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THE MISSIONARY CALL

Who is failing, God or man? The increasing population of the world is not being reached with the way of salvation. Many young men and women are saying, "I will go if God calls me." If God is failing to call enough men and women, then it is His fault that the world is not being reached. (Has He called them becomes a pertinent question.)

Let us look back to Isaiah's and Ezekiel's time. God said in Isaiah 6:8, "Who will go for us, who will I send?" Isaiah said, "Here am I, send me." God was looking; all He needed was a response.

In Ezekiel 13 and 22 we read of God looking for a man to stand in the gap, but He found none. Certainly God was faithful; He called, but He did not receive an answer.

Today there is a gap; today there is a need. I am sure God is saying, "Who will go for me, who shall I send." He is looking for a man to stand in the gap.

Over half of our world has never heard the name of Christ. I ask, "Is this God's will?" How can any one say, "God has not called me?"

If you feel God has not called you, there can be two reason why this is true. First you may be walking so far from God that you can not hear Him. Certainly a daily devotional period and reading in God's Word will show us that God is calling. The other reason would be that even if God is calling, He can only use those who are in physical and spiritual condition to go. Remember in Ezekiel, God said "I found none." This can only mean that there was none willing, or else there was none fit.

What is the answer to this situation? God says we are representatives for Christ. We are taking His place here on earth. Since it is His will that all the world should hear the good news, then we know that He is looking for some one to take it to them.

From these facts we must conclude that God is calling today. He is calling you. He is calling to anyone who will respond. If we want to be sent, we must say with Isaiah, "Here am I, send me." We must say, "Lord, I want to be the man to fill the gap." I think it would be surprising how many the Lord would call if people would respond in this way.

Some may even be saying I am willing to go. But God needs a man who can fill the gap. Maybe you have been wasting your time and talents. If you would not only be willing, but be pre-

pared to go, God would send you. Remember the case of the man in Gen. 24:27? He said, "I being in the way, the Lord led me." We may infer from this that we must be seeking to do what seems the best, and God will lead us. Certainly the best we can prepare for is to be bearers of the good news to regions beyond.

Let us be ready and willing, and then God will lead us and fulfill His purpose through us.

Hubert Johnson

SOME HINTS ON MISSIONARY PREPARATION

Whatever preparation a missionary may have had, there is much, much more to learn after he reaches the field. Many things can only be learned in actual experience. But that does not do away with the need of preparation for the missionary to be. The right kind of preparation cannot be but of great help. We would like to share but a few impressions with you.

There are different aspects of preparation but the spiritual is the most important. The better you are prepared spiritually, the better it is. That the Bible must be understood is obvious since you are going to teach the truths of that Book. However, spiritual preparation goes deeper than a knowledge of the Book. There must be a personal application of its strength from God. On the mission field you will be without that Christian atmosphere as you might have in church or Bible school. There will not be the pep talks to keep you going with the Lord from week to week. Instead you must constantly lift up others. Only a continual drawing upon the Lord will enable you to do that.

God has often different ideas than we about the persons we are to live with. He uses others much to show us our selfish traits. When we accept this they can be used to round off our rough corners. On the field one usually lives in close contact with fellow missionaries. One needs to live grace as well as preach it under such conditions. You can prepare yourself for this. Do not avoid contact with the person you do not like too much. With God's help you should try to love that one.

The secret of much victory in a missionary's life is to regard self as crucified with Christ. Not in doctrine only but in daily practice. The Holy Spirit can work through such a person. Without the power of the Holy Spirit nothing but surface work can be done. You must face the spirit of true discipleship: the life of the cross. That is hard on self, but self is our great enemy in our

Christian life. The Lord may let you have much, but everything first has to be laid on the altar of sacrifice.

Tying in with this is a life of trust. It is well to learn trusting the Lord. We mean, to become actually dependent upon Him and none else. If we learn the lesson of leaning upon the Lord's infinite resources we will not be limited to the faithfulness of men. This concerns the money you need to pay your bills or to launch out in greater efforts. You can begin to learn this lesson at home. It is not learned overnight. But we are convinced that it is very needful. Spiritual preparedness does not do away with technical preparation. While we live in a time wherein great advances are being made in the means and methods of mission work, many missionaries go to the field without a good understanding of these. Centuries of missions have taught many lessons and especially in this century missionary leaders have recognized the need of readjustment. Two points emphasize this. First, there has been a return to the missionary methods of Paul the apostle. Second, the rise of nationalism has made a different approach in missions necessary. These points focus in the so called "indiginous method." Besides progress in methods there has been progress in means. It is especially the bigger mission societies who make the most out of this. Radio broadcasting, mass evangelism, literature work in various ways such as correspondence courses, general interest magazines with a positive gospel message, and many others.

How can the future missionary be well prepared along these lines? Much depends upon personal circumstances. Bible schools will teach some of these things. Some Christian schools or colleges have special courses on mission work in the summer. The Intervarsity

Christian Fellowship has been holding week-long missionary conventions once every four years. These are very informative. Their magazine "HIS" carries many thoughtful articles on different phases of mission work. It is well that a person is founded doctrinally in the matter of Christ's commission for us today. For us therein lies a basic difference with other fundamental Christians. But we can profit much in things wherein they have made great advances. There is always the possibility of reading. Good books are available on all aspects of mission work. Missionary groups could also take up a study on some phase of mission work.

While you are preparing yourself you might feel unable and be discouraged. That may be a good sign if you go on from there and take hold of God's ability. "When I am weak, then am I strong." said the greatest missionary. We have to learn that God is able. Yes, "GOD IS ABLE TO MAKE ALL GRACE ABOUND TOWARD YOU; THAT YE ALWAYS HAVING ALL SUFFICIENCY IN ALL THINGS, MAY ABOUND TO EVERY GOOD WORK."

— II Corinthians 9:8. This has brought us back to the starting point, the spiritual. That is the most important. May you go out to the field with understanding of mission work. But may you not go without vital faith in Jesus Christ the Master of your life. Spiritual power is the great need. May we who are on the field and you who are looking toward it realize that the arm of flesh will fail. We dare not go ahead save in the strength of our Lord Jesus Christ alone.

—Peter Wiering, Missionary under Bethesda Mission to Curacao.



Beginning Sunday afternoon open air meeting in the public plaza.

Proud To Be An American???-

Being an American can be a most blessed privilege -- do you realize it? But — I wish you could be transported for an hour to Pagadian, Zamboanga del Sur, Mindanao, Philippines, and be a spectator with me. We stand on a balcony overlooking a waterfront street. There is excitement here — decorations and music and crowds and a parade. Young people are marching in uniforms down to the wharf and chanting their Hail Mary's with rosaries in their hands. They are beautiful, young, vibrant Filipinos carrying on the traditions of the ages. Flags and banners and a statue resembling a baby king are carried high. It is all very gaudy and very colorful. But — here is where your heart turns cold — there are also five white men marching . . . Americans . . . Roman They are tall and Catholic priests. stand above the other brown figures. They are imports from our homeland, the U.S.A. I am ashamed. I am ashamed for myself and for my country and for our Lord Jesus Christ because we send our Americans to lead a great

people into the darkness of Hell! You cannot know the shame and revulsion I felt. I am happy to be an American, but I cannot help feeling sadness when I see the fruits of our American exports. The people worship these men — in fact, so much do they worship them that every American man is thought to be a priest! The other day my husband was walking up a mountain road and stopped to shake hands with a farmer by the side of the road. Can you imagine — the poor man grabbed the white hand and kissed it! Of course he was immediately told that God alone is to be worshipped. NO MAN should have such a lordship over his fellowmen under the sun.

It would be very easy to accept such reverence for everywhere the Americans are highly praised for their governmental help in giving the Philippines the opportunity to become a free nation. Great is the report of our honest governing and education and other benefits, but I do not hear one word of praise for the U. S. A. bringing them the Gospel. I walk in the dusty market streets and hear American ballads and jazz tunes blaring from the

radios and advertising trucks. I see American commodities in every store, whether it be an open roadside store in the barrio with three shelves or a big . . . a wonderful, kind and friendly market bazaar. But I also see a people people . . . eager to listen to anything new and especially anything American. And still they march in processions chanting and carrying lighted candles. "Trying to find their way out of darkness," my Philippine sister in Christ says to me. It is too true. These people look to America for light. What do we give in answer? Glittering Hollywood movies, rock and roll, Coca Cola, cigarettes, and much worse: religious leaders who take the place of God!

I walked along the dusty, waterfront street next to this passing procession of chanting Filipinos returning from the boat which had carried their Santo Nino statue. The young people all turned to look at me—another American. I shrank inside to even think they might connect me with such a system of idolatry. But when I really felt contempt

was when the tall white, red-rooed priests shuffled by and saw me the other American on the street. I could not return their startled gaze in love—it seemed too much that Christ had died even for these blind leaders who keep my new friends in the darkness of bondage!

Oh yes, Americans gather crowds here for various reason. We often have been alarmed at how quickly a sea of interested faces will surround us if we stop for just a moment on the street. They are curious. They love the children's blond hair and the way they talk. They just like to watch . . . it is "the Filipino way". Oh, dear Lord, give us Thy wisdom to make the crowds we draw to be turned from darkness to Thy light. May we have the words to speak and tracts to give that will prove to these dear people that some of the Americans want to offer them freedom in Christ. Give us Thy love for this labor!

Darlene Anderson

Letters to the Editor

Our meetings here are good and increasing. Saturday we had Bible study from Brother Baker's booklet, "God's Clock of the Ages". Please be so kind as to send me some of these books in the Spanish language for our new converted friends. On the past Saturday, four persons came from Mar del Plata and Necochea and asked me to take supervision of their work there. They have three independent groups in Mar del Plata, Necochea, and also Miramar, all in the Atlantic Zone. These people are effected by some fanatical doctrine, and I am not sure if they will accept the Gospel of Grace in all its truth. It is for this cause that we yet are not very numerous, for keeping attention against extreme elements, which can give us more trouble than blessing. I want to go and see what can be done with this people in Mar del Plata and Necochea, and if they are ready to leave their fanatical things."

"I am now so busy in activities here and there in different places of the great Buenos Aires, and also here in Villa-Diamante, where I begin special Bible study for the new converts on the basis of Pauline Doctrine Teaching.

I don't remember if I told you about one of the active members of the communist movement who visited regularly our meetings and takes part in the meetings and prayers also. He was disillusioned in this movement and now manifested his desire to accept the Lord as his Saviour. We are praying that the Lord will make a deep change in his heart and use him for a testimony of the message, as he is very attentive to the preached Word. Also in other districts we have some souls who every meeting are walking about two miles with a special interest, hungry to know the true doctrine, and helping us in distributing tracts. During the last two weeks, we had several special meetings, and also two conferences among some pastors."

> Nicolas Sabich Buenos Aires, S. A.

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From W. T. Cherian, South India-

Today I have received another invitation from South Malabar to present the Grace message and establish a TCM work there. These are Syrian Christians who claim the tradition of St. Thomas. So God is opening new doors and fields. I have also received a letter from Rev. Anderson stating that he is making arrangements to visit India in July. So, if you can help me to visit these places and start the work, it will be useful for Rev. Anderson to go further in establishing TCM in India.

I am making rapid arrangements to incorporate TCM. I hope I can finish it soon. I think you are praying for the Gospel convention from the 14th to the 20th. Please pray. I will be placing the Grace message before a very big audience. If Brother Anderson could have been here by this time, he would have preached in these meetings. From June onwards the rainy season will start. So it will be very difficult to have public meetings. Anyway we believe that God will use him in a special way.

I would like to remind you again that the TCM work is progressing and it is very essential that TCM, U.S.A. have to do its best for the progress and establishment of TCM in India in this critical time.

We are greatly encouraged in the Lord's work here. Because of the greater opportunities over here, it was of course necessary for us to "localize" our efforts at least for some time. You will realize the great opportunities before us in a town or village of over 10,000 population. The people here are too poor. Their material and spiritual needs are most staggering. Morally they are degraded and only the pure Gospel of the Grace of God can save them from ruin. There are many more hungry hearts and the people are pleading with us to come to their homes and tell them more about the way of salvation. So we dare not leave these hungry souls without giving them the bread of life, for tomorrow may be too late.

Tomorrow we will have a small retreat for about 40 to 50 young people and adults in our premises. Further, next week I shall be leaving for Karkal along with brother Kotian and from there I will proceed to Mangalore. I hope to take up meetings in both these places. From Mangalore I intend to proceed to Kasaragod, the northern tip of the Kerala State. So, with all this, we hope to cover a greater area with the message of the Grace of God and lead many lost souls to the Saviour. If only we have the needed funds, we could give a greater coverage. In connection with

my past literature ministry, we have a number of friends in the various corners of India and no doubt doors will be open for us wherever we go. Sometime ago I had a letter from a friend from Rajastan (North India) telling me that some of them there have separated themselves to form themselves into a fellowship of believers and asking my cooperation with

them, but I could not go due to the great distance between us.

At Viz-ianagram, I have a good friend in one Rev. Aaz, who is an independent worker, whom we had invited in connection with one of our programmes of Retreat which we had arranged for 3 days at Mangalore in a Seminary building there. This brother too is keenly interested in our work now, and would be most happy to join us. So our testimony will also be extended to the Andhra State.

With all this I hope that the Lord has far greater things for us in the days ahead, and we would very much value your prayers as we seek to extend the testimony of the TCM and to reach the lost for Christ. In writing, I cannot give you a true picture of the needs and opportunities before us and the work being carried out now. Only Brother Anderson will be able to convey to you a real picture personally. Amen.

The Lord is greatly blessing our united efforts and in the cottage meetings which we are holding, we find a growing interest. Since I am playing a guitar, the people are attracted to the meetings, and in due time we also hope to go in for a cornet, since brother Kotian can play it well. In the houses where we hold the meetings, there being no electric lights, when a good number of people, ranging from 35 to 50 assemble, we find the need for a Petromax, and we are trying to secure a good second hand one to meet our immediate need.

Then comes our programme of Retreat for 3 days. The daily programme will be as follows:

9:00 to 10:30 a.m. — Message 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. — Light refreshments 11:00 to 12:30 — Bible Study 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. — Chorus Singing 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. — Group discussion (Bible Study)

4:30 to 5:00 p.m. — Refreshments 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. — Message

The main object of this Retreat will be to lead the young people to Christ and so we would very much value your prayers that many souls may be saved. This programme will cost us considerably, and if we had the funds, we could continue the programme for 5 days instead of 3. Past blessing on this type of work encourages us to take up this kind of programme again.

So far, Brother Goejer has been concentrating his efforts at Udipi (3 miles from here), but commencing from next week he will concentrate on the work at Malpe. Since he has his house at Udipi, this will mean that he has to incur an additional expense for city bus fare and midday meals which we will have to bear. Malpe is a village with about 10,000 population and we have ample opportunities to do a definite work.

- H. Beniston P. Simons



A. S. Chavez, Iligan City, P. I.—

"Since I have been first connected with the TCM, I spent much time with my constituents, conducting Bible studies on Dispensationalism, and making them understand the truth about the water baptism which has no part for this dispensation. At the start I was afraid I would lose them all. But the Lord has been gracious to them. There was but one - and quite old to bother himself to know the truth! - who decided to discontinue fellowshipping with us. And of course his wife goes with him also! Some, however, have been suspicious, yet observant of the "new" teaching; but I can see them this time strengthened and grounded, and are behind the Grace movement. Praise the Lord for their renewed interest in learning the truths about our dispensation. The Lord added to our little group a couple who were once with the Church of God, whose belief is almost identical with that of the Seventh-Day Adventist's. Now they are learning that salvation is by Grace alone. Speaking of figures, now we are eight families, or about 20 adult members.

The coming of Brothers Anderson and Undag last 4th of April has quite encouraged our little group down here. Since then we had also been meeting in a new place, the room rented at 20. a month.

Steps have been made to disseminate our teachings among the UCCP people. We cannot tell yet what the outcome would be but we will just see what the Lord has for us; for we know our labour is not in vain in the Lord.

I have exerted effort to reach those who are in the barrios. Meetings and Biole studies have been held and people have had the opportunity of hearing the Word of Life. I have hopes of being able to organize a local church in two different places outside of Iligan. How soon, I do not know. Only we have to look unto the Lord for strength to enable us to be always in the ministry. Sometimes these places are not visited as per schedule due to lack of finances for transportation.

As to the number of conversions, I would hesitate to state for to determine it by the up-raised hands or their coming forward sometime would prove futile. I'll just have to wait until a local congregation is formed in a place. We're sure, however, that the Lord knows His own.

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News from Missionary Felicisimo Mangubar, P. I.——

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. I have received your good letter. I have read it with real interest and praise to the Lord for His continued blessings upon us. We praise the Lord also for His continual blessings upon His Words and work here in the Philippines.

Brother, we love the Anderson family very much. They are a great help to us. The time I met Brother Anderson and his family in Misamis Occidental City, oh, tears falling down from my eyes, because of joy and I cannot even express what I feel in my heart. We believe he can help us solve all our problems. Brother Anderson is really a good man. He visited all our chapels and places where we are doing our missionary work. People in every place we visited like to hear the Grace messages. Yes, people who will understand the unity in Epher sians 4:5 will never argue. We are trying our best to teach and lend the books to anybody who likes to read. Grace folks need II Tim. 2:15.

I am doing my missionary work in Malatuhan, Lopez Juna, Mis. Occ. This is 100 miles away from Molave. I began my work last Oct. 1957. Thanks, and Praise the Lord, we have already some Grace folks here, in Malatuhan. This coming Sunday we will begin our Sunday service in a Market Hall, because this place is the center of the barrio and many can hear the words of God. This is an open field place. Brother Anderson will visit Malatuhan at the same time evangelizing and teaching the Grace message. I have a group of children to teach every Friday afternoon and Saturday.

We pray that the Lord will open other doors for the entrance of His words and that in the near future there might be at least one Grace Testimony in every country and language in the world. We have a wonderful message to proclaim, and we have a great ministry to make all men see what is the dispensation of the

mystery. (Eph. 3:9).

The seventh-day Adventist and other law-shackled souls also Roman Catholics, invited me to have Bible study. Many questions about the Law, water baptism, saboath day were asked; the Roman Catholic asked me too about John 20:23 and Matt. 18:18. So what I did is to open my Bible and show them the Pauline Gospel, the distinctive ministry of Paul which is the Grace of God, and show the division of the Bible, the difference between Prophecy and Mystery. Oh, how easy to answer all questions by using the dispensational way of teaching.

They were all astonished to hear the messages I gave to them. I gave them some verses which Paul says in his ministry (Rom. 11:13, 16:25 I Cor. 14:17, Gal, 1:8-9, and 2:7-9 and the Doctrine of Paul in Eph. 3:1-10). Praise the Lord for knowing all this Grace message!

There was a Macedonian call in Lanao. This is about 150 miles away from Molave, so I went. The place is called Maigo. I stayed there 3 days teaching the Grace of God. One man from the Church of God, 2 from Universal detristo, and many others received Christ as the personal Saviour. 10 men received Christ. They told me that in my next visit they will have their own congregation. Praise the Lord for His work. March 20-24 I will be in Maigo again.

Your Brother in Christ, Felicisimo Mangubat"

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Missionary Philips P. Varickanickel writes from Ernakulam, South India—

I have completed my study there (Hindustan Bible Institute) last year, because I have seen a real vision to go and preach the Gospel at once. So I am preaching (the) Gospel among youths everywhere in India and in churches in South India.

But I want to ask you some questions. Do you (T.C.M.) expect my kind of Spiritual conversion in India through your work? If it is, it is not the method of working, because India has been filled with so many religions and two hundred legal Christian denominations. So you are going to organize new denomination - you are going to fail. You don't know the conditions of India for evangelical work. I am living in Kerala State. It is the only one Christian state (so-called) in India. But there is only Communists government ruling. All the other states are against missionaries, because many missionaries are coming and staying as "kings" or "governors"! They cannot do His service — but they (that is, the foreign missionaries) can show the power of money! It is not the way of Christian work. I want to do the Lord's work, I am ready to help you as I can. We have a good work among college students."

Editor's note: This goes to show how the Nationals in India and the Far East, resent American and foreign missionaries in their countries! When Christians of these countries do not want the foreign missionaries, at all, what can we expect of the civil governments in these countries?

One would think that the foreign denominations would get wise to the wishes and desires of the people! Ease and comfort to often make a "palace" for the missionary, instead of a missionary endeavor!



From Darlene Anderson-

We have received three letters from India, Simons, Varickanickel and Cherian very hospitable and anxious.

Nothing new for me to report except that Saturday night we entertained a robber. Me, being so American and unsuspicious, believed that he really had met Vernon at the Manila Conference. He claimed to know Garcia. Mendoza Cuadra and others. I knew he was begging money, everyone is here, it seems, and his eyes looked red like a drinker.

But he said, "I don't want money for fare to Lanao, only money for food. I refused to give him money and said he could eat supper here. However I could not make out anything true or false because the Bamboo English is hard to judge meanings because it often means different than we do.

Then I went around the staircase to the kitchen and told Laurel to dash to Garcia's to find out if they really knew the man. Josephine Palma was at the stairs tremoling, "He's a robber!!" she said and took Hope and fled to the Undag's for help. Then I still couldn't tell so I sent Vicki in to talk to him and he would not answer except to contradict what he told me - so finally all the young of E.C.C. who had been practicing choir, came marching into the house. Then Meneses jumped up and bolted for the kitchen. I was there and he stopped and said, "Never mind supper. I'll go back to Garcia's." And then I knew! Here was Mrs. Garcia in the front room and he never recognized her, nor had she ever seen him. We found out later that he had been prowling around Garcia's in the afternoon. Praise the Lord for His protection.

We didn't have more than 10 pesos cash in the house, but Vicki tells me that kidnapping is a favorite crime here. She even told about some children stolen as slaves for the rich Moros from the interior. They must be a very interesting group. They have killed missionaries who tried to enter. Very violent and vicious. You should see some of their weapons. I read in a newspaper last week they had murdered 4 people in Mindanao and Basilan. You know Cuadra is a Moro and is the only one who has been successful among them.

(Second in a series of short articles presenting a challenge of fields open for the gospel of the Grace of God.)

For the Gospel and Argentina-

Geographically and economically the Argentine Republic is a rich and prosperous country, but is suffering by despotic adminstrative government and is financially broke. It is a large country. South America's second largest and extends 2,000 miles long by 250 miles wide. In the extreme north, there is a tropical zone, and in the extreme southern end it reaches into the eternal ice of the Antarctica. The majority of the country consists of extensive plains, known as "Pampas", where many sorts of grain can be cultivated with success. The extreme north is mountainous and covered with huge forests, while the south is also very mountainous; and its almost uninhabited regions suffer from icy winds and snowstorms, especially during the sixmonths winter period. The western borders are formed by the mighty Cordillera de los Andes, where the world's second highest mountains are constantly covered with ice and snow.

Politically and idiologically, going back as far as the Revolution of 1904, the country enjoyed a large measure of stability in government. But in 1930 military feuds began to overthrow the liberal regimes. The R. C. Church, although the official religion of this Republic, had often to be rebuked out of politics; and the Evangelical cause enjoyed liberty, or at least reasonable tolerance.

Then in June, 1943 a younger army official, Colonel Juan Domingos Peron, came to power by force of arms and R. C. aid. After yielding great social benefits to the masses, he had himself elected as legal president with a sweeping victory in February, 1946. He oppressed cruelly the political elements that were against him and thus became a powerful dictator. The Church of Rome had its powerful sway, and Evangelicals were suppressed wherever occasion and possibilities permitted. Public services were prohibited:

all congregations in existence had to be registered, and they had to give a complete report annually about all their activities. It was difficult to obtain a permit for religious publications. While the use of radio programs was unthinkable. Even world-known newspapers, such as the famous, democratic LA PRENZA, was confiscated by Peron; and its liberal editor, Sr. Alberto Gainza Paz, escaped at the last hour to Uruguay from Peron's fury.

Then in early 1956 a strange thing occurred, the Roman Church and the Peronistas broke their cooperation, and instead they set out to provoke one another in many ways to the point that R. C. temples were burned down. On the occasion of the visit of a Foursquare Evangelist Tommy Hicks of California to Buenos Aires; Peron, in gesture of vengeance, gave Hicks every liberty and facility to hold his spirited mass healing meetings, a thing that the Argentine people never had seen or heard of before. Evangelical leaders were cordially received in the presidential palace; and free

lots for church buildings were granted to Protestants.

However Peron had undertaken more than he could manage. Several revolts shook his government; and after much bloodshed and material damage, having to fight the well disciplined Argentine navy and airforce, he had to flee for his life to Paraguay. The military president then in power, a mere tool of the Jesuits, clamped down on the Protestants; and it seemed that the regime had changed from one form of tyranny to another. The liberal forces in the army made a more acceptable change in the military agenda and put a more moderate general, Pedro Aramburu into the provincional presidency. This man seems to be liberal and democratic minded and has granted greater liberties to Evangelicals as a whole than have been enjoyed for many years. His government has also decreed that on July 28th there will be a General Election in the whole Republic with aosolutely free voting.

As we may imagine, the enemies of the Gospel are hard at work seeking to ensnare victory for their party. They



Some L. C. M. workers, gathered at the home of Juan Undag. Juan is the F. I. director standing in the back row holding his youngest daughter.

win dominant positions in the new government, stiff opposition and official pressure will be felt once again.

The believer's weapons are not carnal, but spiritual and sublime. We believe that God has His people also in this great southern Republic. We are sowing the precious seed of God's Word with patience and endurance, and we know that it will sprout forth and produce fruit in salvation of precious souls to the glory of God.

Albert Widmer Missionary



VICTORY AT DITAY, MALANGAS-

Two captains left home and family in Ozamis to meet in battle with the Enemy at Ditay, Malangas, 200 kilometers from headquarters. At 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 5, 1958, they packed their weapons and gear to head for the field The bus arrived and they were on their way. Arriving at Molave, a third captain was enlisted. Reports had already reached them that the Enemy was encamped right on the door step. The time had to be bought up. The three soldiers of the Cross continued on to Pagadian where they planned to advance by boat. After chow in Pagadian the three boarded the boat for Malangas. At 4:00 a.m. Thursday, the boat reached Malangas. The captains were met by several troops and another captain who reported the advances of the Enemy.

They immediately boarded the bus for the place called "Kilometer 21." There a dugout canoe was secured and the rest of the day was spent under the hot sun moving slowly up the river towards the Enemy. At noon the canoe was beached, a fire prepared and rice cooked. Fingers being the only available tools, they were used to scoop up the

large amount of rice that had been placed on a banana leaf. Even though not prepared and eaten under strictly sanitary conditions, the food was delicious and consumed. Late in the afternoon they arrived at Paradise Valley where a transfer of equipment was made to the carabao (water buffalo). The last 6 km. were gained by hiking. At sunset they entered the camp. There was much anxiety and excitement as the Lord's Army arrived. All was well prepared.

A kitchen had already been erected next to the fort so the Army would be well-fed. Lodging was prepared for the three captains. The Enemy had moved in very close and immediate action was necessary if the fort was to be saved. Strategy was carefully laid for defeating the Enemy. The same evening the first light offensive was attempted to test the strength of the Enemy. With a song of war, led by Captain Isaias, the battle was on! The Enemy was wise and struck first the mechanized equipment, putting out of order the turntable of the P. A. Without technical aid, it could not be repaired. They had now felt out the Enemy and knew the weak The first mortar attack would be at 4:00 a.m. using the P. A. led by Captain Undag. Later they found that this attack had been very successful. They would meet in face to face combat this day at 9:00 a.m. A surprise weap-an was in their hand, "The Highway of Life" along with the automatic rifle, "The Magic Blocks". The Enemy was enraged and had no weapons to match these. At noon they retreated, not to return until the next afternoon. vantage was taken of this lull to strengthen the forces. That evening the Sword of the Spirit sounded the call for more recruits. Eleven soldiers passed into the ranks of the Army of God! All were rejoicing as they rested that night. At 4:00 a.m. another mortar attack was made with the P. A. The enemy did not come out this morning or afternoon. The forces were mightily strengthened with "The Highway of Life" again in the a. m. Captain Undag gave instructions with a new weapon, "The Life of Tyndale" on flannelgraph, a challenging message for the soldiers of the Cross. Eight more recruits were enlisted and the Army grew!

A short time after the captains had retired to their barracks, news arrived that the Enemy had summoned additional aid and it had now arrived. Instructions were given to bring them to the barracks where they would be met in hand to hand battle. Immediately the captains saw that the tactics of the Enemy were outdated and for a past age. Even though General Peter was a great general in his day, his tactics were made old by the King's new orders through General Paul. Baptismal regeneration, circumcision, and the Law were replaced by the Grace of God alone. Soon the Enemy was confused and didn't know where to turn. His weapons were not sharp and he had little experience in this type of warfare. The troops were thrilled to see the Enemy in confusion. A meeting of rejoicing was called for the evening and the Enemy sat quietly by and listened.

Sunday morning they discovered that another valuable tool was gone. The battery was exhausted, and the mortar operation had to be abandoned. The long range warfare was no more to be used. The captains are asking the King for a generator which will increase the range and effectiveness of the offensive. In the a. m. Operation S. S. began with instructions on how a good soldier should keep his body clean by not smoking, drinking, gambling. All the troops promised to abstain from such weaknesses. At the later assembly another call was sounded for recruits and six more gave their lives to the King! In the afternoon the Enemy came round again for battle. It was open forum time and the Enemy of the Cross thought he would take advantage of this time. The captains were well prepared and met his attacks head on. Then with a tremendous counter-attack the Enemy was thoroughly defeated, having no defense against the Rightly Divided Word of God. The troops with one voice cried out the victory song! In the combat two of the Enemy's forces were captured and many wounded. The captains ate their last supper with the troops that evening.

A call for help had come from Sampolig! A new fort was to be established and recruits were needed. Early Monday a.m. the captains along with many of the troops set for Sampolig. In the morning a meeting was called to answer the questions of the troops in regard to handling the Sword of the Spirit. In the afternoon a new Enemy had come in, the chief of a tribal religion who believed in the gods of the trees and danced on fire to purge away sins. Nothing but an atomic bomb would overcome this Captain Undag brought out just the needed weapon, a message with pictures on demons and demon worship. The man fell to his knees surrendering completely to the mighty Sword of the Lord. He promised to donate a beautiful piece of ground right on top of a hill overlooking the whole valley, to be used for the new fort. Along with this man ten more recruits were added to God's Army! All the troops rejoiced and sang battle hymns the rest of the day.

In the evening many adversaries were present but again the Sword was used and three more were won to the Lord's side! By now the captains were much fatigued. A mat was placed on the floor and they slept the sleep of victors. At 5:00 a.m. the captains embarked for a new battlefield, Kawayan, Alicia. (Twenty to thirty more soldiers were inducted into the Army there.) Again the long walk to the canoe. Just before embarking the captains knelt in

prayer and tears were in the eyes of captains and troops alike. In this warfare the captains never forgot the supply line from the U.S. that made these victories possible. Each captain and trooper realized that without supplies, reinforcements and weapons, all would fail. The captains are praying to the King that the supply line would be strengthened even more. As the battles increase and more soldiers are added, the need for additional weapons and technical aid increases also. Even in these battles a generator and a jeep would have greatly strengthened the Army. Weapons such as books, literature, object lessons, and flannelgraphs are also needed. times the captains must suffer many things because the supply line has arrived too little, too late. Perhaps with additional weapons the recruits could have numbered 100. Pray for the health and strength of your soldiers. Remember they fight in the Enemy's territory and General Satan has many very cruel weapons yet. Through the Biola Medical Course this captain has been able to fight off all bodily attacks so far, but as strength of body is spent, there is always a new opening for the Enemy.

There are many other places all over the world where the Enemy is still conquering, still unchallenged by the soldiers of the Cross. The King calls for soldiers to go forth to battle, but too many times the prospective recruits are taken up by the cares of this world and not interested in pleasing Him Who has called them. Let us put the banner of the Cross above EVERY COUNTRY in the world. "There remaineth yet much land to be possessed."

A call for loyal soldiers comes to one and all,

Soldiers for the conflict, will you heed the call?

Will you answer quickly with a ready cheer?

Will you be enlisted as a volunteer?

Vernon D. Anderson

NOTICE

The Men's Missionary Fellowship at the Berean Bible Church, Alton, Illinois have formed an organization for the distribution of Grace literature all over the world. Already many packages have left the country for the Philippine Island, South America, and England. The packages contained the writings of J. C. O'Hair, Charles F. Baker and Cornelius R. Stam. Also included were back issues of TRUTH MAGAZINE and the

BEREAN SEARCHLIGHT. A package containing 24 new Bibles was sent out in June.

A general call is sent out to all who would like to participate in this program to send new and used literature to Men's Missionary Fellowship, c/o Mr. Rollie Phipps, 707 Condit Street, Alton, Illinois. When it is received it will be carefully sorted and prayerfully sent out to all parts of the world "to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery (Eph.3:9).

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"Lord, I give up my own purposes and plans, all my own desires, hopes, and ambitions (whether they be fleshly or soulish), and accept Thy will for my life. I give myself, my wife, my all utterly to thee, to be Thine forever, I hand over to Thy keeping all my friendships; all the people whom I love are to take second place in my heart. Fill me and seal me with Thy Holy Spirit. Work out Thy whole will in my life, at any cost, now and forever. For me to live is Christ. Amen. (I Thess. 5:23, 24; Phil. I:21.)