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(Spanish Language)

# A Lengthy Interesting Letter From Royal Calley

Manaos, Brazil  
October 16, 1952

Elder H. H. Overbey  
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Bro. Overbey:

I have just returned from Cruzeiro do Sul. I have two letters from you dated Oct. 2nd and 6th. I was very glad to hear all the news that you had to tell me. I know that you know how we feel about the gracious increase in salary, the Calleys wish to thank all concerned for this. I know that I don't have to make a play on words in giving thanks. I feel that all who know me will understand my appreciation when I say that I give you my sincerest thanks and that I thank God for you all. I wish that I had the address of every giver to BFM so that I could tell each one of them that I thank them for making this possible. Perhaps you will publish this in the mission sheet so that they might all know our gratitude.

I am glad to hear that Canfield Avenue Baptist Church is progressing so nicely both physically and spiritually. I know that the new heating plant is very nice. I am sorry to hear though, of the illness of Bro. Morgan and Mrs. Hille. May God speed the recovery of both of them.

I received the books that Joe Tieson sent and have used them much already. You might ask his sister to tell him to write me a letter so that I might know how he is doing and also know his new address so that I might write him also.

I received a letter from those noble missionaries, the Lewises. They are all well and are doing fine at the present time. I enjoy corresponding with them very much. It is good to exchange news with them, since we have so much in common in our work. He wrote me an encouraging letter in anticipation of the problems that would come up with us here. Just as he expected, there have been times when I have been discouraged here and it was comforting to remember his kind words of advice. I wish that a missionary would come here to work with me like him.

Now I would like to tell you about my trip. I left Manaus at five thirty in the morning and arrived there the same day. How different this is from the long and tedious journeys that missionaries in other times had to subject themselves to in order to carry the gospel to the remote regions of the world. When I arrived in Cruzeiro do Sul, I was just as fresh as I was when I left. I flew there in a Cataline. They are great planes for this country because they can land in the numerous waterways here, and there is barely any

place that is beyond their reach.

On arriving, I looked for a place to stay. They have a place there they call a hotel, actually it is an old house that has four bedrooms and a large dining room in front. I went to the place to inquire about the charges. They said that I could have my room and board for two weeks for 900 crs. My baggage was still in the baggage room of the Panair Agency so I did not have to secure a room right then. I decided to look up Miguel before I did anything else and began to make inquiries. I found that Miguel was not in Cruzeiro do Sul but was in Rio de Janeiro for medical purposes and had had two operations on his eyes. He had boarded a government plane and went to Rio to get treatment that was not available in Cruzeiro do Sul. The government has a medical plan for taking care of the poor and the plane ride was free also so he did not have to pay anything for this. (The care of the sick is very poor though, and even the doctors admit that usually very little if anything is done for the unfortunate people who are forced to ask for this care that God gives to His children). I saw his wife and she asked me to go to the home of Bro. Newton, a deacon of the church and a preacher for many years. I went to his home, but found that he was working at his job as secretary of the Prefeitura of Cruzeiro do Sul. However there was a man there who I later found was a missionary of New Tribes Mission, a mission that stands for just about every thing and has no specific beliefs at all that I can find. He eats at the house of Bro. Newton and pays him so much every week. I did not realize that he was an American to begin with for he is very dark skinned, being of Spanish ancestry himself. He speaks the language so well that it is impossible to tell his speech from that of one of the natives of this land. He told me that he was living in the deserted house of Bro. Brandon's when he was in Cruzeiro do Sul which is very seldom. He said that he would get out and that if I wished he would lend me a hammock of his to sleep there. I told him that I would be glad to do this as I would just as soon stay there as in the hotel that they have there. During all this time he never spoke a word of English and I thought that he was one of the preachers there. I asked him what his name was and he said that it was Jose (Portuguese for Joseph). Since he even gave his name in Portuguese, I thought certainly that he was a citizen of this country. He told me that he was a preacher and I was trying to remember if his name was on the list of our workers and since I couldn't re-

member it, I thought that he probably was a new preacher that they had there and that he wasn't on the payroll of the mission. They do have quite a few there who are members of the church that preach all the time that they are not working. I invited him to stay on with me in the house and he thanked me and helped me set the other hammock up and a mosquito net. I, thinking that he would know all about the work there, inquired of him as to what they were doing in the various places. He said, "Why don't you see for yourself?" I said that I would like to very much but that with Miguel gone I didn't know how that I would get to any of the places. He then informed me that Mario, Cicero, and Eufrazio were in town for they had not been paid for three months since Miguel was in the hospital in Rio and there was no one to receive the money at the bank. They had wired Miguel for him to give them authority to take out their salaries. He suggested that we all go to the different places together. I thought that this was an excellent idea and agreed to it at once. The next morning I went to Miguel's house and borrowed the motor. I then got Eufrazio and Cicero to go with me. Mario waited for the wire from Rio de Janeiro. We got some rice, beans, and eggs and started our journey. Neither Cicero or Eufrazio told me that

he was a missionary of New Tribes, the same one that Miguel had mentioned so bitterly in his letters some time back. I can readily understand how, that Miguel mistook him for Lawrence sometime back. I go into all this detail in order that you might know how that a missionary from New Tribes missions happened to be accompanying me on my journey. It was not until I was half way to my destination that I found out who he was. I was musing on the problem of how that I could preach to these people with my limited knowledge of the language when he told me that he would translate for me. I asked in amazement if he knew English and he then told me who that he was. I did not like his deception one bit and told him so and asked for an explanation of his actions. He then told me that he was afraid that I would make him get out of the mission's old house and that he didn't have a cent and didn't know where he would have stayed in Cruzeiro do Sul (he only gets 60 dollars a month). I then asked him just what he was and he said that he was a Baptist, that he was baptized by Mr. Dye who was then pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Saginaw, Michigan. Mr. Dye is dead now. Savages killed him in Bolivia while he was carrying the gospel to them there. He then said that he knew one thing, that Jesus Christ had died personally for his sins and that he thought that that was all that was necessary to further the gospel. I told him that that, was all that was necessary for the salvation of one's soul but that we must have much more knowledge of his will in order to serve Him intelligently and obediently. From that time on, I spent every spare moment teaching him the things commanded in the Word. I never had a more interested pupil. Since he was baptized into a Baptist Church, I thought that considering everything, that I might as well let him translate for me, and I was able to preach many times by this method during my stay there.

When we reached the point nearest our destination by water we then stored the motor and remaining gasoline away out of sight and put our packs on our backs and started to make our way inland. The current was very strong on the Moa river that day and we had not made good time. It was dusk before we started our overland journey. I never knew that walking could be so hard. We followed a trail through the jungle, and in the night time it seems as if every branch and snarling root reaches out to trip or scratch you. We stumbled along for some time and still did not reach our destination. It was supposed to have

been about a two hour walk but we did not arrive until about two o'clock the next morning. We were exhausted by the time we arrived at Yapiinei, a small settlement of people who have cleared a little of this land to raise mandioca, a plant they make farinha from, a horrible meal that the people like very much here, sugar cane, a few pigs and chickens and rice. We went to the home of one of the people there and they received us very kindly. They did everything possible to refresh us. The wife of the house got up and killed a chicken and fried it for us and we ate this with rice and beans and a starchy bread they make from farinha. Then her husband gave us some soap and took us to a spring that he had built a bath house over. The water was clear as crystal and we all bathed and hung up our hammocks and slept until about ten o'clock the next morning. The man of the house left early that morning and went to every farm around there which covers some miles to tell them to come and hear me. By noon there were about a hundred people at his home and he killed a pig to feed them. I wonder how many people at home would go to that trouble in order to bring people to hear the gospel? I preached that afternoon and also again that night and it seemed as if they hung onto every word that I said. We stayed another night and then the next morning, we started back very early. We reached the river where we had left our canoe at about 9 o'clock and since we would be going with the current we expected to be back in Cruzeiro do Sul by evening, but on the way down we saw a little house off the bank of the river in a little clearing with a few chickens running around it. We stopped to see if we could buy some eggs and have them boiled to eat. While we were there, Eufrazio and Cicero asked these people if they were Christians. They said that they had heard of Christ, but did not know who he was. We then began to tell them the gospel. They were very interested and wanted us to stay and tell them more. We stayed for the night at this place and held a meeting in the evening. They went inland a little way and brought their neighbors to hear also. There were about thirty of them. I preached again and since they knew so little, I began with the account of the creation and fall of man in Adam and showed how that all men were sinners and that it demanded a Saviour to pay for their sins. I asked them if they were aware that they sinned, and they said that they were well aware that they were not good in any way and that it of-

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## ANOTHER LETTER FROM R. P. HALLUM

Oct. 6, 1952  
607 N. Magnolia  
Hammond, La.

Dear Bro. Overbey:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of last week with checks for salary and half of cost of building trailer. We also received the telegram to father from the Association. Thanks for all.

We still are hoping that you will find it possible to come down to see us. The weather is still warm—in fact hot occasionally. Hope you had a good Associational meeting. Would have liked to have been there. I am trying to get a 16 M. M. movie projector and editor so as to be able to prepare my film for showing.

I am enclosing some pictures taken in Iquitos the Sunday before we left.

We were expecting some of the folks from Kentucky this past week-end, but they didn't come.

Father is supposed to go back to New Orleans to the heart specialist this week for examination.

Yours in Him,  
Marguerite

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.

## Calley Letter

(Preceding page, column 5) ten troubled them. This from people who had only heard that there was a Christ but did not know who he was. After I preached they were fascinated by the gospel and all wanted to be believers. Eufrazio and Cicero promised them they would stop again on their way back to their areas where they preach and tell them more that they might have a believing knowledge. The family that we spent the night with said they would not rest until they returned to preach to them. It was Sunday morning when we left again for Cruzeiro do Sul and we had another service before we left with Eufrazio preaching. The only ones that were there to listen in this service were the family we stayed with as the others had gone back to their homes after the evening service the night before. We arrived in Cruzeiro do Sul that afternoon. It gave us time to bathe and change our clothes before the Sunday evening service. That night I preached on the duty of a church to the pastor in Cruzeiro do Sul. I told them it was not right for them to have a pastor and not support him and also attempted to awaken them to the necessity of being missionary minded themselves. Later on, two of the members said that they were starting to tithe from now on.

The next day, Monday, I taught a class in music in the afternoon. They were very enthusiastic about singing and liked my voice an awful lot. There are some fine young Christians there and they were singing very well at the end of the class. They just love to harmonize their voices, but they did not know how. Of course you can't teach music in one lesson, but I did teach them to sing different parts on four songs. And they sing them continuously for the remainder of the time that I was there. That night we all had prayer together. I do not speak well enough to preach yet but I do pray in Portuguese in the meetings now. The women all went in one room together and the men in another and the fellowship that we had was very good for us all.

The next day was Tuesday, and we started on another journey to a place called Boa Fe. Cicero said that there were some Indians up there that were civilized to a great extent and would I like to go up there and preach. I wanted to go very badly so we started out early that morning. It is a nine day journey up there and a very tedious one for men to paddle against the current but with Miguel's 7 H. P. engine, we made it up there in three days and back in two, for we were going with the current on the way back. The river is low at this time of year and very treacherous and we had a couple of close calls after we got off the Jurua and went up a smaller tributary to Boa Fe. When we got there we found that they were quite ways inland, and we had to walk about 7 hours to get there. Since none of us knew the country at all, we hired a man to take us the rest of the way. We got about half

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Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. ....	5.00
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Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. ....	16.95
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(Hope Bible Class) .....	25.60
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Suwna Furnace Baptist Church, Kuttawa, Ky. ....	39.50
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. ....	35.00
Shady Grove Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky. ....	62.81
Ahava Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla. ....	126.62
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way there and we heard some people yelling in the forest in the strangest high pitch that I ever heard. Their voices carry for miles in the jungle. He said that they were savages and since they were not speaking in any language that he knew, he was convinced that they were wild. The man that we hired was a man who some years before was in a party that had tracked down a group of these savages and killed many of them. A few got away and he was afraid that they might see him and kill us. They say that they never forget a face. He has one of the

children of the savages today, that he has working around his house who is a child of one of the savages that was killed. It seems that these savages killed some of those living at Boa Fe, so they tracked these down and killed them. He said that he wouldn't go on and went back. After coming all this way we felt that we just couldn't go back so we prayed about it and continued on our journey after Joe Moreno, the missionary from New Tribes, left some pieces of steel that he was carrying and some beans and rice. He also left a picture of him-

# Lewis Gives Good Report Of His Work In Peru

Iquitos, Peru  
October 21, 1952

Dear Bro. Overbey,

The following is Juan's report for Sept.

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self so they would know who left them if there were any savages about. We then went on and arrived without incident simply by following the trail. I became sick at this time and ran a high fever that night. I had come down with malaria but I brought along some arelin pills and really had only one bad night, for I caught it right at the beginning. By morning, my fever was gone but my lips were full of fever blisters and I felt quite miserable for I had gotten badly sunburned on the way up and it was really beginning to smart. I was hungry and I ate some meat the Indians there gave me. It was turtle. They really have some large ones here. It really doesn't taste bad but I couldn't eat much just knowing what it was. I felt so bad that we decided to go back. Eufrazio preached to them that morning and we started back. The walk back sure seemed long but we actually made good time. On the way back we noticed that the things that we left were gone. Somebody had taken them but we don't know who. The trip back was torture to me. The sun gets so hot on the river, there just isn't shade to be had. We arrived at Cruzeiro do Sul on Sunday afternoon and I preached twice on the way up to Boa Fe. The people here are the most hospitable people that I have ever seen. When dusk would come we would stop at the first little hut we saw and ask them if we could stay the night with them. We were never refused, and not only that, but were cared for in a very tender way. They were always willing to listen to the gospel so we had a service at every place that we stayed at.

I promised Mario that I would try to go to the place that he was preaching at when I first came there. Miguel had wired them the authority to take the money out of the bank so as soon as he received all of his pay he left for home, as his wife was expecting their 9th or 11th child, I have forgotten now which. Anyway he told those at Cruzeiro do Sul to tell me that he would announce to all the people there that I was coming to preach to them. There was nothing to do but go. I was sunburned very badly and did not feel like going anywhere, but intended to spend the remaining days in Cruzeiro do Sul. We started very early in the morning on Monday. It was four thirty when we left. We could not see anything for awhile and it made me uncomfortable in the canoe, but the Jurua is very navigable even when the water is low and there was not much danger of hitting a fallen tree or some other object especially near Cruzeiro do Sul. 300 ton boats come all the way up the Jurua from Manaus, so it is really quite some river. The canoe leaked badly, however, and I had to take off my shoes and bail out the water often during the trip. It was a very hot day and I had my pants rolled half way up to my knees to keep them from getting all wet from the water in the boat.

(Continued next month)

Visits .....	311
Tracts .....	366
Bibles sold .....	0
New Testaments sold .....	3
Gospel of Luke .....	21
Preaching services .....	1
Now for Don Simon	
Conversations .....	64
Visits .....	174
Tracts .....	448
Bibles sold .....	0
New Testaments .....	2
Gospel of Luke .....	13
Preaching services .....	18
And now for Don Tomas, the months of July and August	
July:	
Conversations .....	178
Tracts .....	143
Professions of faith .....	2
August:	
Conversations .....	175
Tracts .....	143
Professions of faith .....	3

Received the telegram from the Detroit River Ass. and it made me to think upon the goodness of the Lord. We do thank the Lord for the brethren that make this work possible through their gifts of love and prayers.

Was glad to hear of the fine Ass. meeting. We were surprised to say the least, with the increase of salary. But then the goodness of God is a surprising thing. Again we want to say that we will do our best to use what we have to the Glory of God.

Have not heard from Bro. Calley for a month now and have not received the mission sheet for two months which leaves us a little in the dark concerning the work in Brazil.

When do you think that you will be able to visit the Hallums? They were very disappointed that you did not get to go before.

It seems that so many folks have written the Hallums that they were coming and then at the last minute they couldn't make it. Marguerite wrote us that she wished they would just come without writing.

We hope that Bro. Morgan and Sister Hille are better now.

The last few days have been a little cooler and Ruby has felt some better. I do not want to leave the impression that Ruby is desperately ill in bed or anything like it. She is like a lot of other people here, anemic and runs a temperature during the hot days. The doctors wife is in the same condition and they are planning to move to Pulcalpa, a cooler climate.

Naturally the first year in a foreign country is quite a strain on the nerves etc. Since we are getting a better use of the language, it is becoming easier to feel at home here. I believe that the month in Lima will do Ruby a great deal of good.

As for myself, I am well, too mean to get sick. Benny is just fine. Ruby took her temperature yesterday and it was up six points. She then took mine and it was below normal three points.

The Catholics are putting out a tract in Iquitos "Why Don't I Become a Protestant?" In their tract they say that the Baptist Church was founded in the 17th century by Richard Blount. Did you ever hear of him?

They really lay into Charles Chiniqui, a converted priest, saying that he was excluded by the Catholic church because of immorality etc.

Well I must close for now. May the Lord bless the preacher brethren with power from on high.

Love  
Mitchell