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(Spanish Language)

IN COLUMBIA

JOSE TOMAS del CASTILLO
(Spanish Language)

Two Letters From
Bro. Lewis Bringing
News From Iquitos

Iquitos Peru
April 15, 1952

Dear Brother Overbey:

We are well and rejoicing in the goodness of the Lord.

Brother Hallum is about the same. His heart is beating much slower and his food is agreeing with him better. He is resting and I believe that time will heal his injury to the extent that the Hallums will be able to travel. I believe the doctor said in two or three months.

Last Friday, the eleventh, our Catholic friends took their wooden idols of the Lord Jesus and Mary and marched down the main street with them. They parade the image of the Lord Jesus around in a glass coffin, the virgin Mary follows, but she is not dead and she has far more flowers than the Lord.

These people are amazed that we don't have some kind of special services in the church. I told our Spanish teacher that

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN MANAOS



This is the Sunday School of the Calvary Baptist Church of Manaus, which is the new church that was recently organized by Bro. Billy Parrott. Bro. Parrott is standing in the extreme rear of the picture.

the Lord was not dead and therefore we worship a living Savior. She agreed with me, but later I saw her in the procession all dressed in black. They put the flags at half-mast

and dress in black to show that they are mourning the death of the Lord Jesus.

The Sunday School attendance has been down some this (Next page, Column one)

Hallum Slowly Improving,
May Return To States

Apartado 139
Iquitos, Peru
May 3, 1952.

Eld. H. H. Overbey,
1210 E. Grand Blvd.,
Detroit, 11, Mich.

Dear Bro. Overbey:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the two checks—May salaries and the special offering from the Mission for father. He has asked me to express his gratitude to the Mission for this thoughtfulness.

He is gaining a little strength. The other day the Dr. allowed him to try hanging his feet off the bed for about three minutes—without making any effort. He is not allowed to exert himself yet.

We are trying to get our passports fixed up before going to Lima, to save time there. I have one I got in Lima two or three years ago, and it only has to be renewed, but the one mother and father have expired, and as father is unable to sign, some way has to be ar-

ranged for mother to sign. The Vice Consul here is working on it.

As we will be selling some of our things before leaving, we will have a lot of soles to dispose of and would like to apply them on our tickets. If the amount is more than what you have sent, that can be settled later.

The Dr. is of the opinion that the heart lesion is an irreparable one, and that he will have to lead a very inactive life, and that even this partial recovery is more than one could have hoped for. However, it was the Lord's will to restore him to this point, and he can cause the lesion to heal if it is His will. Trusting that you will continue to pray to this end,

Yours in His Service,
Marguerite Hallum.

P. S.—We have failed to receive the March and April copies of Mission Sheets & Light & Shield. I am remitting Don Tomas's check to him today.

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM MANAOS IN PARROTT'S LETTER

April 1, 1952.

Dear Brother Overbey:

I am happy to say that we have fairly good reports of the work now. In every part of the work the attendance is better and the interest is growing. The Sunday School attendance is especially gratifying. Last month there was an average attendance of 33 each Sunday and this month it increased to 39. We are working for an attendance of 45 per Sunday next month. Our Wednesday night prayer service shows better attendance than the Sunday night service with an average of 33.75 over 25.6. The average attendance for all services last month was 29.75 and increased this month to 32.65 or about 10 per cent. We prayerfully look forward to another increase next month. In our other service we also had good attendance. Laudomiro has a children's class each week alone and his average attendance was 21.4. He is studying in the Bible Institute here now and has a class in Child Evangelism so this is helping him out much in his work with children. He is at present learning Flannelgraph and I hope to be able soon to supply him with flannelgraph material to use in our work. The Child Evangelism group publishes flannelgraph material here with everything written in Portuguese and I intend to get some of it for him. In our outdoor services we have had an average of 22.65 in the services. These services are being held in an area that is very Catholic and very hard. We have dropped the services there

at different times for a few weeks, saying that we didn't intend to go back but each time we have returned. As a result this time we have had better attendance than ever before and greater interest. It was here that the Peruvian was saved last month. His wife was saved on the following Sunday night in the church.

We are now beginning to see some results in our work with the children. Two youngsters, a boy 11 years old and his sister 15 years old, have stated privately that they want to make a public profession. Of course here the people are in so many cases very anti-Christian and a child's public profession usually depends upon the will of the parent in the matter. In this particular case the mother is not Christian but says that she will not stand in their way. I believe that she is under conviction and that if the children make profession she will too later. She came to me herself and told me after service last Sunday night that the children wanted to profess faith and I told her that it is a decision that they must make on their own and that they should make a public profession if they truly have in their hearts believed in the Lord Jesus. I told her that we would not bother the children but would let them manifest themselves in the service at any time that they feel like doing so, that the Holy Spirit should lead them in doing it. I feel sure that they will shortly make known publicly their faith in Him who died for all of us who will come to Him.

The Peruvian couple who were saved last month are already being persecuted because of their believing. They were living in the house of a Catholic and when he learned that they are now believers he told them to get out, that he is not going to permit anyone who is a believer in his house. They are now trying to build a shack out of palm thatch to live in.

In Sunday School we have started going through the Book of Genesis verse by verse. I

BRO. LEWIS BECOMES
PASTOR IN THE ROOM
OF BRO. HALLUM

April 26, 1952.

Dear Bro. Overbey:

This leaves all about the same as when I wrote last. Father is gaining a little strength, but his heart lesion shows no signs of healing as yet, and the Dr. is of the opinion that it is unlikely to do so. Father has never been told of the lesion as the Dr. thinks it would only make his chances for improvement less. As he grows a little stronger, he is able to rest better and his nervous condition seems to be better. The object in the mind of the Dr. is still to get him in a condition to make the trip to the States possible.

He has resigned as Missionary-pastor of the church here and Bro. Lewis was elected in his place. This is all for now.

Yours in His Service,
Marguerite.

tried using the Quarterly put out by the Convention but I became disgusted with it and discarded it. I am enclosing a sample of my lesson which I am running on the mimeograph. Of course, you will find it difficult to read as it is in Portuguese but you can see how I am arranging it. I hope in time to go through the Bible with these studies. The people are showing a much greater interest in the Sunday School since I am doing it this way. I have very definitely used the quarterly for the last time. From now on it will be nothing but the Bible.

I am in a quandry just now. I have for a long time had plans for the future growth of our work. When I was here the first time I planned to go into the place called Saint Raymond and start a work. When we were getting ready to come back Brother Smith mentioned to some of the missionaries here that he thought I might be planning on starting work there so when I got here both Mid-missions and SBC had work going there and I was cut off there. I also planned to go to work in a place called "Flores" (flowers) but have heard just recently that now Mid-missions is planning to open a work there. I am enclosing a diagram to show you the set-up.

You can see where our church is located at present marked in red. Our hopes are some day to be able to move out on a larger street near the intersection shown on the diagram. There is one Baptist church near us but it is very inactive and does not in any way stand

in our way. This section is fairly new now and is not heavily populated but is growing faster than any part of the city just now. The Avenida Joao Coelho is paved to the intersection and is being paved at present all the way out to a place called Bilhares. There is no work being done in Bilhares at present. The bus line goes to Bilhares. Flores is a good sized village three miles or so beyond Bilhares and has no church nor any work being done there. It would be a fine place to start a work and I have planned to do so. You will notice a road drawn off to the left marked "to Colonia Francez" (French colony). This is a place which long ago was settled by Frenchmen but which today is inhabited by Brazilians and only retains the name of French Colony. There are some sixty families there. At one time there was a preaching point there but it has been long discontinued. I have for some time had my eye on this work. The important thing is that this is all in the same area and would be fairly easy to maintain. There are other parts of the city which do not have any preaching points but for us these are more logical. It is a new section that is just now being settled and is growing. It is in this section that I want to buy a lot and build our home. If Mid-missions goes to Flores as they plan to do they will shortly be able to go to the French Colony and Bilhares. You will ask then, "Why don't you go on and open up services there?" The problem (Next page, Column two)

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.

Mitchell Lewis

(Preceding page, Column three) month as school started up again.

One young high school student made a profession of faith under Brother Hallum's preaching and he is showing a real interest in spiritual matters. Last year during his religion class, which a priest teaches, he was studying another subject and the priest took his notebook away from him. Manuel went to the superintendent about the matter, the superintendent went to the priest, but Manuel did not get his notebook returned.

May the Lord bless you as you serve Him.

By His amazing grace,
MITCHELL LEWIS.

Iquitos Peru
May 3, 1952.

Dear Friends:

We are well and thank the Lord for his abundant goodness.

We averaged about 55 in Sunday School for the month of April. These people like to sing and I thought that the attendance would drop a great deal as neither Ruby or I can play the organ. Juan Castro leads the singing and the congregation deos far better than I expected.

Brother Hallum is gaining strength and he has a good color and his food is agreeing with him more. The doctor remarked a few days ago that Brother Hallum could sit up in bed and put his feet on the floor, so two or three days ago Brother Hallum held the doctor to his statement. Brother Hallum sat up for a few minutes with no ill effects.

It will be some time now before he is able to travel because he lacked vitamins even before this illness. It seems that the food here does not contain the needed vitamins, etc. As Brother Hallum improves, I think Sister Hallum and Marguerite will also improve.

Iquitos has been full of heresy from its beginning but now it is running over with spiritual darkness. To augment the spiritual darkness we now have the chaos of the cults.

Adventism, Nazarenism, Jehovah Witnessism, Pentism and Baptistism that will receive the baptism of any of the above named if it is immersion. We do not deny that at times we have been discouraged, but our God is faithful who will help us in this great time of falling away.

I received checks numbers 754, 755 and 756 for the May salaries of Don Tomas, Juan Castro and myself.

Remember us at the throne of grace.

MITCHELL LEWIS.

Please send my father \$100.00 from our next check. We have not received the Mission Sheets two months now, neither the Light and Shield. Brother Hallum and I are both receiving the Baptist Examiner air mail from Brother Gilpin but it is rather irregular and we have failed to receive some copies. Would appreciate it if you could send us the Mission Sheets and Light and Shield for the past two months.

I told Brother Hallum that he would get home in time to dedicate your new building and he smiled. He always has a kind

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR APRIL 1952

Sylvania Hills Baptist Church, Rochester, Pa.	\$ 3.40
Friendship Baptist Church, Lincoln Park, Mich.	28.18
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	35.57
Faith Baptist Church, Lawtey, Fla.	17.63
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	96.25
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	66.47
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (For Parrotts School)	10.00
Park Hill Baptist Church, Pueblo, Colo.	50.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	28.21
First Baptist Church, Arabia, Ohio	11.40
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.	50.05
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	31.40
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	50.00
South Bristol Baptist Church, Bristol, Va.	5.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Centerline, Mich.	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	8.51
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	55.00
Shady Grove Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	30.45
Little Obion, Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	14.50
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	69.70
Fish Springs Baptist Church, Carderew, Tenn.	15.30
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	27.50
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	15.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. (Young People's Class)	5.00
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	23.53
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	9.97
Bible Baptist Church, Burnsville, N. C.	47.92
The Newby Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	6.50
Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	45.27
Oconita Baptist Church, Oconita, Va.	22.16
Hampton Baptist Church, Hampton, Fla.	25.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	15.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	50.00
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.	45.00
Grace Baptist Church, Ellaville, Ga.	16.27
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	30.86
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint Mich. (Ladies Bible Class)	13.07
Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Buchanan, Ky.	7.82
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.	8.30
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich.	300.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (L. B. C.—for new missionaries)	10.00
Oak Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	99.32
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Boaz, Ky.	5.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	108.86
Boyd's Hill Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	25.00
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Van Dyke, Mich.	70.35
Margrove Bible Baptist Church, De Quincy, La.	22.75
Maranatha Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.	10.57
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	134.30
Harmony Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich. (For Parrott's School)	71.71
Second Baptist Mission, Pennington Gap, Va.	2.00
Westwood Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	21.00
Miss Maude Hunt, Franklin, Ky.	5.00
J. H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J.	10.00
Mrs. M. A. Ailstock, Mansfield, La.	1.00
Edward L. Johns, Richmond, Ky.	50.00
G. E. Duncan, White Plains, Ky.	25.00
G. E. Duncan, White Plains, Ky.	19.00
Floyd Williamson, Owensboro, Ky.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Willis, Monticello, Ark.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cade, Wayne, West Va.	5.00
Mrs. Andrew Edwards, Bee Log, N. C.	1.00
Miss Georgia Brandon, Benton, Ky.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Oscar H. Jungbauer, Tangier, Morocco	10.00
Total	\$2172.75

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:

Elder Z. E. Clark, Treasurer, P. O. Box 648, Paducah, Kentucky.

The following are new supporters of Baptist Faith Missions, this being their first offering. Included in the above report.

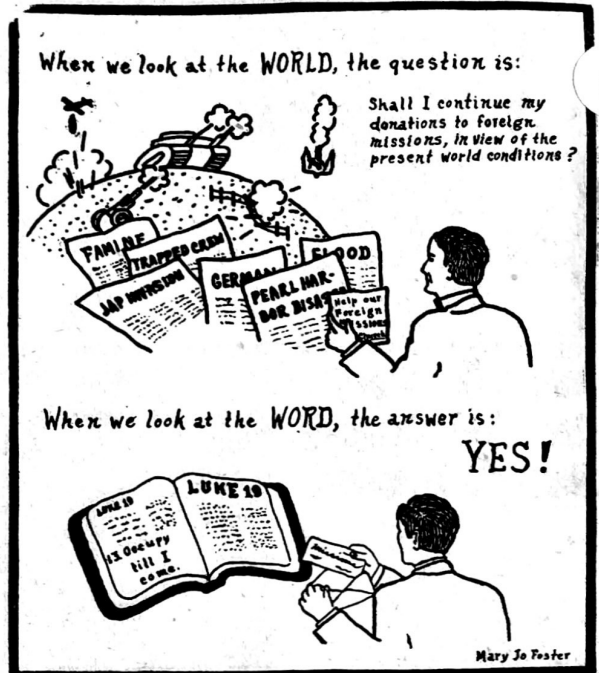
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Mrs. Andrew Edwards, Bee Log, N. C.	1.00

word for Brother Overbey and his family. May the Lord abound toward you and yours with all His goodness.

Parrott Letter

(Preceding page, Column five) is transportation. There is no transportation there. I know that I can't get a jeep now nor other type of car but how about a motorbike, motorcycle, or motor scooter? With either one of these I could take Laudomiro and hold services in these places once each week. If I can't get out there soon then I will be closed in and limited to the little section in the immediate vicinity of the church. The plan of these other missionaries is to get control of this area in such a way that we can't afford to have new missionaries here for lack of workable areas. It was my hope that we would be able to work all that area so that when we have new missionaries

coming out there would be plenty of working area for them. Up until the past two years there have been a good number of missionaries here but they have bunched up and done little. Now they are spreading out and trying to keep any other mission from coming in. Since they have seen that we intend to work and do not intend to sit down they want to force us out of Manaoas while for us to maintain a growing work in the interior it is necessary that we have a central work in Manaoas. It is my hope that one day we will have at least one other missionary stationed here permanently and that we can set up a school, a Bible Institute, for young workers and can even bring young men in from the interior to study and prepare themselves for the work. To do this our work would necessarily have to be large enough to provide work for these boys and for the extra missionary or missionaries. The work as it stands today including the



Tabernacle and our new church if fenced in and limited to these two particular areas by other churches does not merit the attention of more than one permanently stationed missionary.

Back to the subject of transportation, would it be at all possible to get a bike of some sort? I think the best thing would be one of those three wheel Cushman scooters with the box on the front for hauling stuff. I have seen those fixed up with two seats to haul people. I would want to fix it to haul one person, our lantern, phonograph, etc. If not this then a light motorcycle or motorbike. Possibly you think that such a thing would be foolish but I am interested in getting to these areas and opening work there. I have planned to do this for a long time and I hate to get out of this opportunity before I can get started. Is it possible that some churches would pitch in and help me out in this? I am sure that it is a worthy cause. Could you not call up some of the brethren there and talk it over with them and see if you could possibly get something done on it and send it out with Calley's baggage? I am really serious about it and want to do something about it as soon as possible. I would probably feel like a fool riding around here on a bicycle, too, but I am willing to do it in order to accomplish this. There is absolutely no other way for me to reach these areas. We are going to be praying that something will come of this.

My wife asked me to be sure and ask you to get some kindlers for her stove. She has enough for this year but by the end of the year will need more. We need two dozen No. A133A and one and one-half dozen No. 7611. Please do not forget to take care of this for us.

I am enclosing some pictures of our SS so that you can have some idea of what our people look like. I believe we had something like forty-two present the morning this was taken.

The little feddow on the extreme left is the new worker, Loudomiro Lopes Carneiro. He is a short fellow less than five feet in height and we make quite a pair as we go about together. The other brother at the top of the picture is Walter Fernandes who was in Manaoas at the time. Eudora is not in the picture because she was the one who took it. The real white baby on the front line there is

our Elizabeth Ann. Next month I will try to send a good picture or two of the family and also a picture of the church building so that you can see what it looks like. The building in the picture of course is the church but you can tell nothing about it.

The reason for the better pictures is that I took the camera and had the lense cleaned. Now maybe we will be able to send a picture now and then.

Tonight is the tenth and I won't get this mailed until the 12th because tomorrow is "Passion Friday" and everybody in this stronghold is closed including the post office.

I am so late and so long with this letter because I had a bad fall and hurt my hand. I jammed my little finger on the right hand back and out of place and it has been so sore that I could not use the typewriter. It still is stiff and hurts to type but it is necessary that this letter gets off.

I have rented one house for either the Smiths or the Calleys. It is 1500 per month. You will have to send me money for two months rent by the end of this month. I have been assured that I will have another by the time they get here so that is a worry off my mind. As soon as I get the other I will let you know. I don't think we will be able to find any decent house for less than 1500. You might tell Lawrence that I said I may be able to get the John Veigas house for him. He knows it and I think would like it.

I will sign off for now. May the Lord bless you and yours.

Billy E. Parrott.



Marguerite Hallum
Most helpful in Peru.