

MISSIONARIES IN BRAZIL

Elder J. F. Brandon
Elder and Mrs. Billy Parrott
Elder and Mrs. L. M. Smith
Miguel Ibernnon
Cicero Bielco
Malo Dutro
Eufrazio Soraes
Francisco Santiago
John Dias
Zacharias Nunes de Abriu
Gabriel Seraphin
Walter Fernandes
(Portugese Language)

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MISSIONARIES IN PERU

Elder and Mrs. M. E. Lewis
Elder and Mrs. R. P. Hallum
Miss Marguerite Hallum
Don Simon Gaima
Don Juan Castro
(Spanish Language)

MISSIONARIES IN COLUMBIA

Jose Tomas del Castillo
(Spanish Language)

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An Encouraging Letter From Missionary Parrott

November 22, 1951

Dear Bro. Overbey:

We received your letter dated November 13 today with checks numbered 675, 676 and 677. It is needless to say that we are very thankful for these. We are extremely thankful for those people who love their Lord enough to support His work on foreign fields.

Regarding the money sent for the boat motor, the total cost of the motor was 10,512 crs., including the freight to C. do Sul. The check for \$324.00 at 32 crs. brought 10,368.00 crs., which left a difference of 144 crs. and also 10 crs. more for the telegram notifying Miguel. The ten dollars will bring from 280 to 300 crs. I will send it on to Miguel to use to buy gas, in fact I will send all that I get for the check and let the money I spent be used toward helping him with the gas also. Gas is very high here. It costs 70 crs. a can (5 gals.) and I am sure that it costs as much as 100 crs. there. In other words, the 10 dollars will buy about 15 gallons of gas. (The \$324.00 is from Bufalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. The \$10.00 is from

Brother J. Bradus Henry, Central City, Ky.—Editor.)

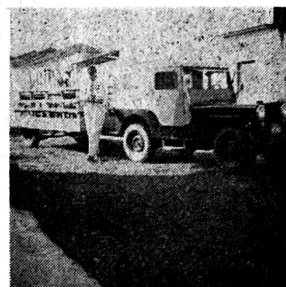
You are right in thinking that it will be best to hold the salaries of the natives until the first and that is what I will do. If I gave it to them now they would come up before the end of next month without money to live on.

I received the paper which you mailed without registering it, without delay. It seems that letters which we have mailed here without registering them are not getting there. Mother told me the other day that she had gotten few letters from us, many less than I could count having sent. From now on we are registering all letters.

I think that I told you about the house which we have been waiting on which was promised to Lawrence before he left, then when he left was promised to us. After we have waited so long for it, today the man came over and told me that we could have it if we would pay 12,000 (more than 400 dollars) for the privilege of renting it. The rent is low and if we had had the money it would possibly have

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The Pictures Tell Of Work Being Done In Iquitos



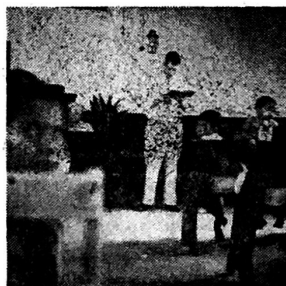
Brother Mitchell Lewis and Juan Castro getting the trailer ready to leave at 8:15 A. M. to pick up a load for Sunday School at the First Baptist Church in Iquitos, Peru.



They're off.



Back with a load at 8:50 about ten minutes before Sunday School starts.



Brother Mitchell Lewis reading the devotional reading in Spanish.

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Lewis Conducts Services 4½ Months After Arrival

Iquitos, Peru
Nov. 3, 1951

Dear Bro. Overbey:

Father has written you acknowledging receipt of the Nov. checks. He is planning on going to church Sunday which will be the first time in about 6 weeks.

The attendance in the services has been holding up pretty well. Average attendance in Sunday School for the month of October was 71, with a high of 76 and a low of 68. The trailer has been in operation for about two months and is usually full. Juan Castro has a class once a week in a little private school in another part of town. The children have to know how to read and write before entering the public schools, so private schools are operated for this purpose. Since the trailer has been in use quite a number of these children have been coming to Sunday School. When making the rounds someone has to ride on the trailer to keep children from hanging on, for if someone should try to climb on and accidentally fall, the one driving would be held responsible regardless of whether or not

he knew anything about it. Juan Castro usually goes along for this purpose.

A couple of months ago Mitchell gave the folks a surprise at church by reading the devotional reading in Sunday School. They looked around at one another and nodded their heads in approval and surprise that he was able to do that so soon. A few Sundays later he gave them another surprise by giving an object lesson (using a banana) after Sunday School. They all seemed quite pleased. He is planning another for tomorrow. Since father has been unable to attend, Juan Castro has been taking charge of the Sunday morning and Wednesday night services and Don Simon Gaima has been preaching Sunday nights. Don Simof is away during the week on river trips.

About the last Sunday that father went to church he baptized Chela Pizango. She is a girl that has been attending the services several months. She has been working for the Lewises almost ever since their arrival.

This is all for this time.

Yours in His Service,
Marguerite Hallum

A Touching Letter From Missionary Joe Brandon

November 23, 1951

"In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."—John 1:4.

The light of my life was almost extinguished, I was exhausted, my arrival at Carville was the end of life in flesh for me, so far as I was concerned. My weakness was so manifest that if I could have cast the deciding vote, I would have gone to be with Christ.

But my life was precious in the sight of God. Well do I recall when I was in Cruzeiro do Sul, shortly after I was informed of my misfortune, that I sought the Lord with all of my heart, that I might know His will with me, and then for strength to carry it out.

As I prayed, I talked as though I was talking to someone at my

side, as indeed I was. I remember saying, "Now Lord, I will open the Bible, and let it be that it will open at the place where thou wilt instruct me, and let me read from thy Word what I must do to please thee."

Then I arose from prayer and opened the Book. You need not be surprised when I say, it opened at Genesis, chapter 31. So I began to read with the first verse. Arriving at the third verse I saw very clearly the will of the Lord. I continued reading however, and was comforted as I resolved to arise and follow Him.

At that time I did not know that Carville existed. However, I did know that there was a place for treatment in the States, so I began to make ready for my journey for Manaus and later America.

I sought passage and obtained it in a cargo plane from Cruzeiro do Sul to Rio Branco, the latter being the capital city of the territory in which I lived. Upon arrival there I was met by a believer whom I had baptized some years ago. One man could not have shown another more courtesy than he showed me. I was accompanied on the plane by a very dear friend, however not a professed believer, who some years ago was mayor of Cruzeiro do Sul. He too had had trouble, but of a different nature than mine. So

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Lewis Writes Of Catholic Idolatry And Paganism

Dear Friends,

Received Mission check Number 668.

We are all well in spite of the flu that is going around here. Yes, people have colds here as well as elsewhere.

November 1st was "All Saints Day." All good Catholics took flowers and went to the cemetery to pay some priest to chant over the grave of their dead loved ones. Of course the type of prayer depends upon the amount of money one is willing or able to pay. How unlike the apostle Paul who was willing to spend and be spent that he might be of service to the saints.

About a week before All Saints Day the Catholics paraded the "Lord of Miracles" through the streets. He was accompanied with direful music and lighted candles.

If only our Catholic friends in the United States could see these spectacles of ignorance and pagan worship, I am sure many of them would come to realize the system of utter falsehood on which Catholicism is based. In countries where Catholicism is protected by the state it manifests itself in all its pagan rituals and idolatry.

One cannot hate or despise these people for they are blinded by the most malignant power of hell. They are full of superstition and nonsense taught them by the mother of harlots.

These people need to hear the

Gospel as it is preached by Holy Spirit called men. They need to see the Gospel as it is lived by people that have the Holy Spirit dwelling within.

I am continually thankful for the privilege of serving God. I am thankful for each person and each church that has a part in making Baptist Faith Missions a living reality.

We have just about finished the Spanish grammar that Bro. Overbey gave us. We are getting a Peruvian school teacher to help us with conversation, etc.

Brother Hallum is improving but slowly. This skin disease is a difficult thing to cure. The heat is not unbearable here, but it takes something out of a person. All the other missionaries agree that when a person has been here four years he needs

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GOOD EXAMPLE

Pastor John R. Gilpin and the First Baptist Church, Russell, Kentucky sets a good example for all churches. Each year on Thanksgiving Day, Brother Gilpin preaches his annual Thanksgiving day sermon and the church gives a special offering for Baptist Faith Missions to help send out new missionaries. This has amounted to more than \$500 yearly for several years. May the Lord lead others to do likewise.

\$1000 FROM WILL

Last April we ran the picture of Brother J. Oscar Pierce in the MISSION SHEETS with the news that he had bequeathed Baptist Faith Missions \$1,000.00 in his will. Last month (November) Brother Z. E. Clark, the treasurer of the mission, received a check for this amount from Brother Pierce's estate. We thank God for this gift and we are sure that Brother Pierce will have reward in Heaven.

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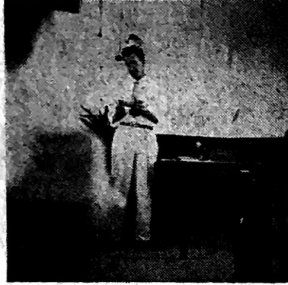
NOTICE

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.

Pictures Tell Of Work

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Brother Lewis giving an object lesson to the children in Spanish speaking in Spanish about four and a half months after arrival in Peru.



Juan Castro preaches the message.



Brother R. P. Hallum baptizes Chela Pizango on the first Sunday in September.



Parrott Letter

(Preceding page, Column two) been worth it. We could have gotten an indefinite lease on it (by this I mean that the house would have been mine as long as I wanted it) and the rent is only 600 crs., but I could not do it. I feel that it is the will of the Lord that we didn't get it because it is far from the work, although not as far as we are now. Since talking to him this morning I have already learned that possibly we will be able to rent a house that is just being finished within walking distance of the work even for Eudora and the children. The house will probably cost about the same price as this one but it will mean a lot to be so near the work. It will knock out a big expense in transportation every month and it will, which is more important, put me right in the middle of the people with whom I am working. This way the contact will be more personal and much closer and will help much to keep up the interest. We are

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER, 1951

New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	\$ 26.73
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	15.00
Faith Baptist Church, Lawtey, Fla.	9.26
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky.	54.17
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	50.00
Sylvania Hills Baptist Church, New Brighton, Pa.	2.80
Macedonia Baptist Church, Ripley, Tenn.	11.86
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	32.59
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	10.50
Westwood Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	19.00
Bible Baptist Church, Brunswick, Maine	2.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	40.65
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. (Hope Bible Class)	50.00
The Second Baptist Mission, Pennington Gap, Va.	5.50
South Bristol Baptist Church, Bristol, Tenn.	5.00
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.	8.70
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.	11.40
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	55.00
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. (B. T. U.)	16.26
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. (B. T. U.)	16.60
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	22.63
Friendship Baptist Church, Lincoln Park, Mich.	39.66
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerline, Mich.	50.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.	30.92
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	53.17
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Boaz, Ky.	10.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Boaz, Ky.	5.00
Repton Baptist Church, Repton, Ky.	14.00
East Main Baptist Church, Des Plaines, Ill.	15.00
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	5.00
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.	5.00
Hazel Baptist Church, Hazel, Ky.	2.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	34.46
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	28.00
Park Hill Baptist Church, Pueblo, Colo.	50.00
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	20.60
Shady Grove Baptist Church, Wickliff, Ky.	45.35
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	15.00
First Baptist Church, Coal Grove, Ohio	20.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	7.32
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, North Kenova, Ohio	3.00
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, North Kenova, Ohio	2.00
Ocoonito Baptist Church, Ocoonito, Va.	14.96
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	11.52
Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	67.46
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.	45.00
Fish Springs Baptist Church, Carderbury, Tenn. (For Calvary Church Building)	34.60
Bible Baptist Church, Burnsville, N. C.	50.76
Bald Creek Baptist Church, Bee Log, N. C. (B. T. U.)	5.00
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	40.15
Good Will Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	60.97
Hampton Baptist Church, Hampton, Fla.	25.00
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	21.18
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	367.18
Maranatha Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.	24.65
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (B. T. U.)	3.88
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (L. B. C. for Calley's Trip)	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich.	300.00
J. M. Pierce, Salem, Ky. (From J. O. Pierce's will)	1,000.00
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	105.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	119.39
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. (For Parrott's School)	12.35
Danleyton Baptist Church, Flatwoods, Ky.	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Ellaville, Ga.	20.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	55.32
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. (Special Thanksgiving Offering for Sending New Missionaries)	585.50
Miss Georgia Brandon, Benton, Ky.	10.00
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Floyd Williams, Owensboro, Ky.	5.00
Floyd Williams, Owensboro, Ky.	10.00
J. H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J.	10.00
Miss Maude Hunt, Franklin, Ky.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Clayton May, Siloam, Ky.	12.00
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cade, Wayne, W. Va.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bayless, Macedonia, Ill.	10.00
Miss Kittie Bullington, Atwood, Tenn.	2.00
Mrs. Rubie Richards, Atwood, Tenn.	2.00
Miss P. L. Hendley, Farmington, Ky. (For Church Building in Manaoas)	1.00
A Friend in Minneapolis, Minn.	20.00
Eustace Adkins, Ceredo, W. Va.	2.50
A Friend in Perryville, Ky.	5.00
G. E. Duncan, White Plains, Ky. (For Bro. Hallum's Furlough Trip)	25.00
Mike M. Bailey, Hood River, Oregon	3.00
Carl G. and Lula Reinwald, New Orleans, La. (For Parrott's School)	5.00
Carl G. Reinwald, New Orleans, La. (For Parrott's School)	5.00
Mrs. Elsie Tuggle, Aurora, Mo.	1.00
Dr. D. J. Dunn, Worthington, Minn.	5.00
C. F. McKinney, Iuka, Ky. (For Church Building at Codajaz)	1.00
A Friend in Pueblo, Ky.	5.00
Total	\$4,070.42

As the Lord leads you, send all offerings for mission work to the treasurer of this mission. It is best to send by check or money order. Address all offerings to:

Z. E. CLARK, Treasurer, P. O. Box 648, Paducah, Kentucky.
Up to the present a total of \$982.89 has been designated for the passage of out-going missionaries as new missionaries to the field.

praying that we may get it.

We were very sad to head that Starlings have resigned because we were already looking forward to seeing them here,

but for their sakes and for the sake of the work it is much better that they discovered before coming out that they were not in the right place. The

Amazon Valley certainly is not a place for a preacher who is not there by the will of God. Things are tough enough when you know you are in the will of the Lord but I think would be unbearable out of His will. We pray that the Lord will bless George and Rennie wherever they may be led.

Will the resignation of the Starlings mean that the Calleys will be coming out sooner? The work in C. do Sul is badly in need of someone to help and direct the work there. It is evident that without the missionary close at hand here the work soon starts slipping.

I had the woman who is to be the teacher of our school make an estimate of the necessary supplies for fifty pupils for the school. According to her estimate it will take about 2700 crs. or about 100 dollars. We are planning to start the school January 14 and we pray that we will have the money to do so. I would like also to start her on salary in December so that she can go over there and start visiting the people, getting acquainted with the mothers and finding out who and how many will be in the school. She will also be working toward building up our Sunday School as she is to be the teacher of the children in Sunday School also. This letter will not get to you in time for us to receive her salary on the first of the month but I am going to start her and tell her that it will be forthcoming so that we can get started out right. We have much work to do concerning the school and intend to get going as soon as possible. We are going to have to build tables for the children, get a blackboard up and get everything ready in general. We will have them enroll about a week before the day to begin our school and need to have everything ready then by January 7th.

CORRECTION

In the financial report for October, 1951 listed in the November issue of this paper: Port Norris Baptist Church, Port Norris, New Jersey was listed for an offering of \$50.00. This should have been: Park Hill Baptist Church, Pueblo, Colo. We are sorry.

We have all had another seige of sickness in the past week. First of all on the 12th Eudora had an attack of malaria, and then she had boils start coming out under her arms. She could neither raise nor lower her arms. It got so bad that I even had to help her dress herself. After a week they got ripe under the right arm; there were three boils just below the armpit while she had one under the left arm right in the armpit. Now that she has just about gotten them cured up another one is coming under the left arm. I had to miss all the services because she could not take care of the children nor the cooking. Jerry and Johnny have been having some fever and all of us have been having much trouble with dysentery. I can't imagine what can be causing it.

I received a Baptist Examiner this week with my article in it. I felt much honored to have something I had written printed in a paper which carries articles by such men as Brother Mason, Cole, Alldridge, etc., and whose editor is John R. Gilpin. I pray that it may have been of some usefulness in the work of the Lord.

Your brother in Christ Jesus,
Billy E. Parrott

\$1,000 From Will

(Preceding page, Column one) for it. May the Lord lay it on the hearts of others to remember Baptist Faith Missions their will. This \$1,000 with the Thanksgiving offering of \$585.50 from the First Baptist Church, Russell, Kentucky makes offerings in November, 1951 the largest of any month in the history of the mission. To the Lord be the honor and glory.

Lewis Letter

(Preceding page, column five) a rest at home where the Star Spangled Banner is sung from a loving heart.

Your Servant,
Mitchell Lewis

Brandon Letter

(Preceding page, Column two) I was properly fitted for a companion for the cross country flight.

Upon arrival in Rio Branco, we went to a cheap hotel, we thought it only proper to do so, and it was well that we did. We were received with open arms, the owners of the hotel were friends to the Gospel. It was when I offered thanks for the food that they manifested themselves and sent to call a Baptist missionary who was living only a few blocks away.

As soon as supper was over, I went to my hammock, for I was really weary in the flesh. Soon the missionary came and assured me that a guest room was made ready for me and they were waiting, but I assured him that I could not go that night and he promised to send for me in the morning. That he did, and I found myself in the midst of those who love me and I was very happy with the change.

The governor also sent for my friend, so both of us were cared for in a divine way, for in the day of trouble, the Lord seeks the broken-hearted to help them and comfort them.

One of the missionaries arranged passage for me on the first plane to Manaoas, however, I did have to make a change in Porto Velho, where I spent the night in the home of a barbadian Negro, who seemed only too happy to entertain me and to see me to the plane the following day. Oh! how the Lord does raise up friends in the time of need, some heretofore unknown, while others were quite unexpected.

Upon my arrival in Manaoas I went to the church building where I lived in a small room at the rear of the building. I had lived there before so I felt quite at home. Many of the believers came to visit me while I was there, in fact many that I had not seen for years. Some came through curiosity, while for a large part they came because they loved me and were concerned about me and the mission work.

Believers that I had baptized twenty years ago and I had not seen for at least 18 years, came and, as we talked over the past I recalled the conversion of these, my heart did burn within me. I hated to leave them so bad.

At that time I did not know there was a treatment for the malady with which I was afflicted and we thought we were talking for the last time, that is on this side of Jordan. This seemed to endear us to one another all the more.

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