



## A Great Need

A GREAT NEED . CAN YOU HELP? THERE ARE 17 PREACHERS WHO WORK WITH T. JOHN SAMUEL IN INDIA. THEY ARE LEFT WITH NO SUPPORT. THEY ARE SUFFERING. ALSO THERE ARE 42 MORE PREACHERS IN OTHER PARTS OF INDIA WITH NO SUPPORT. FINALLY J.D. MILLER IS ACQUAINTED WITH 18 MEXICAN PREACHERS WHO HAVE NO SUPPORT., IF YOU CAN HELP LET US HEAR FROM YOU.

## 41 Preaching Evangelists Needed For Great Africa Crusade

The Churches of Christ in Liberia and Sierra Leone, Africa, are asking 41 Preachers to come from America and help them evangelize.

Dates: NOVEMBER 1-8, 2009.

...PLAN OF CRUSADES: DAYTIME WILL BE USED IN PERSONAL EVANGELISM----EVENINGS WILL BE SPENT PREACHING IN "OPEN AIR CRUSADES"

THERE ARE 30 CONGREGATIONS IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF MONROVIA. PREACHERS VOLUNTEERING FOR THESE REVIVALS WILL LIVE IN COMFORTABLE CIRCUMSTANCES.

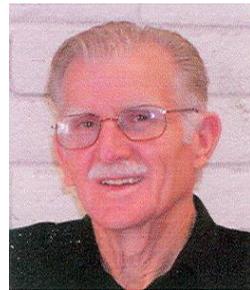
...THERE ARE 8 CHURCHES LOCATED IN THE 'JUNGLE AREAS" OF LIBERIA. PREACHERS VOLUNTEERING FOR THESE AREAS SHOULD BE RUGGED INDIVIDUALISTS

...THERE ARE 3 CHURCHES LOCATED IN THE NEIGHBORING NATION OF SIERRA LEONE. PREACHERS MUST BE WILLING TO TRAVEL TO REACH THIS AREA

IF YOU ARE WILLING TO CONSIDER GOING PLEASE CONTACT

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### Immersion in 2009

**3,754 have been immersed into Christ during 2009. White Fields world wide ministries now assists 310 native evangelists in 33 different nations. These evangelists, along with our American and Australian team members, report 3,754 souls immersed into Christ for the remission of sins in January thru April. It is a great victory and we give all praise to God. Thank God for His victory and for the souls won to Christ through the power of His gospel.**



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## Don Ott Goes To Cuba



I am home safely after a week of teaching leadership seminars in Havana, CUBA! Thank you for your prayers during my trip. Missionary Harry Douglass traveled with me to Havana.

We shared with two different house-churches on Sunday, March 22. Leadership seminars with about 25 preachers and church leaders were held from 9 AM to 4 PM Monday thru Thursday, March 23-26. I taught on the nature and purpose of the church, marriage and family life, and pastoral counseling. I also took 10 or 12 books on Christian counseling in Spanish for the leaders to share. Our goal as we travel and teach is the one Paul stated to Timothy: "the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others" 2 Tim 2:2

I visited one of the newest churches on Friday evening in San Antonio, just west of Havana. They recently baptized 25 new converts, and three more came Friday evening to express their decision to be baptized into Christ.

Evenings were spent visiting and reminiscing with key leaders such as Manolo and Mercy, Rolando and Isis, Filiburto and others we have grown to love over the past 11 years. Reggie Thomas and John Bliffin established the independent Christian Church in Cuba in 1996.

Getting home on Saturday was a bit of an "adventure." The flight from Havana to Cancun, Mexico was on time with no problems. Upon arriving in Cancun, I learned that my flight to Dallas, TX was delayed. The catering company damaged the rear door as they loaded food onto the plane. Passengers and luggage had to be moved to another aircraft for the flight to Cancun so they were delayed three hours.

We had started for the runway in Cancun when the plane headed back to the gate. One engine failed to start properly, and that resulted in another one-hour delay. We finally reached Dallas around 11 PM and most everyone with a connecting flight had missed their plane. We were shuttled to a motel for the night, and I wound up getting back to Arkansas at 8 AM Sunday rather than 10 PM Saturday. Still MUCH BETTER than geese in the engines and splashing down in a river!! THANK YOU for your prayers and support as we preach and teach God's Word! Your brother in Christ, Don



## Year 2009 ~ A Year Of Soul Winning For White Fields! Your Prayers Needed

Jan and Feb. India --- this very successful effort is now history--over 3300 baptized and Blythe started 33 new churches

March--- Cuba ----DON OTT JUST GOT HOME FROM CUBA.

May--- Reggie has plans to start a new church in Santo Domingo. We are working with the daughter of Evangelist Francilius Aime. Francilius is a long time White Fields Evangelist who serves the Lord in Haiti. Francilius has 12 children. His oldest daughter has moved to Santo Domingo and there is no Christian church where she lives. We are doing our best to help her start a church in her own house. We are planning to go there in May to preach a one week revival in her house. Pray for this effort.

Evangelist Barry Kermeen preaching in Uganda I'm praying that my employer will let me leave to go to Uganda. A friend from Indiana may go with me. I would work with Raymond. Jeff would work with Jehoshaphat Kakooza. We would try to preach about 9 nights in 2 locations. We would want to teach seminars during the day. Please pray with us that [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com) will approve my leave of absence. I want to buy the ticket as soon as possible. We would leave on May 16th.

June--- J.D. Miller in Honduras--- My trip to Honduras is still "on target" for June 15 thru 21. The purpose of this trip is to provide connectivity in the Christian community for Mision Caribe, our hosting mission. We will be conducting a "talent contest" for Christian artists in the Tegucigalpa area, and also a medical and dental clinic. We are currently planning on a team of 15-20 participants. The cost per person is \$1900. We did a similar trip 7 years ago, and our last day there baptized 54 Hondurans in the Mision Caribe baptistry. We have preaching as part of our contest agenda each evening. I never cease to be amazed at the impact music has as a ministry tool! I will keep you informed regarding our progress on this trip, but, in short, it is still "on" and developing well. Your fellow servant, J D Miller

July Reggie teaching in Cuba---plans proceeding on schedule

August Reggie preaching in St. Martin & Sint Maarten---plans proceeding to start a new church

Sept. J.D. Miller leading a trip to the Ukraine. Don Ott teaching in Philippines----these plans proceeding on schedule

Nov 1-8 A White Fields team preaching soul winning revivals in Liberia

Nov. Doug Willis plans to preach in Russia and China

Dec. Evangelist Cliff Hazard has plans for a work team for Haiti.---Lori has plans for Christmas trip to Haiti.



## We Must Win The Muslims To Christ

Evangelist Ray Gorton, is one of White Fields best friends and supporters. He has an outstanding Mission to the Muslims. Here is his latest report:

Dear friends,

Every day, I receive letters and messages from missionaries serving selflessly throughout this world that God has chosen for us to dwell in. Many who I have worked with over the years also include me on their contact lists. Most of the times, the news is good telling of the baptisms, new churches, medical services and schools provided, and their love of Christ and those they serve.

Too often, the news is bad as illnesses are described, the persecution and jailing or even killing by government authorities or Satan's workforce. Starvation, diseases, disasters, conflicts take their toll. It seems like each day is more violent than before. Most of those native to the countries that are suffering and dying are just names to me; however, others are Christian friends that I have visited or even worked with.

One such friend was Abdullah, the first Iraqi that I had the privilege of telling about Jesus. That was in 2002. Abdullah and his family were baptized in Baghdad on April 13, 2003. He developed into a powerful worker for Christ as the first full-time pastor responsible for leading thousands of Muslims out of darkness into the light of our Savior. He taught and developed other dedicated leaders in the churches even with the violence and bloodshed. When we established displacement camps in Syria, Abdullah answered the call to be the spiritual leader of the camps. 600,000 persons passed through the camps until we were able to close them this year. More than 12,000 arrived as Muslims and departed as Christians.

Two years ago, 65 American missionary families laboring in Middle East countries plus 300 national Christian leaders and their families gathered in Northern Iraq for a retreat. Abdullah was unquestionably the leader of his fellow countrymen and women. On the seventh day of the retreat, as all 1,300-plus of us were worshiping in the assembly hall, he led us in prayer during which he repeatedly asked the Lord to protect us. Just as he finished praying, a suicide truck bomber exploded his cargo nearby. The building shook and some windows shattered; however, we were all safe. The bomber had tried to crash into our assembly hall but was thwarted by Iraqi soldiers posing as road workers (they were acting on a tip).

Early on the morning of January 12th, 2009 one of our American missionaries and several local Christian leaders were meeting for a prayer breakfast at a Baghdad restaurant. The other men watched from across the room as Abdullah, just arriving, held the door open to allow a woman to enter the restaurant. Steve, our missionary, saw the evil in the woman's eyes and told the men at the table to "drop" to the floor. Just as they hit the floor, the woman detonated her explosive vest. Abdullah went to be with our Lord. He was 37 years old, leaving his wife and two children.

Why do men and women with their families go into the world, often in difficult locations, to spread the Good News? Because we are told to do so. But, how about the danger? Well, we all live in a dangerous world including in the U.S.A. Last year, an estimated 11 million Muslims in the Middle East and North Africa converted to Christianity. That's why our missionaries are there. That's why they are in Asia, Africa, Philippines, Haiti, and South America, laboring in troubled situations. Please pray daily for them. Yes, and thank you for your support.

Ray Gorton, Missions Director

## New Church Planted In Marmelade, Haiti



Date: Monday, April 6, 2009, 8:25 AM

Dear brothers and sisters,

What a wonderful experience! What a joy it is to work for The Most Powerful God! What a growing experience it is for both young and mature Christians to see first hand that the power of the voodoo gods are insignificant when comparing with the power of God the Creator!

First, let me start by thanking My God, Our God for the fact that He has answered our prayers and has not given rain over Marmelade during all the time we were there. Incredible! Specially when we were in a place

that always has rain. An old Christian lady told me 'Son this is His work, He prevents the rain, so that the Word could be proclaimed.' We thank God for all the fruitless efforts of the witch doctors in the area to hurt our people. We are aware that they cast many spells, but nothing worked. Three of them come Friday night with voodoo stuff to hurt/kill whomever they find, but failed miserably. In fact the people prayed that God would knock them down. Since the prayer was done out loud, the witch doctors after experiencing a discomfort left our land. Once they left the crowd went wild praising God.

We thank God because our people worked hard on the construction. True we have not gotten as far as we planned, because we had many hurdles. We never received the sand or rock, or cement on time. Never. The fact we don't have a pick up truck to transport the material ourselves is a big set back. While we are not satisfied with our progress the people of the area were amazed with how much we were able to do.

We thank God for the people in the area who welcome us like we were angels. They opened their homes. They helped us. We thank God particularly for sister Lorianna. She should be closed to 80, if she is not already. She opened her home that her children built for her, let us use her water for cooking, to mix mortar, etc. She blesses us in many, many ways. We thank God for those who sent us. Living Water Christian Church (our first Church in Gonaives). They picked up an offering for us, some give in spite of their needs money to us. They stayed behind praying for us. They called us regularly to hear the report of the progress of the trip. Aunt Meriane cooked a big pot of stew (yam, plantain, sweet potatoes, etc) and sent it to our workers. Among our senders are our faithful supporters. We would not be able to take multiple trips to Marmelade without your much needed helped. We would not be able to purchase a piece of property (2,000 USD) and to be fully paid without your help. We would not be able to begin the construction, without you.

Some of you say by now, you have not said the best yet? You are right. We wholeheartedly thank God for the 70 people who give up voodoo to choose Jesus as their savior and Lord. Some of them are already face opposition, but they do not fear. Some of them were deep in witchcraft, they vowed with the help of God to give up these practices. Yesterday, we had 97 people in the service. Among these people we had 48 first members of Living Water Christian Church of Bassin (Marmelade). Yesterday afternoon, Ezechiel told the children who were there yesterday morning to invite their friends for children circle, 35 showed up.

Thanks to everyone who has helped financially and who pray consistently for Living Water. You are making an eternal impact.  
All for Him, Salonique Adolphe and team



## Good News From Antigua

In 1991 Esther and Reggie helped Oscar & Joyce Cottam start a new church in their house. Now this church is growing quickly. The new church building is helping in this regard. Here is a letter just received from Oscar:

Dearly Beloved Reggie and Esther,

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. I

have sent some pictures to you of our last Sunday Fellowship. All the chairs were taken; our attendance has grown to seventy five. Please continue to pray for the work here in Antigua. Many thanks to all who are supporting us, and we are constantly praying for you that God will reward you accordingly. Please do not give up on us now, it will worth all the sacrifice you are making, you who are supporting us

I can say to you, You are sowing on good grounds. May God's blessing be your portion, now and forever more amen.

In the Master's Hand.

Oscar & Joyce.



## Bermuda ~ A Profile



Bermuda is a beautiful island in the Atlantic ocean. Although it is a favorite vacation spot for many throughout the world, No one from the Christian Church/Churches of Christ have made any attempt to establish the Lord's church there. We of WHITE FIELDS OVERSEAS EVANGELISM are praying that the Lord's Church will be established on Bermuda. If you know anyone there, or can help us in anyway please let us hear from you at once.

Nobody Knows Precisely when Bermuda was Discovered

Bermuda takes its name from Juan de Bermudez, who we know was able to thread his way through the reefs in 1515 and anchor his ship, La Garza, close to land. But as the Island appears on a map published by Peter Martyr in 1511, there is a theory that Bermudez might have been our first return visitor. On his 1515 voyage, he had a distinguished historian aboard, a man called Gonzales Ferdinando d'Oviedo, who wrote a brief account of the call. Foul weather, he said, prevented a planned landing.

In 1609 there occurred a shipwreck that was to have important consequences. An English fleet, under the command of Admiral Sir George Somers, was bound for the first new world settlement, Jamestown in Virginia. They were carrying supplies and settlers, but were hit by a hurricane. After a three-day fight with the elements, the crew of the Sea Venture spotted land and, working their way in as close as they could, lodged the ship between two shoals at what is now called Sea Venture Flat. All 140 men and women aboard were able to get ashore in what we now know as St. George's Parish. They built two ships, Patience and Deliverance, in which to continue the journey. The admiral fell in love with Bermuda, and eventually returned here with settlers, where he died in 1610. His heart is said to have been be interred in Somers Gardens, a park in Bermuda's first capital, also called St George's.

Bermuda was one of the earliest self-governing colonies under the British flag. In the early 1600's the Virginia charter was amended to include Bermuda as part of its New World holdings. In 1620 the first meetings on colonial legislature were held in the parliamentary sessions house still standing in St. George's today. Bermuda remains one of the oldest of Britain's colonies with British-style and protocols still visible in everyday life; however, its culture is diverse with more and more influences from the US, Caribbean and Canada.

The population is 65,365 (July 2005 est) with the ethnic makeup of the Bermudian population being black (58.4%), white (31.1%), mixed (6.4%) and other races (4.3%) which include a small minority of descendents from the American Indian. Approximately 25% of the resident population are foreign-born working in Bermuda and come from the UK, USA, Azores, Portugal, Canada, Philippines and other Asian countries, as well as the Caribbean. The official language is English; however, with a larger Portuguese presence in Bermuda, that language is also prevalent.



## New Faces, Same Focus!

There is a great excitement in my heart as I write my first report as the new Director of Development for White Fields! I am humbled to have been accepted for this position of service.

Reggie Thomas has long been a "hero" of mine, and to have the opportunity to work along side him and the men and women that comprise our Advisory Board and Executive Directors is a sincere honor.



My first association with Brother Reggie was in January, 1975, when we spent 6 weeks ministering in India, I was pianist for a group from Lexington, Kentucky called the "Gospel Couriers", I recently learned that this 6 weeks of "crusades" established an all-time record for the most new converts on a "White Fields" short-term mission trip, as over 13, 000 were baptized as a result of the 70+ individuals' collective efforts!

White Fields team members celebrated over 3,000 responses to the gospel message in India during a 3 week crusade in January of 2009! Reports are still coming in from recent trips to Cuba and Sierra Leone. These experiences just reinforce the truth that the "Fields " are still "White unto harvest"! In the weeks and months to come I look forward to meeting with you in your churches, homes and mission -focused groups to update you on what we are doing, what we are planning to do , and challenge you to continue to partner with us with your prayers, participation and financial support. I will be representing over 300 native ministers and 5 orphanages that are currently supported entirely by you and the White Fields teams.

Brother Reggie Thomas has poured his life into this ministry for over 43 years. The results are astounding and too numerous to detail in the brief space I have here. It is my goal to encourage all of us to keep the forward progress of his dream and Christ's message moving along, with your help. What one man had accomplished is amazing. Just think what might have been done if more had decided to jump in sooner and help! It's not too late for you and I to follow his example and accomplish great things for Christ around the globe!

UNTIL HE COMES,  
J D MILLER