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Elder J. F. Brandon Visits With Many Churches In Florida And Kentucky

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Brazil

Calvary Baptist Church
Tampa, Florida

I arrived in Tampa, Florida, on November 2, 1946, and was met at the depot by Brother Roy Mason, pastor of Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church. After we had lunch in a downtown Spanish restaurant where we enjoyed eating and I quite agree that it was a most excellent place. We then went to Brother Mason's home where we spent the afternoon in conversation and prayer. His home is in such a restful place, near the church and not too far from the busy part of the city of Tampa. His little daughter seemed to be the treasure in the home and well she should be.

Impressions of Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church

My impressions of the Sunday School at the Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church were the best. As I entered the building I observed that the choir was filled with children and when they began to tell us about it in song, it was such a thrilling experience that my cup well overflowed. After song and prayer the school adjourned to the classrooms for study. Brother Mason taught a class of a hundred men, just straightforward teaching from the Bible. When men are drawn from all walks of life to acquire a better knowledge of the Scriptures that they may more thoroughly consecrate themselves to the service of Jesus Christ, it must be because of their leader's faithfulness to his Lord and His Word. There were more than 700 in the Sunday School and more came in for church. We were so happy to speak to this body of people about our mission work. They were so attentive and expressed such a sympathetic and cooperative spirit after the services. The presence of the Lord was evidenced in many ways, such liberty as was felt and such a happy hearted people.

Ahava Baptist Church Plant City, Florida

In the afternoon it was our good fortune to go to the home of Brother Boyer who is pastor of Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Florida. This church is newly organized, the building new but too small, location good and interest very good. I enjoyed the fellowship I had with the church and in the home of the pastor. His two little daughters were quite interesting too. The next day Brother Boyer carried me back to the home of Brother Mason in Tampa. We passed the home of his father and stopped and made his acquaintance. He is a preacher 76 years old, yet he looked to be 20 years younger. He is the active pastor of a church that he himself began as a mission in Tampa and that of course in recent years. We are glad that he requested that the MISSION SHEETS be sent him each month for his members to read. We appreciate the prayers of such servants of the Lord.

Arriving in the afternoon at the home of Brother Mason we began to make preparation to speak to a young people's meeting at the Calvary Baptist Church in the evening. This meeting was not conducted as any other that I had attended. The pastor of this church is an elderly man, great singer, good personality. I feel that I should enjoy knowing him better. I enjoyed speaking to the young folks and they indeed were very attentive. After the service a young man came up and said that he believed the Lord was calling him to do mission work somewhere and asked a number of questions about the field in Brazil.

North Blvd. Baptist Church

On Tuesday night we attended a revival meeting at the North Blvd. Baptist Church where the young pastor was doing the preaching. We did not have an opportunity to speak to the people but he assured us that they were interested and would appreciate receiving the MISSION SHEETS regularly each month for his people to read.

Prayer Meeting At Buffalo Avenue

Wednesday night was the night of prayer at Buffalo Avenue Church and we were invited again by Pastor Mason to speak to his people about our mission work and this we did with great pleasure to an audience of not less than 300 people. There appeared to be much interest and after the meeting was over, many lingered to talk and there was such an impression of favor that we were very happy.

Winter Haven Baptist Church Winter Haven, Florida

Thursday afternoon Brother Mason and wife together with Brother and Mrs. Hahn carried me over to Winter Haven, Florida, where I was to spend the next Sunday with Pastor R. H. Malcolm. He had called a meeting for Thursday night and the (Continued on next page)

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Many have read about this mission work for the first time although it is now in its twenty-fourth year. Many are dissatisfied with the way that their mission money is being used and want a real New Testament work to support. We have just received a letter from a brother in Texas telling us that when he read about this work that he said to his wife that he believed that this was an answer to prayer and he sent an offering and it is now his mission work too. You don't have to join anything to support this mission work. Churches can just send their offerings and individuals can designate their offerings through their church to this work or send direct if that is not possible.



This picture shows Missionary J. F. Brandon baptizing a Brazilian believer at Morapirango. There were 15 baptized at this time and now there is a Baptist church there. If you want to put your money in a work where you will know what is being accomplished we invite you to join with us in the support of Baptist Faith Missions in Brazil and Peru.

Elder Overbey Tells More About Visiting Churches With Bro. Brandon

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Immanuel Baptist Church
Monticello, Ky.
(Pastor Charles Graves)

We arrived in Monticello, Ky., Wednesday afternoon and Brother Graves and wife and daughter welcomed us into their home and we rested from a hard day's journey. To tell of Immanuel Baptist Church and Pastor Graves and their victories would be a whole issue. The church was organized in 1938 and the building built the same year. A beautiful brick building with red Tennessee sandstone facing the front and a beautiful auditorium and basement. This church only recently learned of Brother Brandon's work and now are supporting it. We enjoyed the music from the Hammond organ and violin. Pastor Graves is a talented musician as well as a good preacher and pastor. The people were wonderful and after Brother Brandon thrilled us with a great message the people gathered around the map and asked questions about the work which is new to them and which is now their own. It was good to pray with this pastor. We spent the night in the home of Deacon W. C. Dabney who is also the county attorney. We enjoyed the visit so well that we could hardly get away the next morning.

McRoberts Baptist Church
McRoberts, Ky.
(Pastor Ben C. Taylor)

After a long drive which was beautiful we passed Cumberland Falls and followed the Cumberland River for many miles as we passed through the mountains of Eastern Kentucky. We had a good time in the home of our

good friend Brother Ben C. Taylor. We have had some good times of prayer with him when he was in Detroit. He is certainly doing a fine piece of work. His ability as a personal worker and home visitor is paying in larger attendance and souls saved. He had a good crowd present to hear the Missionary speak. Then on Friday morning we went to Pikeville and the Enterprise Association was in session and the moderator, Brother E. L. Howerton, gave the editor and Missionary Brandon each eight minutes to speak. I never heard Brother Brandon present as much on missions in eight minutes as he did here. We met many new people and many requested that we put them on the mailing list to receive the Mission Sheets.

West Van Lear Baptist Church
West Van Lear, Ky.
(Pastor Earl Morris)

We arrived at the home of Pastor Lee Dennington Friday afternoon and was happy to be with him and his fine family again. After supper we went to West Van Lear Baptist Church. Brother Dennington led the singing and Bro. Morris introduced us and we had another fine meeting. We went home with Brother Morris for the night and then with Brother Dennington we drove out to see his churches the next morning and after a season of prayer we left for Russell, Ky., for two nights with Pastor and Editor John R. Gilpin. We have already told of our meeting with him. Mrs. Gilpin prepared us a fine lunch both going and coming on this journey.

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Some Things As To Missions In Peru

By R. P. Hallum
Peru

Are the people civilized?
This question was asked me by a brother who was interested in missions. It is a timely question and a good way to learn is by asking questions.
With the exception of some wild Indian tribes far back into the interior of Peru the people in Peru are civilized, perhaps in some ways more civilized than in the U. S. They are more courteous to one in their homes and on the streets; there are far less murders and holdups according to population than in the U. S. I attribute this to the fact that the movies have not had time to develop these characteristics in the young generation as yet. They are civilized but not evangelized.

A Wrong Idea Which Is Prevalent

Many people have the erroneous idea that in uncivilized countries the people are longing for the gospel and are ready to receive with open arms the one who goes to take the gospel to them.

They forget that all the Old Testament prophets were killed, that our Lord was crucified by his own people and all His disciples were killed for Christ's sake. They forget that the Word of God says, "There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God." Romans 3:11.

The people are not asking for the gospel nor do they have any desire for it until they hear the truth; they are dead and only the living Word can quicken them that they may desire or seek God.

It is the solemn obligation of every one of those who have been redeemed by the blood of Christ to put his or herself at Jesus' feet to be used in taking His message to the dead.

We are thoroughly convinced that we have seen the outward manifestation of miracles of grace wrought by the Holy Spirit with the Word of God.

Another Difficulty To Be Overcome

Roman priests have told the people of South America that the U. S. Government has evil designs in permitting Protestant missionaries to come to South America. (Baptist are considered Protestant). They say that America thinks to take possession of South America through Protestantism, that Romanism is the state religion and that Baptist and Protestants have no right to agitate the people by teaching another religion; they say that if the government is sincere in its "good neighbor policy" it ought to keep its missionaries at home. Some of the people believe them, therefore this is a difficulty to be overcome.

The missionary finds himself a foreigner, unwelcome by many. They say he is a propagator of a new religion; the only way to (Continued on next page)

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VISITING THE CHURCHES
IN FLORIDA

(Continued from preceding page) house was well filled and there seemed to be much interest. Friday night we went over to Bay City and spoke to the church there. The pastor, Brother Calhoun, requested that we send them a few MISSION SHEETS monthly. On Saturday we called by request at the home of a Mormon where we had the opportunity of presenting a small portion of the truth.

Sunday At Winter Haven Church

On Sunday morning we were happy to see such a prosperous well developed Sunday School. After the teaching services we enjoyed talking to the church again about our work on the mission field. We were invited to speak to the children in the afternoon meeting. They wanted to learn some songs in Portuguese and we found them to be unusually bright and but little time was required in teaching them and then they sang them at the evening service and the people all seemed to be surprised when they sang in Portuguese. Our evening service was the best one, the Spirit of the Lord was there and we were all so happy. On Monday afternoon Brother and Mrs. Malcolm carried me to the train where I found it hard to say good bye. I consider it one of the greatest opportunities of my life to be among that people although it was only for a few days. I hope that if the Lord wills to have a greater ministry among them.

Back To Kentucky

When I arrived in Fulton, Ky., Brother Cross Spann, Jr., was waiting for me and I was delighted to be in his home in Murray where I spent the night. The next night I went in company with a number of brethren to White Plains, Ky., where Brother Hafford Overbey was conducting a revival meeting. After a very fine service where the Lord saved a young man, we drove back to Murray, Ky., and spent the night in the home of Brother Terry Lawrence, a friend of long standing.

With The Family In Benton, Ky.

I came to Benton to be with my family as much as possible and was invited to speak in my home church, Benton Baptist Church, at the Sunday morning service. We enjoyed much liberty from the Lord and all seemed to be very happy.

First Baptist Church
Murray, Ky.

On Sunday night we went to the First Baptist Church at Murray, Ky., where we were received by the good Brother Braxton B. Sawyer in good will. The house was well filled and the interest keen as we spoke from the pulpit of the beloved H. Boyce Taylor (now in heaven), about the mission work that he started in the Amazon Valley of Brazil and that he loved so well. We were happy to be able to speak to these people and they showed a spirit of gratitude for which we thank them and praise the Lord Jesus. Brother Sawyer requests that we send them 100 MISSION SHEETS each month. On Wednesday night we were with the saints in my home

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Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	\$ 50.00
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	10.00
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	17.00
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	15.00
North Side Baptist Church, L. B. C., Mayfield, Ky.	5.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	19.48
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, Ky.	45.00
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	13.88
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	14.94
South Side Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	45.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Roseville, Mich.	19.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Roseville, Mich.	15.00
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	22.50
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	9.64
Grace Baptist Church, Baseline, Mich.	55.70
Grace Baptist Church, B. Y. P. U., Baseline, Mich.	7.40
Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla.	5.00
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	30.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky.	7.00
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	8.55
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich.	7.01
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	27.22
Fenton Road Baptist Church, L. B. C., Flint, Mich.	5.00
Boyd's Hill Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	50.00
First Baptist Church, Coal Grove, Ohio	50.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	214.70
Westwood Baptist Church, Trilby, Ohio	10.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	10.25
Benton Baptist Church, Benton, Ky.	62.72
North Fork Baptist Church, Puryear, Tenn.	11.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	90.00
A Friend, Calvert City, Ky.	10.00
Mrs. Fred Mercer, Detroit, Mich.	2.00
Eugene Allen, Paducah, Ky.	20.00
John M. Holtzclaw, Corpus Christi, Texas	5.00
Pastor Owen Sedgwick, Tampa, Fla.	5.00
TOTAL	\$994.99

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church at Benton and were invited to speak at both services on Sunday, December 1.

Hopewell Baptist Church
Carlisle County

On Saturday, Nov. 23, we had the happy surprise to be with Pastor Hughey Burgess and the Hopewell Baptist Church in Carlisle County. It was not generally known, yet the house was about half filled and the attention was good. They request that the MISSION SHEETS be sent and promised to cooperate with us in the work. I had heard of the good work of Brother Burgess and was happy to be with him and his church. After the service a young man came up and said that he felt called to go to some mission field and wanted to know more about ours. We invited him to visit us where we could talk the work over calmly and he agreed to do so and we are looking for him tomorrow.

Dublin Baptist Church

Sunday, November 24, we were with Dublin Baptist Church and Pastor Tilton Garner for the morning service and a such a meeting! The house was well filled and the attention the very best and the spirit of good will was even greater if possible. The Lord was with us and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty. A real live, wide awake church and pastor.

Lowes Baptist Church

In the afternoon we went to the home of Pastor George who came for us and then later in the day we spoke to his church. A delightful body of people greeted us and we told them about our mission work and found a great interest and promise of generous cooperation for the future. The Lord has so endeared Himself to us as we visited these churches and we only hope that the brethren have been well served and the name of the Lord Jesus magnified in the hearts of His people. Again let us express our appreciation for all the kindness of the brethren, for the liberal contributions for our hap-

WITH THE CHURCHES

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Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church
North Kenova, Ohio
(Pastor T. P. Simmons,
Ashland, Ky.)

On Sunday morning September first, while we were preaching to Brother Gilpin's people, Brother Brandon was with Brother Simmons and his church near Chesapeake, Ohio. Brother Simmons organized Harmony Baptist Church in Detroit of which the editor is pastor. Brother Brandon had a good time with these people and they were interested in the mission work that he carries on in Brazil. We hope to hear more from this good church in the future. From here we returned to Detroit stopping in Toledo for the monthly meeting of the Detroit River Association which met with Pastor Stephens and Westwood Baptist Church.

Evangelist A. D. Muse

We went to Louisville Tuesday, August 27th, for the night in Brother A. D. Muse's home. Between us we got our dates mixed and he was looking for us a week sooner and when we arrived he was in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, in a meeting. But his wife and her mother and daughter and husband made us feel like we were in a fine Memphis, Tennessee, home although it was in Louisville. We certainly were royally entertained and then we laid the large map of the mission field on the floor and Brother Brandon told of his work that he has been doing for the past 23 years. Brother Muse was with us in a meeting in Detroit in May and we surely learned to love him and are happy that he is interested in this great mission work.

piness and for the progress of the work. Great and many be the blessings of God upon you all, dear brethren. And the peace of God encircle your lives and His protection be yours in every day of service.

SOME THINGS RELATIVE TO
MISSIONS IN PERU

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offset this attitude of some is a deep conviction of one's call to that field by the Holy Spirit. Without such conviction he will not care to stay on in the field.

A Right Attitude About
Praying And Obeying

In talking to the churches, I have tried to stress the urgent need of more workers for the mission fields, citing the words of the Lord to His disciples when He said, "the harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest." Mt. 9:38. Surely this ought to be the earnest prayer of every child of God; it is not a dangerous prayer as some unthoughtfully say it is, to pray that the Lord send laborers into His harvest, thinking He might send the one who prays, for if He did it would be the greatest privilege that one could have.

The safest place on earth is to be in the Lord's will, doing His will, where He wants you to be. Therefore, it is not dangerous to pray for the Lord's will to be done. My experience has been that whether making a 25-day trip up the Amazon or working hard to get a working knowledge of a language or visiting the people to teach them the Gospel, regardless of the material or social surrounding, or preaching the Gospel publicly; I have felt perfectly safe and content, not feeling that I was making too great a sacrifice nor that I needed the sympathy of any because of the sacrifice I was making, if it could be called a sacrifice.

Great And Effectual Door And
Many Adversaries. I Cor. 16:9

There is a great door for the Gospel to be preached by those who have been working in Peru and have an established work and also for those who go to replace those that leave the field on furlough or permanently. But for the one who wishes to go there to start a new work the door is practically closed for the time being at least. A determined effort is being made by the enemies of the Gospel to shut out all workers of the Gospel from the U. S. This is something about which to pray.

Effectual Door

While the great majority of the people so far have rejected the Gospel, a number have believed it and are manifesting outwardly the grace of God wrought in their hearts through hearing the truth. Some of these are setting examples by separating themselves from things worldly, which many of our people do well to follow, such as abstaining from strong drink, going to the movies and the use of tobacco, etc.

Many Adversaries

Our adversaries are mostly religious adversaries of which the Roman Catholics are greatest. All know how and to what extent Romanism opposes the Gospel. There is no need for any to be deceived about that.

Then follows the Seventh Day Adventist with their mixture of law and grace doctrine. Then interdenominationalism and unionism who make it very difficult for a Scriptural church and Scriptural ordinances.

The great NEED is persistent prayer and sowing the Word of God.

MISSION SHEETS SENT
FREE TO ALL

Perhaps there are many churches that would like to receive the MISSION SHEETS so that each family would have a copy each month. We will send enough copies of this paper so that each family can have a copy. Just send us the name of the church and pastor and the address to which we shall send the paper. Just mention the number of members and we will know about how many to send. Now, if you want a missionary church have them read about this New Testament Mission work in the Amazon Valley of Brazil and Peru. The more a church gives for missions the more she will give for every other purpose. Brother pastor, if you want your church to be missionary, teach them to be and you lead the way. You cannot afford not to be missionary.

WHO SUPPORTS BAPTIST
FAITH MISSIONS

During the last five years 58 Baptist churches have had a part in the support of this mission work. In addition to these churches many individuals have had a part by sending their offerings direct. Recently a Baptist preacher who has held over 700 revival meetings said to us that if the Baptist people throughout the United States really knew about this work that it would grow in leaps and bounds. Now please help us make it known. There are lost souls in Brazil and Peru that have never heard of our Lord Jesus Christ and it is our responsibility as Baptist to take the Gospel to them. Missions is a debt, a Baptist debt and we are admonished to owe no man anything.

WHY SUPPORT BAPTIST
FAITH MISSIONS

This mission work is the New Testament kind, like Paul did, and like the Lord Jesus commissioned His churches to do until He comes again. We are not told to do social uplift work. We are not told to teach the heathen how to raise better crops. We are not told to lord it over churches and their pastors. We are not told to consider a church not a church just because she is a member of an association or not a member of an association. We are not told to interfere with churches in anyway at all. Each and every Baptist church is a local church with the Holy Spirit as her guide and the Bible her Book to go by and God rebuke any person or persons that interfere.

Notice

Anyone desiring more
information about this
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