The subject of the call to the mission field or to any particular part of the Lord's work is one which requires much attention. A study of Isaiah 6 reveals some facts in this connection. Isaiah saw The Lord and then saw himself. When he saw himself he accepted himself as he saw himself to be, a person with a need. He acknowledged this need and the Lord applied help to the point of need, his lips (vs. 5-7). Then he heard the voice of the Lord calling "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" He replied, "Here am I; send me." (Vs.8). There were not a half dozen requirements or questions attached but a complete resignation to God. This call had nothing to do with geography or circumstances. He was not attached to salaries, furloughs, living conditions, retirement plans, etc. It had to do only with God! Once that was settled Isaiah was told he was to go to a People who would not respond. Now that God had control there was no further problem.

Once the call to God is settled there comes the matter of Directives. One of the tragedies in missions today is embodied in the word "inflexible". A Christian today who finds himself unable to adjust and readjust will soon find himself in difficulty. The Apostle Paul had settled the question of a call long before the experiences of Acts 16. The contents of that chapter reveal the matter of directives that may be experienced within the scope of the call. I am sure God didn't shut the door into Asia because Paul was not spiritual. Neither was the door shut because there was no need in Asia. For reasons known to Himself God shut that door. He opened another door to Macedonia. There is an important principle seen here and that is Paul's reaction to the change. Paul was not bitter but rather expectant and responsive (Acts 16:6-10). He was not called to Macedonia because of crowds clamoring to hear, rather he waited days and then began where he was with what he found which was a small group of women on a riverbank (vs. 13). This was the beginning of the missionary movement which centuries later brought the Gospel to you and to me.

What tragedy would have resulted if he had been "inflexible".

Finally, the important thing is Faithfulness. This is one part of the fruit of the Spirit. Our day seems to be characterized by "eager enthusiasts" who are ready at a moments notice but nowhere to be found after a year or two. God's work of missions needs men who can untangle their call, their directives and abide faithful to Him!
Greetings once again, the times we are now living in have created a lot of changes. One of the biggest changes was cancelling our 38th Annual Jubilee. We really miss not having our missionaries come for a visit and the fellowship we enjoy while they are with us. We are really looking forward to next year.

Marie and I had a chance this month to go to Pennsylvania and visit two churches. On Sunday morning we were at Roundtown Baptist Church and heard an inspiring message and had great fellowship. While there we picked up some Christmas Bags for Bro Mawuli’s Christmas Bag Project. We visited Christian Bible Fellowship for their Sunday evening service and heard another great message. The fellowship was wonderful and we were made to feel right at home. We picked up more Christmas bags there. Marie and I want to thank both churches for their support of our missionaries.

A reminder to everyone who participated in last year’s Christmas Bag Project and to anyone that might want to participate this year, your Christmas Bags and donations need to be at the mission board by September 18, 2020. We really need your help this year. Bro. Mawuli said that whatever we can do would be a great blessing to his church children. Any help would be appreciated.

Marie, Lucille, Angi

FIELD DIRECTOR

W e have been busy serving along side of our missionaries in every way. We are in the office everyday processing the missionary support payments, mailing out their prayer letters, and printing material. Praise the LORD that we have not missed one day due to the current situation in our country. The office has remained open and we have all retained our health! “The LORD always remains faithful!”

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Jack Stewart

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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL AND SO. AMERICA AND MEXICO

It is a blessing to be able to greet you again. We understand that this year 2020 has been a very different and difficult year but we also know that we have a God that never changes. We can trust and depend on Him anytime and anywhere.

Our Hispanic missionaries and their families are doing fine. Like many places in the world by the mandate of the governments, church buildings are closed and any religious meetings are not able to be held. All the missionaries are using the social media to have their services like Zoom, WhatsApp, Facebook, YouTube, etc. Through the social media it has opened a new door to spread the Gospel and the Word of God preached around the world. Also some missionaries are going to the houses of church members and dropping off Bible studies every week, especially for children and teens. We praise the Lord for the missionaries are still doing the work that the He has called them to do. They are still passing out tracts and others also are giving out bags of food as a means to keep preaching the Gospel and the Word of God. We understand the gates of Hell will not prevailed against the church!

Please keep giving and praying for these missionaries, their families and their ministries. They are in countries and places that are badly struggling financially. It is not in vain what you do for the Lord and these servants of God. Some of these countries have very strict restrictions like you can only go out once a week to buy food, pharmacy, bank, etc. The lines are very long in these places! But praise the Lord, people are still being saved and lives transformed.

Also our mission trip to El Salvador in this month had to be cancelled. We hope that next year we can reschedule it.

We also wanted to ask you if you can pray and if you would like to give for some special needs. Missionary Axil Urbina in Honduras had been for awhile trying to buy a property and build a church building in one of his mission works there, San Juan Pueblo. The cost for the property and to build is $15,000 US. Also Missionary Marie’s eye. The Retina specialist said she did not need the injections to the eye at this time. Her next appointment is in September so please continue to pray for that need. She is also asking for prayer for a special need for a family member that the LORD knows all about.

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Gabriel Bonilla in Metapan, El Salvador is giving out food to his church members that are in great need plus others as a means to give the Gospel. Any amount will be a blessing for this project.

Also here in North Wilkesboro, North Carolina we are busy. We are passing out tracts and recently my wife and I have guided two ladies to the Lord and were saved - Elisa and Paola. Also we have been painting our church basement and Sunday School rooms and other repairs. In a few days, I will be going with two other preachers to do a service in a company. They will be doing magic tricks and I will be translating in Spanish. We expect around 50 workers plus their families to be present. We covet your prayers to see people saved and lives changed through this special service. We are having Sunday morning service at 11am at our church plus through FaceBook our Sunday morning and evening service and Thursday evening midweek service at 11am at our church plus through FaceBook our Sunday morning and evening service and Thursday evening midweek service. My wife is doing a devotional with the teens on Wednesday evening through Zoom.

Again, thank you for being faithful through missions. Let us keep praying and working for the Lord!

Ernesto Andrade

We finished this church building in the Philippines in July. The church is about three years old. The church had around fifty members. The pastor and members were so happy. They had been praying for a church building for a year or more. The church is typical of the churches for which we build church buildings.

I require that the church has land to put the church building on. Sometimes it takes years to pay for a piece of land. Then, some of the churches are blessed with a church building. They see the hand of God working.

I can build a church building for $7,500.00. The money for the church building usually comes from a church in the US. The money for the church building just finished came from a church in SC. The money for the building we are about to start came from another church in SC.

I have around ten churches currently that need a church building. I believe God is working in the Philippines. Many souls are being saved in the churches I am helping. Please pray that God will continue to save at these churches.

Please remember our men that serve in the Philippines and also Bro. Howard Miller. He is our newest missionary and is currently on deputation. He is looking forward to getting back on the field.

Thank God in the midst of a pandemic, as God’s people we don’t have to live in fear because our God is our Refuge, our Fortress, and our Habitation! We are all living in unprecedented times in these days and we don’t know what all the future holds, but Hallelujah we know who holds the Future!

Myself and Brother Joe Hendricks were scheduled to go to Ghana, West Africa on Monday August 31st, but as of today, the border is still closed to any outsiders because of the virus. So, it looks like that trip will have to be cancelled. I have been traveling every year to Ghana since 2006 ministering to the people and not being able to go this year really breaks my heart! But we understand that God knows best and that everything happens as He sees fit! God is still moving in Africa in a mighty way! God has provided in an extraordinary way to ship over 8000 complete Bibles and New Testaments to Ghana recently. Also, God has provided the funds to pay for the customs fees and transportation cost to distribute these Bibles! Praise God! Also, right now through the ministry of pastor Emmanuel Ameyaw our FBHM missionary in Ghana, there are some weekly youth camps going in Ghana with limited attendance. As of today, I got a report that over 135 young people have been saved so far! Praise the Lord! Please be praying for the ministry there!

We also got word that another church building has been completed in a village in Togo, where a little over one year today, myself and Brother Chip Stowe were there dedicating a new drilled well that had been dug in a village that had no fresh water supply! Now God has provided that same village a new church! Praise His Name!

We are also burdened about getting some Bibles to Togo. So, by God’s Grace by the end of September, we will be shipping over 1500 French Bibles to Togo to be distributed for His Glory along with over 2000 French gospel tracts! The shipping cost is expected to be over $1500 to ship these Bibles. If anyone wants to give toward the cost of getting these Bibles to Togo, please send any donations to FBHM office and earmark the donation for Togo Bibles! Thank you so much for your faithful giving to see the word of the Lord all over the world move forward for His glory!

God bless, Keith Phelps
Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the islands. Isaiah 42:12

Greetings once again in that name above all names Jesus Christ. I think we can all say 2020 has been a very different year for us all. As we look around, we see the signs of the times and realize Jesus is coming soon. Even so come Lord Jesus.

Becky and I were in Guyana South America when the airports were closed. In all our years of travel that is the first time that they have closed the airports while we were gone. Ha-ha. We stayed a few extra days before getting a flight home. I want to say thanks for all those that called and prayed for us during those days. The brothers in Guyana were so good to Becky and I while we were there. We continued to preach and work right up to our flight home, actually had another week scheduled if we didn’t get a flight. God says occupy till I come, brethren we need to stay busy for Him.

Corona 19 has changed many of our plans this year. We have cancelled our trips to the islands until things change with the virus and travel restrictions. Let us all continue to pray for healing and recovery for each one affected by the Virus. The men from the islands are not coming in this year as well because of the Covid 19.

I have tried to stay in contact with at least some of our missionaries in the islands. As far as we know none of our missionaries or their families have had the virus Praise the Lord. They are dealing with Lock downs and shortages because of its effects on their countries. It does not seem to be as wide spread there as here. It has affected their services just like here some are just starting back to regular church services.

I received some pictures from Brother Jeremy Scott in Grenada last week. They are back at the building project in Chantimelle. It was halted due the virus and the rain. They were pouring concrete on August 8, even after a heavy shower of rain fell. Pray for this new church and the men there as they are working to see it completed.

Please continue to lift each of our men up as they serve God in the islands. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.