

MISSIONARIES  
IN BRAZIL

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(Portuguese Language)

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MISSIONARIES  
IN PERU

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# MISSION SHEETS

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## Church At Japyni



CHURCH AT JAPYNI



MEN AT JAPYNI



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CHURCH AT JAPYNI

The church at Japyni was the second one of ten organized by J. F. Brandon in Brazil. This church was organized in 1931 and is 30 miles from Cruzeiro do Sul up the Moa river and then the Japyni river. The pictures shown on this page show the results of many a missionary jour-

ney made by the Lord's servant when he sowed the seed day and night for many weeks at a time. Some of it fell on good soil and as a result this church is there today which has stood severe persecution. This is a Baptist church and she is precious to the Lord Jesus. Some

day we who have had a part in sending the gospel to them will meet them at the feet of Jesus and join with them in singing about the Lamb that was slain as our substitute. Just as we are the product of missions, so are they, and we with them will praise the Lord that others

brought the gospel to us when we were all going our own way. It is wonderful to have a part in a real New Testament mission work like that of BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS where there are no paid secretaries, no bosses over the churches, no

meddling with churches or pastors. If you want to do real mission work like this we welcome you to do so. Remember you can send it direct as a personal offering or you can send it through your church as a designated offering.

### A Report Of The Work In Columbia As Made By Don Thomas Through Hallum

Senor R. P. Hallum:

Beloved Missionary, Iquitos, Peru. The work in Cisneros is going well. On the part of those baptized they delivered six pesos of tithes, this was from the house of Brother Aristides Leon. The brethren of Bueneventura, that is to say those that form the group of Baptists, we have collected in tithes and offerings forty-two pesos and fifty-eight centavos. This is as a foundation of the work, dedicated for the sustaining of the sign on the church building later, which you know about. I am getting out the papers for the civil matrimony of a brother and later I will baptize them. These are of Cisneros. He will marry the daughter of Brother Leon. Also Brother Cuero and wife are resolved to obey the Lord in baptism. They live here in Bueneventura. If I can get photos of the baptisms or matrimony I will send them.

THOMAS DEL CASTILLO.

#### ANOTHER LETTER FROM DON THOMAS

The first day of October, the Senora Emperatriz Celorio, companion of Brother Juan Castillo, made profession of faith; the thirtieth day of the same month Brother Juan went to the country on the river Naya to visit their parents giving the news to the friends and relatives of his companion of her conversion. Some of them are believers, who rejoiced much on knowing her adhesion to the Lord. Brother Juan returned joyful the fourteenth of November and in the service on Sunday, the sixteenth of the same month, gave an ac-

count to us how the Lord richly blessed him. He told how he felt in his heart the calling of the Lord to serve him, that on giving his testimony among his acquaintances he saw the power of God work effectively. He asked our prayers that the Lord inflame him with His presence. Extraordinary is the case also how God answered prayer when the authorities in charge of giving the permit for the construction of the Baptist Temple (the church house), all are Roman Catholic and intimate friends of the Parish Priest. But not looking at the difficulties I knew to pray with daring morning and night until having the authorization to construct the house of God. I shall continue to pray in order that the Lord may give me all that I need until the house is finished.

MISSIONERO JOSE  
TOMAS DEL CASTILLO.

#### PRIEST AGAINST PRIEST

Some time ago a priest came from Cruzeiro do Sul and baptized quite a number of children and performed two marriage ceremonies for which he received full payment from the owner of the place. As a matter of fact it was not his territory and later another priest came whose territory it was and he became angry and declared null and void the baptisms and marriages the other priest had performed, and declared the curses of the virgin upon them if they did not submit to be re-baptized and remarried. The owner became very angry but the appeal of the old people overcame him and the cere-

#### HALLUM WRITES FROM PERU

IQUITOS, PERU.  
January 26, 1948.

Dear Brethren:

I was sure that you had forgotten us. I will have to give you and Brother Clark credit for promptness, even though all your work is gratis. We have received all the MISSION SHEETS for 1947. We made a three day trip, from the time leaving home till returning, up the Momom river and into Polis Creek, the first of last week. Marguerite will report on this trip as she took some pictures. I translated part of your letter concerning Don Thomas and his work and sent it to him. I believe your ideas about handling those things are wise.

#### Enlarging Church Building

I am now occupied in the construction of two additional Sunday School rooms to the church house here in Iquitos. Have most of the material on the ground and will commence tomorrow if the Lord wills. It should not be a long job. This may seem strange to you when I tell you that the weather sure is hot here now. I slept last night the entire night without cover. We really appreciated the way you had the pictures arranged in the December issue of the MISSION SHEETS. Hope you had a great meeting at Russell and that you are having a great revival at Harmony. As ever yours in the Lord's service.

R. P. HALLUM.

monies were repeated and "with pay." I told him after all they were neither baptized nor married and he replied that he could easily believe it and that he had lost all confidence in the Roman clergy.

### Here's Inspiration And Information Conveyed To Us By Bro. Brandon

On the Jurua River,  
January 5, 1948.

Dear Brethren:

We left Cruzeiro do Sul January 3 at 2:30 in the afternoon traveling on a small launch that touches all the ports. The journey will be for many days but I think it will be better for me in the end. The owner of the boat is a friend for many years and he has made everything as comfortable as possible. There are a number of other passengers who will be remaining in their respective ports. There is on board also a "Brother" so called by the Roman clergy whose business it seems to be wherever they go to make trouble—gossip and scandal mongers. This one, however, has spoken to me everyday so far. As a rule they refuse to speak. Faith makes a difference. Saturday afternoon we traveled well but because of low water were obliged to pass the night in the port of a customer. The name of the place is attractive, they call it "Happiness." However, there seems but little to make one happy. You have no idea how sad and weary it seems in these places where the gospel has not yet penetrated and overcome some of the citizens. The launch took on wood, supposed to burn 3000 sticks a day. There are three firemen who work eight hours each. There are no believers on board and so little interest in hearing the Word, I become weary. The captain of this boat made his first trip as an apprentice fifteen years ago when I was a passenger. He served as pilot for ten years and then was promoted.

#### Things of Interest

They load the cattle by placing a lasso about the horns and pull them on board with a winch, lifting them many feet in the air, held only by the horns. You can imagine the kicking and bawling they do.

An American once got a vision and bought one of these ports on the Amazon river and gave better treatment to his workers, planned to sell to the boats and passengers while in port and in a few years he was rich. As we stop in the various ports, little boys bring hens or eggs to sell to the passengers. Often they bring interesting things that they have made, (Next page, Column 2)

#### REPORTS

The purpose of the MISSION SHEETS is to give a report of the mission work each month to all that support it, and to others who are looking for such a work to support. Please let everyone keep in mind that Missionaries J. F. Brandon and R. P. Hallum cannot write personally to everyone who supports them in Brazil and Peru. Take a look at the list of supporters month after month and see what it would mean if these missionaries tried to write each one separately. You can readily see that they would spend about all their time writing letters and by the time they got everyone written to, they would not have anything to write them about the second time because they would not have any (Next page, Column 1)

**NOTICE**

Anyone desiring more information about this mission work write to the Secretary of the Mission. Address your letter to:  
**H. H. OVERBEY**  
 1210 E. Grand Blvd.  
 Detroit 11, Mich.

**YOUR WILL**

What about your will? Where will you leave this world's goods that you now have in your possession when you go home to heaven? Many men have left their fortune, or part of it to great universities and colleges for endowment, etc., to carry on the work of the institutions after they are gone. Also, some men who have been saved by the Blood of Christ have left their money to Baptist causes. We offer for your prayerful consideration that you remember Baptist Faith Missions in your will. By so doing your money will be used to carry the gospel to the lost for a long time after you are gone, and you will be rewarded in glory.



**REPORTS**

(Continued from preceding page) time left to do mission work.

*Everyone Gets a Letter*

So instead of writing everyone a letter, they write one letter to everyone, and it is printed in this mission paper and sent to all who support the work. This paper goes out to every State in the Union and to many foreign countries. If you support this work then each letter in the MISSION SHEETS is a report direct to you from the missionaries. If you church supports a native missionary, you will find a report of the work in this paper from time to time. Keep in mind that the native missionaries labor long distance from the mission headquarters in Cruzeiro do Sul and Iquitos. Sometimes Missionary Brandon (when he is laboring at Manaos) is as much as 2250 miles from where the native preachers are laboring. When he is at Cruzeiro do Sul he is as much as 255 miles from one of them. Also remember that the only way to get to these places is by river boat and some times it is a year or more before a journey can be made to these places. When they receive news of the native missionary's work they write about it and we print it in this paper. So if you support the work, be patient with us, and the missionaries, and we will print reports as soon as they are received. Let each pastor picture himself in Brazil in his twenty-fifth year in poor health, and with a half dozen native preachers to look after and encourage and five churches to keep straight and out of trouble in one field, and then five other churches in another field that need attention badly and haven't had it for several years, then you will understand Missionary Brandon's work better. Also picture yourself in Peru in your thirteenth year with a church to look after and two Sunday School rooms being built on to the present building, and journeys to make to the Indian villages on the Nanay river and other streams, and a mission work in another country (Columbia) to look after and report on, then you will understand Missionary Hallum's work better.

**FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1948**

Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. ....	\$ 10.00
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky. ....	12.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla. ....	50.00
First Baptist Church, Coal Grove, Ohio ....	30.50
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla. ....	55.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky. ....	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky. ....	8.00
Bethesda Baptist Church, Wayne, W. Va. ....	25.00
Buffalo Ave. Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. ....	64.60
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky. ....	26.00
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky. ....	26.53
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. ....	21.19
Bible Missionary Baptist Church, DeQuincy, La. ....	17.00
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich. ....	23.02
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich. ....	18.25
Oak Baptist Church, L. B. C., Royal Oak, Mich. ....	10.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, Ind. ....	15.70
Willisburg Baptist Church, Willisburg, Ky. ....	50.00
South Side Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. ....	100.00
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky. ....	13.18
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky. ....	34.13
Eaton Avenue Baptist Church, Y. P., Muncie, Ind. ....	10.00
Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla. ....	5.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio ....	10.39
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky. ....	25.21
Benton Baptist Church, Benton, Ky. ....	20.33
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky. ....	10.00
Zoar Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky. ....	68.00
Boyd's Hill Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky. ....	50.00
Julian Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. ....	15.80
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky. ....	70.00
Grace Baptist Church, Baseline, Mich. ....	75.16
Grace Baptist Church, B. T. U., Baseline, Mich. ....	6.69
First Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. ....	15.00
Homestead Baptist Church, Crossville, Tenn. ....	10.00
Pollard Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky. ....	5.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. ....	103.88
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. ....	65.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Roseville, Mich. ....	14.00
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich. ....	8.39
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. ....	18.41
Fenton Road Baptist Church, L. B. C., Flint, Mich. ....	5.00
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Hilltop Baptist Church, Martinsville, Va. ....	5.00
C. O. Schultz, Grace Baptist Church, Baseline, Mich. ....	50.00
L. H. Hensley, Grayson, Ky. ....	10.00
Elder M. J. Hicks, Jr., Lee, Fla. ....	2.00
Elder William M. Kretschmer, Grayson, Ky. ....	15.00
Mrs. Nettie Estep, Elizabethton, Tenn. ....	2.00
Mrs. Bona Keith, Borger, Tex. ....	5.00
Allie Walden, Bellwood, Ala. ....	4.00
John H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J. ....	5.00
Mrs. Buren Nance, Sheffield, Ala. ....	10.00
Mrs. W. H. Segoe, Glendale, Ky. ....	3.00
Miss Georgia Brandon, Benton, Ky. ....	13.00

Total .....\$1400.36

Z. E. CLARK, Treasurer

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Elder Z. E. Clark  
 5216 Concord Avenue  
 Detroit 11, Mich.

*Is There Any Mission Work Better Reported On?*

Do you know of any mission work anywhere that is better reported on than this work of BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS? Have you looked at the many pictures of the work in each issue of this paper and read the letters carefully? If so do you know of any work better reported on to those who support it? Do you tell others about this great mission work? There are many who would do mission work or more mission work if they knew about this work of faith. Tell them about it and get them to read the BAPTIST EXAMINER and the MISSION SHEETS.



**BRANDON WRITES**

(Continued from preceding page) baskets and such things, very well made, house shoes made of palms leaves, hand made rope and sometimes hammocks made by the Indians of a tough fiber they take out of the forest and dye in various colors. There are two small girls from the convent at Cruzeiro do Sul as passengers. Yesterday was Sunday and a dear day in fellowship with

the Lord. The owner is a very faithful Catholic and does not care to have preaching services on board, so I passed the day reading the Bible and conversing with the people. Again we remained overnight in the port of a widow, who seems to be wealthy but in my travels I have not seen a human creature so ugly.

*The Jurua River*

There is an old man on board who owns a large rubber plantation on the Taracaca river. He has lived there for fifty years having come from the State of Sera. He says that there is still a great quantity of wild game on the place and that the workers almost live from the forest. At one time there was an abundance of fish in these rivers, but recently there are so few that it makes it difficult for the poor to live. The Jurua river is one of the most winding in the world. In the headwaters it is about 1800 feet above sea level and were it not for the many bends it would be so swift that no boat could travel it. We are now in the port of "Liberty" but to hear the people speak of the cruelty of its owners in the past it seems badly named. It was here one night I came down river with

my family 18 years ago and a man invited me to the principal home to hold preaching services. We all went and were having quite an interesting service when some of the rubber cutters who were fanatic surrounded the house with the intention of killing us when we came out. They were tough lookers, all of them, and I guess would have done so, but we were advised before leaving and had prayer for protection, then the owner of the home went with us to see us safe on board the boat. As we passed through the midst of them we spoke cordially to them, all of which took them by such surprise that they stood speechless. The Lord has a way to care for his own, whatever may be the peril. When we were on the boat and I extended my hand to tell the man goodbye with a handshake, he seized it and kneeling kissed it. I told him that such was not the custom of Christian people, but he said the priests demanded it. I did not accept his worship, in fact, it embarrassed me very much.

Jesus Christ accepted the worship of man because He is the

*Experiences of Years Gone By*

Creator of man and can well accept it. Only Rome requires it. The first time I came to this place a political battle was in progress and some of the men took refuge on the boat where I was a passenger going to Cruzeiro do Sul. On a rubber plantation just above this place there lives a man who is the father of thirty children. There are a number of servants and many other men who live there to cut rubber. When I came up river the first time I stopped at his place to visit them. The most of the children were there and the house was very large and furnished a splendid congregation for me. They heard the message of salvation with apparent interest and for a while it looked as though they would be converted, but there arose such a persecution that they became dismayed and rejected the gospel. The place was called "Black Gold" because of the immense amount of rubber it produced. There is a small tributary of the Jurua here and on a journey some years ago a merchant who lives many days journey up the tributary embarked with him family, they were going to Manaos. Besides the rubber he carried, he had 2500 deer and tiger hides that he said was less than a year's buying. Today he embarked again and said that the game is so scarce that it is difficult to hunt. He carried only 1500 hides this time. I told him I thought it was enough for a small market.

*Precious the Death of the Saints*

There is an Indian family living up this tributary who were converted in Cruzeiro do Sul years ago, the father was a Brazilian and died before leaving Cruzeiro do Sul. Just before his death a spiritist medium called on him and offered to make him well by consulting familiar spirits, he declined, saying that he preferred to die in the faith of the Lord Jesus than to be made well in such a way. In a few days he died and truly it can be said that precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of a saint. Soon his family came to live on this tributary and the son-in-law and two sons became rubber cutters. I just inquired of the merchant if they were well and firm in the faith and he replied, "They indeed are." Praise the Lord. Some years ago there arose a question over the adjoining plantation in which

there was much bloodshed. The rightful owner was shot to death while sleeping. His family became discouraged and lost the plantation and went to live in Cruzeiro do Sul. Recently three of the grandchildren and a granddaughter-in-law have been converted. The wind bloweth where it listeth and we hear the sound thereof but cannot tell from whence it cometh or whither it goeth.

*A Place for a Missionary*

This is the seventh. Yesterday was a day of sun but today it is raining since early morning. A drunken Indian got on board the other night with a knife and the men were afraid of him but a woman came and talked to him and he obeyed her and got off the boat. The outlook for this part of the Jurua river is good if one had a boat that would do to live on and if he would have patience to work from house to house. A man who could play some musical instrument would be better received. The people are music and conversation loving, and in most every place they will admit one preaching service and if the man can preach he has a chance to return or perhaps the music would open the way. We are about to arrive at one of the biggest rubber plantations in the world in size but not in production. There is an Indian tribe living on the back of the plantation. He has tried to domesticate them so that they would work for him. They refuse to work for him yet they expect him to give them presents. He doesn't like the idea but there seems to be nothing he can do about it as they have threatened the rubber cutters more than once. A number of years ago when passing this place there was a government agent on board who lived among them. He had heard the gospel in Manaos but had never made response to it. While on the journey he was converted and was later received by the church in Manaos and baptized. He told me the chief would be glad to have a Bible, however, he could not read. The Bibles were nice ones and I gave him one to give to the chief and later the chief sent me a supply of feather hats, bows and arrows, daggers and a battle ax that were all made by the Indians.

This is a proud and haughty people and if the Lord would humble them they would be willing to listen to the Word. Until they do there is no salvation for by His Word the Psalmist says comes all illumination. I am feeling better of my ailments since leaving Cruzeiro do Sul and hope by the time I arrive in Manaos to be able to be active. If I should never return to this mission field my conscience is clear of this people. Their blood is no longer on my hands. Recently my appeal to them has been greater than ever. I gave them all I had and will be able to meet them in judgment. As to the believers I feel they are well indoctrinated, young and old alike seemed to be well advanced in what some call the fundamental doctrines. I have labored to help them stand. I don't know what the Lord will do with me but recently the future seems brighter than ever before. I feel that He is going to save some that will be a great benefit to the work. More later.

Sincerely,  
 J. F. BRANDON.