

Neil and Sheila will be coming to the United States for a short furlough at the end of this school semester.

Baileys Settled in Japan, Begin Language Study

Japan—"We are settling into our 'mansion' which consists of four rooms, (two bedrooms, nine by nine feet and a kitchen and living room, ten by ten feet)," writes Ken Bailey from the Tokyo area of Japan.

"We are quite fortunate in the location as we are only seven blocks from Tracey's school and a five-minute walk from the train station."

Language school will be an hour's ride by train and subway. They began study on January 17.

Gibbs Announces Campaign Plans for August, 1984

France—According to missionary Jerry Gibbs, the "biggest evangelistic campaign the St. Nazaire area has ever seen" is planned for August of 1984. The campaign is to be held about 10 to 15 minutes from St.

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Nazaire in La Baule, a resort area.

Around 600 Christian workers are expected to spend their vacations in the area in order to saturate it with the gospel through tract distribution, posters, personal evangelism, singing groups, films, and evangelistic preaching by a French evangelist. Gibbs revealed this project has been in the planning stages for over a year, and the mayor of La Baule has given consent. The St. Nazaire church should benefit most from the campaign.

Two French Christians, one from the Nantes church and another from the Rennes church, have been collaborating with the missionaries to plan this special campaign.

110 Attend Christmas Program of Iriso Church

Japan—Approximately 110 people attended the Iriso church family Christmas service on December 24, 1983 in the Tokyo suburb in Japan. The service was held in a rented hall near the Iriso Free Will Baptist Church.

"There were 12 or maybe 13 complete families (husband, wife, and children) and a number of women whose husbands won't attend anything," writes missionary Fred Hersey. "One of our young people, Yuko Sogabe, who works at Bridge-stone Tire Company invited and brought 19 people."

The group sang Christmas songs, lit candles, read scripture, and Fred

Hersey preached. The church women served a meal. Then, Fred Tanaka, a Child Evangelism Fellowship missionary who attends the church regularly, took charge of the program. He had those in attendance introduce themselves then he entertained them with his "dummy" or talking doll. "In the process, he cleverly preached another Christmas message," Hersey declared.

Koulango Songbook Printed in Texas

Odessa, Tex.—Two hundred songbooks in the Koulango language of Ivory Coast came off the press recently in Texas. This production came through the efforts and contribution of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Huston of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Odessa.

The Hustons, parents of missionary Deleen Cousineau, visited Mike and Deleen in the Ivory Coast in December of 1982. While there, they saw the need of reprinting the hymnals since the supply was about depleted. The old version was only mimeographed but the new book is printed and neatly bound.

16 Students Complete Bible Institute Semester

Brazil—Sixteen students finished the second semester at the Seminary-Bible Institute in Ribeirao Preto, Brazil in December, according to missionary Bobby Poole. "I am trying to make plans now for the next year

when Geneva and I will be away during the first semester," writes Bobby.

The Pooles are planning a short furlough beginning the last of this month.



Jim and Susan Moser

Mosers Resign, Plan Ministry in Washington

Wenatchee, Wash.—After much prayer and thought, Jim and Susan Moser have submitted their resignation from Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions after completing one term of missionary service in Brazil.

Jim resigned due to a growing concern over the needs of his home church in Wenatchee, Wash., and a feeling that his gifts and abilities did not adequately fit the actual current needs in Brazil.

Moser expressed the possibility of reapplying for missionary service some time in the future. This would depend on the needs on the field, the experience he has gained, and the progress of his home church.

Jim plans to find a job and help in the church as God directs. Wenatchee is located in an area fairly isolated from other Free Will Baptist work and is much like a home mission field.

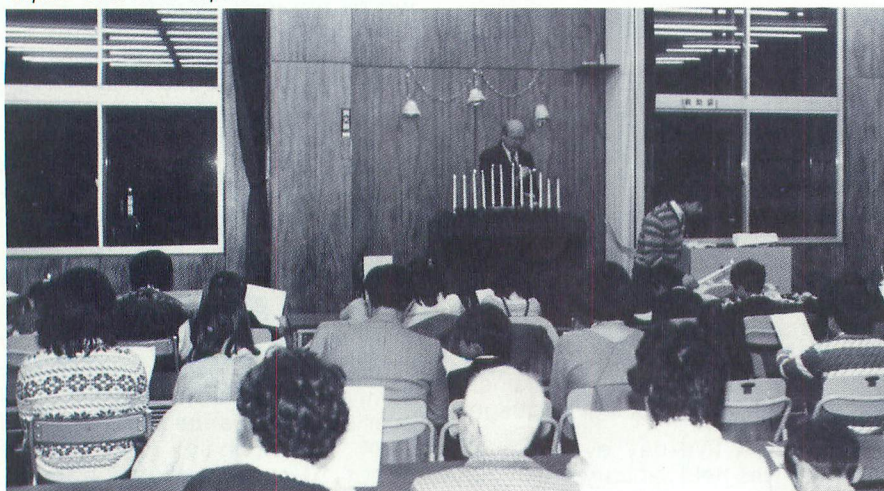
Agnibilekrou Group Sings Carols in Four Languages

Ivory Coast—On Christmas Eve, the church group from Agnibilekrou, Ivory Coast, walked through the village singing Christmas carols in four different languages.

According to Alice Smith, other Christmas activities included an open-air Christmas play on Sunday morning.

The day following Christmas, one of the girls from the play had an accident: A car ran over her foot. "She is suffering a lot and we still do not know the extent of the damage because the X-ray machine is

Fred Hersey, center, lights candles during a special Christmas service of the Iriso Free Will Baptist Church in Japan.





Missionaries and pastors fellowship and share blessings from the Alabama area-wide missionary conference. This luncheon meeting was held January 25 in Guin, Ala.

broken," writes Alice. "The Lord is very definitely working in the hearts of the unsaved parents through the loving concern of the Christians. The girl is a faithful member of our Sunday school."

Missionary Addresses Changed Since Directory

Nashville, Tenn.—Several missionary addresses have changed since the publication of the 1983-84 Foreign Missions Directory. These changes should be written in the directory:

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Hiroshima-cho, Sapporo Gun
061-11 Japan

Jim and Olena McLain
Hiragishi 2 jo, 11 chome, 1-22
Totohira ku, Sapporo
062 Japan

Patrick and Susan Dickens
B.P. 161
Bondoukou
Ivory Coast, West Africa

Jim and Susan Turnbough
C/Salamanca 6, Bajo A
Alcala de Henares (Madrid)
Spain

Jim and Karen Cowart
Caixa Postal 217
14870 Jaboticabal, Sao Paulo
Brazil, South America

Jimmy and Janie Aldridge
P.O. Box 1088
Nashville, Tenn. 37202

Tom and Patty McCullough
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Brazil, South America

"Closed" Angola Bears Fruit During 26 Years

Angola—In the 26 years that Angola has been closed to their missionaries, the Church of God of Cleveland, Tenn., has grown in that country from 3,000 to 200,000 members. Converts have established new churches in every part of the country.

The striking news came after a Portuguese missionary Joaquim Martins, made a three-month visit to Angola. He had been one of the early Church of God missionaries to work there. Martins found not only lasting fruit from the previous work, but also the widespread growth. He also got permission from the government to come back as a resident missionary.

49 Churches Participate in Alabama Conferences

Guin, Ala.—Some 36 Alabama churches in the areas of Birmingham, Jasper, Fayette, Vernon, Guin and Hamilton participated in the ninth annual area-wide missionary conference January 18-29. Five churches in the Shoals area of the state and another eight churches in the North Alabama Association also held missionary conferences January 29-February 1 and February 12-19 respectively.

A total of 39 different speakers took part in the conferences and many pastors expressed joy over the evident working of God in the services. Churches in these areas were challenged to support the missionaries from their area: foreign missionaries Jimmy and Janie Aldridge, Dave and Pat Franks, and Rick and Linda Bowling, and home missionaries Mike and Vickie Mutchler, James Walden, Donnie Hussey, and Micky Kirkland.

Richard Cordell, coordinator of the 36-church roster, reported one church in that area, Cedrom Grove in Carbon Hill, participated for the first time this year. The eight churches in the North Alabama Association are having their first conference this year.

Cordell noted that in addition to raising support for those already mentioned, the churches in these areas have committed themselves to raise \$4,000 in cash to send Mark Riggs to Spain for a short term. He also pointed out the fruit of past conferences in commitments to missionary service by Rick and Linda Bowling and Vickie Mutchler who are from the Hamilton and Guin areas.

Drought Is Severe in Much of Ivory Coast

Ivory Coast—After two very dry rainy seasons in the Ivory Coast, water shortage has made conditions serious: Water supply is critical, electrical energy has been cut to the bone, and failing crops have made food supply meager.

Miss Arilla Wode, missionary in Agnibilekrou, says, "There are five reservoirs which supply the entire country with electricity. These lakes are virtually empty. They are not producing one kilowatt hour of electricity. A thermal plant in Abidjan is supplying some electricity for Abidjan. We are now receiving our power from a huge diesel generator in Tanda. We have many power outages."

Water tables are also extremely low in the country, so deep wells are in danger of drying up. Miss Wode noted conservation of water supplies is extremely important as Agnibilekrou's approximately 25,000 residents get their water from one deep well.

Hokkaido FWB Churches Hold Annual Meeting

Japan—The annual meeting of the Hokkaido Free Will Baptist churches was held in Bihoro, Japan, in early January. Approximately 50 people attended the annual event.

Jim McLain presided over an ordination service for Kurosaki who has been pastoring the Abashiri church on an interim basis for the past two years.

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