

MISSIONARIES
IN BRAZIL

ELD. AND MRS. ROYAL CALLEY
MIGUEL IBERNON
CICERO BICIPO
MAIO DUTRO
EUFRAZ SORAES
JOHN DIAS
ZACHARIAS NUNES de ABRU
JOHN BENTES
(Portuguese Language)

Missionary Department

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ELD. AND MRS. M. E. LEWIS
ELD. AND MRS. R. P. HALLUM
MISS MARGUERITE HALLUM
DON SIMON GUIMA
DON JUAN CASTRO
(Spanish Language)

IN COLUMBIA

JOSE TOMAS del CASTILLO
(Spanish Language)

MISSIONARY LEWIS TELLS OF INTERESTING JOURNEY TO POLIS

Iquitos, Peru
July 7, 1953

Dear Brother Overbey,

Last Monday Simon and I left for a three day trip to Polis. As we were passing by two houses on the bank of the Mamon River, Simon who was driving the boat said, "let's spend the night here and preach the Gospel to these folks." Simon had stopped various times when he was alone but never with me. The folks asked

him why he never stopped when the pastor was along. Well, we stopped and unloaded the bed roll, food bag, lantern and victrola, passed out some candy that Ruby had prepared for the children. The 29th of June is a fiesta in honor of Peter and Paul, so we found one drunk who was paying tribute to Paul. I am certain that he had never read Romans 13:13, "Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wanton-

ess, not in strife and envying."

By 7:30 he had sobered up enough to listen to the sermon and I must say it seemed as if he paid close attention, in fact we had five men, four women and plenty of children and they all expressed their desire that we come more often. That night I slept on one side of an old canoe and hogs slept on the other side and every time a hog on the bottom of the pile would move all the others would grunt and squeal. One dog seemed determined to get under Simon's mosquito net to sleep with him.

The second night we stayed with Adolfo Nunes, a member of the church here in Iquitos. We preached to about twenty adults including a good number of young men. Again they were attentive but no response to the message of life. We had to leave the boat near the mouth of the creek as the water is down and we broke three shear pins by hitting poles, etc., in the water.

The next day Simon and I carried our equipment, etc., to the last house on the creek a good hour and a half walk from the Nunes home. As we approached the schoolhouse Simon told me how that on his last trip to Polis the school teacher and another woman had mocked and ridiculed him, telling him that he was a stupid Indian and that everyone in Polis knew the gospel so he could go home and never come back. I suggested that we visit the teacher and he was all for it. Now to show you the character of these people she greeted me as a long lost brother, seemed thrilled that we would stop to talk to her. She called Simon her "Paisano" or countryman and for fifteen minutes we heard a steady stream of abuse poured upon the heads of the people of Polis and upon the head of the visiting Priest in particular. She told how that on San Juans day the people filled the school house and had a drunken party, later they danced around a pole put up between the schoolhouse and the Catholic church. Naturally the priest did not condemn anything that they did. After it stopped raining we gave her some tracts (that she asked for) and we proceeded on our way. May it please the Holy Spirit to use our witness as an instrument in her salvation. When we arrived at Don Aleodro Angulos house we found him home with the entire family, both of his women and all fourteen children. He was very pleased to see us and again offered us his house as a meeting place at any time. Again we had a good attendance in view of the fact that it had rained that day and the trails were all muddy. Again the attention was excellent and I know that many understood the plan of salvation but no visible result was taken on the part of anyone.

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DON TOMAS SUBMITS TWO GOOD
REPORTS FOR MONTHS OF APRIL AND MAY

My dearly beloved brother in Christ:

I have your blank letter with the check for my support. A thousand thanks and I beg you to make it known to the Mission that our Good Heavenly

Father continues to give to us by means of His servants, His richest blessings in order to serve Him better.

Jointly with this letter I include two reports one for April (Next page, Column one)



This is a picture of the school house on the left and the church building on the right in Polis where Missionary Lewis went to preach the gospel on the journey up stream.



A family that the gospel was preached to. The man claims to be a believer but he is not legally married.



Missionary M. E. Lewis and Don Simon in Marona-cocha (the lake where they keep the boat) on their way to Polis for a missionary journey to take the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to the lost.



This is a picture of the first house in Polis. The bank doesn't look steep but it is. Note those on top of the bank waiting the arrival of the missionary.

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.

Lewis Letter

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When I preach the Gospel and know that the people understand, and yet I see no results I am a bit inclined to be discouraged. I thank God for His sovereign grace and Gal. 3:9. "Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Again we thank each one for their support and their prayers. May the Giver of every good and perfect gift bless you all in a super abundant manner.

Your servant,
Mitchell Lewis

Don Tomas

(Preceding page, Column five)

And May. God each day manifests His power saving souls for His glory. In these days five souls have made a profession of faith.

I am preparing to make another trip, but I cannot go far because I lack money. There are souls that want to hear but as yet I am unable to reach them.

Your brother that esteems you in Christ,
J. Thomas Castillo A

APRIL

Persons with whom I spoke 325
Tracts distributed 317

MAY

Persons with whom I spoke 296
Tracts distributed 297

Calley Sends Most Interesting Letter Of Work In Manaus

Manaus, Brazil
July 1, 1953

Dear Brethren in Christ:

We have been blessed in the past month by the boundless providence and grace of God. All of us here are in good health except for some minor illnesses that are pestering us at present. Diane, my oldest daughter, has a fungus infection in her foot, Helen is having some sort of trouble with her back, I have a sore throat and so has by son, but we are all on the mend. I don't know why but I have been bothered with my throat off and on for the past five months. I have been doctoring it in earnest though for the past couple of weeks and it has greatly improved.

If God be willing, I plan to make a trip to Cruzeiro do Sul within the next two weeks. I always look forward to going there with great joy, in anticipation of the fellowship that I have with them there. I hate to leave my family though even for a short time. I guess that I must really be cut out to be a family man. This time I hope to take my oldest son with me. He loves to be with me wherever I go and I of course feel the same way. I think that there has been twelve souls saved in Cruzeiro do Sul in the last month and a half. Miguel writes me that the church there is enjoying the greatest

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JULY 1953	
We have two new churches this month and three individuals. Brother James H. George is pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Harvey, Illinois, which sent an offering for Baptist Faith Missions this month.	
First Baptist Church, Arabia, Ohio	\$ 76.15
Fish Springs Baptist Church, Hampton, Tenn. (by Mrs. L. B. Ward)	100.00
Fish Springs Baptist Church, Hampton, Tenn.	7.97
Fenton Road Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	5.00
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla.	22.50
Buffalo Avenue Baptist Church, Tampa, Fla. (Hope Bible Class)	50.00
Mount View Baptist Church, Watauga, Tenn.	19.58
Faith Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Mich.	8.30
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.	60.15
Immanuel Baptist Church, Dayton, Ky.	25.00
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	9.36
Hopewell Baptist Church, Arlington, Ky.	20.05
Chattaroy Baptist Church, Chattaroy, W. Va.	15.00
Faith Baptist Church, Lawtey, Fla.	6.20
South Side Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fla.	55.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	24.18
Naborton Baptist Church, Naborton, La.	45.93
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Connelton, Ind.	12.50
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky.	25.00
Flat Rock Baptist Church, Flat Rock, Mich.	25.75
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.	47.20
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky.	23.18
Second Baptist Church, Marion, Ky.	25.07
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio	22.36
Calvary Baptist Church, Harvey, Ill.	150.00
Cleaton Baptist Church, Cleaton, Ky.	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich.	11.83
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky.	34.51
First Baptist Church, White Plains, Ky.	15.00
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	28.20
Grace Baptist Church, Ellaville, Ga.	23.15
Seven Springs Baptist Church, Dycusburg, Ky.	42.25
Hampton Baptist Church, Hampton, Fla.	25.00
First Baptist Church, Woodway, Va.	2.00
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky.	5.72
Dawson Baptist Church, Orma, W. Va.	10.00
Upper Steer Run, Baptist Church, Orma, W. Va.	5.00
Newby Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	12.00
Temple Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind.	30.00
Shady Grove Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	36.00
Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	61.83
Canfield Avenue Baptist Church, Detroit, Mich.	123.00
Kirbyton Baptist Church, Bardwell, Ky.	51.25
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	15.00
Suwanee Furnace Baptist Church, Kuttawa, Ky.	26.60
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (B.T.U.)	5.19
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich. (L.B.C.)	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Base Line, Mich.	300.00
Boyd Hill Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky.	20.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Hazel, Ky.	10.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Boaz, Ky.	15.00
Westwood Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio.	23.25
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky.	50.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky.	258.61
Repton Baptist Church, Repton, Ky.	59.00
North Ballard Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	122.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Harvey, Ill. (Ladies Bible Class)	22.00
Ronald E. Hall, McLeansboro, Ill.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn.	2.00
L. W. Page, Lawtey, Fla.	16.00
E. H. Lambert, Pennington Gap, Pa.	6.00
J. H. Kain, West Cape May, N. J.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert De Vos, Prescott, Ariz.	10.00
Members of Port Norris Baptist Church, Port Norris, N. J.	100.00
Elder C. W. Howell, Columbia, Tenn.	4.00
Miss Maude Hunt, Franklin, Ky.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bayless, Macedonia, Ill.	10.00
Miss Lady L. Hendley, Farmington, Ky. (For Hunter's and Calley's Passage)	2.00
Mrs. D. F. Blalock, Sr., Alexandria, La.	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, Farmland, Ind.	4.14
G. E. Duncan, White Plains, Ky.	25.00
Bruce Eakle, Clay, W. Va.	3.00
Ronald E. Hall, McLeansboro, Ill.	6.00
E. H. Lambert, Pennington Gap, Va.	5.00
W. R. Burns, Pennington Gap, Va.	15.00
Friends of Baptist Faith Missions, McLeansboro, Ill.	100.00
Miss Pearl L. Hendley, Farmington, Ky. (For Hunter's and Calley's Passage)	1.00
Ronald E. Hall, McLeansboro, Ill.	5.00
Edward L. Johns, Richmond, Ky.	17.00
Orville Ditchley, Indianapolis, Ind.	1.00
A Friend of Baptist Faith Missions, McLeansboro, Ill.	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robbins, Port Norris, N. J.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jessie L. Willis, Fayetteville, Ark.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schuermeyer, Louisville, Ky.	30.00
Ronald E. Hall, McLeansboro, Ill.	20.00
TOTAL	\$2841.97

As the Lord leads you, send all offerings for the mission work to the treasurer of this mission. Address all offerings to:

Elder Z. E. Clark, Treasurer
P. O. Box 551
Evansville, Indiana

fellowship that they have had in years.

There were three professions of faith here in the past month. At the present time there are five waiting for Baptism. We hope to baptize each one of them as soon as possible. There are two young girls waiting to be baptized. They made a profession last month or rather the

mentalist myself, but I don't think that we should let sentiments interfere with obedience to the truth, and I told her so, but she wants to wait so I guess we will wait.

We are having chairs made to put in the church. I don't know what the price will be yet but I think that when we find out it will be about 35 dollars for a chair. Things like that are very high here, and you can't get anything like that second hand here. We intend to buy one or two at a time until we have enough to fill the church. Later on when we get a better building we can move the good chairs that we have to it. Right now we only have benches without backs and they get quite tiresome, especially to mothers with children.

We have also began saving toward buying a launch to do river work. We now have 500 Crs toward it. That might sound like a small beginning when you consider the price of a launch and what 500 Crs would be in American currency, but many things in God's work begin with small and mean circumstances. We remember when Canfield Baptist Church began her building that they only had a very small amount to begin with, but now I think they have a building that has a value somewhere around a hundred thousand dollars. I forgot just what the value of it is.

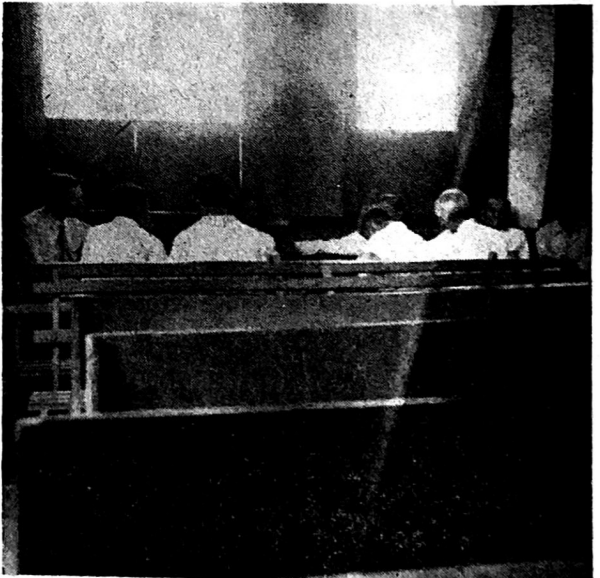
We have meetings every night in the week except one. The one night that we have open at the present time is Tuesday. We used to hold the services at Abeco do macedo on that night but we changed it to Saturday because we found that more could attend then. Two of the professions that we have had in the past month have been from there. On Mondays we have prayer meetings, Wednesday we have a preaching service in the church. Thursday we have services in the house of Juana, a member of the church and a teacher in our school. Friday I am teaching the members and whoever else cares, to learn in music and it is very gratifying to me to hear them sing now. Everyone in the church carries his part, many times people stand outside to hear us sing when we are practicing. On Sunday, of course, we have our Sunday School and church services in the morning and night. We also have services in the afternoon

on Sunday quite often at different peoples homes that we have visited and allow us to have a service there for their neighbors to hear, and often in these sessions the truth is defended against the various heresies here that the people are curious to hear debated.

Our school is coming along fine. In just a few days they will have a two week holiday season. That is all the time that they have off here in the summer except for various other holidays that they have here. We do not dismiss our school on such days as the Catholics celebrate, although all other schools do. In the winter time the schools here take a three month vacation as they do in the U. S. during the summer. The school children are learning Bible verses and have already committed to memory quite a few. That is the way I like to teach them, they can tear up a paper but it is hard to vanish from memory something that is well learned from constant repetition. Perhaps it means nothing to them now, but who knows what it will mean some day. John Bentes and John Dias, do much of the indoctrination of the children, and Juana is beginning to teach them more also. I like to visit with these kids, they are very poor but they seem eternally happy. I think many times that the children have too much in America. I notice the children here playing with a couple of cans and a stick or two and I really think that they are as happy with them as the children are in the U. S. with all of their assorted toys. They seem to get the same joy out of chewing sugar cane as others more fortunate get out of candy and gum.

There is so much here to do. We pray that there are others who will come this way. Bro. Lewis and his wife in Iquitos I know would rejoice with about twenty more missionary families in Peru, even as I would if that many were to come to Brazil. Iquitos isn't the only place in Peru and neither is Manaus the only place in Brazil as far as that goes, is there a place anywhere in the world that could not bear to have one more sound preacher? We rejoice in that the Hunters and Calleys are coming back, but surely there are others that God is leading this way. Let us pray so. May God bless you, everyone that help us in our service.

Royal H. Calley



Back in Iquitos and a picture of the Men's Bible Class in the First Baptist Church at Iquitos, Peru.