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MISSION SHEETS

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Hallums Open New Preaching Point

Dear Brethren:

We have been waiting to get the pictures made on our last trip before writing about it. About three weeks ago we went up the Quebrada Polis (Polis creek) for the first time since returning to the field. This is a stream that empties into the Momon river which in turn empties into the Nanay river which empties into the Amazon River. We have made most of our trips on the Nanay river. The Momon river is just one turn after another and with the motor one has to keep on the alert all the time. For awhile we counted the turns made and we averaged four in five minutes and Polis Creek was even worse.

Given Directions

Late in the afternoon we met some people coming downstream and asked how far to a house large enough to have a meeting in. They advised that the lieutenant governor's house on the creek was the first large house we would come to and that it could be distinguished by the large pasture around it. In about a half hour we arrived at the place but none of the family were there. A man who had come to see the governor on business told us to stop for he was sure that it would be all right with the owner for us to have a service and spend the night there and he sent a boy to the field to tell the man that we were there. The next day the man told us that the boy



Marguerite Hallum on a footlog across a creek while on a journey.

had told him that there was a very white woman with white hair in the bunch (Mrs. Hallum).

Received Cordially

He and his wife came to the house and received us cordially and said that it would be all right for us to have a service there that night. He took it upon himself to send the boy to the house up stream to invite the people to come and he sent someone else down stream doing the same. They have a path which they use to travel over the creek when it is low and this connects the houses on one side of the stream. It was late and we did not have time to go far that night and only about thirty people were present



A group of children who heard the story of Jesus the first time.

ent including the children. Father had wanted to go farther up stream the following night for a service in an Indian village but everyone advised against it as the creek was falling and that it would be impossible to get there in a large canoe even by paddle much less by outboard motor. After consulting with the owner of the house it was decided to announce another meeting at the same place for the following night.

Marguerite Teaches The Children

We taught the children some choruses and invited them to come the next afternoon for a lesson. The next day father went up stream to the Indian village in a very small canoe to tell them about the meeting



The children seated as a class. Notice the flannelgraph used in the picture.

and several promised to come. A Peruvian girl who accompanied us on the journey, joined me and we went by land up stream walking and inviting the people to come. Every ten or fifteen minutes we would come to a footlog which we went across in fear and trembling. The picture enclosed is one of the wider ones. We were blessed with beautiful weather and moonlight nights, although we had not taken this into account before leaving on the journey.

Children Come For Lesson

In the afternoon some of the children who lived the nearest came for a Bible lesson. Others had said that they would come but their parents went away into the fields and left them to take care of the house. Those who came paid marked attention

as we taught them the lesson of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. I am enclosing pictures of the group taken inside after the class and also outside, including a couple of mothers who came.

Missionary Hallum Preaches At Night

Before dark the people started coming in. First a number from the Indian village which was at least an hour's walk away and across the stream from where we were. Then from up stream and down stream the people came with their little oil lamps. They gave good attention and by raised hand several indicated that they were trusting the Lord for salvation. The owner of the house said that we were welcome at anytime that we desired. We believe that this is one of the best trips that we have made since returning to the mission field from the United States. The next day we returned home making the journey in about six hours. At present the work is being done on the church building at Iquitos. Two Sunday School rooms are being added to the building and father is directing the work. Because of this work we have not been able to leave on a journey for the past couple weeks. We are planning a Daily Vacation Bible School beginning the first week of March when we hope to have the use of the extra rooms.

Yours in Him,
Marguerite Hallum

Missionary Brandon Writes From City Of Manos

Dear Brethren:

I have just returned from the post office and received two letters from you which is the first in many days. I will be embarking tomorrow for Cruzeiro do Sul, things have not gone well since I left and it seems imperative that I return for awhile, I hope a short while. We have sought the Lord about it and are assured that He is sending. We have begun the work here and it is the greatest blessing we have ever had. For about a week we have been working. I have not been able to be about much but the brethren (Brother Santiago and Brother Fernandes), have been visiting the homes of the neighborhood. They have entered some more than two hundred homes with the brightest results. The most of them have never heard the gospel. We have opened preaching services in the new home and the average to date is 75 attentive listeners, all who seem well pleased so far. As a beginning I thought it well to introduce where we
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More Inspiration And Information From Brother Brandon

(Continued from last issue)

The prophet Isaiah said in Isa. 55:10-11 that the word of the Lord would not return unto Him void and for that reason we argue and contend and dispute with the people wherever we go. It is part of our nature and cannot be avoided. Everyone says that I am hard to get along with and as touching the doctrines of God I confess that I am. So far I have never seen one of the disputers converted but I have seen the bystanders converted and living happily in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ and thus it is that some of the sheep have heard the Master's voice, gave up, and followed Him.

A Man Seeks The Missionary

There is a man on board who seems to be quite wealthy. His legitimate wife and children live in Manaus. He lives on the rubber plantation far up the Jurua river with another

woman by whom he has had five children. They are all with him together with five servants. They are going to Manaus for awhile and then up the Perus river where he has bought another plantation. He has heard the gospel and understands that he is living in adultery according to our faith. From time to time they have embarked, my presence has seemed to disturb him, yet he has sought me three times to discuss the Bible, each time defending himself in his sin. After each discussion he has gone away serious or may I say sad and I wonder if he, like the young ruler, has rejected the truth for his own hurt. The engineer has proved to be much interested. He has sought me three times and one of the pilots once. Also a young man passenger came asking for a Testament and when the people saw them a half dozen others came to receive them also and most of them have read them everyday. Yesterday a

young man embarked with his knee so swollen with rheumatism that he could hardly walk. His hammock was hung near mine and I asked him if he would like for me to paste some medicine that I had on it and he said that he would. I took advantage of the opportunity and as I rubbed his knee many gathered around and I told them of the sacrifice of Calvary, the one and greatest spectacle on earth that has affected the entire race as nothing else could have done. They listened until I was through and then as sheep without a father they all turned everyone to his own way. Last night we were all awakened by a woman screaming as though she were already condemned. She was in third class and when one of the officers went to inquire they found that a large bug had gotten into her ear and she was calling upon the host of heaven to help her, but the name of God was not
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Some Good News From The Regions Beyond

In this issue are interesting letters from the missionaries. The Hallums write from Peru about a journey up two rivers, then up a creek where the gospel was preached to the people and several raised their hands to say that they were trusting the Lord, and then the children met in the afternoon and learned to sing and had the story of creation taught to them by the flannelgraph method of teaching. Also the church building at Iquitos was being enlarged by the addition of two new rooms being added for the Sunday School and then a Daily Vacation Bible School was to start.

Brother Brandon writes while on the boat coming down river to Manaus which is a continuation of the letter in the last two issues. Then he writes of the progress of the work and the work of the native preachers in Manaus and he is about to return up river to Cruzeiro do Sul again. The next letter is from Cruzeiro do Sul with news
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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.

GOOD NEWS FROM THE
REGIONS BEYOND

(Continued from preceding page) of souls being saved at Amonho and other places. Also he tells of a Baptist preacher becoming a leper and hoping to get into the leper colony which will be the means of the gospel being preached to those there. This is what the missionaries are doing that you are supporting. The work is hard and slow and tedious and enough to make one blue at times; yet the Lord's servants keep preaching and telling the story of Jesus and how He died as a substitute for lost sinners and His power to save. Pray for the missionaries; and for new missionaries to go and help them. Tell others about this Baptist Faith Mission work which is free from all isms and that does not interfere with churches and pastors. We have no paid secretaries to try to lord it over churches if they don't do just as the paid secretaries say do. This is the Lord's work through His churches. We pray that the Lord will lead you to join in its support.

MORE INSPIRATION

(continued from opposite page) mentioned. People love darkness rather than light. It is so easy to continue in sin, its only nature and no resistance is required, but when one enters into life and is quickened by the Holy Spirit the battle for right begins with innumerable difficulties to confront. A Christian life is different, such a one will maintain order in spite of the difficulties, and will resist the devil as the word of the Lord says.

One More Day On Boat

This is Saturday afternoon and if the Lord wills we will arrive in Manaus in the morning early. I so dislike to arrive or embark on the Lord's Day and sought Him about it and I feel that it is well as it is. Let me say that the blood of these people will not be required of us for they have had plenty of opportunities to hear the word and believe, but they refuse to repent. Everyone has been more than nice to me and I can never repay them for the courtesies I have received. I have the promise of many of them to attend church while in Manaus. I have distributed many Testaments and some have been reading them regularly. It may be agreeable to leave the baggage on board until Monday. The business manager of the boat represents the largest commercial house in the Amazon Valley and in conversation today he said that he would be glad to introduce me to the owner when we arrive and recommend to him that I buy there at a reduced price. They import much goods from America and it may be possible for me to change my diet a little if the deal goes through. One thing is noticeable, when the Lord works, the people respect the gospel and its messenger. The greatest responsibilities that are placed on man are upon the servants of the Lord, but the greatest blessings are also given. "Divine protection" as David

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR APRIL 1948

Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	\$ 86.90
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, New Hope Bible Class, Tampa, Fla.	35.00
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	25.00
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	10.00
Maranatha Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.	44.00
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	55.00
First Baptist Church, Coal Grove, Ohio	11.00
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	5.76
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.	45.00
Benton Baptist Church, Benton, Ky.	22.52
Benton Baptist Church, Benton, Ky.	21.79
Benton Baptist Church, Benton, Ky.	25.30
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	12.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky.	10.16
Big Creek Baptist Church, Wayne, W. Va.	5.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	31.41
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	14.13
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	13.56
Grace Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky.	5.00
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	43.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	51.00
Bible Baptist Church, Dequincy, La.	20.90
Eaton Avenue Baptist Church, Muncie, Ind.	10.00
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	16.63
Homestead Baptist Church, Crossville, Tenn.	10.00
Homestead Baptist Church, Crossville, Tenn.	10.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, Ky.	50.00
Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla.	5.00
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	5.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	25.37
South Side Baptist Church, B. T. U., Paducah, Ky.	21.66
South Side Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	64.80
Shady Grove Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	50.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	59.00
Grace Baptist Church, Baseline, Mich.	60.00
Grace Baptist Church, B. T. U., Baseline, Mich.	5.71
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	12.23
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky.	44.78
Bethel Baptist Church, Roseville, Mich.	20.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	14.49
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich.	7.20
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	70.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, Ind.	24.48
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	78.56
L. M. Williams, Baltimore, Md.	10.00
Mrs. M. A. Ailstock, Mansfield, La.	1.00
E. H. Craft, Widen, W. Va.	10.00
Alex Sumpter, Union Grove, Wis.	1.00
Elder Wm. M. Kretschmer, Grayson, Ky.	10.00
Chuck Holsinger, Wheaton, Ill.	6.00
Ralph Chick, Marion, Ky.	60.00
J. H. Kain, Cape May, N. J.	5.00
Mrs. George Dehaven, Calvert City, Ky.	7.00
Miss Zimronde Dehaven, Calvert City, Ky.	10.00
Mrs. E. H. Purdom, Elmhurst, Ill.	10.00
Wm. D. Pettit, Wheaton, Ill.	5.00
Miss Georgia Brandon, Benton, Ky.	13.00

TOTAL.....\$1406.34

Z. E. CLARK, Treasurer

As the Lord leads you, send all offerings for his mission work to the treasurer of the mission. It is best to send by check or money order. It is not safe to send cash. Address your envelope to:

ELDER Z. E. CLARK
Box 202,
Cannelton, Indiana

did say, "with thee I can mount a wall, I can face a troupe."

Coary and Codajaz

We passed Coary and Codajaz without stopping. I was hurt. I wanted to speak to the brethren but I will try to visit them soon. I want to get some pictures of them and send as soon as possible, then too, I would like to do some preaching there once more and if the Lord wills to become more active than ever in these parts. You will never know how I love it and everything seems to favor my coming up to now. There are some other incidents that I wanted to relate, but they can wait for another time. I hope that you are all well and enjoying prosperity in the work of the Lord. May His great grace and blessings be multiplied among you all. Remember me to all the brethren.

Sincerely,

J. F. Brandon

BRANDON WRITES FROM

(Preceding page, column 1) stood and what our doctrines are, so I chose the first fifteen verses of Mark, showing that in the beginning of the gospel of the Lord Jesus there was a Baptist preacher, he preaching repentance and faith, declaring to the people One whom they knew not, He being the One who ministered the Holy Spirit. The cost to follow, separation from sin and the preacher himself beheaded. Since I have preached to them Jesus, nothing more or less.

Unhappy Believers

There are a number of unhappy believers who want to be numbered among us, the most of which we have led to Christ in other places. There will perhaps be some question about these but we are praying about them and trusting the Lord to add to us such as He will be pleased to add and relieve us from the embarrassing questions with other churches. We want those who will receive

sound doctrine for that is what is needed and the only thing that will save the situation here. Sunday afternoon we were called into the home of a new believer who was being visited by an Advent. We passed the entire afternoon with them and there were four who were convinced and two of these converted. The other two are attending our services. I guess I will be away three months, I hope less but that all depends on how the work goes off. I feel that much has been accomplished. Now I can go knowing that the work here will be carried on just the same as if I were here. These brethren (Santiago and Fernandes) are dependable under the guidance of the Lord and they are happier than I ever saw them. The Lord has blessed much beyond our thoughts and the animation is great among us.

Native Preachers To Carry On

They are to carry on until I return; then we hope the work will have so advanced that we can organize a church here upon the authority of the Harmony Church in Detroit. The Moodys and Convention Baptists are one in doctrine, however, the Moodys are better than the Convention, the latter is the rottenest I ever saw. I see no need of leaving the Roman Church to be one with them, for what the Romanists do the Convention Baptists do with but few exceptions. What we feel that the Lord wants with us here is to open independent Baptist work that is four square for the truth and outspoken against sin. When this work is organized and steady and ready to leave with a pastor, I hope to devote my time to the work in the interior. We have already had three calls from the places we worked years ago that went into the convention and have been so neglected that they hardly exist. Then we have two calls where I have never preached but they know of me through these brethren who are working with me now.

Native Preached To
323 People

Recently on a journey in the near interior Fernandes talked to 323 people in one of these communities near Manaus and the services were prolonged until after ten o'clock at night.

Now about Santiago and Fernandes. They are the pick of Manaus. They were associated with me in the work of the gospel a number of years ago and are thoroughly indoctrinated with the doctrines of grace and our order of gospel work and church order. They have stood for these doctrines here in the churches where they were members and are very unpopular with most of the brethren for that reason. They call them Brandon's Followers. However, they have a small following that are true to the faith. I request sustenance for them (they are now being sustained—Ed.). In fact I have already begun with them. Santiago will need fifty dollars a month and Fernandes thirty-five. I will not be able to send their pictures at once for I am returning sooner than I expected, but as soon as possible I will send them. We have had daily prayer for the work since I arrived and this will continue in my absence. I have also sought the other brethren to pray with me and I feel that the Lord is in the lead for He is blessing.

Missionaries Needed

I am still cooperating with the churches in the Acre but I do not know how to resolve it. What we need there is a missionary as I cannot live there

Brandon Writes
From Acre

Cruzeiro do Sul
March 23, 1948

Dear Brethren:

Yesterday the brethren came from Japyni for me to go there and spend some time with them, but there were so many things came up to hinder that today they returned alone with the understanding that they would come again later as it seemed good to the Lord. Saturday Brother Eufrazio came in from Campo de Santano with news that on second sight appears to be good. Brother Francisco Rodrigues and many of his family were declared to be lepers and he came to consult the doctor about it and to see if they could be examined and sent to the leper colony. He and the pastor called upon the doctor this morning after we had had special prayer for them last night. The doctor talked favorably and we are looking for them to come down river in a canoe soon and they may appear at any time. So much for the evil side. This is the good I saw in it. It is likely that only he and two of the children have leprosy and the others will return home that is it only appears on these and the others perhaps have it in their systems.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Brother Z. E. Clark, the treasurer of the mission work, has moved to Cannelton, Indiana, where he is pastor of a Baptist Church. Please note the change of his address and send all offerings to:

ELDER Z. E. CLARK
Box 202
Cannelton, Ind.

The Gospel To The Leper
Colony

There are now about two hundred people confined to the leper colony, some of them confessed believers and there has been from the beginning much interest in the gospel there and I never did neglect the work on Sundays and at times through the week. The people have been consoled with the Word of Life and throughout the time we have prayed for a church within the limits of the colony. This man Francisco Rodrigues, is a Baptist preacher and a good one too. He reads well and seems to have the gift to understand and explain the truth to others. Now what I have in mind is to help him in finances so that he will work up a greater interest among the people and help them to salvation. You see, when they put them in the leper colony it is the last resort. They are expected to remain and finally die of necessity. When I am away the pastor does not keep up the services there and for

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any longer. A visit a year will not offend I think, but to live there would knock me out in less than a year. I have done all I can for Cruzeiro do Sul. Don't count too much on the work there. I have loved it as a man loveth his first born and have given all I had for it. Pray for it but don't count too much on it.

I will not arrive in Cruzeiro do Sul before the middle of March. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen.

J. F. Brandon