

MISSIONARIES
IN BRAZIL
J. F. Brandon
Miguel Ibernson
Cicero Ricipo
Maio Dutro
Eufraze Soraes
Francisco Santiago
Walter Fernandez
(Portuguese Language)

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MISSIONARIES
IN PERU
R. P. Hallum
Mrs. R. P. Hallum
Miss Marguerite Hallum
(Spanish Language)
IN COLUMBIA
Jose Tomas del Castillo
(Spanish Language)

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Here Is More News From Our Missionary Work As God Blesses In Far Off Brazil

(Continued from Last Issue)

A short letter from Eufraze Soraes, the worker living at Campo de Santano, was also interesting but sad. He is 72 years old but no one would think it to see him and hear him talk. He was converted late in life and has been preaching for seven years, but is becoming weary. The work is difficult where he lives and it is indeed admirable to see the difficulties he has overcome in that time. He is not too smart but I am sure that I do not know of a better man. They have preaching five nights a week and prayer meeting on the other two. He said that there was not a night but what there were people from up or down the river who were passing and spent the night there to hear the gospel.

Campo de Santano

Campo de Santano is the best preaching point on the Jurua river I think. I have preached there much myself and I have never seen less than ten sinners in the services and often as many as thirty, that would not be counting believers. There are more than 40 believers there now, some interest among the neighbors but none converted. The old brother said that he was afraid that he could not hold out much longer.

Maio Dutro

Maio Dutro was in Cruzeiro do Sul at the time Miguel wrote, he did not write but sent word by Miguel that all are well, services well attended and most every night. He has been able to travel some recently and has been received in many places where the gospel was never

preached before. They have no conversions to report but the Gospel is preached to them that will someday bring forth fruit. A second letter from Miguel a few days ago, however, it seems to have been delayed somewhere for it is dated August 30. He gives a report from the churches on the Moa river and that the work in Cruzeiro do Sul is animated. The Sunday before he baptized two and the attendance in the service was much better. He speaks more than once of the great joy of the believers as they cooperate with him in the preaching of the Gospel. He says that the work in the jail is well attended, not only by the prisoners but by the people who call in to visit at that hour.

A Journey Up the Moa River

On a recent visit up the Moa river Miguel speaks of the work in Morapirango, while there he baptized two who had been converted on another journey, then at the end of his visit there were three more converted who will be baptized on a later date; the believers there were so happy and did not want him to leave. Further on up the river he preached in two other places before arriving in Japiim Quatrosi and Humaita. He speaks of the good attention of the people and the services being well attended. When he arrived in Japiim the church received him with great joy. The worker there is Zacharias de Abriu. He is a good preacher and a good man, he reports the work in good shape and the services well attended, one conversion to be baptized later. The Lord is blessing the (Next page, Column four)

A Letter From Missionary Brandon That Will Test The Reader's Faith

Benton, Ky.
November 16, 1948

Dear Brother Overbey:

If possible please publish this in the November MISSION SHEETS, I feel the Lord will bless this effort. (Received too late for the Nov. M. S. Will put in the Dec. Issue.—Editor).

ANNOINTING WITH OIL IN THE NAME OF THE LORD

Why die before your time; Eccl. 7:17? For as thy days so shall thy strength be, Dt. 33:25. Then it is possible for some to die before their time. Yes it is possible. In Prov. 10:27 it is said, The years of the wicked shall be shortened. Then again in Psalms 55:23 the statement is made that the bloody and deceitful man does not live out half his days. How then can man avoid death before his

time? Jesus said to the devil while being tempted by him, Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, Matt. 4:4. Here the Lord was quoting from Dt. 8:3. Moses tells the people that they can prolong their days by observing the laws of the Lord, Dt. 32:46, 47. Paul speaks of the first commandment of promise as being of obedience, Eph. 6:1-3, quoted from Ex. 20:12.

There are other references but these will suffice for the present. King Hezekiah was not a young man when he was stricken with a tumor, he had just had some very trying experiences; his mortal strength was so diminished that death was near at hand. The Lord sent the prophet to tell him to put his house in order, for he



Eufraze Soraes. He is 72 years old and has been preaching for 7 years. He has charge of the preaching point called Campo de Santano on the Jurua river about 125 miles up stream from Cruzeiro do Sul. Brother Brandon says that this is the best preaching point with preaching five nights a week and prayer meeting two nights a week. There are 40 believers.



Miguel Ibernson, the pastor at Cruzeiro do Sul with his oar paddle and gun and pack on his back in the far interior of Brazil. Note his bare feet and look of determination as he goes forth to preach the word to the Lost. "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

Souls Are Saved Under Missionary R. P. Hallum's Faithful Ministry In Peru

Apartado 139
Iquitos, Peru
Nov 19, 1948

Dear Brother in the Lord Jesus:

Greetings in His name. All are well and I sincerely hope all are well with you.

A JOURNEY

We made a journey to Humgurahui, the Indian village just across the Nanay river from

here, yesterday. We had a service last night and returned this morning. The crowd was small as many were away from the village. There were about 9 men and 7 women and girls with several young boys and number of smaller children. We had good attention. I preached on the subject: "Some things that are necessary in order to possess God's salvation" using Heb. 11:6 and John 3:7-14, showing that it is necessary to believe that God is and that it was necessary that Jesus be crucified in order that man might be saved and that it is necessary to be born again.

THREE PROFESSIONS OF FAITH

Three made profession of faith in Jesus as their own personal Saviour. After the service the old lady (Dona Maria) who is mother and grandmother of a large part of the village told me that she was trusting in the Lord. She is the woman in whose house we held services when we first commenced going there.

Our prayers are ever in behalf of your meetings and for the Church as well as for all the churches of the Lord Jesus, especially those supporting Baptist Faith Missions. As ever your brother and co-laborer,
R. P. Hallum

P. S.—I pray and trust that you can make all necessary arrangements to take care of Brother Parrott and family when they arrive in Brazil. I (Next page, column 1)

SEVEN YEARS OLD

The MISSION SHEETS are now seven years old. This issue of December, 1948, completes seven full years for this paper. The first issue went forth in January, 1942. It was one sheet eight and one-half by eleven, mimeographed on one side and went to about 30 people. At that time Brother Brandon had been a missionary in Brazil about 18 years and those who had been carrying on the work on this end gave it up. Brother Z. E. Clark and the editor, H. H. Overbey, got behind the work and began to get it before the people. Brother Clark was treasurer and H. H. Overbey was editor and secretary. After about three years the work was incorporated as a non-profit corporation and we began to print the paper instead of mimeographing it. Later we increased the size of the paper and the circulation has grown from 30 the first issue until now it is more than 16,000 and reaches into every State in the Union. More than two years ago the work in Peru under Brother R. P. Hallum came (Next page, Column five)

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.

HALLUMS REPORTS SOULS SAVED

(Preceding page, Column 5) believe that you can. R. P. H.

It is really thrilling to read a letter like this one from Brother Hallum. I like to picture in my mind the missionary and his family going down to the water's edge and putting the things in the boat and getting the motor all ready and then see them disappear around the bend of the river and after a few hours arrive at the Indian village and then go about inviting the people for the night service. The service is begun with a song and prayer and then Brother Hallum takes his Bible and reads the word in Spanish and then preaches and sinners respond. Thank God for the work of Baptist Faith Missions in Brazil, Peru and Columbia. Pray for the Hallums.

A LETTER FROM MISSIONARY BRANDON THAT WILL TEST THE FAITH OF ALL WHO READ IT.

(Preceding page, Column 4) remedy used was one quite unknown to the doctors. The curing was of the Lord and must be recognized as such. Isa. 38: 18-19 brings out an important truth, The grave cannot praise Thee, only the living can make known thy truth. He perhaps had in mind Psalm 30:9. Paul also says the same in a different way. For me to live is Christ, Phil 1:21-22. Some people seem to have the idea that the only recourse left to God in healing His people is through medical science, and of a truth the doctors are a great blessing to the Lord's people, however the death of king Asa is an outstanding case, he sought the doctors and not the Lord and slept with his fathers, 2 Chron. 16:11-23.

While in the 5th verse of James we are cautioned about praying for sickness and afflictions, Jas. 5:13-16. Perhaps we would do well to recall some of the scriptures in which our fathers trusted, Dt. 32:39-40 tells us that it is God who kills and makes alive and there are none to deliver from his hand. He says in Ex. 33:19 That He will show mercy on whom He will show mercy, and later Paul adds that, Whom He will be hardens, Rom. 9:14-18.

In I Sam. 2:6-9 we are told that the Lord bringeth out of the grave, that He exalteth the poor from the dunghill and that He keepeth the feet of His saints. It is David who declares that the Lord had broken his bones, Psa. 51:8. Jesus said that Satan had held a woman in prison for 18 years, this was an affliction, Lu. 13:16. The lepers cried after the Lord and said, If Thou wilt thou canst make me clean. Matt. 8:2. He did. And the blind man said, Thou Son of David show mercy to me, Mk 10:47, compare Ex. 33:19. He did. Mephiboseth was sought out by King David, however his afflictions were never healed but he ate from the king's table as long as he lived; he was afflicted in the feet, 2 Sam. 9:1-13. Three outstanding miracles wrought by the apostles were men afflicted in

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 1948

Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla.	\$ 5.00
Raiford Baptist Church, Raiford, Fla.	5.00
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	55.00
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	29.60
Pollard Baptist Church, Ashland, Ky.	5.00
Bible Missionary Baptist Church, Dequincy, La.	14.61
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.	45.00
Madison Street Baptist Church, Rochester, Pa.	3.30
The Cleo T. Smith Baptist Mission, Allred, Tenn. (for Parrotts' trip)	3.00
Big Creek Baptist Church, Wayne, West Virginia	5.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio,	27.35
Danleyton Baptist Church, Flatwoods, Ky. (for Parrotts' trip)	20.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	46.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, (Hope Bible Class) Tampa, Fla.	35.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church (Hope Bible Class for Parrotts' trip) Tampa, Fla.	28.50
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	333.75
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church (Hope Bible Class) Tampa, Fla.	35.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church (Hope Bible Class for Parrotts' trip)	14.00
Pilot Oak Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky. (for Parrotts' trip)	150.00
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	12.00
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky. (for Parrotts' trip)	5.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	25.62
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (for Parrotts' trip)	5.00
South Side Baptist Church, (B. Y. P. U.) Paducah, Ky.	5.27
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich.	13.73
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, North Kenova, Ohio	11.50
United Baptist Church, Eaton Avenue, Muncie, Ind.	10.00
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	9.55
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	180.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	35.13
Grace Baptist Church, Owensboro, Ky.	5.00
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	32.25
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky.	14.70
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky.	54.43
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	32.25
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	18.13
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	9.85
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	28.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (B. T. U.)	5.16
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich.	50.22
South Side Baptist Church, B. Y. P. U. Paducah, Ky.	5.24
Calvary Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.	2.00
Oak Baptist Church, (Ladies Bible Class) Royal Oak, Mich.	10.00
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	30.11
Zoar Baptist Church, Bardonia, Ky.	24.30
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Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	120.00
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Roy J. Downes, Moravia, N. J.	30.00
Mrs. R. H. Cook, Orange, N. J.	3.00
R. E. Murphey, Castor, La.	4.00
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First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. (for Parrotts' trip)	500.00
First Missionary Baptist Church, Coalgrove, Ohio	14.00
First Missionary Baptist Church, (For Parrotts' trip)	100.00

Total \$2539.92

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:

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Cannelton, Indiana

the feet and neither of them seeking to be cured, Acts 3:7 and 9:32-37 and 14:8-11. So we again ask that you compare Ex. 33:19 and Lu. 18:7. The Lord would have His servants to be humble and to recognize from whence their help comes, thus it is written, Call upon me in the time of trouble, I will deliver thee and thou shall glorify me. The order is first to call. Jesus said everyone that asketh receiveth, thus he that calleth will be relieved from whatever embarrassment he may find himself in. Now for all those who thus find relief will be assured of service in the future,

Psa. 50:15 and 118:17. The sickness one may have will often enlarge their vision, increase their faith and renew their consecration. Notice from the above referred Psalm — I shall not die, but live; and declare the works of the Lord. The writer has reviewed the mission work on the Jurua river with an increased courage and determination, in fact some things about my present condition have brought the dearest animation possible and for it let us praise the Lord. The thoughts gathered from Psa. 10:31-5 are refreshing to the soul. Usually only the third verse is

quoted but the third and fourth are only to emphasize the last words of the fifth. Notice six things that are said: Iniquities are forgiven, Diseases are healed, What would have been a wasted life is redeemed, Crowned with loving kindness, Encircled with tender mercies, A well furnished table is given, So that thy youth is renewed like an eagle's. Why would the Lord be interested in one's youth? Because experience gained in former years would be of untold importance to the kingdom work. Then too an old man renewed with health and strength of a young man would be for encouragement of all the body of Christ. Then the fact that one is renewed would cause confidence in the Lord and a greater faith in His Word. A more humble spirit no doubt would prevail, Psa. 123. But why like the eagles? Because the eagle is the highest flying bird, he carries himself with more grace and with greater ease than does any other. While flying at those dizzy heights, his sight is so keen that he can see a fish in the water far below and with a sudden dart can take the fish. We remember that great spiritual heights are often gained with afflictions and the more spiritual the believer is, with greater ease he lives for the glory of the Lord Jesus and the blessing of the people, high flying believers just find it part of their nature to serve the Lord by serving the people. Far sighted believers, or men of vision, have much to contribute to the work of the kingdom of the Lord Jesus on earth. I feel sure that the heart's desire of every servant of the Lord is to be this kind of a workman. Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God is to soon be able to return to the work on the mission field where my life is buried and there to finish the fight. Had I remained there I think I would have been dead ere this, but the blessings the Lord has bestowed since returning are far too numerous to write on paper and I have the assurance that I will return and that not in the too far future, however there is one thing that I feel ought to be done and I will not feel my duty fulfilled until it is done, that is for brethren who are of this faith to set aside a day and call at my home and anoint me with oil in the name of the Lord and have prayer for the healing of my body. So far as I know the 7th day of December will be a good time at 7:30 P. M. The Lord healed me of a serious stomach complaint in 1930, I have not been troubled with it since and I know he can heal me again and believe He will if we meet together and call upon Him. Interested brethren please write if that date is not convenient then another can be set, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen.

(Please note that the date set by Brother Brandon, (J. F. Brandon) December 7th is two weeks or more before this paper is printed and into the readers hands. We have printed the letter just as he wrote it, so it will be necessary for those interested to write to him and then let him set a new date. Editor.)

NEWS FROM BRAZIL

(Preceding page, Column 3) work there. The worker does not live in Japiim but in a settlement three miles away called Guarani where they maintain a preaching point and have much interest.

Parana

From there Miguel went to Barao where some of the members of the church at Parana are living. Barao is one of the largest rubber plantations in Brazil, the owner is very wealthy and a good friend of the Gospel. He says that he is a believer but he will not be baptized. Just last week I wrote him exhorting him to accept the Lord Jesus and follow him in baptism. There were no conversions but much interest and the believers animated. Miguel's mother lives at this place, also a brother-in-law who is also a believer. They always have preaching in their homes and also the school house. He also paid a short visit to the church at Parana. There are no more people at Parana to be converted, for all profess to be believers, however, some of them are out of fellowship with the body. The Lord blessed them by his visit. They were all happy and sent me word that they were praying to God to heal me and send me back to them without delay. When I left Cruzeiro do Sul I told them that I would be with them in this month if the Lord willed. When I return I want to spend more time in Barao because there are lots of sinners there as hard as flint. The last time I was there, one of them was converted, he has not been baptized as yet but Miguel says that he is holding out well and attending all the services.

Leper Colony

When he arrived back in Cruzeiro do Sul he visited the leper colony the first thing and was surprised to see the progress in the work and the good attendance. The brother who was sent to the leper colony from Campo de Santano is in charge of the work inside the leper colony now where he also is a leper. He is a good preacher and a very unusual teacher of the word. We all felt that his going there was of the Lord because we had prayed much for the Lord to give us a worker for that people and He did. I hope to ordain that man when I return so that he can baptize the converted ones. They have recently had some new conversions but I do not know how many. They have Sunday School in the afternoon and preaching services at night and mid-week prayer meeting. That seems to be much progress, thank the Lord.

Great Sacrifice

I believe that I made a greater sacrifice for that work and was happier in doing so than anything I ever did. The lepers all send their love and want to know when I will return. They are a disfigured bunch of people but they are very dear indeed to my heart. I begun to preach to them when there were only three and now they say that there are more than 150. I hope that many of them will live with us in that blessed land, that is not too far away. The pastor, Miguel, said that they made special prayer for my health. He read the prayer of Jeremiah recorded in the thirty-second chapter beginning with the 16th verse. He said also that there were four families from the interior, believers, sick. All came to his house to treat themselves. Now if I were there they would be at my house, so it makes a difference when I am away.

Sincerely,
J. F. Brandon.

SEVEN YEARS OLD
(Preceding page, Column One) under this mission and then one year ago work was established in Columbia. Now we have work in three S. A. countries.