

THINGS TO COME MISSION



Inter-National Harvest

When I was a student in Milwaukee Bible College (now Grace Bible College), I had the opportunity to sit under the teaching of Bro. J. C. O'Hair and Bro. Pickett. Pastor O'Hair challenged us to evangelize in order to establish churches. Bro. Pickett, the missions teacher, taught us the ministry of the missionary: evangelism, teaching, training, and establishing national churches.

In 1958, Vernon Anderson and I started a ministry in the Philippines. Our methods were evangelism, teaching, and training. Our objective was to establish churches. During those years we never dreamed that one day TCM would be accepting missionaries from the Philippine ministry to send abroad. Now, in 1999, TCM has 11 Filipino missionaries and one Indonesian missionary ministering in Kenya, Brazil and Indonesia.

I would like to list for you the Filipino missionaries and their fields of ministry:

KENYA:

During our September TCM board meeting, the board of directors accepted **Carlo and Elma Paña**, with their son, Charael, as missionaries to Kenya. They arrived in Kenya the 31st of December, 1999. They are receiving special missionary training on the field from Ben

Anderson. They are in Embu and are teaching in the Bible School and helping with church planting. Bro. Carlo and his wife have been actively involved in the Philippine ministry for many years. He has taught in the International Grace Bible Institute and has also been a pastor. His wife has been involved in children's and women's ministries.



Joseph W. Watkins, Executive Director

Gardner and Ledith Improso, and family are in their second term in Embu, Kenya. Gardner is the director of the Bible institute and both are teachers in the school. Gardner also is involved in various other ministries which include: Theological Education by Extension (TEE) instructor,

evangelistic crusades, Sunday school seminars, and church visitation. Ledith is involved in the Sunday school, handling finances, and women's ministries as well as entertaining nationals who come to Embu.

Genesis and Verna Maraat, and family are in the Philippines on furlough until May 2000. When they return to Kenya they will again be involved

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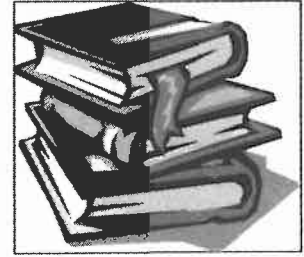
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International Bible Institute Libraries



The libraries of Things to Come Mission's Bible institutes around the world are an integral part of the total Christian education of our students. They provide material to supplement and enhance the classroom studies, as well as being important research resources for teachers, pastors and other Christian workers. The holdings in our libraries are chosen so as to furnish the students with both deep and significant



biblical knowledge, as well as books which will help mold and teach each student to strive for a godly and balanced Christian life and ministry.

In 1995 Sonia Coulbourn went to the Philippines to reorganize, repair, and reclassify the library books on the campuses of International Grace Bible Institute and the smaller Negros Grace Bible Institute. It was hard work, requiring long and often tedious hours. The students were also provided with library manuals to help them more easily locate the various materials. The final result was that the resources of the library were more accessible to the students and faculty and thus better utilized

Sonia is back in the U.S. living on the eastern shore of Maryland, yet her ministry to our Bible institute libraries continues. As books are donated for our libraries or as funds are available to purchase them, she receives, records, catalogs, packages, and ships them around the world to our various schools.

Editor's Note: Books for the Bible Institute Libraries may be sent directly to Sonia at her current address in Maryland. Financial gifts should be sent to the TCM office with a designation "Bible Institute Library Project."

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Ready
Another year has come and gone.
The shout did not take place.
Salvation still is offered you,
In this day of grace.
He paid the price for all your sin.
Believe in Him today.
Eternal life will then be yours
Removed from all harms way.
Bernice Whitman



FOCUS ON LEADERSHIP

Phillip du Plessis is a man committed to the Lord Jesus Christ and is growing a ministry of Grace in South Africa.

It is interesting and challenging to see the current work which has developed because of his vision, hard work, study, testimony, and sacrifice. As you visit and study the five churches in the Association of Berean Grace Ministries in South Africa, you come to realize that four of the five groups are the direct result of Phillip's ministry.

Port Elizabeth, on the southern coast of South Africa, is "home" to Phillip. He grew up in this area, finished elementary and high school, spent his one year in the military service, and began his career and marriage there. His college training and apprenticeship was in the field of graphic design.

While working in Port Elizabeth, Phillip was invited by his girlfriend to attend a church service where Bruce Woolard was preaching. After some time in the church, both Phillip and his girlfriend accepted the Lord as their

Savior. Phillip and Shirley married and continued to serve the Lord.

After just one year and 3 months of marriage, Phillip's wife died from kidney failure. Although challenged to relax and recuperate from this great loss, Phillip's only desire was to "preach the Word." After a couple of months, Phillip and Graham (Phillip's brother-in-law who also attended the church) enrolled in a Bible college in the Johannesburg area. After two years of full-time study Phillip left the school because of theological disputes, confusion and teachings that he found were not biblically based.

Phillip enrolled in correspondence courses for further Bible study. Phillip married Antoinette and it was while she was pregnant with their second child, Ruan, that he enrolled in another Bible College. Studying during the day and working at night for a newspaper company in Johannesburg kept him busy. Although he had to work full-time to support his family and his study, his desire, even at the beginning, was to be in full-time Christian ministry.

Being part of a music ministry, Phillip had the opportunity to sing in many churches and areas of the country with a gospel band called Logos. They recorded an LP called "Life's Just Begun." He still continues his music ministry and has already recorded one solo CD.

Phillip continued his graphic design work and completed courses at the Bible college. At the same time he began to understand the unique message of God's grace that was entrusted to the Apostle Paul.

Phillip and Antoinette began a church while in the Johannesburg area. In time, because of medical needs for their son, Ruan, Phillip and his family moved to Pretoria. Again he tried to start a church. The church started with just the two of them and Tilly, a lady with whom Phillip worked. The church grew steadily through the outreach of this tiny core as they invited friends and relatives to join them for worship and study of God's Word.

While working at a newspaper office in Pretoria, Phillip started to discuss the Bible with Stephens Thobela, one of his co-workers. Showing much interest in the Grace message, Stephens attended a seminar in Phillip's home and in time began to study some of the correspondence courses Phillip was offering. On the first Sunday of 1995 Stephens started a church in Soshanguve, about 30 minutes outside of Pretoria. He continued his study, often by candlelight since the whole Soshanguve area where he lived did not have electricity, and finished the Christian Ministry Certificate program. When Stephens moved to Soweto in 1996 he started a church there and the church in Soshanguve was handed over to two elders in the church (Freddy and Boy). Now Pastor Freddy is the pastor in Soshanguve. Within the last two years, Pastor Boy Ngomane has started a church through family contacts in Mpumalanga, about two hours east of Pretoria. Both Phillip and Stephens have helped Boy in this endeavor.

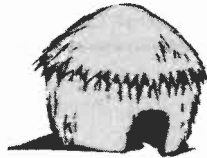
During the last two years, Phillip has also been the initiative behind organizing and directing the Association of Berean Grace Ministries in South Africa. About six other men joined with Phillip to become board members of this new association. A Bible institute was initiated and courses have been developed. Other courses are currently being developed.

Phillip and his wife still have to work at full-time secular jobs. His desire is to have the church developed enough to enable him to resign his work at the newspaper office and go full-time with the church and Association. Phillip has a real desire to see the message of God's grace as revealed to and through the Apostle Paul spread throughout South Africa and the world.

Please be in prayer for Phillip, his family, the churches, and the Association.

Be Involved in Ministry this Summer!

Things to Come Mission is offering two opportunities for you to be directly involved in God's work overseas.



Africa Safari 2000



June 26 to July 14, 2000

This trip will be to TCM's ministry in Kenya and will include involvement in evangelism, worship, and teaching and construction.



Summer Servanthood Tour Recife, Brazil

Experience the joy of serving God and helping others to know him better.

This trip will be coordinated by Pastor Tim Heath and will involve helping with a Daily Vacation Bible School, ministering to youth, and church construction.

Tentative dates are June 23 to July 14.



**For more information contact Things to Come Mission, 2200 English Ave,
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NEWS YOU CAN USE FOR PRAYER

Carlo and Elma Paña safely arrived in Kenya on December 31, 1999 and are beginning their missionary ministry. Carlo will immediately begin teaching in the Bible institute in Embu, while at the same time they will undergo a period of training and orientation which will be directed by Ben Anderson. Their son Charael will be enrolled in a local high school. Continue to be in prayer for them during this time of adjustment.

Joel and Darcy Molina and family will be coming to the U.S. at the end of January for a year of US service. Their absence from the ministry in Recife will be felt hard because of Joel's involvement in the fledgling Bible institute in the Iburá church. Any churches that wish to have the Molinas visit should contact the TCM office.

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in church planting, the Bible School ministry, TEE, and outreach ministries. Verna will again be active with the women's ministries and children's ministries.

RECIFE, BRAZIL:

Gomer and Nene Indino are teaching in the Bible Institute in Recife. Gomer is also a youth leader and helps in outreach programs. Nene helps with the women's and children's ministries and in the music ministry. They have opened several new areas for children's ministries.

Joel and Darcy Molina, and family. Joel is teaching in the Bible institute, helping with church growth ministries and youth ministries. Joel teaches a Bible class in the local college. Darcy's ministry is mainly the family, since they have four children. She is also hostess for visitors coming through.

JAKARTA, INDONESIA:

Luz Gaddi was able to enter Indonesia as an English teacher at a University. At the same time she is involved in the ministry of the Grace churches there. She holds Sunday school teachers' seminars and visits the churches to help with their Christian Education programs when she isn't teaching in the University.

MANADO, INDONESIA:

Mario and Ella Indino are involved in church planting and training nationals. They hope to start a Bible institute in the future. Ella organizes women's and youth fellowships.

How grateful we are to have had a part in the training of these fine missionaries. The Philippine field continues to grow. I regularly receive reports of church buildings being built. Bible schools, especially for training of elders in the different churches, and the two Bible institutes continue to train the Timothys and Tituses for the ministry.

Thanks so much for your part. Please make these missionaries a matter of prayer.

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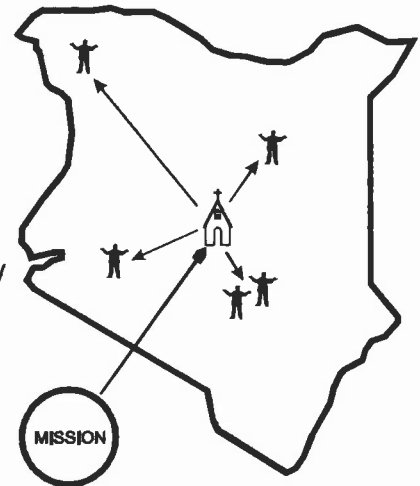
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Take a Moment to Learn about Missions by Ben Anderson

The missionary task requires a strategy. The modern mission movement is now over 200 years old. It is past time to analyze where our limited missionary resources should go. At present, around 90% of resources go to World C (evangelized) countries while only 2% go to World A (unevangelized) countries. Two tools for readjusting our priorities have been mentioned in this column: the **World A, B and C Model** and the **10/40 Window**.

Many methods have been proposed for finishing the task of reaching the unreached. Some of these methods have included worldwide evangelistic crusades, the Jesus film, Christian radio and many others. All these have their value. However, the best strategic method for reaching the unreached is basically unchanged from the method developed by Apostle Paul nearly 2000 years ago. That is, to evangelize people and immediately plant a church among those who believe. The most convincing way to present the gospel is person to person. Planting a church among an unreached people group will invariably lead to interpersonal relationships between believers and non-believers. The gospel will then flow out along this web of relationships. This truth is why Dr. Peter Wagner often states, "The most effective means of evangelism in the world is church planting."

To evangelize the remaining unreached people will require an army of missionaries who must be willing to sacrifice "the good life" and use whatever means necessary to get into unreached countries, develop relationships and form churches among those who believe. You can decide for yourself if modern Christians are up to the task. Are you doing your part to plant a church among an unreached people group?



A church plant is the most effective strategy for evangelizing an unreached people group.