

MISSIONARIES IN BRAZIL
 Elder J. F. Brandon
 Elder and Mrs. Billy Parrott
 Elder and Mrs. L. M. Smith
 Miguel Ibernou
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 Don Simon Gaima
 Don Juan Castro
 (Spanish Language)

MISSIONARIES IN COLUMBIA

Jose Tomas del Castillo
 (Spanish Language)

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Mitchell Lewis Progressing And Work Growing In Peru

Iquitos, Peru
 December 11, 1951

Dear Bro. Overbey:

We are well and enjoying the Lord's goodness. The weather lately has been just a trifle more than a wee bit warm. Since we received our electric fan we can lay down and cool off.

One of the women workers from the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism stationed in Manaoas was visiting some friends here. She knows the Parrotts and said they were on the job. She said the weather and the food was more agreeable here.

We had 22 on the trailer last Sunday and 75 in Sunday School.

In the Bible study at Brother Hallum's last Monday night one of the brethren prayed and thanked God for the United States and for Brother Hallum and Brother Lewis. He also prayed that I might learn the language in order to help them.

If any country needs God-called preachers, I know it is Peru and Iquitos in particular. When this man prayed I could not help but think of General Mark Clark's appointment to the Vatican. If his appointment goes through and the Catholics get a ruling majority in the United States, Foreign Missions will be a thing of the past to these South American countries.

Would you send twenty-five (\$25) to Robert Harkness, 20 North Raymond Avenue, Pasadena 1, California. He is offering a home study piano course at a reduced price this month and we would like to have it. He will send the complete course to us air mail at no extra cost. We are writing him a letter telling him to expect the check from you.

May the Lord bless the churches and grant great power to the preacher brethren.

Your friend,
 Mitchell Lewis

Native Worker Ibernou Writes

(Translated by Billy Parrott)

I received your letter of August 3, 1951. The receipt of this letter was a joy to me and to the church. Dear Brother: On the twenty-fifth of August I baptized two prisoners at the jail and that night there were three reconciliations in the church of brethren who were excluded 15 years ago. God with His word touched their lives with such power that they became different men. Afterwards I made the invitation to the sinners and four lost sinners were converted by the Lord. We also had three exclusions. God has blessed us but with all this I still see believers cold and without love and others joyous and animated. Here the Pentecostals and Adventists are our terrible enemies. They only occupy themselves in preaching in the homes of the believers (apparently in the homes of the members of the Baptist Church.—Billy Parrot). They are wolves (Next page, Column one)

Hallum Letter Includes A Report Of Work Of Tomas

Iquitos, Peru
 Apartado 13-
 Nov. 1, 1951

Elder H. H. Overbey,

Dear Brother, greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

This is to advise you that the checks for November have been received and the one for Don Tomas is being sent to him and I am enclosing a sheet with his report made out by him. He also tells of a man who was a sot drunkard being converted, he writes as if living is very high in his part.

I did not write the last month on account of being in a very bad condition physically, with eczema on my legs below my knees and also on my feet.

The remedies which the doctors gave me seemed to cause a reaction which spread over a large part of my body causing fungus on my hands and nettle rash on other parts of the body which is almost like the eczema.

I am a lot better but not well

by any means. The doctor who is treating me says that he thinks I will be well in a month or two.

I am planning on going to the church Saturday night if I keep improving a little.

I have been in the house for five or six weeks, so don't have much to write about the Lord's work. Thanks to you and to all who help to make the checks possible, so will close.

As ever, yours,
 R. P. Hallum

Below is Don Tomas' report for September.

September 1, Cundinamarca Street, 4 visits; 4 tracts given away.

September 2, Enel Salon St., 15 visits; passages read, Ex. 20:1-25; 15 tracts given away.

September 3, Garrido Street, 11 visits; 8 tracts given away.

September 4, Embudo Street, 2 visits; 2 tracts given away.

September 5, Aborto Street, 4 (Next page, Column one)

MORE ABOUT BRO. BRANDON'S LEPROSY AND CONDITION

(Continued from last month)

When the day of departure came, one of the brethren called for me in his car and carried me to the airport, and I said goodbye to my loved ones in the Lord, and we soon took off.

Arriving in Para I went to a hotel for the night and the next morning after I had made ready for the journey, I called on some of my brethren, whom I had not seen for quite some time. They seemed to be very much effected when they learned of my affliction, but their words and prayers of comfort still linger in my heart.

One dear brother who was a meat cutter in Cruzeiro do Sul, when I went there the first time and later I baptized him in Manaoas, burst into tears when one of the brethren told him I had the leprosy. He has

a son who also suffers from the same malady, who has grown continually worse.

The next day I embarked on a plane for Miami, arriving the same day. This was on Saturday, and I found that I would have to remain there until Tuesday morning. I had no US money for passage and could not get any changed until then. So it was on Tuesday, the 12th day of July, 1949, that I arrived here in Carville to begin life all over again.

They found that I was positive, so I was assigned to a room in the hospital where I remained for seven weeks under the daily care of the doctor. When I relaxed on the hospital bed for the first time, the strength of the Spirit seemed to depart from me, and there was mighty little left. For days I could not eat, but was very happy that I could sleep, oh, the sleep was so sweet, it had never seemed so good.

When I was finally strong enough for an examination they found me to be completely without strength.

They found my heart to be very weak and uncertain, but the other organs were functioning properly. My trouble was in my feet and legs, the other parts of my body had not become effected and after I began to take the medicine, a reaction set in and I could hardly walk.

At the end of the seven weeks in the hospital I was given a room in one of the houses in the colony. The room was very nice indeed, plenty of new bed linens, towels, soap and a bath room just across the hall. The

room was nice and cool in the summer and heated by steam in the winter. I do not know where I could have gone and been more comfortable. Everyone was nice to me, and having come from the place I did on the mission field to live in this home was many times over again a luxury.

My room was about three city blocks from the dining room, but the houses, dining room and hospital are all connected by corridors, so one does not have to be in the sun nor rain when going from one place to another. The food is good, much above the average for public places, the only strenuous part of it is we have to stand in line and be served as in a cafeteria.

Is was a surprise to me how many missionaries call on this place, and so many visitors.

SMITH TO RETURN TO BRAZIL SOON

Because of the interference of other missions with our work in the interior, Brother Lawrence Smith is planning to return to Brazil as soon as possible. He plans to return and get a house rented and have Mrs. Smith and the children come on later. He plans to go into the interior and visit the churches in the Acre Territory and see what is what and encourage them and then report the situation. It is hard to understand why other missionaries will go in and try to take over the work of others that is already established when there are vast regions that have never had a missionary.

There is said to be thousands of visitors each year. I was surprised how many the Lord would send to my room to visit me.

I enjoyed hearing them talk and telling them about the Lord. For many months some one would call every day, but later when I was called upon to write for the blind men, I was not at home in the mornings and they quit calling.

I enjoyed writing for the blind, it was employment for me, and in so many ways it reminded me of my work in many parts of Brazil. I gained their confidence and of many others who were less fortunate than myself and was able to help them in many other ways. That made me happy, and when one is helping another, he feels better anyway.

I tried staying in my room and not going to church, but soon found that it would be better to go. To have to sit and take all that was said without replying was rather hard for me to do, but when I found there was nothing I could do about it, I went there and sat before the Lord and worshipped Him, thereby gaining some of the richest blessings of my life.

When I was there a little less than a year, I was called upon to act as chaplain while the regular chaplain was on a vacation. I accepted the offer and enjoyed preaching to them very much, but still found it difficult to speak the English language as I once did. I had been in Brazil 26 years and in that time had spoken but very little English. I could not think in English, and my singing was such

a blunder that people would laugh at me.

After this they invited me to teach the Bible class which met on Sunday afternoon at six. I was happy to do so as it gave me an opportunity my soul was craving. They ask me to begin at the first of Genesis and have a chapter each week, we are now near the end of Exodus.

The Lord has always provided the thing I needed. I have been sought out by many only to be served by them, have received letters from people I did not know existed, and how they knew I was here, and how they got my name, I do not know.

In brief, the Lord has more than fulfilled all of His promises to me. Indeed my cup runneth over, as for blessings, the measure has been shaken down and heaped up. Praise (Next page, Column four)

MT. HEBRON GIVES SPECIAL OFFERING

Last month we told how the First Baptist Church of Russell, Kentucky gives a special offering for this mission each Thanksgiving Day. Now we are happy to report that Pastor Harvey Ayres and the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church of Lancaster, Kentucky sent in a special offering of \$1123 for December. See the financial report in this paper. Years ago when H. Boyce Taylor was living and pastor of the First Baptist Church in Murray, Kentucky, he led that church to give special offerings for missions regularly and we recall that in one (Next page, Column five)

NEW INTEREST IN MISSION WORK

We are thankful to the Lord for the new interest in the work of Baptist Faith Missions. Several churches have joined in helping to support the work recently and several are giving more than ever before. We claim no perfection for this mission work, but it is the best that we know of anywhere. There are no paid officers or secretaries and no office rent. The overhead is the minimum and amounts to only the cost of printing and mailing the paper and for postage, long distance calls and cablegrams when necessary. The rest is used for the (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.

Hallum Letter

(Preceding page, column five) visits; 4 tracts given away.

September 6, Viento Libre St., 5 visits; passage read. Psalm 23: 3 tracts given away.

September 7, Alcala Street, 2 visits; 2 tracts given away.
September 8, Pargreinfantil Street, 3 visits; 3 tracts given away.

September 9, En el Salin St., 10 visits; passage read, Deut. 15: 3-20; 10 tracts given away.

September 10, Cinco Bacas St., 2 visits; 2 tracts given away.
September 11, Las Derres St., 7 visits; 5 tracts given away.

September 12, El Hospital St., 3 visits; 3 tracts given away.
September 13, La Ranila St., 4 visits; 4 tracts given away.

September 14, El Aborto St., 2 visits; passage read, Zac. 5: 1-11; 2 tracts given away.

September 15, Barrio Obero Street, 4 visits; 4 tracts given away.

September 16, En el Salon St., 11 visits; passage read, Sam. 5: 1-20; 11 tracts given away; 1 profession of faith.

September 17, La Carcel St., 5 visits; 5 tracts given away.

September 18, Calle Nuevo Street, 7 visits; 7 tracts given away.

September 19, Pueblo Nuevo St., 10 visits; 10 tracts given away.

September 20, El Pinal St., 5 visits; passage read, Lev. 5: 1-15; 5 tracts given away.

September 21, El Muelle St., 6 visits; 6 tracts given away.

September 22, Higienina St., 2 visits; 2 tracts given away.

September 23, En el Salin St., 8 visits; passage read, Mal. 2: 8-18; 8 tracts given away.

September 24, Calle Nuevo St., 4 visits; 4 tracts given away.

September 25, El Comerico St., 2 visits; 2 tracts given away.

September 26, La Linea St., 55 visits; 5 tracts given away.

September 27, La Primia St., 2 visits; 1 tract given away.

September 28, Las Pianguas St., 7 visits; 5 tracts given away.

September 29, Embudo St., 2 visits; 1 tract given away.

September 30, En el Salin St., 7 visits; 7 tracts given away.

Ibernon Letter

(Preceding page, Column three) wanting to negotiate with the believers or better wanting to make merchandise of the believers (2 Peter 2:1-3). Because of this I am during the day doing personal work among the sinners and also preaching in the houses of the believers at night at the preaching points and also in the temple (church building) and afterwards I have prayer in the house.

They have a motor boat (the Pentecosts and Adventists) and go to the churches in the interior. I go in a canoe with a paddle and while I go to one place they have gone to ten places. I ask my good brother missionary to help me in prayer and seeking a motor. I wanted to see you face to face because it is only possible to explain everything in person. Five missionaries, (evidently two men and three women) have arrived here. They are good people but as for me I am very preoccupied because I have talked with them and note that they are a

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DECEMBER 1951

Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	\$ 50.00
North Side Baptist Church, Mayfield, Ky.	44.59
Westwood Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	24.90
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	62.15
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	15.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	30.65
Faith Baptist Church, Lawtey, Ky.	8.78
Friendship Baptist Church, Lincoln Park, Mich.	34.28
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	12.00
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. (B. T. U.)	5.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	30.81
Madison Street Baptist Church, Rochester, Pa.	4.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	35.92
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Ladies' Bible Class)	10.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (for Parrott's School)	15.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	32.50
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. (Hope Bible Class)	50.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.	44.45
Macedonia Baptist Church, Ripley, Tenn.	25.04
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	31.96
The New Testament Baptist Church, Ansted, W. Va.	25.00
Hampton Baptist Church, Hampton, Fla. (Women's Missionary Society)	3.00
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	55.00
Fish Springs Baptist Church, Carderew, Tenn.	23.00
Fish Springs Baptist Church, Carderew, Tenn.	14.34
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerline, Mich.	50.00
Ocoonite Baptist Church, Ocoonite, Va.	13.88
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.	45.00
Park Hill Baptist Church, Pueblo, Colo.	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	6.76
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	20.60
South Union Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	30.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	11.60
Willisburg Baptist Church, Willisburg, Ky.	57.00
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	20.16
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	14.42
Liberty Baptist Church, Central City, Ky.	13.87
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	15.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, Ky.	50.00
Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	157.39
Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	1,123.30
South Bristol Baptist Church, Bristol, Va.	22.26
Bible Baptist Church, Burnsville, N. C.	44.00
Bible Baptist Church, Burnsville, N. C. (B. T. U.)	6.00
Boyd's Hill Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	25.00
Elizabeth Jarrrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.	15.83
Danleyton Baptist Church, Flatwoods, Ky.	10.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	139.67
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. (for Parrott's School)	67.55
Port Norris Baptist Church, Port Norris, N. J.	50.00
East Main Baptist Church, Des Plaines, Ill.	10.00
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, North Kenova, Ohio	2.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	120.13
Maranatha Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.	14.32
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	27.79
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (L. B. C. for church building in Brazil)	35.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (L. B. C. for new missionaries)	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich.	300.00
South Side Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. (B. T. U.)	3.79
South Side Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	136.80
Sylvania Hills Baptist Church, New Brighton, Pa.	6.70
Miss Maude Hunt, Franklin, Ky.	5.00
J. H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cade, Wayne, W. Va.	5.00
Miss Georgia Brandon, Benton, Ky.	10.00
Eustace Adkins, Ceredo, W. Va.	2.50
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Heaster, Clintonville, W. Va.	5.00
Mrs. C. M. Barger and Nona, San Angelo, Texas (for church building in Codajoz)	25.00
George D. Brown, Laura and Jean, Pine Bluff, Ark.	50.00
W. E. McKinney, Memphis, Tenn. (for Colley's passage)	100.00
J. V. Ramsey, Pueblo, Ky.	50.00
A Friend in Worthington, Minn.	5.00
Total	\$3,705.69

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

NEW CHURCH

All will join us in rejoicing with Brother Billy Parrott over the organization of a new church in Manaus, Brazil and also the starting of a school for Brazilian children. May the Lord greatly bless.

ROYAL CALLEY

Brother Royal Calley and family are taking the shots and vaccinations necessary and are hoping to go to Brazil at the time that Mrs. Smith returns. It is a big undertaking to go to the foreign field with a family of small children, especially to the Amazon Valley. The Calleys need your daily prayers.

MIGUEL IBERNON.

New Interest

(Preceding page, Column one) support of the missionaries and sending them out and the expenses in connection therewith.

This Second Letter From Hallum Brings Encouraging News

Iquitos, Peru
December 6, 1951

Dear Bro. Overbey:

Your letter dated November 26, was received with adjoining checks for salaries of Don Tomas and us. Don Tomas' check has been sent on to him and I am enclosing his report for month of October.

I intend to send him a questionnaire similar to the one sent to us a few months ago for the church in Colorado. I think it is a good thing for each missionary to fill out a questionnaire as to his conviction about doctrinal points and have them printed and sent to each supporting church. It might help some church to know who they are supporting, and it also might help some church doctrinally.

The most interesting thing that I have to report about the work is that last Sunday night five persons made professions of faith in Christ Jesus as Saviour and Lord; one woman and four men. Two of the men are young men and both are college students; one a middle-aged man who said he had been saved about a year, the other an old man. All except the middle-aged man said they had received the Lord that night in the service.

These professions of faith followed a message preached about the definitions of Scriptural conversion, repentance and faith.

Two of the people recently baptized seem to have made ship wreck in their lives, a man and his wife, they have not attended services for several weeks.

I find it necessary to pray that the Lord keep the unsaved out of the church while He is adding the saved to the church.

Juan Castro, one of our workers and Senorita Diana Vela got legally joined in matrimony last Sunday and immediately went to housekeeping. He had a house rented before they married. They received quite a few nice presents.

A number of people went direct from Sunday morning services to the Municipal Building where they got married.

Brother and Sister Lewis are holding up well during the period of suffering of learning the language, and are making good progress.

I am seemingly much better than I was a month ago of the eczema. I hope it is giving away to the remedies now being used. I am very grateful to all and to the Lord because of your prayers in my behalf.

As ever yours in the Lord's Service,

R. P. Hallum.

Brandon Letter

(Preceding page, Column five) the Lord with me for this, for in His great and generous way He has supplied every need for my breaking heart.

I worried for some time because He would not heal me, until I found His reason in the Bible, or that is the way I would understand it. In John 2:23-25 we learn that many believed because they saw the miracles He did, but in John 6:66 you will find that same quality of believers going back to walk

no more with Him.

For me to be healed of my present sickness would be a miracle not yet performed by man since the days of His flesh. He alone healed a leper, there is no record of any man doing that or God doing it through another man. No doubt many people as well as myself would have misunderstood the miracle altogether. Now it is the Lord that healeth our diseases, Psa. 103:1-5. But the Lord knows what is in man and He did not need my testimony to add to what He has already done. If they believe not the testimony of the Lord Jesus and the apostles, neither would they believe if a leper was healed. Luke 16:31.

I can hardly realize that I have improved as much as I have. I feel able to work and feel much better when I do work. So I try to keep busy all of the time. My desire is to be humble, broken into many little pieces so I can be easily spent. Then maybe I can serve these people with whom I am associated, they need a true friend, maybe the Lord will use me to help them.

However it may be many moons until I am able to be discharged. I do not feel it would be profitable to go out before The doctors assure me that I am doing very well, making progress and the only way to get well is not to worry and be patient. I would not believe that from the doctor, but within my soul the Lord has said the same, so I know the Lord is right and I am trying to abide faithful.

I appreciate your prayers in the past and hope they may be yet more fervent in the future. The progress of the mission work in my absence has been greater than it ever has been, so I continue to intercede for them daily because I know the Lord is doing great things with them, and He will do all He has ever had in mind to do, for none can stay His hand or say what doeth thou? Dan. 4:35.

May the Lord bless you, my brother, until we meet again, that may be at the feet of the Lord, but still it may be right here on earth in the midst of an unbelieving people.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you and all who love His coming from Heaven.

J. F. Brandon

Mt. Hebron

(Preceding page, Column five) year, 1921, that church of about 550 members then, gave over \$37,000 for missions. The Lord will greatly bless Pastor Harvey Ayres and the saints at Mt. Hebron for their love for missions. This church supports the work regularly each month. We are hoping that other churches will follow the example of this church and send in a special offering. It will mean more money for all other purposes if you do. The Lord is not slack concerning His promises.

REMEMBER OUR MISSIONARIES

WHEN YOU PRAY,
WHEN YOU GIVE,
AND WHEN YOU
WASTE YOUR MONEY
ON THE THINGS OF
THIS WORLD.