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I BELIEVE

by Dr. D.L. Moody



In the athletic world you will often see fans of underdog teams holding signs that read, "We Believe." We assume these individuals have faith and confidence that even when the chips are down, they are not giving up hope that victory can still be achieved.

I have been associated with Arlington Baptist College for 30 years in a variety of ways. I have seen and lived through some of the tough times that our college has experienced. I have watched as God has worked in incredible ways to sustain and supply the needs of ABC, often times in the "eleventh hour" but always right on time. He has done so for seventy years and it is obvious to me that God has not yet finished the work He has planned for His College. With huge faith and confidence in our Great God, I **Believe** that there many victories that await us in the years to come.

On June 1, 2009 I will assume the position of President that my friend, Dr. David Bryant, has held for the last sixteen years. I want to express my own appreciation for all the sacrifices that he has made and applaud the achievements he has accomplished for our school during his term of leadership. THANK YOU, DR. BRYANT!

I must confess to you that the tasks that lie ahead are somewhat daunting. Only by the grace and power of God can they be faced and accomplished. My friend, Jonathan Falwell, adopted the phrase, "Not I but Christ," when he assumed leadership of the great Thomas Road Baptist Church following his father's death. I know the feeling and identify with his source of confidence.

Our college is in a position of great need. Student enrollment is far from what it needs to be and financial support is far short of what it takes

TRI-STATE FELLOWSHIP

The WBF Tri-State Fellowship was hosted on March 26-27, 2009 by Pastor W. C. Vansant and the Victory Baptist Church in Vidalia, Georgia. The theme of the meeting was "Faithful to the Finish". Speakers for the meeting were: Dr. Ben Langley (Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Jasper, GA), Donnie Miles (Faith Baptist Church, Jacksonville, FL), Larry Wallace (Trinity Baptist Church, Lake Wales, FL), Lee Wallace (Trinity Baptist Church, Lake Wales, FL), Terry Collins (Southpoint Baptist Church, Jacksonville, FL), John Cunningham (Heritage Baptist Church, Dallas, GA). The keynote speaker for the meeting was Brian Rhodes of Lakeland Baptist Church, Buford, GA. Lakeland Baptist Church is one of the church plants of the Tri-State Fellowship and in just over two years of existence has reached an average attendance of 80. Music for the meeting was under the direction of Lee Wallace and Mrs. Winona Fountain played the piano for the services.

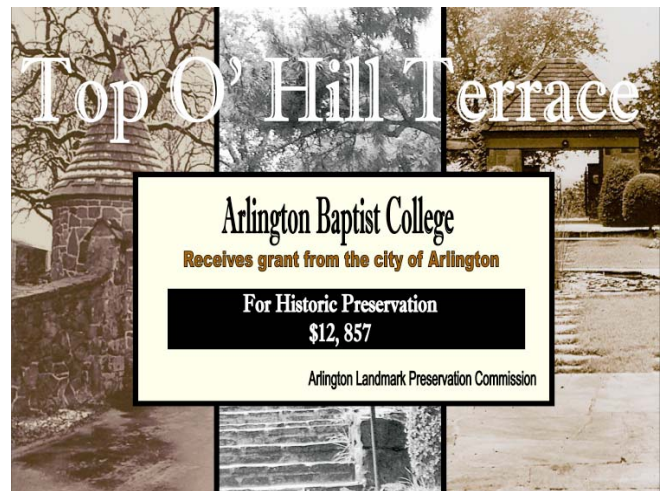
To show the love and sharing among the churches of the Tri-State Fellowship, the Trinity Baptist Church of Lake Wales, FL recently gave the Victory Baptist Church in Vidalia church pews and a baby grand piano. What a blessing as churches help each other to progress in the work of the Lord.

The next Tri-State meeting will take place August 27-28, 2009 at the Grand Highway Baptist Church in Clermont, Florida. If you are in that region of the country, plan to attend this great meeting.

to operate in a healthy manner. I **Believe** however, that when we face great need, that is the time when God does His greatest work. We are poised to experience His greatness in the days ahead.

I **Believe** that the faith "once delivered unto the saints" is still relative and powerful in our generation. The historic Baptist doctrine that has

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QUAD-STATE FELLOWSHIP

by Pastor Tim Billups

March 16 & 17 marked the most recent meeting of the WBF Quad-State that was hosted by the Vandalia Baptist Temple and Pastor Rick Washburn, Jr. The theme of the meeting was "The Basics of Life" and those that made the effort to attend were definitely both blessed and encouraged by some fantastic preaching from pastors such as James Lewis (Harvest Baptist Temple), Glenn Tatterson (Flint Baptist Temple), Mike Gray (Baptist Tabernacle), Dale Adkins (Mansfield Baptist Temple), and Brian Loveless (Calvary Baptist Church, Grand Prairie, TX) who was our main speaker. All of the music and messages were very challenging and thought provoking for each person, so as always, if you chose not to attend or were unable to, **did you ever miss out!** Honestly, I can't imagine what I would be like if I didn't have these opportunities to gather for fellowship and encouragement. God is truly an awesome God to have created us to need each other. Thank you, Pastor Rick and Vandalia Baptist Temple family, for a job well done!

Let me take this opportunity to encourage you in the Quad-State area to please mark your calendars for our next meeting to be held at the **Lewisburg Baptist Church in Maysville, Kentucky on September 3 & 4, 2009.** It will one of those that you don't want to be the one saying, "I wish I would have been there"! More details to come in the future, but feel free to check out the church website at www.lewisburgbaptist.com.

2009 FALL FELLOWSHIP

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A STIRRING OF THE HEART

Perhaps I'm just being sentimental, but I love the World Baptist Fellowship. Having just returned home from the annual meeting of the Fellowship, I realized I had experienced a stirring of the heart. While at the meeting this week I was quickly reminded of the debt of gratitude we owe to those who have paved the way and set the standard for us to follow. My heart was stirred when J. Frank Norris was quoted as saying, "I would do anything to keep a man out of hell." I immediately concurred and thought within myself how that needs to be the driving force of the ministries we lead. There is nothing of greater value in the world than that of a human soul.

My heart was stirred as I witnessed the presentation of the newly created "Soldiers of the Cross" awards that were given to Dr. Wayne Martin and posthumously to Rick Austin; Heroes of the Faith who served both faithfully and unashamedly, holding the World Baptist Fellowship torch for us to follow. We are who we are today because of the leadership of Wayne Martin and Rick Austin.

Again I sensed a stirring of the heart as Dr. David Bryant was recognized and honored for more than 16 years of faithful service as President of Arlington Baptist College. It had been my privilege to serve alongside him for 11 years on the college board of directors and to watch him stand true and faithful in some of the most difficult circumstances anyone must ever face. We were blessed to have Dr. Bryant at the helm for those many years and every day of our future success will only serve as a constant reminder of his



Jimmy McNeil
WBF President

faithfulness to the World Baptist Fellowship and to Arlington Baptist College.

Once again my heart was stirred as I witnessed the installation of Dr. Danny Moody as the new President of Arlington Baptist College. The task at hand for which Dr. Moody has been called will not be easy. The road will be somewhat treacherous and the way sometimes unsure. However, for more than 70 years the World Baptist Fellowship has stood strong through difficult times. There is no reason to believe the future isn't ours. In fact, God has strategically placed us here, at this hour, for such a time as this. With a past that encourages us and a God who sustains us, we face a bright and glorious future. With Dr. Moody casting the vision, I believe we are on the brink of once again leaving a mark on the world and having a global impact for the cause of Christ.

Regardless of the changes in the way we do ministry (and if we do not change, we die); the why of our ministry remains the same. The Apostle Paul shared his heart when he clearly proclaimed, "his heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel" was that they might be saved. I am convinced that for the World Baptist Fellowship our mission is still clear: Into all the world, with all the Word.

I came away this week with a new found hope and excitement that the World Baptist Fellowship is on the track to once again impact the world and eternity one soul at a time. Will you join us? I know this for sure. If you will get involved and join forces with us, God will do a work and you too will experience a stirring of the heart; perhaps like never before.

FURLOUGH MISSIONARIES

Joe & Elaine HAWKINS Brazil



We had no idea we would still be in the USA as we write this! Before we came home from Brazil, Joe was helping our son-in-law, John,

replace some rotten boards on a fence. Suddenly, without any warning, Joe passed out and fell downhill onto his left shoulder, fracturing his collarbone and tearing some ligaments. That meant a visit to the E.R. and spending the night at the hospital. The cardiologist on duty ordered some tests to try to discover the reason for his passing out and nothing firm was diagnosed. Instead of continuing on with our planned visits, we returned to Manaus. Joe's cardiologist there ordered another test that would have cost as much as a round trip-ticket to the U.S., and it just made sense to come to Texas. Joe has had a lot of tests done here, and a number of things could be the cause. Joe's shoulder is much better but he may still need some therapy. Elaine is looking into knee surgery and Joe would like to get rid of his cataracts, both of which we could do in Ohio while visiting with our daughter, Melinda, and 3 grandchildren. Please continue to pray for us.

The works and workers in Brazil are doing great. The Living Word Bible Institute has twenty-two students. The "Peneil" Indian Bible Institute is also functioning and all their teachers are graduates from our Manaus Bible Institute. Pray for all involved, all these dear people need encouragement too. We are so thankful for your prayers and financial cooperation. God bless each of you that have had a part in the work here. We will be returning to Brazil as quickly as possible.

I have driven about five thousand miles in the past two months and have traveled to Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and Florida. Along the way I have stayed in several mission houses as well as some homes of friends. It is always a joy to renew old acquaintances and make some new ones as well.

Karen WERTH Indonesia



The news from Indonesia continues to be good. One of our Bible college graduates is now working with one of our pastors in North Sumatra. From the church he pastors, a new mission and Sunday School has started. He has requested Sunday School materials.

In January this year there were 19,000 Bibles distributed to many Junior High students in southern Nias. Since July of 08, over 49,000 Bibles have been given to students from 214 different Junior High schools throughout the entire island. Thank you very much for making this huge project possible. Please pray that many souls will be saved in Nias as the result of the Bible distribution.

Please continue to pray for me as I travel that God will protect me. Thank you for your faithfulness in praying and supporting the work.



Steve & Charlotte BYRD Ecuador

The Lord is blessing in the many furlough meetings. There was a man saved and another rededicating his life in Florida. Another

encouragement came when Pastor Spencer and Stephen invited two ladies and one of their sons to come to church in Sioux City, Iowa. The mission conferences and services have been challenging and a blessing as I have traveled to so many churches. I have been in conferences and meetings nearly every day and your kind gracious treatment is greatly appreciated.

We are blessed to report that two churches have confirmed to come help us build and another expressed the possibility of coming as well. We would love for you to accept our invitation to come to Ecuador on a mission trip and help us build.

This year has been very interesting at school for Jonathan. He has been able to be in drama, play soccer, basketball and baseball. He will be competing academically with students from other Christian schools. He will be preaching and after classes are done, the next week is church camp, and he is glad to be able to go before returning to Ecuador.

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Family and Friends



In Romans 16 Paul lists a number of unidentified servants of the Lord...Junias, Ampliatus, Urbanus, Stachy, Apelles, Andronicus, Aristobulus, Philegon, Hermes...and you won't find a familiar name in the list, but they knew the Lord and in some way had contributed to the work of the Lord. Monday night of the 2009 Spring Meeting of the World Baptist Fellowship convinced me that one would be amazed at the size of the Family and Friends of Arlington Baptist College.

Through the efforts of Dr. Tommy Meers and his dear wife, Joann, this year's meeting got off to a good start on Monday night, which had been designated "Family and Friends." Bro. Meers would be quick to tell you that he had a lot of air under his wings in preparation for that special night. It was good to see old friends and faces and to spend time just fellowshiping. The Lord of the Harvest has planted His servants all over America and around the globe, who are "Family and Friends" of Arlington Baptist College. Many of God's unsung heroes got their roots at the school started seventy years ago by Dr. J. Frank Norris and Dr. Louis Entzminger.

The "Family and Friends" night reminded me that we are not alone. As Independent Fundamental Baptists, we are not all alike nor a majority. However, let it not be said that we are irrelevant, struggling handful of nobodies groping our way through the 21st century. In unpretentious fashion, many of those who walked the halls of Bible Baptist Seminary/ Arlington Baptist College have made their mark for the glory of God. More often than not, these individuals are secreted saints, and their identity is neither displayed nor acknowledged. They may be overlooked, but they aren't overwhelmed. Though unknown, they are not unnoticed, and while as a group they may be outnumbered, they are not outclassed.



Wendell Hiers
Fundamentalist Editor

Of the many friends and former classmates I saw this year, one really stood out to me personally. He fits the profile of what I've been writing about—the unnoticed soldier of the Cross. He graduated in May of 1975 and pastored for a few years in Ft. Stockton, TX. He was a member of the church I pastored for a number of years, and in recent years has served our Lord in subtle ways.

James Holland, for a number of years has served as an Assistant Chaplain at the Dallas/Fort Worth airport. On a weekly basis he's at the airport to receive and send off our men and women in the US military. How



often James has brought me a stack of cards with the names of men and women off to serve our country and requested I pray for their safety and the request on each card. The comments made by some these men and women are a blessing in itself. Thank you, James, for letting me be a part of a much needed and unnoticed ministry for our Lord.

Neither time nor space will allow me to mention other hidden servants of the Lord, nor would they want me to do so. Sufficient to say that our school has produced a lot of saints who now find themselves serving in Caesar's household, and one day we will meet them all as:

*"From north to south the princes meet
To pay their homage at His feet..."*
Isaac Watts

Thank you Dr. Bryant and all the folks who helped in making the Spring Meeting of the World Baptist Fellowship and the commemorating of the 70th year of Arlington Baptist College an awesome week. May God bless our Fellowship, our School, our Mission Agency, and all those unnoticed servants who make up our heritage!

Marantha!

He was a veteran of the U. S. Air Force and served in the Korean War. He was buried with military honors at the Biloxi National Cemetery.

Please be in prayer for Mrs. Reed and the family that the Lord will grant to them the grace and strength they need for this time.

"Only as the church fulfills her missionary obligation does she justify her existence."

Unknown

REV. BILLY REED WITH THE LORD

On Thursday, March 5, 2009 Bro. Billy Reed went to be with the Lord he loved and faithfully served. Bro. Reed was a graduate of the Bible Baptist Seminary and served as pastor for several years at the Central Baptist Church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He also served for a time on the WBF Mission Committee.

Bro. Reed owned and operated the Miramar Nursing Home in Pass Christian, MS for 22 years.

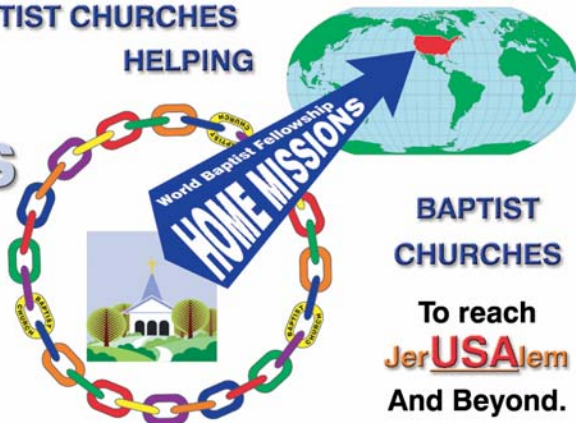
He is survived by his wife, Verda Reed, three children: Doris, Nancy and David; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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been the message and foundation of Arlington Baptist College for the past seventy years is a non-negotiable part of the fabric of our college and will continue to be as long as I lead. Methodology has forever been changing and will continue to do so but never in contradiction to biblical truth revealed in the Word of God. Rest assured that the Bible remains the final authority for faith and practice at ABC.

I Believe that evangelism is still the marching orders for the local church. Only two things in this world are eternal...the Word of God and the souls of men. Arlington Baptist College exists for the purpose of preparing men and women for the task of ministering through the local church. We must and will instill a passion for souls in our students so that they will leave our halls with a fire of evangelism burning hot in their hearts. I believe we can experience graduating classes numbering in the 100's, prepared intellectually and inspired emotionally, to go out into pulpits, mission fields, counseling offices, youth departments, music halls and school classrooms as world-changers for the cause of Christ. Core values of missions, church planting, expository preaching and consistent godly living will be the hallmark of the preparation that our students will receive. *"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."* (Matthew 5:16).

The greatness of our college and movement from its inception was the solid biblical positions that they took. One cannot read the biographies of J. Frank Norris without seeing that he was unmovable on biblical principles. Neither can one deny that he used methods that were "out of the box" for traditional religious ideology in order to reach lost souls. He said, "I will do anything to keep a man out of hell."

Our students will be challenged to adopt this mentality. The Gospel of Christ is not bound by generational boundaries. We must train leaders of the 21st century to reach people of the 21st century...**I Believe** J. Frank Norris would agree.

With what we believe and teach, coupled with the passion for global evangelism, **I Believe** there are some incredible things that we can accomplish for the glory of our Lord.

I Believe our campus can be charged with the power and presence of God.

I Believe our support base and student pool can be dramatically enlarged.

I Believe our student population can swell to several hundred in the next few years.

I Believe we can acquire regional accreditation that will enable us to train a broader spectrum of men and women for service to Christ (we will also continue to hold accreditation with ABHE, our current accrediting agency).

I Believe we can greatly increase the number of graduates in our missions, youth, music, pastoral, education, and general studies programs.

I Believe we can continue to offer our bachelors programs, enlarge our masters programs, introduce an associate's degree and Bible diploma program, and one day offer doctoral programs.

I Believe we can begin an effective endowment program that will secure our financial stability for future generations.

I Believe we can reinstitute Patriot Athletics and be strong contenders for NCCAA national championships (basketball, volleyball and baseball in the near future).

I Believe that our student life can be so enthusiastic that no young person will want to be left out of the excitement of the clean, Christ honoring world of college life.

I Believe that ABC can prepare a generation of GIANTS FOR JESUS that will change the course of our nation and impact our world.

I do not think that I am the only one who believes that all these things are possible. This is a work of God and He is quite capable of making it all happen. If **You Believe** please join us on this thrilling and miraculous journey.

Pray that God will guide, move, provide and be glorified through Arlington Baptist College. If God lays it upon your heart to make a financial contribution to ABC, regardless of how small or large, please obey Him and send it right away. I can promise you that your investment will be used to equip this generation of Giants for Jesus. I need your partnership; I assure you of wise stewardship; I will be eternally grateful for the privilege of serving our Savior together with you at ABC.

If you are looking for a college that will strive to make you the best servant of God you can be, then let me ask you to begin the enrollment process now at Arlington Baptist College. You and I can begin this journey together...I would love that!

I thank you for the privilege to serve as your college president. I covet your prayers and will cherish your friendship. I hope to see you raise your cardboard sign that says, "**I Believe!**"

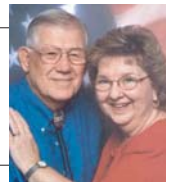
U. S. MINISTRIES



We praise the Lord for the salvation of Jose Luis. Jose, an unsaved man fifty-five years old, had been attending the Hispanic services here for several months. We had talked to Jose several times but he had not received the Lord as his personal Savior. Then one Sunday morning after the service, Jose came up and said to me: "Bro. Charles, I need to be saved; I know now that if I were to die now I would go to hell." A few moments later Jose received Jesus Christ as his personal Savior.

The Hispanic mission in Denton, Texas, is progressing with an average attendance of thirty each service. Juanita and I are working with this mission two Sunday mornings monthly and every Sunday night. The other times we are with the Hispanic mission in Grand Prairie. We are very thankful for your prayer and financial support for us and the works God has led us to do.

Lonnie & Jo Ann KING Hispanic Ministry



It seems that the economic crunch has affected the Lord's work in many different areas. Some of our people have

lost their jobs, some have moved away and that has caused our attendance to drop as well as the offerings. However, there is a sweet spirit among the people, and these are the people who want to work. Jo Ann has taken the pianist position as the lady that played for many years moved away. Our mission conference turned out very well. We had three missionary families presenting their different works with us. Our faith promise for the new mission year was \$24,000, and that is very impressive for a small rural church. We are having good services in the Spanish ministry and they so enjoy singing and hearing the Word taught in their language; and we are very thankful for them as well. Please continue to pray for us and the Spanish work here. Thank you for your continued support for us and the ministry.



Doyle & Wanda WHALEY Guatemala

We are doing well. Doyle continues having trouble with his hearing. He went to a specialist in Dallas last week, and they did a treatment on him but

he still has a lot of damage to the eardrum. Even with the medications, the Alzheimer's disease is progressing. We try to live from day to day and enjoy the health he still has.

The churches in Guatemala are doing pretty well with souls being saved, following the Lord in Baptism and souls being added to the church there. Please pray for the pastors; they receive very little monetary compensation from their churches but still are very faithful to proclaim the precious message of Christ. Also pray for the church in Quetzaltenango to receive their final papers to be a legal church and be recognized by the government of Guatemala. Many times the paperwork takes much time, but hopefully and prayerfully it will soon be complete. Thank you for your prayers and support on our behalf.

FURLOUGH MISSIONARIES (continued from page 2)

Matthew graduated from Pensacola Christian College on May 6. He plans to work fulltime at the "Rejoice Radio" station on the campus of P.C.C.; he has worked there part-time for the past two years. He is very thankful that God has provided him a job within his broadcasting degree. We are so grateful for your prayers and support.

Remember:
**Keep Our
Missionary Widows
in your Prayers!**

MISSIONARY QUALIFICATIONS

In the Book of Acts, chapter 13, we have the beautiful story of the call of God upon Paul and Barnabas to carry the Gospel to the regions beyond. This story gives a great illustration and example of how God works in the lives of men and women today in calling them to a life of missionary service. Wherever our lives are used to glorify God in service, either in the homeland or a foreign field, there are some definite qualifications that are necessary for a life of missionary service.

A missionary must be **"in the church"** (Acts 13:1). God has chosen to receive honor and glory to His name through the New Testament church. "Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." (**Ephesians 3:21**) To be "in the church", one must first of all be "in Christ". A person must be truly saved in order to be scripturally baptized and be a part of a New Testament Church. I believe, however, that there is a deeper meaning to the phrase, "in the church". I believe that it means that a person must be wholly dedicated to the Lord if he is to meet the qualifications that God has laid down for missionary service. Paul (Saul), Barnabas, and the others mentioned in Acts 13:1, were wholly dedicated to serving God. They were "prophets and teachers"; they were in communion with God and they shared with the church what God revealed to them. They were not necessarily fountains of wisdom, but rather conduits by which God passed His word and wisdom to the church. You and I can be of service to the Lord in the very same way. We can commune with the Lord in prayer and Bible study and then share with others what the Lord has given us.

A missionary must **minister to the Lord** (Acts 13:2). The folks in the church at Antioch served the Lord. They preached and taught and others were blessed by their ministry, but their service was unto the Lord. Today, you might be a Sunday School teacher, choir member, deacon, trustee, or other church officer and your service will help and edify other believers, but we must always remember that we are serving the Lord. God will reach down into a local church and find young men and women that are committed to serving Him and call them out to a life of missionary service. That service will be of eternal benefit to those who are reached and won to Christ, but the service will be unto the Lord. That leads me to my next thought:

A missionary must be **called of the Lord** (Acts 13:2). While it is true that every Christian is called to a life of service, there is no doubt that there is a special call of God to missionary service. In this verse, "the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them." The others mentioned in this passage were also serving God faithfully, but He called Barnabas and Saul to a special work. We call that work today, "missions". Notice that a missionary ministry consists of two specific elements: there is a **COMMAND** to the church and a **CALL** to individuals. The Lord has commanded the church to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). He has called individual Christians to be the human instruments in the fulfilling of His command. The entire church is commanded to go; the practical means of going is through the individuals who are called.

The missionary must be **sent by the church** (Acts 13:3). The God ordained instrument for sending missionaries to the foreign field is



Tommy Raley
WBF Mission Director

the local New Testament church. Mission Agencies do not send out missionaries. While mission agencies (such as the World Baptist Fellowship Mission Agency) may be useful tools for the local church and the missionary to use, agencies do not hold scriptural authority for fulfilling the Great Commission. We constantly remind ourselves and others, that we (the mission agency) are a service organization that the local church and its missionary may use to facilitate the fulfillment of the Great Commission. We do not, and will not, usurp the God ordained scriptural authority, the local New Testament church. Acts 13:3 tells us that it was the local church at Antioch that "sent them away". It was as though they said, "We, the church at Antioch, recognize that God has called you to the regions beyond. We stand with you and behind you with our love and our prayers, our sympathy and our gifts. You go forth as one of us, as our representatives, and as you go, we go with you."

A missionary must be **willing to work with others** (Acts 13:4) This verse tells us that **"they....departed"**. It was a team effort. Paul needed Barnabas, and Barnabas needed Paul. They complemented each other in the work. There is no doubt that their gifts and personalities were different, but working together they formed a successful team. In today's world, when missionaries are able to work together as a team in a particular field, greater work can be accomplished than either one can do individually. It is not always easy to blend different personalities into a team, but when it is possible, it is very effective. God makes it plain through the teaching of Scripture (I Corinthians chapter 12), that He uses different types of people with differing gifts to make a whole and healthy church. No two of us are identical, but we can all be used of God to accomplish the great task of reaching lost souls and allowing Christ to build His church through us.

A missionary must be **led by the Holy Spirit** (Acts 13:4) "So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost..." I have always believed that the call of God was to a ministry, not necessarily to a geographic location. I often tell young men and women that the call of God is to a **people**, not a **place**. As He leads us to the people we are to reach, He will guide us to the place of service. In the life and ministry of the Apostle Paul, this is amply demonstrated. In Acts chapter 16 we have the record of how the Holy Spirit did not allow Paul and his fellow workers to travel to the east or to the north, but directed them west, into Macedonia (Europe). God still calls missionaries to the ministry and then leads them to particular places of service.

A missionary must never forget that his primary task is to **preach the Word** (Acts 13:5) "...they preached the Word of God..." Missionary work involves many different tasks. There is a humanitarian element in missionary service. Missionaries do what they can to alleviate human suffering and need through medical clinics, orphanages, etc. The primary task, however, must always be the preaching of the Gospel, winning of souls, and establishment of local New Testament churches. Any work that falls short of this goal is not true missionary work. Missions begins and ends with the local church. Any legitimate tool that can be used in accomplishing this task is well and good, but the tools must never become the goals; they are to be used to reach the goal.

There is no doubt that God calls missionaries. **Is He calling you?**

Ecuador Report

by Melbourne Neill

What a blessing it was to see the children's faces as Gayle Sparks spoke to the Children's Vacation Bible School in Santo Domingo, Ecuador. Her Church in Gonzales, Mexico had invited us to come to Mexico for the last two years, and we felt it would only be right if she went to Ecuador to help with our Summer Vacation Bible Schools. She had the Juniors the

first week and the Youth the second week. We had several kids that were saved and over 20 that made decisions to serve the Lord in some way in their Church; some with music, some to teach, and some to preach.

We were able to see the property where we will be building a small building for a Mission work on the coast of Ecuador. Several of the men from Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Jasper, Georgia will be going to help with this project. We have two other places that need some help in getting up a small building. Maybe your church would like to travel to Ecuador and help with one of these projects. Please let me know if you are interested.

Just Thoughts

As years go by we see more churches providing on-staff Christian counselors. The need has grown great for men and women trained to help folks who have had a traumatic childhood, are presently suffering abuse or have besetting sins in their lives.

In my lifetime I can't remember more people hurting than we have today. These are friends, loved ones and fellow church members who have to carry on daily routines. They go about with broken hearts, huge burdens for family members and hidden weaknesses.

Ladies' speaker, Jennifer Rothchild, wrote that on remembering the story of the good Samaritan, she always pictured herself as the one who did his best to give help that the injured man needed - the good Samaritan. Of course we wouldn't want to be the two who passed by - someone who didn't care. She goes on to say that finally she realizes that she is really like the man who was left beside the road to die.

We are the ones in need waiting for a Savior to help. That's the character we relate to in this very familiar story. Only in being rescued ourselves can we be of encouragement and help to others.

All of us cannot obtain a degree in Christian counseling. We won't know all of the professional answers and advice that could be learned



Linda Raley

from counseling courses. It's difficult for a lay person to help someone realize what their bottom line problem is and what measures they can take to begin to mend their lives.

Even in a situation of a death or other family tragedies we sometimes search for words that will comfort and encourage.

Recently I heard a wise lady give very sensible advice on ministering to folks in need. She used an example of her personal, physical injury during her college days. She related that several ran to her rescue to help clean and bandage her wounds. Even though this was one of the most embarrassing times of her life, one thing impressed her most. One young girl knelt beside her, blew on her wounds and told her how sorry she was for the injuries.

The young lady who was a stranger had nothing to give but a soft wind on the hurts and gentle words of comfort. She didn't begin to tell about past personal experiences or great examples of how to overcome the hurt, just a quiet, gentle wind.

I'm thankful for effective Christian counseling. It's also wonderful to know that having been rescued from the sinful side of the road myself, I can do my best to blow a soft wind on the wounds of a hurting friend. I can tell them I'm sorry for their pain and listen to what they need to say.

FROM THE DEAN OF STUDENTS



ABC's Education Department

by Emil Balliet

The Education Department of the Arlington Baptist College held its annual Candeo Dinner on Friday, May 8, 2009. The term "Candeo" means to send forth the light. This describes the ministry of our education graduates as they go into classrooms in the USA and around the world teaching knowledge and witnessing for Christ. They are teaching Truth to children who are the messengers to a time we will not see. Dr. Helen Sullivan, Academic Dean, introduced the 2009 Education Graduates and their classroom teachers who supervised them during their student teaching semester. The guest speaker for the evening was Angie Arthur, from Faith Christian Academy in Grapevine, Texas. Angie and her family have a long association with the World Baptist Fellowship and ABC, and from the perspective of one who has 27 years experience she reminded teachers that "... the Lord will be with you" (2 Chronicles 20:17).

The Educator Alumnus of the Year is Lisa Minton. Lisa teaches at Lamar High School in Arlington, Texas and has been recognized by her school and the Arlington Independent School District for her dedication and teaching skills. Lisa expressed her gratitude for the quality education she received at ABC as the foundation for her career accomplishments.

It was announced that Professor Vickie Brown has been working on a grant application that would benefit ABC. With the help of three Educator Alumni and information provided by our historical curator, Mrs. Vickie Bryant, the grant application was submitted to the city of Arlington. We praise the Lord that the Arlington City Council has approved a grant of \$12,000 for repair to some of our historical structures and signage for Mrs. Bryant's historical tours. (Note: Thanks to Mrs. Bryant's research, ABC is a leading tourist destination through the Arlington Visitors Bureau and God is honored as Mrs. Bryant tells the story of how God changed this place from "Poker to Preachers".)

Pray for the seven Education Graduates of the Class of 2009 as they

will be entering the mission field of school classrooms. Pray for our Educator Alumni who are already out there teaching Truth and reclaiming our culture one child at a time. Pray for Professor Vickie Brown as she completes the requirements for her doctoral degree in Education. Pray for ABC's Education Department as we develop the next big step in our academic program, a **Masters Degree in Education**.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

By Barbara Wimm

What a joy to join the Mayo people on the west coast of Mexico in celebrating God's blessings! Soon after arrival, three more students of the Mayo Bible Institute received their diplomas. They had each studied from seven to nine years to receive their degrees. For several years classes have been held on Saturdays so that men can work during the week to support their families and young people can finish their regular schooling while at the same time preparing for God's service.



Another blessing was to visit the Good Shepherd Baptist Church, the fifth Mayo church, this one organized under the leadership of Byrom and Carolyn Martin. Pastor Leoncio and his wife are graduates of the Institute, and both are now teachers preparing others for service.

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NEWS FROM THE REGIONS BEYOND



Miss Betty Alice HALL Mexico

The Lord continues to bless the work here in Monterrey, Mexico. The Conference we recently had was the best we have ever had with good

attendance, great preaching and many decisions made for Christ. One of our bus route young ladies gave her life to the Lord. Also we ask you continue to pray for Yamel as she takes the necessary steps to fulfill God's calling in her life.

The new church building is undergoing changes making it more comfortable and presentable. The new white aluminum arch shaped windows give it a very nice look as well as keep the cold and rain out.

I would like to ask much prayer for safety both here at home and at the church. The city has experienced many changes in the past couple of years with kidnappings, city bus robberies, street marches, bank robberies and a lot of drug related activity from the drug cartel.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and monthly support. Many times I have become lonely and discouraged and your prayers have kept me going. God bless you

Thank you for your prayers for Carlos Eduardo, his health is improving; however, he is still undergoing kidney dialysis three times a



Jerry & Atalias LANTZ Brazil

week but seems to be getting stronger as the days go by. We have also asked for prayer for the salvation of his family. His sister, Carla, trusted Christ as her Savior a few months back and Carlos' mother and father have now trusted in the Savior as well.

We had an evening youth service and the youth took care of the entire service including the preaching. Edison feels called to preach and you might say he is Timothy in training along with another, Irmao Jarbas, as well. We have many in the work that have family members and neighbors that need to be saved.

We saw some growth, not only in spiritual growth, but some much needed modification to the building. It was a joy to see our men come out and help take down a very heavy steel door and replace it with a standard wooden double door. It has made it easier to enter the building and with these modifications we have had some passersby come by wanting to buy this door and another one we wish to replace too. God always supplies, not only for the materials needed for the job but for individuals to purchase the materials left over from a job.

Please pray for not only continued growth, but that God will bless the leaders greatly, especially Irmao Jarbas. Pray that God will use him in a great way, and not only with the teens, but with the entire church during our upcoming furlough. Thank you for your prayers and financial support on our behalf.

Jerry & Bonnie BITNER Mexico



We had a tremendous growth campaign in the Bethesda Baptist Church here in Monterrey. The attendance for the last

Sunday of the campaign was over 430 and a record attendance for the church. During the month we also had an emphasis on visitation and over 1,000 visits were made during that month. We had our annual youth camp Easter week and it was one of the largest attended camps we have ever had. Many decisions were made for Salvation and for Christian Service.

The Bible Institute has 25 students enrolled and two will be graduating this year. Please continue to pray for the institute and the students and professors as well. Another problem we have is "space", or lack of it. We

are in the process of getting the necessary permits to begin construction, and ask your prayers that sufficient funds will be given for the construction.

It is such a privilege to be a small part of the work that is being done here. Each of you that are so faithful to pray and give faithfully has a great part in this work and the souls being saved. Without you, we just could not continue to do what we are doing here in Monterrey. God bless you for your faithfulness.

David & Debra SMITH Quebec



In a recent survey, the people here in Quebec declared that the most important thing to them is "family." However, the

state of the family is in crisis. Cohabitation is considered the "norm" for new families, divorce rates are soaring and 58% of all babies are born to unwed mothers. We have a crisis situation here in Quebec. We desperately need revival!

You may recall in our past letters we have asked prayer for a Haitian woman named Rachel, who is a Voodoo priestess. Her mother, Mrs. Valburn, attends our church and lives with Rachel. We have been praying that God would work in the heart of Rachel and save her. I recently received a phone call from Rachel asking us to pray for her husband, Wesley, who was in the hospital. When I went to visit Wesley, he is a Christian, Rachel was there too. I was just about to pray for and with Wesley and Rachel came and stood closer, bowed her head to pray with us. An amazing change for her as I acknowledged that God is in control, and prayed that they would understand God's will for their lives through this trial. Wesley was treated and released from the hospital a few days later. Pray that God will use this occasion to reach Rachel and she will come to know Christ as her Savior.

Please pray for our daughter, Sarah. She will be graduating and choosing a university next fall. She will soon be making arrangements with the school she chooses. Pray also that God will direct her to the financial aid she will need, and for the financial help we can give.

Debby's father, Don Ahrens, went home to be with the Lord after a 20 year battle with cancer, he was 72 years old. Thank you for your prayers on his and our family's behalf.

We are mindful of your prayers and financial support that sustain us here so we can continue to share the Gospel. Please pray for our churches, that God will keep them strong. We know that many churches and individuals are experiencing financial difficulty in these days.

John & Isabel HORTON Brazil



We are in the process of renewing Isabel's visa and taking yet another step in the long process of getting her US citizenship.

Please pray with us that all the paperwork will go through and that she would be approved soon.

The 2009 Family Retreat was a complete success. The theme was "In Defense of the Family". Satan is doing much to damage and destroy all that God is doing in the lives of our families. We had over a hundred people present, and we saw God's working in the hearts of many families, and two precious souls were saved that week.

We are planning and organizing three summer camps to be held in July. Please pray for these camps that many will give their hearts to the Lord and some would surrender to God's service.

The Independent Baptist Church in Cidade Nova 8 has an average attendance of about 60 each week. We have outgrown our rented facilities and we are looking to God to supply a permanent building, as He sees fit. Please pray that God will open the doors for this important need.

My brother, Kyron and his family will be returning to the States for a

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year furlough this month. Please pray for traveling mercies and God's blessings for them as they travel. Isabel and I will continue to hold down the fort and fight a good fight. Thank you for being so faithful, words cannot express our gratitude for your sacrifice. Thanks for your faithful financial support and prayer support.

We have arrived in the USA for our much needed furlough. It has been four years since we have seen our family and friends and we have a daughter, Sara, in Bible College and will be dropping off another (Lori) in August. We look forward to reporting to our supporting churches what God has done here in Southern Brazil. A lot has been done, but oh, so much more needs to be done. We are planning only a six month furlough this time and my calendar is almost full but I still have a few openings if you would like us to come by and report.

**David & Diane
CATO
Brazil**



The church here is growing; five were baptized recently and a family of six just moved into our area from another city and have joined us. Our living room is getting pretty full to hold everyone and soon we will have to rent a building. Praise the Lord.

Bro. Jerry and Mrs. Atalias Lantz came and helped us with Vacation Bible School. We used a local gym and averaged about 50 children each day and eight precious souls made professions of faith in Christ.

We had a mission conference and our church voted to take on Pastor Valcides, missionary to the Indians of the Amazon, for \$80.00 per month. God is so good to us.

Lori will be graduating and we are planning a graduation party for her and she has invited about 50 people to attend. We are so proud of her and she wants to attend Bible College with her sister and serve the Lord.

Pray for the church as we will be in the states for six months. A couple of our deacons will be running the church in our absence; they will take turns preaching and teaching. Thank you for your support and prayers.

**Leon & Donna
THOMAS
Mexico**



These past few months have been busy ones. The works in Reynosa and Matamoros needed work done on their

buildings. Leon spent several days getting the church papers in order. One of the church charter members, Sr. Molina, is very ill. He is not expected to live very long.

Leon was riding the bus back from Saltillo and the bus was nearly empty for the last couple of hours and Leon was able to win the bus driver to the Lord. God gives us opportunities to serve and witness no matter where we are. Please continue to pray for all of the missionaries, especially those who must travel in and out of the border often. Many of you have heard how serious the problems are. Leon goes in and out of a small town just outside Reynosa and it is a very lonely road and he has been stopped several times by the police. Pray that God will keep him safe.

Our stepfather had surgery recently and seems to be doing well. He has many health problems. Thank you for your prayers and we ask you to continue to pray for our youngest son, Jeremy as he struggles to seek God's will for his life. We appreciate your faithfulness.

The crime rate here in Quito is escalating and foreigners are a favorite target. Over the past couple of weeks I have been spared armed robbery, fortunately, exiting the locations that were robbed shortly before the event took place. One robbery was at the Garbage Dump in Zambiza. Their offices were completely cleaned out and the payroll stolen but no harm came to the medical dispensary, day care or counseling office.

**Tommy & Ennie
BOWEN
Ecuador**



Another was at the Casa Gabriel where I currently have a Tuesday night Bible study. We have joked about the possibility that I am being followed by thieves and they are robbing whenever I leave.

In Olmedo we have had the opportunity to become more involved in the neighborhood and town meetings. These are a requirement for all "dwellers" and are important to the distribution of work details and any administrative changes in the community. We have had the opportunity to present ourselves and our ministry to everyone present. This town has forcibly removed other evangelical groups in years past. We need your prayers for safety and wisdom; and a stop to the Catholic Churches' threats to those who attend our services. Our congregation is slowly growing but the resistance is great. We have lost most all our young people this way. Other than this obvious frustration we are doing well. Thank you for your prayers and financial support; we do appreciate them.

**Byrom & Carolyn
MARTIN
Mexico**



We are in the states for a short furlough and planning to return to Mexico very soon. Please pray for the works among the Mayo Indians. We are

very thankful for the pastors and teachers who are taking care of the Institute in our absence. The students are visiting in different villages and report that there have been 45 souls saved so far. The Good Shepherd Baptist Church in Las Higueras celebrated its third anniversary and Pastor Leoncio Jusaino completed his first year as pastor of this church. In San Miguel, Ofelio Jusaino is taking care of the church. We received good reports from him with several being saved and two following the Lord in baptism. We need more room as we had to vacate the building we were renting and are now meeting temporarily in a home. Pray God will provide the funds for a permanent place for the church. Thank you for all you do, your prayers and financial support are vital to us and to the ministry here.

A few weeks ago Florence and I had the privilege of winning one of our neighbors to the Lord; her name is Angelita. Angelita is 78



**David & Florence
McDONALD
Spain**

years old, had been attending the church with her sister and brother-in-law and when she trusted Christ it was an exciting time for all the church and us.

The Bible Institute is going well. Bro. Bill Rose is teaching the book of Revelation and I am teaching a series on Sermon Preparation. There are seven students attending regularly.

Last month ended with a sad note. One of our African families lost one of their children. Victory was two years old and born handicapped; had been hospitalized two other times and was close to death and finally, this time, the Lord took him home. We are thankful to the Lord that we were able to be with them and comfort them. Please pray for the parents, Dele and Queen that they will continue to receive strength and increase in the faith in God.

Please pray for Marcelo, a member of our church here, who is in Italy waiting for his residence papers. He wants to return here as quickly as possible to his wife and family as well as the church. His son has won a total of five people to the Lord in Italy, his father and brother also have been saved. God is using Him. We want to thank all those who have had a part to feed the people here who are out of work.

**Bonnie
WINTERS
American Indians
New Mexico**



The village is paving the street in front of my house today. It has been going on since last October and it has been a real mess. It does look

much better and the ditch is gone and we have curbs now; there are blessings in everything.

The Lord is truly blessing the ministry here in New Mexico. Bro. Brad

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THE MISSIONS CORNER

by Rick Washburn, Jr.



Top Ten Reasons To Drop A Missionary

I love Top Ten lists, so I thought I would make one of my own:

10. He doesn't write enough prayer letters.
9. The younger, newer models are way cooler.
8. I don't like his pastor.
7. He changed mission fields.
6. He wears a beard on his video presentation.
5. He doesn't run like he used to.
4. His wife wears pants.

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and Mrs. Ronda Hastings have been here for nearly a year now and it is such a blessing to have them here. We are able to do so much more now. We are reaching new people as well as those who have come in the past. Special services are being planned and we look forward to more new people coming to church. Many people are noticing the changes on the outside of the building. Ernie, the sign painter came and painted the new signs and did a great job; you can read them now. A couple of months ago we had the parking lot re-graveled. Ben Griego came out of retirement to do it for us; he is the same one that did it last time.

Please continue to pray for my daughter Sarah. Beside the illness she has been dealing with since 2004, she now has a tumor in the pituitary gland that she is being treated for.

You are such a blessing and encouragement to me. I could not keep on going if it were not for your support and prayers. Thank you for your faithfulness.

3. He is not as "fruitful" as other missionaries.
2. There is a grammar mistake in his prayer letter.
1. He preaches way too long (*that's my job*).

Missionaries already feel like many pastors are just *looking* for reasons to drop a missionary. This feeling intensifies when a new pastor takes a supporting church. Then you have the current economic problems in the world and in our churches. Though there are going to be times in which missionary support must be stopped or reduced (*which breaks many a pastor's heart*), may we not do so for petty, frivolous reasons.

Missionaries are God-called servants to the harvest fields of the world. They are our ambassadors and representatives in the Great Commission. They may not do everything as we would do, or the way we like, but we are still co-laborers in the greatest endeavor in human history: rescuing souls from eternal damnation.

If missions funds are too low for a church's commitments, perhaps they could *reduce* monthly support across the board instead of dropping a missionary's support completely. It is *much* more difficult for a missionary to regain that support after it is gone. But there are also times in which serious, substantive reasons make it necessary for a church to drop a missionary's support. If that is the case, be sure to seek God's direction earnestly before making the decision, and notify the missionary with plenty of time to prepare for the loss. It will make the adjustment much easier. And if all else fails in making these tough decisions, there is always my Top Ten list.

Norman & Gloria HIGGINS Mexico



We rejoice to share some of the blessings of the Lord here in Tijuana. There were 1096 first time visitors in the services last year, and an average of 80 church members out on visitation each week. There were over 80 that followed the Lord in Baptism during the year. Thus far this year there have been over 130 professions of faith and ten that have followed the Lord in baptism.

The Bible Institute continues to do well; we have two students that will graduate in June. Two of our graduate couples are busy visiting churches in an effort to go to areas which they feel led to go and begin new Baptist Churches. There is much going on in the lower Baja and here in Tijuana as well.

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ON THE DEPUTATION TRAIL

Meisha DEANE Ukraine



are enjoying the cozy nights. We were able to send forty blankets but it wasn't enough for each child to have one of their own. We would really like to purchase a blanket for each of the remaining ninety children. If you would like to help complete this project, please free to do so by sending in a special offering marked for blankets. The missionaries I will be working with, the Doug Stoddard family, have found a house for the transition home. It is a huge three story house that needs some work done before it can be used. Bro. Doug is arranging for teams to come over and help with the work. There are three trips scheduled, of which two have already passed and the last one will be June 1-13. If you would be interested in being part of this team please contact me and we will get you the information needed. We hope to be in this house by the end of the year. My travels are going well, the road is long before me, but the blessings are many and numerous. I have made some lifelong friendships and the Lord has blessed with some new support as well. I visited a Ukrainian church in Pennsylvania, and they will be praying for me. God put a lovely Russian girl in my path in Jacksonville, Florida. I witnessed to her, but am not certain of her faith in Christ. Please be in prayer with me for her salvation; her name is Irena. Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support.

"Extra! Extra! Extra!

The kids at the orphanage in Komarivka at last have heat. The pajamas we sent have arrived safely and they

Pray that God will open many doors for my financial support and I can be on my way to the Ukraine very soon.

A beautiful little five year old girl, Louvencia, has been very sick and been absent several times from the center because of sickness. She lives with

her very poor, single mother with 3 siblings. Miss Sonite, the Center supervisor told me, "I don't know what would have happened to Louvencia without a place like this. She would have most likely died from ill health and malnourishment. Her teacher asked her what she wants to do when she becomes an adult and she said: "I want to be a teacher for little children like me." Thank you for your monthly support, you have made it possible for Louvencia to survive and possibly live out her dream. Another child I want to mention is Josué. He is the youngest in his family. He is three years old and lives with his family in a shack in the neighborhood, close to the center. Josué's health is apparently stronger and he has a great appetite. He never tires of playing with his peers at the center. Both of these children are precious in the eyes of the Lord. Pray that Louvencia and Josué will grow up to become Christian leaders in Haiti and will help change things for the glory of God. Thank you for all you do for us and the people of Haiti.

Jacques & Marie ALEXANDRE Haiti



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ABC . . . the Educational Ministry of the World Baptist Fellowship

ABC Campus News & Views

by
Sherry Cash



A Communique of Arlington Baptist College

The ending of a fellowship meeting is always bitter-sweet. I get tired of the pace, but I really am not ready for it to end. I enjoyed this fellowship meeting immensely.

At the Ladies Meeting on Tuesday afternoon we were treated to a testimony by Corrie Ten Boom. Corrie was portrayed by Evelyn Hinds of Irving. She was excellent. The life of Corrie Ten Boom was very inspiring. She was very brave, and full of faith. The examples of faith in her life made me wonder if I could have that much faith. I don't want to experience the trials she had to endure – but I want to be that close to the Lord. It does seem as if you have to have trials to gain great faith.

Tuesday night was a night of appreciation for Dr. David Bryant's service and love for ABC. I'm really glad that he will be teaching still. I told him that I wouldn't be the thorn in his side anymore. His reply was probably true. He retorted, "I bet you find a way. I'll still be here, just in another office." I'll try not to bother him too much.

Wednesday night was a night to remember, too. About 700 people were present in the gym. Dr. D. L. Moody was installed as the new president. He spoke and it was very encouraging to us. ABC is alive and well. As long as God is for us – who can be against us? No one!

We had good crowds each night. Monday night we had a "Friends and Family Reunion." I so many people that I hadn't seen in many years. There were some changes in all of us. There were some with gray hair, some white hair, some colored hair, some pounds gained, very few pounds lost – but with name tags we were able to recognize our friends and catch up on some news about them.

All that is left to say is "God is good – all the time." He is the faithful one. He gives grace and mercy. He is worthy to receive honor and glory. Amen and Amen.

Gaslights and Knickerbockers

By Woody Cash

Perhaps a fascination with the things of nostalgia is age related. There are a goodly number of magazines that appeal to a generation that embraces the fond memories of their youth or that of their parents and/or grandparents. A few of those publications include *Reminisce*, *Reminisce Extra*, *Country*, *Country Extra*, *Good Old Days*, and *Good Old Days Looking Back*. They present a lot of intriguing stories, stimulating remembrances, and heart-warming photos. Be assured that the sales of such periodicals are not being made to the thirty year olds as a consumer group. The allure of such publishing is that for a short while the reader is carried back to a less stressful time (at least as our selective memories recall them). All too soon the last page is consumed and the present looms once again before us. However great a challenge the present may confront us with, it never-the-less is where we must live. Time travel into the past has only mental and/or science fiction possibilities.

Still certain images do have a fixed place in our recollections. That capability is a blessing if it demonstrates that what was once only in a dreamed of future, has now in this era become

the common reality. The realities of today are the fulfillment of the dreams of days gone by. Consider the Model T of a grandparent's prized possession. It was the forerunner of the vehicles we comfortably drive today. And, the autos of today have air conditioning, automatic transmissions and no need to be cranked by hand. As fond an image as the Model T may conjure up, it would not suffice to meet our needs and aspirations in this day. In the world of sports Larry Bird stands out in recollection as a player par excellence. But Larry Bird and his teammates played in shorts so short that the legs only got a hint of covering. Today's basketball uniforms cover the leg below the knee. In Bird's day the shorter length was okay. The length of basketball shorts today may not necessarily be any better, but who would vote to return to the lengths of yesteryear?

Today our homes are electrically wired, and the flip of a switch brings us instant illumination. Candles, Kerosene lamps, or even gaslights (if you were financially able to afford them) cannot compete as light sources. Flushing toilets far surpass the outhouse of days gone by. Then

there was the young men's fashion of knickerbockers for school, for play, and often for Sunday-go-to-meeting dress up. They are seldom seen today except for an occasional pro-golfer. The point to be made is that those items are antiquated. Given the opportunity, who would turn back the clock?

A newsreel lead-in used in the picture shows of old said, "Time Marches On". If we choose to remain static in our cultural advancements, we will very soon find ourselves behind the times and outmoded by the modern world in which we find ourselves. Realize that some things do not change—and that is both true and good. People have always been the same from Adam on. Spiritual truths are unchanging. God does not change. Still – times do change. If we would be evangelically successful we must package an ever-the-same blessed gospel in a fashion that is not perceived to be out of touch. Warren Wiersbe in his text, *Be Successful*, uses an old Youth for Christ slogan which says: "Geared to the times but anchored to the Rock." That is good advice for us. While we may treasure the memories of gaslights and knickerbockers, we do well to reckon them as part of our nostalgic musings.

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Daniel and Allison Walker – Middle East

It was overwhelming as I stood watching our church's Easter drama "I Will Rise". I was captivated by the awesomeness of Christ's resurrection. It was a powerful reminder not only of what we have in Christ, but of what is available only through Christ. What we share with Muslims is something that cannot be found within Islam (or any religion). It is not simply another religious system, but is the very guarantee of life, promised by the only one that has ever left the grave by His own power; it is the Easter difference. It is kind of difficult for raising support in the current economic climate; however, there is no such thing as a "bad time" to obey God. The Lord has chosen this particular time for us to be on deputation and I know when it is over and we are in the Middle East we will look back and see the absolute perfection of God's timing. Our support level is growing, little by little; each month more and more people are standing with us in prayer and in financial support. We thank God for our ministry partners.

We are excited about the Lord's providence for us week by week. We love to see what God has in store next, and for sure many

times our ways are absolutely not God's ways. I finished a sermon for the start of a Mission Emphasis Month a couple of weeks early and we didn't have anything on the calendar for that Sunday. We just simply visited a Fundamental Baptist Church in the area. I greeted the pastor and expected no more than to attend his services. While we were shaking hands the pastor, Bro. Richard Miller, asked me to preach that morning. I said "Yes sir", picked up my Bible and preached my sermon a couple weeks early, and later used it again. I was so glad I was prepared and I guess we must always be prepared and step out for Him. We continue

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**Tony & Brenda
DAVIS
Tanzania (STEP)**





by Marjorie Moffitt

HEARTBEAT OF WBF

In case you haven't experienced it, having laryngitis during a fellowship meeting is terrible! And, it's doubly difficult trying to gather information for this article when I'm unable to speak. After a week of sounding squeaky, my voice returned this morning making it possible for me to call Bro. Mark Ogle in Cheney, Kansas to get an update from him about what's going on in Kansas.

He came to Cheney twelve years ago from Orlando, Florida, and God is using him to build a church that is strong in faith, doctrine, and love for missions. Since we last shared news about the Cheney Baptist Church, they've purchased seven and a half acres to expand their facilities beginning with a multipurpose building. Their next phase will include a new sanctuary with adult Sunday school classes. I could feel the excitement in his voice as he shared with me that they are challenged to go forward. He said, "It doesn't matter how great our past has been, I feel our best days are ahead of us. We have a lot to do to win our part of the world to Christ. Good things are happening in Kansas, and we need new independent Baptist churches started across this state." His motto is "Straight Ahead". He's excited about Bro. Dale Stockburger and his family moving to Kansas to start a church in the area around Topeka, Kansas.

As we talked about Bro. Dale's coming, I couldn't help but remember the days when Bro. Bill started his first church in Carlsbad, New Mexico. Yes, we soon became acquainted with local people, but we were truly in the middle of the desert and away from other pastors in the fellowship. We felt so alone. Since we didn't own a car, we borrowed one to drive to Monohans, TX to attend a fellowship meeting. Those pastors loved on us, encouraged us, and challenged us so much that we could hardly wait to get home and get back to work. They will never know how much their encouragement meant to us. One thing for sure! Bro. Ogle is so excited about Bro. Dale Stockburger and his family coming to Kansas, they won't have to feel alone because the pastors in Kansas will be to them what the pastors in Texas were to us so many years ago. The Stockburgers served in the Pleasantview Baptist Church while attending ABC, and are

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The children's home continues to do well. What a blessing to see the Lord work in these young lives; children taken from broken or violent homes or off the streets. Just to see them saved and grow in Grace would be enough, but so much more is happening in their lives. We still have many needs in the building of the dorm for the children. Pray with us for the needed supplies that we can complete this building soon. We are so thankful to the Lord for your faithfulness to pray and give that the work can go on. We do appreciate you very much.

Our family was blessed to have a five week visit with Neila's parents, Joe and Elaine Hawkins. Unexpectedly we ended up with an extra week's visit with them. Bro. Joe was helping me work on a fence and replacing some boards when he passed out and broke his collar bone. Tests were run and the diagnosis came back showing blockage and arrhythmia. The shoulder has healed well, but they are in the States to get the necessary medical attention to solve the heart problems. Please pray for them.

Five souls have trusted Christ in the past few months. We had one of our supported missionaries come by and give report and during his presentation ten of our members dedicated their lives to the Lord. A month ago we baptized three who made professions of faith.

The Lord has blessed us with special offerings for the bathrooms

very precious to my heart. Their son, Kaleb, has surrendered to full time service unto the Lord. Perhaps one of these days when he graduates from ABC, he'll go back to another Kansas community to build another new church. By then he will have experienced helping his dad organize his first church in the Topeka area. It sounds to me like God has great things in store for Kansas!

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After speaking with Bro. Ogle, I called Bro. Robert Reid in Wichita, KS. He graduated from ABC in 1966 and hit the ground running. He served two years in Midland, Michigan, working with Bro. Art Collins in Fort Scott, KS for six years, then spending two years with Bro. Claude Craven in Big Spring, TX. Following, he went to Wichita, KS where he served as pastor of the Colonial Heights Baptist Church for twelve years before moving over to start the Brookhaven Baptist Church in 1988. He served there as pastor until 2008. In 2003 Bro. Reid was diagnosed with cancer. The doctors used a new treatment on him, and his cancer has been in recession for the last six years. He is in good health now. He retired two years ago, and Bro. Eric Goodman has become their pastor. The Reid's have one son, Barton, who married a sweet French girl, and they live in Hiercy, France which is about a thirty minute drive south of Paris. Barton is a Quality Control Manager for Sanfran Aero Co. which supplies maintenance for airplanes. Bro. Reid and his wife, Bonnie, hope to travel abroad to see their grandchildren soon. (You noticed who it is they are going to see!) Bro. Reid then expressed his love and appreciation for Dr. Bryant and his wife, Vicki, for their years of service to Arlington Baptist College. "Loyalty and faithfulness like theirs is truly a rare commodity." I couldn't agree more!

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Since Bro. Mark Hoover was out of pocket when I tried to reach him, I can't update you on his activities. Had I been able to make myself heard over the phone I might have caught him earlier in the week. Maybe next time! Well, have to go for now. Hope you all have a blessed week! If the Lord tarries His coming, I'll see you right here next time. Luv ya!

and the parsonage. We are very close to having sufficient funds to complete both projects. (continued on page 13)

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We traveled a long distance for Sunday morning services by the water in the fishing village of Jitzamuri, where Pastor Jose Gil and family have faithfully served for six years. Another day, we visited in Tabeleojeca and joined the service in the Good Samaritan Baptist Church, where Pastor Abraham Buitimea has pastored for twenty years. Then another evening, we joined the services where his brother, Rosario, will soon celebrate twenty-nine years as pastor in Tozalibampo (White Water).

A highlight of the trip was the celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of Bible Baptist Church and Tiburcio Montiel's thirtieth year in the pastorate. He and his wife, Dora, welcomed visiting pastors and missionaries to services held outside to overflow crowds. Inside the church were photo displays of the work from the time we arrived in Mayo land from the mountains of the Tarahumaras in 1977.

How I marvel at God's wondrous blessings! I praise Him for the vision He gave to my beloved Ralph to begin training workers in a very practical way back in 1978. God has blessed with a bountiful harvest of precious souls and continues to work through the dedicated and faithful workers in His harvest among the Mayo people.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

John & Neila YELLE Brazil



CHOOSING A FIELD OF SERVICE

Someone may be reading this article and be earnestly seeking God's leading for a future ministry. The reader may be desiring to allow God to use his/her God given talents, gifts, and abilities to the highest degree for the cause of Christ. Any other direction for ministry for him/her will result in utter frustration, no matter how tempting and upscale another position may be or how much monetary compensation it may pay. It has been stated, "If someone can do anything else but go to a foreign field, then just **do it.**"

Missionary service is very serious business. Eternal lives are depending on someone going with the message of the Savior. If a missionary has the peace of God in his heart and surrenders for foreign service, and is on track to do it, unless hindered by specific circumstances of which he is currently unaware, plans are made to do it until the Lord changes that direction.

There are many different questions that can be asked; however, we will consider only four for this article. The first question could be:

WHAT IS A MISSIONARY?

The word "missionary" can be defined in various ways: it may be "an individual on a mission", or "one who is sent", but perhaps the best is given by Dr. Terry Hulbert: "A missionary is a supported worker who is involved in the expansion of the church in a culture other than his own."

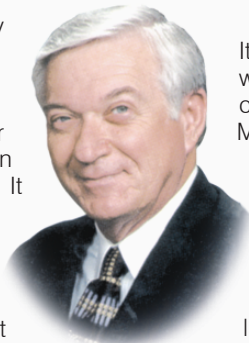
By being a supported worker, it is implied that a "missionary" has been approved by churches and individuals that believe that God has put His hand on this person to represent Jesus Christ in a particular foreign country. These individuals are willing to back this "God called" individual with their financial and prayerful support until either the task is accomplished or the sent person does not return.

The "expansion of the church" is the multiplication of disciples, adding to the body of believers - resulting in an expanded population of the Christian faith and practice. The concern of the World Baptist Fellowship Mission Agency is the initial planting of a church; and that may well be where no stable beachhead has yet been established. Some confuse the fact that all believers are called to be witnesses (Acts 1:8), whereas very few are chosen to be foreign missionaries (sent ones Acts 1:11). To understand what this text is teaching, do not confuse the verbiage. As with so many other once strong "Christian" words which are now being cloned by the world and secular press, the word "missionary" has come to mean little more than one who tells somebody else something and has a purpose in doing it. But the definition should include the focus, "in a culture other than his own," implying where Christ has not yet been named effectively. This usually means a cross-cultural experience and not simply giving a word of witness to family, friends and neighbors who are part of our own people. Paul distinguishes on this same basis between Peter's ministry to his own people, and Paul's to people not his own (Galatians 2:7). The second question could be:

WHERE TO START?

Once one senses the call to serve as a foreign missionary, it would be good if that individual would read as much as possible concerning missions, communicate with missionaries, become actively acquainted and actively involved in the mission program of the local church where he attends. Have interviews with active missionaries, write to them, call them, e-mail them and become exposed to other cultures; and in general, understand how they contribute to the cause.

One exciting way could be to study a world atlas, and to immerse in a global geographic knowledge. It might be embarrassing to be fuzzy about geographical locations of the world, capital cities, rivers, seas, mountains, etc. How long has it been since he has been exposed to a current world map? Could he immediately locate Mozambique, Iraq, the Canary Islands, Cambodia, Israel, Kuwait or Chile? What about the cities of Medellin, Islamabad, Tegucigalpa, Bangkok, or Laos? Does he know what countries border on Israel, Sudan, Mexico, Italy, Afghanistan, and Austria?



David Schembera
WBF Assistant Mission Director

Does not true concern drive one to examine real places? It is logical to get to know something about the areas of the world. God may be able to burden and attract some to the cause. Should the person only consider serving in Brazil or Mexico because he has heard so much about them and knows where they are?

How can he personally pray for the starving peoples of Ethiopia and Africa, or for those left homeless because of a typhoon in Indonesia, or for rains to come to Thailand - and not know where those places are located? It is exciting to pray with a map in order to pinpoint these familiar locations (e.g., Quito, Ecuador; Jerusalem, Monrovia, Liberia; Lahore, Pakistan; Vienna, Austria).

Praying for a world of lost people becomes much more meaningful when someone knows exactly where and who those people are and how they live. Eventually the interest may well concentrate on a particular area of concern, even to a particular people group. But in any event, as a foundation of a life in the cause of missions, he needs to be sure to have a good idea of the whole world in which he lives. Now comes the third question:

WHAT AGENCY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE?

If someone is seriously thinking of missionary service, "What Agency should he choose?" There are some very good mission agencies, but the one I recommend is the World Baptist Fellowship Mission Agency, P.O. Box 13459, Arlington, TX 76094-0459. This agency helps and encourages folks as they choose the team with whom to serve. Please don't choose a mission agency only by "chance", hoping that by filling out an application and having it reviewed and approved that will provide the answer to whether or not God has chosen that team for him. Mission Agencies differ just as much as people differ. Matching people and a Mission Agency is a creative and complex matter. But just as it is imperative that the candidate be in agreement on major issues to ensure a lasting relationship; so it is with finding the right agency for him. Here is a check list of questions that can be asked:

What is their doctrinal position?

Is their philosophy of Christian ministry compatible with yours?

Is their method and level of support acceptable with your firm beliefs?

Do they have sound financial management?

Are they local, national, international, multinational? In what area(s) of the world do they have missionaries serving?

How much education is required?

Are there other restrictions or requirements?

Is formal Bible education a prerequisite to service? How long has the agency been operative?

Have you ever met anyone serving with this Agency? What were your impressions?

In what types of ministry are they involved? How strictly are missionary candidates screened?

The answers to most of these questions can be discerned by writing a letter to the Director (by name, Rev. Tommy Raley) and asking for a copy of their most current periodical, a copy of their "Practices and Principles" that contain their doctrinal statement, promotional materials. You may wish to request an application and other materials pertinent to possible missionary candidacy. Lastly:

WHAT FIELD SHOULD YOU CHOOSE?

This question is an integral part of which agency should be chosen. A person may feel a natural leaning toward a particular field and may have made plans toward a particular geographical area. After World War II, many servicemen and women had a desire to return to Japan and Germany to preach the gospel; and many did just that. After the martyrdom of the five missionaries by the Auca Indians in Ecuador in 1956, many missionaries surrendered their lives to the Lord to serve in Ecuador and worldwide. The slaughter of missionaries in Vietnam

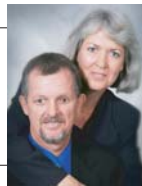
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We have three special prayer requests this time: (1) Pray the Lord would help us and provide the funds for the building projects on the church parsonage; (2) Pray for spiritual growth of the new converts and their following with baptism; (3) Joe and Elaine Hawkins' health problems.

We are extremely grateful for your prayers and financial support during these difficult economic times for all of us. God has been very good to us by allowing us to carry on with the ministry here in Southern Brazil.

John & Rebecca HAWKINS Brazil



We are continuing to see growth both spiritually and in number. The Lord consistently adds to this flock with folks who have a real desire to serve Him.

The church will be voting for the man to be their pastor. Doctrine and practices enter into the decision and we trust the Lord to lead this church in this important time. The process will take some time and we will patiently wait on the Lord.

We are running from 15 to 20 in the youth services, and thankful for their exciting spirit of wanting to do something for the Lord. I enjoy each Sunday night as I teach them to see the "lights come on" in their hearts and minds; they are some very smart young people.

Rebecca and her team of teachers are again teaching Bible in the public school. They are in the classrooms and have over 600 students enrolled. This is amazing that the teachers beg them to continue and the school director (a new one again) has opened the doors for them to teach whatever they want; it is amazing.

We have twenty-two students in the Bible Institute and the Lord has sent us some promising young men. Pray that we can give them the tools to study and preach the Word.

Rebecca and I were given the opportunity by our church to travel to San Diego, California, to see our youngest son, Daniel, graduate from the Marine Corp. boot camp in April. Nick has been deployed. He is in Iraq and should be back stateside in January or February 2010; no word on his leave yet. John III is still living and working in Lewisville, Texas, and doing fine. He is working two jobs to make ends meet.

GOD SAVES BUDDHISTS, TOO!

by Marjorie Malanowski

John I had a wonderful experience that brought tears to our eyes. Last Thursday afternoon we called and asked to come with our National Pastor Otniel and his wife Esti to the home of a family that has been attending our church here in Bali for the past three years with the exception of the husband/father who had never attended. When the four of us arrived at their house we were taken to the place where this Buddhist (the husband/father) kept the items he used in worshipping Buddha. He said, "I want to burn these things." He also said, "I want to follow Jesus and go with my family to church." He just now really saw the light and wanted to leave his Buddhist religion and become a child of God. He was very serious and after John and Pastor Otniel talked to him and shared the scriptures with him, he agreed to what they were saying. We prayed and sang some songs and gave God the glory for bringing this man out of his heathen religion. He picked up a red board that had writing on it and took it to his front yard and burned it to ashes. We watched it go up in flames and smoke. After about 30 minutes it was in ashes. We sang another song and prayed. With tears streaming down our cheeks we witnessed the power of God and answer to prayer for this man's salvation.

His name is Andy (46 years old) so when you pray for him you can call out his name to the Lord. He will have a lot to learn so he will need your prayers. God is still working in people's hearts because people like you back home are praying and also praying for their missionaries. How we thank the Lord for this man's conversion. What a wonderful smile he now has and the joy and peace of the Lord in his heart. He was in church with his family this past Sunday.

Don't give up praying and believing. Returning to Bali for this one soul makes it all worthwhile.

We want to thank each of you for your prayers and faithful and continued financial support. We love and appreciate every one of you. God bless as you continue to serve Him.

All is well with Judy and me. The Lord is blessing the churches with souls being saved, converts following in believer's baptism and



Lanny & Judy WOOD Brazil

new members added to the rolls. The Lord is good, ALL THE TIME! The Bible Baptist Church in Bebedouro now has a full-time pastor and the work is going well. Pastor Luciano and this church have started a new work in the town of Pitangueiras a few miles east. They have about 25 in attendance each week. The Bible Baptist Church in Barretos has called an Associate Pastor, Bro. Alexandre. He and his wife Ana Paula are still working with me and hopefully he will become the Pastor of this church in the near future. He is studying in the Bible Institute and working full-time. Pray for this young family and their ministry.

Judy and I have decided to move back to Barretos to better help and minister in the three churches there. We do appreciate your faithful prayer and financial support. We are blessed to be your representatives for the Lord here in Brazil.

Wendell & Cindy JOHNSON Mexico



We ask for your prayers for the Miguel Molina family. Bro. Miguel had been a Christian for over 40 years and he went home to be with his Lord

from complications of diabetes. While we were at the funeral home the night of his death, I had the privilege of leading David, Bro. Miguel's son, to the Lord.

Pastor Antonio and I visited an 11 year old boy in the hospital. His aunt goes to our church in General Cepeda and both this boy and his father received the Lord as their Savior. Recently a teenager named Oswaldo came back to our services and brought two of his friends. All three of them trusted Christ the following week. The next week four more were saved at the Bible Class. Then Maria, one of our faithful teen girls, expressed doubt about her salvation. Cindy talked with her after church and she accepted Christ along with her two sisters.

We ask you to help us pray about the up-coming DVBS in General Cepeda and Saltillo. We want to thank you for your prayers and financial support that God has given us "TOGETHER".

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to schedule and prayerfully will be on full-time deputation very soon. It is so exciting to see Him at work. Thank you very much for your prayer and financial support.

Matt & Beverly Thorpe Australia



I love this time of year! It is hard to look around and behold the beauty of spring and not see God's handiwork. From the warmer weather, to the green trees and pretty flowers, there is no mistaking that there is truly a Creator of the universe, and better still is the reminder that we have as we celebrate Easter. What a time of hope and encouragement. Just to think that Jesus not only died on the cross, but by doing so paid the price for our sins, conquered death and rose from the grave, all because He loved us. "He is risen; He is risen!" As we reflect this time of year, we can't help but praise God for His blessings and blessing us with a full schedule of appointments. During April and May we have had the opportunity to visit churches as far north as Wyoming, Colorado and finally back to Texas. The weather and terrain were quite a contrast but the love of God's people was always found to be consistent. We thank God for His guiding hand of safety. Your prayers and financial support are very much appreciated.

ARLINGTON BAPTIST COLLEGE FAMILY & FRIENDS

Tom Meers, Director

The Arlington Baptist College Family & Friends 70th Anniversary Reunion was everything we had prayed and hoped for. We had two specific goals. Our theme was "Rekindle the Flame"...Our focus was on Jesus Christ. Both of these goals were accomplished.

What a feeling of anticipation and excitement prevailed, as hundreds of people began streaming into the gymnasium. What a delight to see former classmates and friends renew old acquaintances. People who had not seen each other in many years were reunited. And, this was all before the program began.

At the onset, God's presence could be felt as we looked back at what God had done with and for Arlington Baptist College over the last 70 years. By word, video and song we were challenged to "Rekindle the Flame" until Jesus comes. Bro. Clark Boshier brought a powerful message. The altar was filled as people came to ask God to rekindle the flame in their hearts.

One of the highlights of the service was the presentation of the "Outstanding Soldier of the Cross" awards. The first award was presented to Dr. Wayne Martin. The second award was

presented posthumously to Rev. Rick Austin. It was received by his wife and son respectively, Mrs. Faith Austin and Rev. McCauley Austin.

At the conclusion of the program, we were dismissed to enjoy a time of reception. Tables had been set up on either side of the gymnasium with refreshments. A great time of reunion and fellowship was enjoyed. What a blessing!

The evening was concluded as we moved outside for a symbolic "Rekindle the Flame" ceremony. The campus bell tolled seven times, each toll signifying ten years of existence of ABC. A torch was lighted by Dr. D.L. Moody. A flame was kindled anew in our hearts as this flame shown brightly.

Even then, many people stayed and visited. It was a blessed time of fellowship, renewing former friendships and feeling the presence of Jesus Christ.

Our departing prayer was, "Oh God, Rekindle the Flame"...that it might shine brightly at ABC and in our hearts as individuals...and spread to our churches and throughout the World Baptist Fellowship.

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caused many to volunteer for service there, but the government closed the doors and none were able to directly go to Vietnam.

Does God call a missionary to a particular field without reservation? Sometimes He does; and if He does, He will give the missionary an immovable assurance and peace as he pursues that calling. But you may serve in a country which may be a complete surprise to you. For example, many were determined to serve in China. But China's doors remained closed for many years. Through further waiting upon the Lord, the work among Muslims in India became the goal.

A young couple planned for many months to go to the Philippines. Ten days before their departure the government suddenly made visas unavailable. What do they do? Often times the missionary is directed to another field. I've heard testimony of some that have said, "When I gave my life to the Lord, I said, "I'll go anywhere, Lord-but please, not Africa!" How little they know of what God has planned for them and the lessons they can learn from following hard after Him through change and circumstance. And how pleasant it is to discover, as the years pass, that God Himself chose the exact spot the missionary would have chosen if he could have known all about it (as He does) right along-even to the place we least wanted to go.

Is it wrong to lean toward one particular geographical area? Of course not, but don't let it be set in marble. Be a good lump of clay in the Potter's masterful hands; very flexible. Allow Him to direct each step of the way. Missionary service is first a vocation and secondly, a location. The missionary may want to serve in the country; he may be in the very city He wanted to serve in. God may want the missionary to serve in Kenya; He may place

you in Paraguay. Someone may desire to work with the illiterate masses; He may give you that privilege, or maybe that of working with the educated elite instead.

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