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Sir: I totally disagree to the disparaging convictions of my fellow countryman who wrote "Down with Inferiority, Too" in your October edition.

Knowing however that "Piece of Mind" is designed for "personal opinion, criticism and dissent" only diminished slightly the crucifying weight the article brought upon me.

Yet, though I feel strongly right that the subject matter, inferiority complex, requires a more intensive research and professional attention I throw my hat to the wishes of K. T. Gaw (Readers' Right letter, January 1970 issue) in his appeal for response to that massive betrayal.

R. H. Manalang Chicago, Illinois

Something more is needed

Sir: I have read with interest V MacDonald's article, "The Missionar Scar Tissue on his Soul," in t December 1969 issue, as it revives to impressions and reactions that we mine when I visited missionaries South America and Europe.

However, something more needs be said and done, I believe, about t suffering that missionaries endure d to "reverse-culture shock" upon the return to the States particularly after long term of service. Perhaps missic boards need to give attention developing an effective program "reverse-orientation" for those return ing home in order to ward off serio psychological reactions that can dev op. Observing several such cases in the last few months has prompted th response.

> Ellen Thompse Wheaton, Illino

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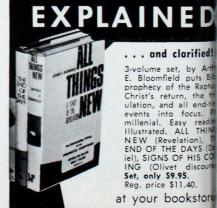
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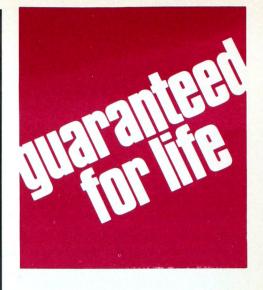
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He could have passed by on the other side of the road from Huiscapi to Villarrica, but he stopped (p. 8). He could have passed by the barbarous Fijians, but he stopped (p. 13). He could have passed by primitive and remote nineteenth century Uganda, but he stopped (p. 16). He could have passed by every potential hospital site within Christendom and beyond, but he stopped.

He could have passed by Bethlehem, Nazareth, and Jerusalem, but he stopped. He could have passed by the hungering multitudes of Galilee whose condition cried out for compassion, but he stopped. He could have passed by the sick and wounded sinners on the hill of Calvary, but he stopped.

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Missionary founder of station HLKX in Korea, Tom Watson, Jr., is now engaged in writing and a Bibleteaching ministry.

SOCIAL CHANGE, FRIEND NOT ENEMY

"You are instruments of social upheaval!" Jesus said to his 12 disciples as he sent them out on the first itinerant ministry found in the New Testament. Those were not the recorded words, but there is evidence that this was his intention.

Jesus sent his representatives into society with a dynamic assignment to bring about change. Change holds no terror for the man armed with an authentic word from God. For him, change is inevitable—even desirable. When Jesus said "I came not to send peace, but a sword," he made himself and his representatives a part of the apparatus that bridges change.

Drastic and dramatic change has been characteristic of the full sweep of human history. Upheaval is the normal scheme of things. To the extent that the Christian community disregards this factor of life, it will fail to condition itself for an effective witness in the mainstream of an irreversible process of social change.

It is not difficult to accept the inevitability of change where tangible things are concerned. Acceptance may come gradually, but it comes.

It is change in the intangibles that appears to bother us most. We can accept it when the 1970 automobiles are different from models made in 1969 when airplanes move up to greater passenger loads and supersonic speeds; when computer systems take over where bookkeeping clerks had to leave off; when parks are changed to parking lots, and pastures to interstate expressways.

What bothers most people is when values themselves are altered. But probably there is no such thing as genuine social upheaval that does not involve shifts in the intangible values—the goals, standards and aspirations of the people.

There is talk today of new morality, situational ethics and a "ruthless reappraisal" of all the old values. In the wake of massive tangible changes, this is the way it ought to be. Our generation may well have seen the death of spiritual naiveness that asks no embarrassing questions and accepts all of the traditional answers "by faith."

To some this is disturbing news, but it ought not to be. It should not frighten anyone who is a participant in a truly living witness for Jesus Christ, based not upon dogmatic formulas, but upon authentic principles actually taught in the Word of God.

It is important that we acknowledge that not all of our cherished principles and convictions really have their origin in God. They may be defensible as tools for a given time and situation, and they may have worked well under certain circumstances, but unless they are supported by the Word of God they still must be classified as formulas. Specific examples are dangerous, but no one can deny the fatal wound dealt the prohibition of movie attendance by TV's invasion of the evangelical home. What a believer does about the movie theater no longer is a valid issue-but then, it is entirely possible that it never was.

Change is a friend and not an enemy when it forces us to reevaluate and onsider convictions and proscriptions solidly rooted in a clearly stated rd from God. Change has a refining dity. We may have rested comforty, securely, and with a clear connece, upon the crutches of an piblical principle because pragmatity it brought for a while the desired

For decades, during the rise of odernism," much of the evangelical nmunity rallied around the Scofield le and its authoritarian pre-tribulant rapture, premillenial stance. For the believers, any other escatological was equated with heresy. Today re is a valid case for other interpretants, and some Christian organizations the realized a strengthening through opting a less brittle view concerning the result of the result of the result of the rise o

Jpheaval has come, and we are ced to reexamine our convictions. crutch is removed, and we stand tall in, taller than ever before because re remain those things which cannot shaken, and we have received an itional foretaste of that kingdom ch cannot be moved.

Dur greatest responsibility in the lst of social upheaval is to determine the basis of proper authority what st not change because it cannot and s not change. This is not really a icult task, but it does require cipline, honesty and discernment, all ed upon consistent interpretation of Word of God. The inerrancy and olute authority of the Scriptures; the trines of Christ's person and work; lostness of men who do not share life—these among other biblical facts ife will never be altered.

But when we have determined what is y unchangeable, and separated it om those things that are shaken," we n become able to accommodate selves, our methods, our convictions our world view to what has to nge because it does change.

t is possible for human beings of questioned sincerity to err grievously equating their own convictions and es with a word from God on the ject. But "matters of opinion" are ng subjected today to a close atiny that probably is long overdue. fail to be flexible in the presence of h inevitable and inescapable change ald be culpably obscurantist—and bably fatal to our cause.



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The road from Huiscapi to Villarrica

by John C. Bucher

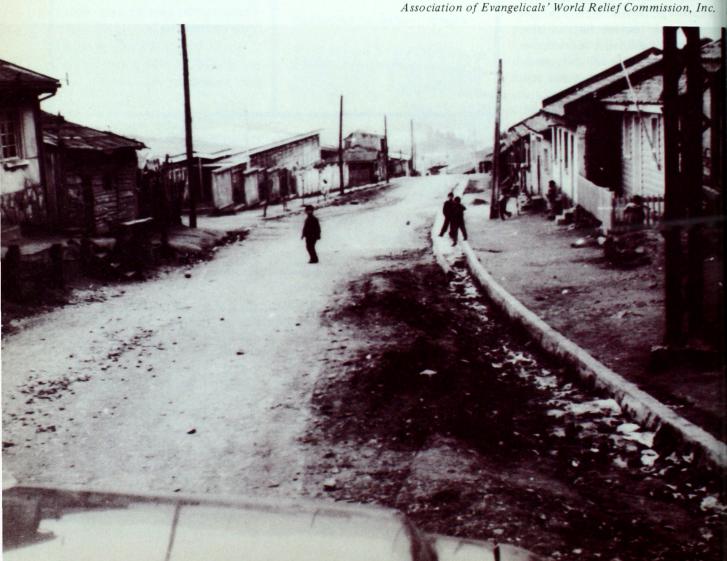
The road from Huiscapi to Villarrica, marketplace for large rural area in Chile, was hardly more than a trail, like most the other roads leading into Villarrica. Whenever it rains which was about eight months out of the year, the "roabecame a string of treacherous mudholes, negotiable only foot of by donkey and hardly passable by oxcart.

Today Indian farmers no longer have to trudge muddy roa on foot carrying their produce to market, and I can travel throad without difficulty in my station wagon. There is also be service twice a week.

Behind the building of the road is a story of Christic concern and the work of the World Relief Commission of to National Association of Evangelicals and its Chilean counterpart, Ayuda Christiana Evangelica.

I was living in Chile during the two serious earthquakes 1960. The first hit the Concepcion area early Saturdamorning, and then Sunday afternoon Chile experienced the second and most damaging quake which affected an arconsidered earthquake safe, immediately to the south of the first area. Loss of life was low but property damage was very

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th. Part of Chile's coast sank into the Pacific, and there are all many acres of land under water.

The Christian community around the world responded to the emergency. Church World Service had just begun its pogram in Chile at the time and had many tons of badly medded clothing and medical supplies at its disposal for relief with the Christian and Missionary Alliance sent over \$80,000 trebuild damaged or destroyed churches.

What happened in Chile in 1960 happens every day in one v or another all over the world.

Disaster relief is a "one-shot deal." Continuation of help, ce the emergency is over, many times produces a sense of condence and therefore does more harm than good. For this is son the United States government has changed its foreign fod program. The old family feeding, give-away program is ct. The present basic concept is to help people find solutions is their own economic and social problems. Food is used as a incentive, as well as remuneration, for work on community pojects that benefit members of the community.

At the moment World Relief Commission and Ayuda ristiana Evangelica are involved in a total of 194 projects i olving 9455 workers who have 48,839 dependents. This ture varies slightly from month to month.

Our food for work projects would tend to fall into at least p categories: rural and urban projects.

It is impossible to say which type does the most good as we ve varied results in both. However, we have had more oblems with urban projects because the people are less lined to work even though at times their needs may actually greater. We have had to close down some of these projects cause the people were not working enough to compensate the food they were receiving. This seldom happens in the al programs where the people tend to work proportionately re for what they receive than in urban projects.

The road between Huiscapi and Villarrica is a typical ample of a rural project. In all it took 38 workmen (who port 276 dependents) four months to complete this job. ban projects, for the most part, involve building homes or proving existing developments. In the city of Valparaiso, led Valle Verde, the project consisted of putting in sewerage I water mains.

In and around the cities of Concepcion and Santiago we came involved in some rather large housing development bjects. The project of Laguna Redondo in Concepcion, made of a little better income sector of the population than most bjects, consists of 634 workers involved in building the same mber of houses. These workers also receive food for their pendents.

Last year ten people were killed in the southern port city of erto Montt where several families battled the police when ling evicted from land they had illegally taken for a housing velopment. Soon after this tragic incident we became inled in four self-help housing projects that have helped renty workers and their 350 dependents.

A rather interesting semi-urban project was the building of a



One "food for work" project was to construct this orphanage.

light plant for the small town of Conaripe. First of all it was necessary to build a canal to take the water from a stream to a place where it could be used to turn a small turbine. A cement spillway also had to be built to house the turbine. Since the town was two miles away poles had to be planted to handle the power lines. The poles, of course, had to be brought by workmen from nearby forests.

One of the most interesting projects was the building of an orphanage in Loncoche that will eventually house more than one hundred children. It will also serve as a school. This project has taken over a year and is still continuing as other buildings are being added. Eventually there will be five major buildings and several smaller units such as woodsheds and chicken coops.

Basically, the gospel is concerned with restoring men to fellowship with God through faith in the crucified and risen Savior. The lost and perishing are redeemed to become new creatures, regenerated by the Holy Spirit. Their ethic of love has reference to God first but also to all men. Thus the inescapable fact that the gospel has social implications.

Many social changes have taken place during the past twenty years that have produced unrest. Pent up feelings and anxieties are bound to produce tension and something has to give. In some countries it takes the form of guerrilla warfare and political instability.

However, many churches need help in some of the implications of the gospel, particularly in the field of social service. I don't think the situation we have in Chile is totally different from many other countries, but since I've lived in Chile most of my life it is a situation I understand.

Chile has a relatively strong national church, but is seriously short of trained pastors to cope with the problems they face in

Road from Huiscapi Continued

their churches, let alone with many of the social implications of the gospel. Most of the pastors work part-time or full-time to be able to make ends meet.

The interesting thing is that the Chilean government is aware of the importance of the evangelical population in the country as well as of their needs. For a good many years they have been willing to subsidize private church schools that meet government requirements. They have subsidized organizations like CARITAS (Catholic Relief Service), SAWS (Seventh Day Adventist) and Ayuda Christiana Evangelica to carry on social work

The Chilean government also allows us to import duty free from the States equipment tools such as vehicles, musical instruments for churches and electrical equipment for evangelization.

Why all of this? There is no war in Chile. The effects of the earthquake are over. Hunger and poverty here are less severe than in some other countries.

The reason is a preventative one. Why wait for a Vietnam or something worse? In this respect I give credit to U. S. and Chilean government leaders who have insight and foresight. Their food program makes it possible to help feed people so that the people not only can spend more time working on their homes but also have something to eat while they are doing it. The same goes for the installation of water mains, sewers, sidewalks, rural roads, school buildings and many other projects.

This type of work is positive. It not only solves basic needs of the people but follows the scriptural injunction that if you don't work you don't have a right to eat.

Because this program, in our case, is administered by the evangelical churches, it gives the churches a social outreach and makes them more conscious of the social needs of the people around them. This does *not* produce "rice Christians."

A typical self-help housing project includes building a street.



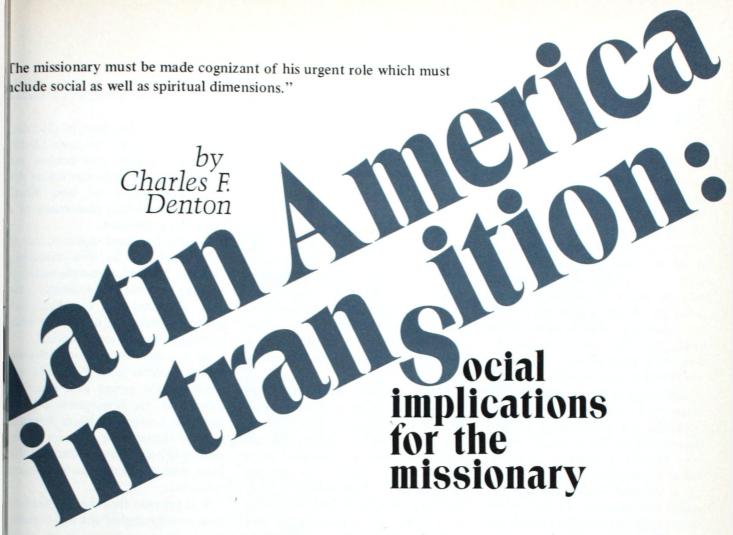
In fact we do not want to use the food to proselytize. In sense the churches are secondary beneficiaries. We general help more non-church people than church members. Since t U. S. government donates food and the Chilean governme supplies most of the funds to run the program, needs must met irrespective of church or non-church affiliation. Neverth less, I think the evangelical churches have been given a important opportunity to serve their communities by the means.

This program is not easy; it has complications and inbudangers as do most enterprises. But many things can accomplished in social work through a voluntary agency the would be suicidal for just any church group or mission boat to attempt. A voluntary agency, due to its status with the loc government can come to the aid of the mission boards an national churches because of its international representation. This is especially true in Chile.

I'm convinced that at this moment we can do far more for the Christian cause in Chile by helping national church group get on their feet, helping them financially in some projects they are also willing to play a part, and cooperating wit mission boards and their evangelical efforts, than we would we sat around and waited for some spectacular emergency.

Children pick-up "wages" for the family's work on the Valle Verde housing project in Valparaiso.





In the increasingly complex Latin merican scene, the position of the orth American missionary is becoming ore sensitive.

This does not mean that the profesonal missionary no longer has a place. It it does mean that the missionary, ovice and veteran alike, must be made ognizant of his extremely delicate and the same time urgent role which must clude social as well as spiritual mensions. In fact it would appear that iritual considerations can no longer be sily separated from social problems in fective missionary efforts.

There is an ideological and spiritual cuum in the twenty nations of Latin merica which, when coupled with sperate social problems, present unnited opportunities and challenges.

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The Latin American seeks an ideology which will change thought processes in his country and bring socio-economic and political development.

In general, thinking Latins have rejected evangelical Christianity as being irrelevant to their countries' problems. For in many cases the missionary has emphasized the spiritual aspects of his ideology to the exclusion of all other considerations. The problem then is one of making the Christian message of vital concern in Latin America by placing more emphasis on its socio-economic impact. And the North American missionary must present this message not as a representative of the United States but as a representative of the Christian Church.

If new and stronger efforts are not made to change Latin American values with a socio-economic as well as a spiritual orientation, the end result will be increasing misery, poverty and illiteracy—conditions beyond the under-

standing of most North Americans. No amount of foreign aid will bring the required development unless thought processes are changed.

Perhaps it would be of use to take a

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glance at just who is promoting socio-economic and political ideologies in Latin America.

The Soviet Union has finally recognized the situation in Latin America for what it is. In what represents a major shift in Communist tactics, it has begun to carry out a policy in the area specifically designed to take advantage of the weaknesses of the United States—particularly of the ideological variety. The Soviets are moving in to fill

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in transition

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the ideological vacuum. However, realizing that revolutions in extremely backward countries are expensive to support, as Cuba has vividly illustrated to officials of the Soviet Union, the overturning of the present order of things in Latin America is for the present not advocated. Some analysts estimate that it is costing the Soviet Union almost two million dollars daily to support the Cuban economy at the very time the Soviet people are demanding more of the fruit of the wealth and production of their country.

This change in Soviet policy does not represent a deviation from Marxist teachings. For the ideology of Karl Marx called not for a peasant revolution, but for a worker's revolution. Before Communism can occur, according to orthodox Marxist ideology—now labeled revisionism by the Maoists and others—a country must first be industrialized. Then and only then, the workers are to take over the means of production.

Instead of revolution the Soviet Union now seeks respectability for Communist organizations of each country in Latin America. And concurrently she probes for markets for Russian products. Communist groups in the various countries are encouraged to maintain a steady ideological stance while cooperating with any group which shows real promise for aiding economic development. One result of this policy, it must be pointed out, has been a split in many Latin American Communist organizations.

The overall picture is one of "dynamic stagnation" in Latin America. Now that the Communists have changed their policy there is really no group working toward the immediate and direct devel-

"No amount of foreign aid will bring development unless thought processes are changed." "Some Latin American intellectuals. . . have begun to label North American evangelical missionaries as a fifth column movement."

opment of the countries. Values are not being changed fast enough or widely enough. And yet as the present situation stands, if and when there is development it will take place within the context of Communist ideology. For this is the only belief system consistently set before the people which is concerned with man and his social problems.

Because prejudice against the United States is building up in Latin America, the foreign missionary has little choice but to channel his efforts through established national churches. This is just as well. For it is up to the national churches in the final analysis to meet the challenge and encourage the finding of solutions for socio-economic and political problems, while bringing about necessary change in values through the gospel of Jesus Christ. The North American can be little more than a catalyst in this process, as he helps reorient national churches to their dual role.

The term "reorient" is utilized because in many countries national churches are incapable of meeting the challenge. There are two reasons for this. First, many North American missionaries have been reluctant to relinquish their grip on work they have started, stunting the growth of national leaders who rely on foreign missionaries as crutches. Secondly, the Protestant nationals have become committed to the system in which they live.

Many nationals, after their conversion, often begin to emerge into the middle class. This occurs in either the first, or at the latest, second generation of Protestants. Yet it is becoming increasingly apparent to many analysts of the Latin American scene that the group which most impedes the economic and social development of the

twenty countries of the area is indeed the middle class.

Some Latin American intellectuals, noting the role of the Protestant Church in creating middle class families and realizing the non-progressive role of this class, have begun to label North American evangelical missionaries as a fifth column movement.

In general national churches, true to the example set by their missionary founders, concern themselves with proclaiming salvation—undoubtedly the most important task to which they should be dedicating themselves—while evincing little or no social concern.

As a result there is no difference between middle class Protestant and non-Protestant groups with regard to concern for the development of their countries. Unless their North American mentors change their attitudes toward these problems, it seems doubtful that Latin American Protestants will become reoriented.

It is apparent then that the need for more non-theological and non-linguistic training for missionaries is an urgent one. Old and new missionaries, board directors, and even non-professional

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envoys need this type of training. Some boards recognize this need, but few have done much about it. Missionary training centers have been sadly lacking.

In summary, the need for more training and preparation of all missionaries is a great one considering the spiritual and social challenges of Latin America. A reappraisal is needed if North American missionaries are going to contribute toward helping to fill the spiritual vacuum while at the same time reorienting the national church toward the social concern required to meet the social and spiritual challenge of Latin America.

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Miracle in Fiji by Ross L. Holman

On Viti Levu, the largest of the Fiji Islands, members of the village of Korolevu dance a welcome to visitors from nearby Suva.



you had landed on the Fiji Islands over one hundred years ago you ld have been clubbed to death and body eaten at a cannibal feast. If get stranded there today you remore hospitable treatment than would in most any American city. The transformation that took place in the Fijian population in a little one century represents just about greatest miracle in recent history. It is any age was there a people so ge and barbarous as were the Fijians re the missionaries came. Continued

Holman is a former magazine r who now devotes his time to ance writing.

Miracle in Fiji Continued



The Fiji Military Band performs a native war dance that recalls a violent, bloody past.

The Fijian archipelago includes more than three hundred islands in the South Pacific. About one hundred are inhabited.

Population in the 1830s was about 200,000, but this number was somewhat reduced later by infectious diseases.

Inhuman practices were a part of the religion of the islands. Native tribes were continually warring with each other. At the end of each battle the slain were roasted in ovens and eaten by the victors. Those captured alive were also eaten but were subjected to inhuman torture before the actual killing. Parts of their bodies, such as legs, arms or tongue were cut off, roasted and eaten while they were yet alive.

The chief of each tribe was all-powerful. Whenever he built a hut and had the holes dug for the foundation posts, one of his subjects was buried alive in each hole. Whenever he launched one of his war canoes, live human bodies were used as rollers under the boat as it was

shoved toward the water. The bruised and mangled bodies were later eaten.

Many children were slain at birth by parents who didn't want the trouble of raising them. When an adult became too feeble or too old to be of any use to this barbaric society he was clubbed to death and put out of the way. It was not uncommon for a chief, if one of his wives looked like a tempting dish, to have her slain, roasted and served to his friends at a feast.

The first contact of the Fijians with Christian influences was in the 1820s. Up to this time the Fiji Islands were well out of range of most of the world's shipping lanes and few civilized people knew about them. But news reached church leaders in Britain of what a few converts from the nearby Tongan Islands had done to kindle a Fijian interest in the Christian faith. In 1835 they sent William Cross and David Cargill with a group of islanders converted in Tonga, to show the Fijians a way of life far more satisfying and joyful than

the cruel terror in which they w_{ε} existing.

In many places where they land they were met with a wild and rour reception, and for a while they start death in the face. Somehow they ma aged to escape with their lives. A Somosomo the native chief would n allow them to make converts of any his subjects.

John Hunt, Calvert and other Englis men soon followed Cross and Cargi But although their efforts were succesful to some extent among some of the social units, it was years before the teaching showed much effect on Fijis society as a whole. In pursuit of the work they were still taking their lives their hands.

Shortly after Hunt and his wi started work in Somosomo on the islar of Tarvieni they witnessed scenes are endured trials that taxed their crusadi spirit to the limit.

At one point in the Hunts' minist the king's son was drowned sea. A cording to Fijian custom on such occasion, his 16 wives were strangle About the same time a cannibal feast 11 bodies of men slain in battle w held within a few feet of Hunt's dw ling. Hunt's wife closed and blinded to windows to shut out the sight and sm of the burning human bodies. The chi took such mortal offense at this th Hunt's family came close to being mu dered. It was always hard to tell wh innocent act might be considered unforgivable violation of Fijian co ventions.

Hunt and his cohorts continued witness sights and sounds too revolti to describe in detail. After one w between tribes a hundred human bod were roasted for the victory feast. To hundred victims were served at another.

Wars were waged on the slighter pretext. The island of Malaki had be paying a tax in the form of turtles to ruling chief living on another island One day the Malaki natives presumed eat one of the turtles they had caugh For this offense the chief had ever man, woman and child on Malaki kille

Conversions in the Fiji group gain

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chiefs accepted the faith. Several pup movements into Christianity took to in the 1840s. The tremendous chrast between the way of life taught Christ and the inhuman barbarism der which they existed offered only de of many appeals the natives could at resist. Crowds flocked to the evancistic services. One savage monster ose cruelties won him the title of tuman butcher" was converted and he came a notable Christian preacher.

After the conversion in 1854 of akombau, most powerful and cruel cef on the islands, cannibalism decred. Idolatry was abolished and interioal wars stopped in his area.

By 1885, fifty years after the first assionaries arrived in Fiji, although tially Christianity had been introced by the Tongans 15 years earlier, ast of the Fijians were nominal tristians. They had been won in village at social units, first along the coast at then in inland areas.

In the past eighty years three hun-

dred native Fijian missionaries have carried the gospel beyond their islands.

Fijian Methodist church membership today comprises more than three-fourths of the Fijian population, and practically all Fijians try to observe the Christian way of life. The islands now have many of the trappings of our own civilization, such as electricity, plumbing, modern housing, good schools and other cultural improvements.

The Fijians of today are said to be so honest that none of the residents lock their doors. Once stealing was regarded as legitimate if you stole from someone outside your social group. And although a Fijian would always share his possessions with one of his social group, as a Christian, he now feels reponsible for the needs of those outside his group.

Fiji is probably the most notable example in modern history of how the power of Christ can literally turn the lives of a ferocious people inside out and remake them into one of the world's most devout social orders.

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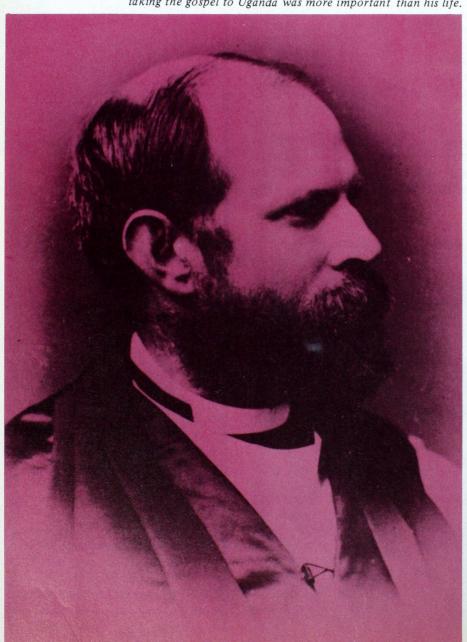
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by Charles Ludwig

To Bishop James Hannington taking the gospel to Uganda was more important than his life.



he newsboys were shouting up believable words: The king of a prim tive civilization in Central Africa ha extended a warm invitation for mission aries to come to his country.

On a November day in 1875, strolle in Piccadilly Circus and Trafalgar Squar turned up their collars against the col and dug into their pockets for money to buy the *Daily Telegraph*. The story the read was that of a savage king, hingdom, a lay missionary and a deaman's boot!

Conservative England shook her hea and talked about it over afternoon tefelt the challenge and then went t work.

The result? Today half the population of Uganda profess to be Christian and Uganda is one of the most enlight ened countries in all of Africa.

For years the highly informed kne that a country in East Africa just nort of Lake Victoria, by the name of Uganda, existed. This information ha filtered in from Arab slavers. But it ha never meant much to the man on the street.

Then Henry M. Stanley visite Uganda.

News of a white man's visit to h country brought many gifts from the king, along with an urgent request for personal interview.

With fluttering heart, the brusqu

Charles Ludwig grew up in Kenya, Afte graduation from college he entere evangelistic work, He has done extensive writing.

nley presented himself at the tched palace in Mengo. His Majesty, g Mutesa, a young man in his late ties sat on a velvet upholstered chair the midst of his gowned attendants. re were brass and copper rings on n of his toes and fingers, and a utifully beaded necklace around his k. His ankle-length gown was made reddish-brown bark cloth, a Uganda duct made by hammering the bark a local tree until it is smooth and ble. Mutesa had unlimited power. A nt nod from him was all that was essary to send his always-ready cutioner out to kill or mutilate some ender.

Stanley soon discovered that Mutesa a half-convinced Mohammedan, ing picked up the faith from Arabs whom he sold slaves. Seeing that the 2g was interested in spiritual matters, onley began to teach him the basic this of Christianity. He wrote out the Commandments, told him about 1s, about the atonement and expended the way of salvation.

Spellbound, Mutesa decided to have a er sent to England, requesting that

missionaries be sent to Uganda at once. "Tell the white people," he said to Stanley, "that I'm like a man sitting in darkness, or born blind, and that all I ask is that I may be taught to see, and I shall continue a Christian while I live."

Writing a letter in Uganda in 1875 and having it delivered in London at that time in history were two different things. But God provided a way.

Colonel Linant de Bellefondes, a Belgian Protestant, happened to be in Uganda at the time and he had listened to the conversation between Stanley and Mutesa. Since he was returning to Egypt, he offered to take the letter with him and have it relayed on. Unfortunately, Bellefondes was killed by some wild Baris in the Sudan. But after they had thrust him through with their spears, they left his body where it had fallen. Fortunately the corpse was not molested by cannibals, vultures, or wild animals. Several weeks later his body was found by avenging soldiers and the letter was removed from one of his boots. It was then sent to General Gordon at Khartoum, and Gordon forwarded it to London. And it was



Chief Luba (seated) received Mwanga's order, "Kill Hannington."

published in the London Daily Telegraph.

Response came immediately.

Money began to pour into the committee that had been set up for the evangelization of Africa. And by April eight young men had volunteered to go. Among them was a young Scottish engineer, Alexander Mackay. After the other missionaries had made their last speeches, he said: "I want to remind the committee that within six months they will probably hear that one of us is dead. . . . But what I want to say is this: when the news comes, do not be cast down, but send someone else immediately to take the vacant place."

A wealthy young cleric, James Hannington, read about the open door to Uganda and rejoiced. But he was too interested in completing his master's degree and in pastoring his own church to pay much attention to Uganda. Then England's newspaper began to bleed with the news that Smith and O'Neil, two of the three who had reached the capital, had been killed. Hannington was so shocked by the news that he immediately made application to go to Uganda. And he was so anxious to be accepted that he offered to pay his own way and supply part of his own salary.

Hannington sailed for Zanzibar in Continued on page 19

Enthroned in Ugandan emperial splendor King Mwanga gave the order to intercept and destroy Hannington's party.



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A facsimile of Bishop Hannington's sketch of his prison.

82. Within months he was ill and had return to England, but he was not feated!

Almost from the moment of his ival in England he began to plead for anda and to plan to return. But the mmittee was made up of sensible in: they were glad for Hannington's omotional work, yet they refused to and him back. They wanted to send in to Uganda—not to their graves!

In the meantime, Alexander Mackay d his party had reached the capital. b until this time, no one in Uganda d ever seen a wheel. So Mackay with well-equipped machine shop was nsidered a sort of pale-faced wizard d this won King Mutesa's favor.

Mackay held weekly services in the lace and faithfully preached the spel. On one occasion, Mutesa became intensely interested he announced at he and all his chiefs wanted to be ptized—at once! But Mutesa's interest Christianity was short-lived and soon announced that he was turning back Mohamme danism.

But all was not lost in Uganda. ackay continued to translate the scripres into Luganda, print tracts, and ach the people to read and write. In 1885 Hannington had recovered sufficient health to sail for Africa again. This time as bishop. Again he organized a caravan of porters and headed toward Uganda. He had just reached the Nile when he was suddenly thrown to the ground by a mob. Certain he was being murdered, the bishop began to pray: "Lord, I put myself in thy hands, I look to thee alone." As he was being dragged to his prison, he found himself singing: "Safe in the Arms of Jesus."

Within days, Hannington and his porters were herded into a clearing. After the men had been bound, the order—subsequently carried out—was given for them to be speared. As they approached Hannington he fell to his knees saying: "Tell the king that I am purchasing the road to Uganda with my life."

Hannington's death shocked England. But the price had been paid. The road to Uganda had been won and many were inspired to go to Uganda as missionaries.

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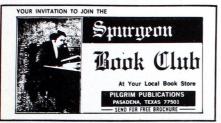
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The Latin American Congress on Evan gelism seen through the eyes of a Lati American.

'Action in Christ for a continent in crisis

by Ismael E. Amaya

In evaluating a congress of the magn tude of the First Latin America Congress on Evangelism held at Bogota Colombia, November 21–30, 196 much can be said on the negative as we as on the positive side.

Several things were seen at the cor gress which were nothing more than th by-product of a lack of maturity on th part of a community which is learnin to walk on its own. Whether the paper read and the messages preached wer appropriate or not, or whether the were given by the right human instru ments, is in itself the theme for a lon discussion.

However, there were two very visible weaknesses: The first was that the papers and messages, in most cases, were too long and full of individualism. Some gave the impression that they were participating in an oratory contest. The second weakness was seen in the discussion groups. In general, it was a case o "a lot of thunder but no rain." Due to the abuse on the part of some speaker in the use of their time, there was no even time to discuss the papers on some occasions.

But this exhibition of immaturity came as no surprise—it was expected We cannot—as some try to do it—compare this congress on evangelism with the one held about two months earlier in the United States at Minneapolis Minnesota. To do this would be like trying to compare the impressive and graceful marching of an athlete with the insecure and wavering steps of a child who is just learning to walk.

We should not forget that the Latin American evangelical community is in the infancy of its development. It is a community which from the beginning has been under the direction and fostering of the mother church in the

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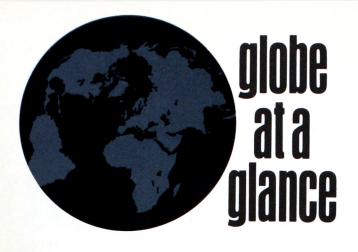
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Algeria ousts ten missionaries

Ten of the 11 Methodist missionaries working in the city of Algiers were ousted by the government in January. They were accused of being agents of the American CIA. It is not known whether the other 19 Methodist missionaries in the country will be allowed to stay.

Seven of the ten missionaries were arrested along with 29 Algerians during a youth seminar. The Algerians were sent home after being interviewed. Of the ten ousted missionaries only five are Americans. The buildings owned by the mission have been closed and sealed by the police.

The Methodist mission has been working in the country since 1907. Its work is at the moment being supervised by the Methodist bishop of Switzerland.

Plane lost in Peru

Though the pilot and a passenger received no major injuries a Wycliffe Jungle Aviation and Radio Service (JAARS) plane was a total loss. Pilot Ted Long and mechanic George Tilt were en route to Yarinacocha Base in Peru when there was a complete engine failure and the plane crashed.

TWR airs Graham crusade in Germany

Trans World Radio has scheduled eight evening broadcasts to cover the Billy Graham Crusade in Dortmund, Germany during April.

The broadcasts will be transmitted by a direct line from the meeting site to TWR's Monte Carlo station.

Evangeliumns-Rundfunk, the German branch of TWR, has changed its schedule and will combine the 30 minute German broadcast with the following program in English so that every night from 10 to 11 p.m. GMT extracts from the preceding meetings in Dortmund will be heard via medium-wave from Monte Carlo.

Asian scholars meet in New York

Twenty Asian scholars from Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, the Philippines and Indonesia met under Protestant auspices to study the feasibility of building a Christian academic community in Asia.

The three-day conference held early in January was under the sponsorship of the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia which is head-quartered in New York. Participants were faculty members of Christian institutions sponsored by the Board. Many are now studying in the United States under United Board fellowships.

The United Board is an interdenominational organization which draws its funds from ten Protestant mission boards, foundation and corporations.

New publication aimed at Chinese

First edition of a publication aimed at Overseas Chinese was to be available in time for the Chinese New Year, the first week in February, reports Paul Kauffman in Hong Kong. The bimonthly publication being produced in Hong Kong is to be evangelistic in content. Because it is aimed at the Overseas Chinese, who are reported to

be the highest per capita income ground in the world, it is to feature the highestandard in graphic arts, according Kauffman.

It is estimated that there are mo than 11 million Chinese living outside China in southern Asian countries. The number does not include the Chine living in Hong Kong, Macau or Taiwa

Germans meet resistance in Israel

A German Christian organizatic which runs hotels for pilgrims in the Holy Land recently discovered the hostility still runs deep in Israel.

When their small hotel in Zichro Jaacov, one of the oldest villages i modern Israel, became too small, the German group bought a piece of lar from a Jewish woman. Many people the surrounding area thought the Germans had bought it to turn it into church building. Emotions ran high.

Even Isar Unterman, the chief rabbecame suspicious. He wrote Prin Minister Golda Meir: "To our decregret the German mission has plante its center in our cities and from there spreading its missionary poison. Peop of a nation which burned and kille millions of our brethren, settle in omidst and buy house after house. I their cunning ways they seduce of people with their bait of mission. Com and help us to stop this German ep demic."

The hotels are being run by a grou of German Pietists. They too got letter: "We ask you," Rabbi Unterma wrote, "not to add crime upon sin. Fow will not sit quiet and be silent who our holy ground is endangered."

The Prime Minister, however, refuse to interfere with the German wor When journalists tried to find out who the danger was they discovered that the organization did not do missional work at all. The hotels are mainly for German pilgrims who visit the hoplaces. It was also revealed that the organization does not make money. A proceeds are turned over to the Israe government for social work.

Baptist center forced to move in Lebanon

Religious and political pressure we the reasons given for moving Bapti Publications in Beirut from a Musli area to an area between a Muslim and (ristian community. Emmett A. Irnes, missionary in Beirut, reports to the many of the young people who are throwing books from the publishing citer's library are Muslim cardholders from the old area.

Number of people applying for overs's service in the General Conference number of people applying for overs's service in the General Conference number of people applying for overing service in the General Conference reasing, revealed the Commission on Gerseas Missions recently.

During 1969, 22 new workers were st out. A similar number is preparing go this year. During 1969 three hly qualified older couples were approved, including a doctor who is living a practice here to serve in a resion hospital.

The average age of the Mennonite's career, short-term and voluntary vice workers is 45.

dent training camp set Costa Rica

nter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, A, and Student Foreign Missions Howship have announced an Overseas Training Camp to be held August 3–27 in Costa Rica. The three weeks of study and prayer on missions are open to undergraduate students with two years of college, graduate students, students in Christian colleges, Bible institutes or seminaries or any international student studying in the United States. An endorsement by an IVCF staff member is required with each application.

David M. Howard, missionary director of IVCF, is camp director.

EFMA convention set

April 7, 8, 9 the annual convention of the Evangelical Foreign Missions Association is to be held at the Muehlbach Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the National Association of Evangelicals' convention.

Included on the scheduled program is a session on Mobilizing for Evangelism which is to be led by the Rev. James Kennedy of the Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

NAE convention program features Dr. Paul S. Rees, Dr. Stephen Olford, Dr. Elliott Mason, Dr. Clyde Taylor, Dr. David McKenna and Dr. Arnold Olson.

In announcing the convention dates the EFMA office also announced corrected dates on the Mission Executives Retreat. The retreat is now to be held September 28 through October 1.

Mission related books released

Two groups recently announced availability of titles of special interest to mission leaders and missionaries.

From CAMEO (joint EFMA-IFMA committee), 5010 West Sixth Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80204:

Parental Preparation of Missionary Children for Boarding School by James Beck, \$1 single copy, in lots of 10 or more 75 cents.

Programmed Instruction for Theological Education by Extension, \$3.

From the William Carey Library, 533 Hermosa Street, South Pasadena, California 91030. Write for information about:

Church Growth Bulletin, a collection of the first five years of the bulletins published in one 408 page volume.

Theological Education by Extension edited by Ralph Winter, 846 pages, \$4.



people make the news

Dr. Saphir Philip Athyal, dean of the ulty at the Union Biblical Seminary Yeotmal, Maharashtra, India, has in chosen by the All Philippines ngress on Evangelism executive comtee to deliver the main theology pers at the congress. He has a doctor-in theology from Princeton Theolog-Seminary in the United States.

Dliver W. Hasselblad, M.D., president the American Leprosy Missions, ring February and March is conting a nationwide survey of leprosy idence, needs and resources in South tham. The survey was requested by Vietnam Christian Service.

The Rev. Misaeri Kauma, a clergyman the Anglican Church of Uganda, randa and Burundi, has been named ugee secretary for a new Department Service within the All African Conence of Churches (AACC). He is a duate of the University of Durham.

Wesley R. Hurst, former missionary and more recently promotions director for the Assemblies of God foreign department, has been named field secretary for the Far East for the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions Department. He replaces retiring Maynard L. Ketcham.

The Rev. George Ledden, will take up responsibilities as home secretary for the Far Eastern Gospel Crusade August 1. His experience includes two terms of mission work in Japan. He succeeds Olan Hendrix.

Dr. Theodore Braun, a medical missionary with the American Lutheran Church, has been honored by Queen Elizabeth II of England for 40 years of service in New Guinea. The 67-year-old physician was named by the Queen to the Order of the British Empire.

The Rev. Frank E. Wilcox, teacher at the California Lutheran Bible School in

Los Angeles, and formerly a missionary to Pakistan has accepted the call to become executive secretary of the United Christian Mission to Nepal. The UCM of Nepal, with 100 missionaries from 30 different groups, is head-quartered in Katmandu. Wilcox hopes to leave in June.

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The Rev. John H. William, for 20 years an official of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and for the last four years its general secretary, has retired. William is an Anglican priest.

DIED: Joel Maeda, executive director of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania, from injuries suffered in a car accident, December 26... Bishop Juan E. Gattinoni, 91, first South American to be elected a Methodist bishop, January 7... Dr. Daniel Burke, 96, president-emeritus of the American Bible Society since 1962, after a long illness, January 28... Mrs. Jane Filson Soren, 92, last of 45 persons who founded the Brazilian Baptist Convention in 1904, in Rio de Janeiro, December 31.

continent in crisis Continued

United States, and has been trying during the last few years for the right to walk on its own. Finally that day seems to be here. With the only exception in the general coordinator, Dr. Clyde Taylor, this congress was "for Latin Americans and led by Latin Americans."

No doubt the feeling of those who had a part in this congress was the feeling of all those who organize such congresses—that there were many things

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which were done and said which wer not supposed to have been done an said; and what is even worse, that ther were many things which were suppose to have been done and said which wer not. But we should not forget that w are in the process of learning and w hope that these lessons will be kept i mind for future congresses.

But let us go from the negative to the positive, where there is much more that can be said. With a great deal o satisfaction we can say that the congres did the following:

It was a source of inspiration. No body can live and share ideals with on thousand leaders from Latin America during ten days without feeling th contagious spirit of enthusiasm. Many of us profited as much from the infor mal talks and exchange of ideas, as from the papers read and the message preached. If the only purpose of the congress had been to inspire us, thos ten days would have been worthwhile

It gave us a new sense of mission Inspiration was not the only thing the congress provided. Once more the chall lenge of evangelizing Latin America wa presented to us.

Although for years we have talke about evangelizing Latin America-and we have also worked toward tha end-we cannot hide the restlessnes with which we left this congress when we realize that Latin America, not more than ever, is "white already fo the harvest."

Some of us left the congress with new vision. We left with the unmistal able feeling that there is somethin which we must do; that there is ministry which we must fulfill in Lati America. Even though we do not know for certain what that something is o what that ministry is, there is one thin of which we are sure-our sense o mission today is much clearer and defi nite than it was before the congress. N doubt the Holy Spirit, who alway illuminates our thoughts and guides ou steps will lead us "into all truth" in ou effort and desire to fulfill that mission and accept that challenge.

It brought some problems into the open. Although nothing was solved i Bogota, the congress brought to light

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me of the problems which have been esent among the Latin American evanlicals in connection with the great sk of evangelizing Latin America. One ample is the debate which has began out the dilemma of whether the eology of evangelism in Latin America leftist, rightist or evangelical. The ongress seemed to conclude that the tin American theology of evangelism not "leftist," nor "rightist," but just ain "evangelical."

It eliminated some apparent "taos." Two things which have been nsidered as almost taboo by many angelicals represent two extremes in Latin American evangelical moveent. One is the place of the Holy irit in the work of evangelism and the her is the social work of the church. It was encouraging to hear that the ajority of the speakers gave the Holy irit the place he deserves as the generating agent in the evangelistic ork of the church of Jesus Christ. The inion of the majority of the speakers s that if we are to evangelize Latin nerica, it will not be "by might nor power," but by the Spirit of the ord of hosts" (Zech. 4:6).

Statistics show that the denominans which have made surprising progs in the evangelization of Latin nerica are those which have given the ply Spirit his right place in the work evangelism. It is our hope that the ply Spirit will no longer be monoposed by one or two denominations, but it the time will come when he will cupy a central place in the evanistic task of the church in Latin nerica.

Another of the apparent taboos ich seems to have disappeared is the rk of social reform. Many of us have en careful not to speak about the rial work of the church for fear of ng classified as leftists or prophets of social gospel. But the general feeling the congress was that if the church of us Christ is to fulfill its redemptive ssion, it must give due attention to a matter. It is true that "Man shall the live by bread alone" (Matt. 4:4), tit is also true that man cannot live hout bread.

It initiated a new era. The general

feeling which has prevailed in Latin American evangelical circles during the last few years is that the decisive hour for the Latin American church has come. Since the beginning a great part of Latin American evangelical work has

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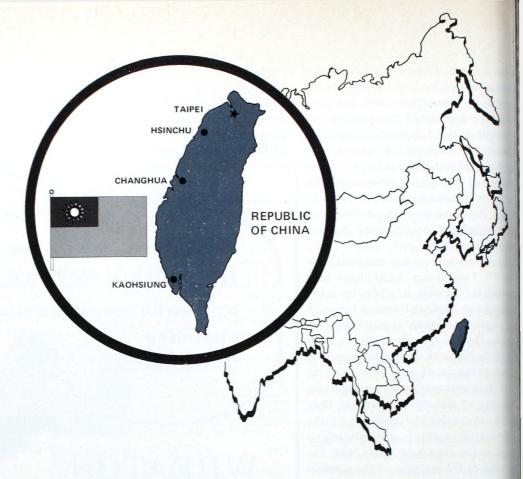
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CAPITAL: Taipei (population 1,135,500)

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MONETARY UNIT: New Taiwan dollar (one NT \$ equals 2.5 U.S. cents)

LANGUAGE: Mandarin (Chinese dialects including Amoy, Swatow and Hakka are also spoken)

THE LAND: Strategically located in the western Pacific, Taiwan is only ninety miles from mainland China-about as far as Cuba is from the United States and only a few jet hours away from any key city of Asia. The capital, Taipei, lies on about the same latitude as Miami, Florida. Earthquakes, typhoons and floods often strike the island. Rugged, majestic mountains cover almost seventy percent of the eastern half of Taiwan and the western side of the island is generally flat and fertile. The climate is semitropical, often hot and humid.

THE PEOPLE: There are three main groups of people living in Taiwan. The 11 million Taiwanese are ethnic Chinese whose ancestors have lived on the island for hundreds of years and who call it their home. They can be subdivided into two groups: the Hoklo and the Hakka. About one percent of the Taiwanese are Protestant.

Mainlander Chinese, who comprise the second largest group with a population of nearly two million, are refugees who fled the Communist regime on the mainland. This group includes most of the government officials. About ten percent of the mainlanders are Christians.

The smallest of the three groups living in Taiwan consists of the aboriginal tribes. They live mainly in the mountains and are thought to be of Malayo-Polynesian origin. Although they make up less than two percent of the population, the aborigines have been very responsive to the gospel message. It is estimated that fifty to eighty percent of the tribal people have turned to Christianity.

HISTORY: Chinese immigration to Taiwan began in the seventh century. However, it wasn't until the seventeenth century that the influx from China forced aboriginal inhabitants away from the western plains of the island. During the early part of the same century the Portuguese (who called the island "Formosa" meaning beautiful), Dutch and Spanish established commercia interests. The westerners were driver out in 1662 and after the Manchu conquest of the island in 1683 i became a part of China. Its Chinese name became "Taiwan" which means terraced bay. Following the Sino-Japa nese war, Taiwan was ceded to Japan The Japanese greatly modernized Tail wan's economy and transportation system. With Japan's surrender at the close of World War II in 1945, Taiwan once again became a part of China. In 1949 Chiang-Kai-shek fled to Taiwan and established his government there.

RELIGION: Many of the people of Taiwan still follow the traditional Chinese folk religion—a blend of Confucianism, Taoism and Buddhism. The educated people especially hold to the high ethics of Confucianism, while the lower classes have a mixture of the other religions, plus some animism. All center around traditional ancestor worship.

RISTIANITY IN TAIWAN: Taiwan a long history of Christian witness, sionaries first arrived with Dutch itary in the early 1600's but were in expelled. Roman Catholic missions came in 1859 with the opening of ports to foreigners. English and Taiwan Presbyterians arrived in 1865. 1937 when hostilities between China Japan were renewed, all missions were forced out. With the consion of the war the Presbyterians in led the return to Taiwan. In tentres total Christian missionary strength risen to 300 and by 1966 was about 10.

The unsettled conditions after World II made many Chinese receptive to gospel. Many refugees from the na mainland were already Christian, a spiritual movement among the lal people of Taiwan brought thought into the Christian church from lut 1947.

The withdrawal of the Nationalist ernment in 1949 from the mainland Taiwan swelled missionary strength Taiwan. Along with the Nationalists, dreds of missionaries from China e displaced and many of them chose ollow the government to the island. From about 1953 to 1958 the rch on Taiwan grew rapidly, and ly missions rushed to join the work. ing this time, the Presbyterian rch on Taiwan, the largest on the id, was able to more than double its nbership. But by the early 1960's, growth rate had slackened. Missions tinued to enter the country but with reasing results.

Foreign missions work on Taiwan is ensive. In the late 1960's, there were 100 Protestant foreign missions raission service organizations with a 1 staff of about 850. Roman nolic missionaries totaled about 600. In 1968 Protestants were operating the colleges and universities, 16 hospiand clinics, and 21 seminaries and ele schools. Two organizations were aged primarily in radio work. Almost million Bibles and Bible portions distributed in 1967.

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Alex Shevchuk, Russian broadcaster

A THIRTY YEAR JOURNEY

Moving from North China to Manila really isn't very far in terms of modern transportation, but for Alex Shevchuk the trip took thirty years and led him around the world and half way back again. Yet today when Alex reads letters coming from inside the Soviet Union in response to radio broadcasts for which he is responsible, he is more than sure that every step of the way was worth it.

His story really begins in Russia. After the Revolution in 1917 life became increasingly difficult for Christians in Russia. Many even found it necessary to leave the country. Among them was a band of believers in the Ukraine that experienced miraculous deliverances as they moved from place to place and finally crossed the Russian border in 1933. It was in the Sikiang Province of China that Alex Shevchuk was born and where he spent his younger days.

The peaceful years in North China passed quickly though and in 1946 the Russian Christians once again were

forced to flee because of Communis
By horseback, in carts, wagons a
trucks Alex and his family cross
China.

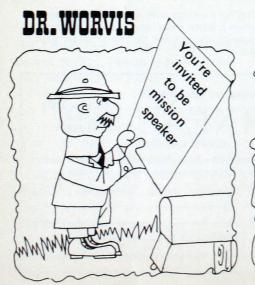
Arriving in Shanghai impoverish worn out, and homeless, the little gro had no one to whom to turn, but the trusted their God to lead. And did—through the International Refug Committee of the United Nations. To Christians were lifted out of Chirwhich was fast being engulfed Communism, and placed on a tisiand near the southern end of the Philippines.

But there the brave band was not find a permanent home as the Philippi government would not allow them stay. In search of a country the journey led them to a refugee camp Italy, on a trip by French vessel to R de Janeiro and on a flight to the centiplains of Paraguay.

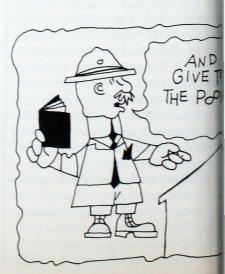
Russia and China had been col Paraguay was very hot. Life on to deserted farms in which the believe had been settled was not easy, be through it all Alex saw his paren remain steadfast and with singleness heart serve God regardless of circum stances.

When Alex was 16 he personal received Christ as his Savior and, alor with 14 other young people, w baptized in a creek.

The war years and life as a refuge had allowed little time for education,[§] Alex decided to go to the capital city







suncion to further his education. As left, his father said: "Alex, before ou find a job or enroll in evening hool, you must find a church in which worship."

He did find a church and the Lord ed a missionary there to give Alex a sire to go to Bible school. In 1955 the nevchuk family immigrated to San rancisco and Alex attended Bethany ble College in Santa Cruz.

During his school years Alex worked nong Mexican farm laborers living near e school and after graduation he came an evangelist to Ukranian and ussian communities across Canada and the eastern part of the United states. nen he was asked to be an associate stor in his home church, the Russian ospel Temple in San Francisco. In due ne the church exchanged the store silding where they met to worship for beautiful church building which they lilt. It became a center for many rmer refugees who used the new ucational facilities.

From the time Alex started working the church, he was in charge of a bekly radio broadcast, and the newly ill church included a radio station. It Alex didn't dream that he would be day be in fulltime radio work.

Then the Far East Broadcasting ompany was faced with dismantling veral transmitters which they had bught from the government with the ndition that they be removed from e site in a very short time. Knowing

that the transmitters would be used to beam the gospel message to Russia, the men in Alex's church responded to an urgent call for help. Radio was fast becoming a part of church life—and of Alex's life. Even the choir practiced with new zeal to prepare songs to use on future Russian programs.

"Something else" also became a part of Alex's life—lovely Ann Tkachaeof. Her background was similar to Alex's—in fact they had been born in the same village in North China. Alex and Ann were married and continued working in the church. That is—until an executive of the Far East Broadcasting Company asked them to go to Manila to head FEBC's Russian and Ukranian departments. It was then that Ann told Alex about how that when she was a little girl in the Philippines she had promised the Lord that one day she would return there as a missionary.

In 1965 the Shevchuks left for the Philippines. On the deck of the ship, as they waited to sail, Alex's father with tears in his eyes said, "Many times I wondered why it was that out of all my brothers and sisters in Russia God led me to leave Russia. Now you are going back to the Philippines and I can see that all along it was God's plan. God bless you, son."

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been under the direct administratio and fostering of the mother church is the United States. At the beginning is was necessary and desirable. But what some have been whispering about for long time is no longer a secret and is being proclaimed loudly—the children are grown up.

The feeling of many modern lead ers—American as well as Latin American—is that the concept of paternalism is no longer necessary no desirable. If Latin America is to be wor for Christ, it will be through the instrumentality of Latin Americans. The Latin American evangelical church—with a community of about twenty million, is crying aloud for hymnologists, theologians, writers, evangelists and leaders of Latin American extraction.

With tender sentimentalism, those of us who are the product of missionary work and therefore blindly believe in missionaries must admit that the function of the missionary has changed More and more it will cease to be what it has always been-paternalist and authoratitive-and will become a part nership, a coordinating and sponsoring function. We Latin Americans feel like the young man who upon reaching a mature age received the call to fight for his own country. The sound of the trumpet calling him to the battlefield has a stronger pull than the pull of the tears of his mother waving good-by to him at the door of his home.

Crude and cold facts have demonstrated that denominations which have accepted this new concept of missionary work and are letting the Latin Americans fight their own fight, are the ones which are conquering Latin America for Christ. The ones which are refusing to do it are the ones which are stagnant, or in the best of the situations, are growing very slowly.

The goal set by the congress is to double the evangelical community in Latin America in the next seven years. Now only two things remain: the Latin American evangelical church must work and pray in order to win Latin America—a "continent in crisis"—for Christ-

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A Break-Through That Calls for a Break-Out

When our Pilgrim Fathers sailed the Mayflower to the shores the New World, they refused to take aboard a copy of the horized Version of the Holy Bible.

shocking? Incredible? No. To use a familiar borrowing from world of golf, it was "par for the course." They were part the critical opposition to the new translation which had eared in 1611. That resistance, it should be noted, lasted in reasing measure for fifty years.

Now another notable version of the Scriptures is being pressively introduced to the English-speaking world. It is complete *New English Bible*, the New Testament portion which has been in circulation for nine years.

our panels of scholars, working with and under a Joint nmittee, chaired latterly by that princely evangelical, the hbishop of York, have been at work since 1948.

What sort of reception will it have? Mixed, of course. We "of course" because no translation can possibly achieve a el of satisfaction that places it beyond complaint or icism. Every translation, moreover, must be judged both by fidelity to the early manuscripts and those standards of glish usage which the translators choose to adopt.

dating the Diction

Speaking for the NEB committee at the time it was anized, the eminent Dr. C. H. Dodd affirmed:

... we aim at a version which shall be as intelligible to contemporary readers as the original version was to its first readers—or as nearly so as possible. It is to be genuinely English in idiom... avoiding equally both archaism and transient modernisms. The version should be plain enough to convey its meaning to any reasonably intelligent person... yet not bald or pedestrian.... It is to be hoped that, at least occasionally, it may produce arresting and memorable renderings. It should have sufficient dignity to be read aloud.

Later, in one of its own brochures, the committee was to mowledge: "As soon as the NEB New Testament was blished there were numerous criticisms and suggestions arding the translation of particular passages." Those ticisms that were held to be valid are now reflected in the anges which have been made in the New Testament portion the complete Bible.

After running my hand over the rich gloss of the jacket that clasps my NEB, after noting that the verse numbers are set t in the margin (rather than buried in the text as in the V), after recognizing that the double-column page format been abandoned for the single-column so as to produce the re normal appearance of a book, it occurred to me that I buld sample some of the passages of Holy Scripture that

have long been known for their strong missionary theme and thrust.

Upgrading the Action

I thought of the passage made famous by William Carey when he preached from it in Nottingham, England, on a May day in 1791. It is Isaiah 54:2,3, which in the NEB reads:

Enlarge the limits of your home,
spread wide the curtains of your tent;
Let out its ropes to the full
and drive the pegs home;
for you shall break out of your confines
right and left,
your descendents shall dispossess wide
regions,
and repeople cities now desolate.

The picture is Eastern and nomadic: growing families requiring large tents. Ampler tent-cloth means longer ropes and more deeply driven pegs. If you leave the figure that is employed for the truth it depicts, what you have is a simple vivid lesson in *expansion* and *consolidation*. Reach out for wider sharing; reach down for deeper rootage. Evangelize and educate!

In Carey's day the Christians of Britain were preoccupied with only one of these concerns. It was all consolidation and no expansion. Out there lay vast Africa and Asia. The churches had no outreach to either of them. No missionary societies in action, no missionaries in motion!

Obviously, the situation is different today. Every continent has its Christian presence. Virtually every country has its Christian witness. Here at the threshold of the 70's what lies before us is a Christian expansion that is not so much geographical as it is cultural. This new situation summons us to new patterns.

At the moment, for example, the white Christians of the United States are having nothing that could be called an evangelistic impact on our urban black communities. On the contrary, a perceptive and knowledgeable African Christian recently made a strong, if temporary, impression in several visits to one of America's most famous black ghettos. It is thus suggested that younger churches abroad, no less than older churches at home, must guidedly find ways "to let out [their] ropes to the full" and to "spread wide the curtains of [their] tent."

The New English Bible, like the Bible in any version or vernacular, is the supreme book of mission. And for all of us, its vivid phrasing, "break out of your confines right and left," is very much in order.

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Easter's Thrilling Imperatives

Last year the Christian world lost one of its most remarkable leaders. He was Bishop Herbert Welch, of the United Methodist Church, who had reached the age of 106. I heard him preach when he was 90, and his voice rang like a clarion through an auditorium big enough for 10,000. In 1935 Bishop Welch wrote:

Easter is a very queen of Christian festivals. It is too great and glorious to be used for some merely local purpose. It should be redeemed from smallness, from petty vision, from being confined within a narrow horizon. It is a world day-the triumph day of the world's Redeemer.

Associated with the first Easter was so much excitement that the tingle of it can still be felt in those resurrection narratives that climax the gospel accounts. Take, for example, the Matthew story. Let your imagination keep step with those devoted women of the dawn-the two Marys-stealing away to the tomb, only to find it empty! And then to hear the voice:

Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead (28:5,6).

Too good to be true? No. Just too true not to be good. Try sorting out the imperative-form verbs in the foregoing

passage. There are four of them: "come," "see," "go," "tell." There is nothing dull in any of them. Like split atoms, they yield the immeasurable energy of an incredible excitement.

I.

COME, for Easter invites us to a satisfying verification. Investigate. Probe. Be an honest quester. For us who are centuries removed from the original resurrection event, this means: Consider the document-Matthew, Mark, Luke, John. Weigh the word of the witnesses. Nobody has ever succeeded, on any rational basis, in tossing them out as fiction.

Or, if you wish, turn from the documents to the Christian community. Its very existence is bound up with the resurrection of Christ in a continuity of confession in which, from the beginning, it has affirmed: "The third day He rose again from the dead."

It is in this community of faith that men by the millions have found that life comes from Life. Receiving the risen, living Jesus, they are set free from the graveclothes of their self-centered existence and liberated into a kingdom of love which is none other than the Kingdom of God. This is not provable scientifically; it is just verifiable experimentally.

II.

SEE, for Easter offers us a world view. A world view achieved by gazing at a vacant grave? So some would ask in astonishment, forgetting perhaps that it was Isaac Newton's

reflecting on the fall of an apple that led to his formulation the universal law of gravity.

Seen in Christian perspective, Easter stands as a perpetu witness that God, far from dead or absent, is very much ali in His universe, that indeed His universe is made of the kind stuff that can and, under His sovereign touch, does respond ways that speak of novelty as well as continuity. contingency as well as predictability. In Christian perspective moreover, Easter shows us a world in which God has the la word, and that last word is with love, not hate; wi forgiveness, not rejection; with life, not death.

Tennyson put it startlingly but truly:

Thou madest death; and, lo, Thy foot Is on the skull which Thou hast made.

GO, for Easter calls us to a high vocation. "Get moving was the angelic imperative laid on the two Marys. For t moment, the going was restricted. Their going was to be to t "disciples." A little later the "go" was to be picked up by t risen Master himself and placed upon the whole disciple-cor pany as a mandate without boundaries: "Go into all the wor and preach the gospel to the whole creation" (Mark 16:15).

Easter is nothing if it is not mission. Easter is nothing if it not mobility. Easter is nothing if it is not ministry.

Dr. Charles Ranson, out of his years of official connection with the International Missionary Council, wrote disturbing

Christians must live as those who have no continuing city. [They] must never appear to have settled down in this world.

To which he adds, regretfully: "They do not always give the impression of a church militant and mobile."

In whatever measure this weakness exists it speaks sadly our failure to be captivated by the glow and commanded l the "go" of Easter.

IV.

TELL, for Easter equips us with a witnessing voice. Tell th "disciples:" their faith has been flattened by the ugl execution at Calvary. Tell "Peter:" his denial of the Lord wh loved him has left him in a pit of despair. Tell "Jerusalem: God has something better for it than a proud religiosity: calloused it would resort to murder to preserve a tradition Tell "Samaria:" its people, for centuries rejected as mongre and outcasts, need to know that God's priceless shalom theirs too. Tell the "world:" the victory has been won; sin stranglehold has been broken; death has been mastered; a ne humanity has been assured.

Let this only be added: telling it with words—never under such close scrutiny as now-is not enough; it must be told wit deeds, tiny as atoms, perhaps, or big as mountains, but deed at any cost.

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