

# Progress Report



*Muslim children gather for a Saturday Bible class at the Community Center in Nimes, France.*

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## MINISTRY INFORMATION...

The *Progress Report* is a free, monthly publication of the FINAL FRONTIERS FOUNDATION INC., whose purpose is to effectively take the Gospel to the more than three billion souls, who have never before heard. Currently we are ministering in Thailand, Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, India, Vietnam, China, Philippines, South Africa, Kenya, Uganda, Ghana, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, the Ivory Coast, Togo, Liberia, Nigeria, France, Romania, Russia, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Venezuela, Chile, Peru and the West Indies. Some of these countries are closed to foreign missionaries, and in others, work among the various tribal groups is restricted to national preachers only, thus they are open to us because of our unique method of missions.

We believe that the training and subsidizing of national preachers is the most efficient and effective method of global evangelism. Thus we seek to raise prayer and financial support from believers in America, for God's servants abroad, who are actively involved in church planting and discipleship.

Selection of those we sponsor is dependent upon their doctrinal beliefs, need and reputation. We support only those who are serving by faith, never those who are waiting for a salary in order to serve. Worldwide, the average preacher in a third-world country needs as little as \$35.00 each month to support his family and ministry.

All those subsidized thru this foundation are involved in church planting. Their various outreach ministries include: Bible translation and distribution, radio and television broadcasting, camps, Bible schools, outdoor and film evangelism, educational and health programs, blind, deaf and leper ministries, orphan and children's ministries, feeding centers and refugee ministries. The foundation also offers assistance in missionary training; and we provide mission trips for American believers who want to examine the ministries of the national preachers.

### Current ministries available for support are:

- Sponsorship of a national or native preacher (\$35.00 monthly)
- Sponsorship of a TEAM of preachers in a given country (\$10.00 minimum per month)
- Sponsorship of an orphan through our CHILD CARE subsidiary (\$35.00 monthly)
- Sponsorship of our radio evangelism (\$35.00 monthly for free radio distribution)

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## the Jon Nelms family report

Dear Reader:

What a blessing we have received in the last few weeks as already, applications for membership in our Final Frontiers Society have poured in. I guess I just don't realize how much those of you who support the preachers and read our *Progress Report* each month, love this ministry. From the very beginning (nearly ten years ago), I hoped and prayed that all those who would get involved with us, would feel that Final Frontiers was "their" ministry, not "ours". It looks like God answered my prayers. Already, more than 50 families have joined with us in this new endeavor, and I expect many, many more, as the mail arrives each day.

By the time you receive this paper, you should have already received a special letter from us, informing you of our upcoming crusades in Zambia and Zimbabwe, which will last from the end of July through the first half of August. Frankly, we expect to see several thousands of Africans saved and enrolled into churches as a result. I do hope that you will consider taking from your abundance (if you have any) and sharing it with us for the expenses of these meetings. We have several American pastors going along on this trip. This will give them first hand experience on the mission field, which will abundantly bless their churches here.

In addition, we are helping to send a special friend, Larry Franklin of Missouri, who will teach seminars to hundreds of African pastors on how to effectively win and disciple the children and youth. Nearly half the world's population is under age fifteen, yet very little is done to target the youth. In our zeal to reach the lost, we often target the adult population, forgetting that if we reach the youth, they will likely reach their own families with the gospel.

Larry's presentations will be vital for the expansion of the gospel in the southern African region and beyond, as what the preachers learn will be passed on further north to other pastors they know. Pray for Lewis, Larry and the other team members, as well as the hundreds of national pastors that they will be working with, and help us prayerfully and financially if you will. Together, we will reap eternal rewards for our labor and sacrifices today.

Yours for souls,

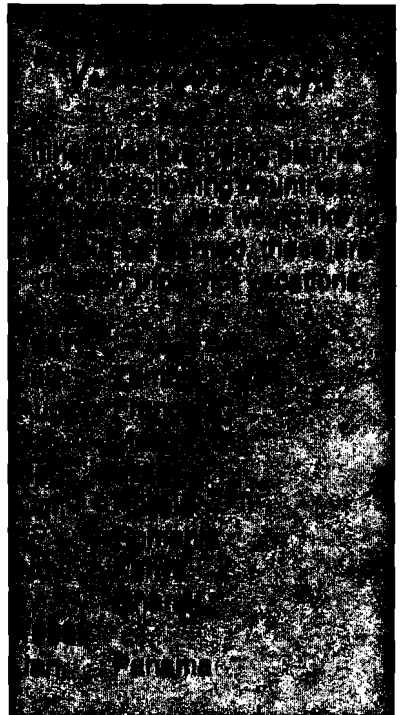
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## Attention All Pastors:

**Have you enrolled your church in our Visionary Partner program yet?**

**For information, contact  
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# Chinese children available for adoption

The People's Republic of China is the world's most populous nation with 1.2 billion inhabitants. The Chinese, with traditional religions including Confucianism, Buddhism, and Taoism, have one of the oldest known civilizations with a written history reaching back over 3,500 years.

Because of China's overpopulation, the Chinese government has chosen to address this situation by limiting each family to one child. Chinese culture, as with many others, prefers boys who are given the responsibility to care for their elderly parents and to carry on the family name. As a result, many infant girls are abandoned in China and, if found, are taken to a welfare institute where they become available for adoption after three months of age.

Samuel Fang, born in mainland China, felt led to become involved in doing something to help these orphaned children and founded the Living Hope Adoption Agency. Licensed as a non-profit adoption agency, Living Hope specialized in placement of Chinese orphans. Children can be adopted as young as three months of age up to age 14. The process to adopt an orphan from China takes anywhere from nine months (if the individual has already secured INS and home study approval), up to 15 months. Living Hope provides support and assistance to prospective adopting couples, or single individuals, throughout the entire process. They are eager to place many of these orphans in loving, Christian homes where a child can be raised with godly values.

If interested in obtaining more information regarding the opportunity to adopt a child from China, contact the Living Hope Adoption Agency. They will be glad to send you a packet of helpful information and answer any questions you may have. Perhaps God is leading you to give a Chinese orphan a future and hope!

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**Telford, PA 18969**

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The above is not a paid advertisement, but an effort to help a sister, fundamental organization, whose service is in compliance with requests or inquiries we have received from many *Progress Report* readers. Please contact the agency directly for inquiries, and not the Final Frontiers office. We have no further information than that printed above.

# A TEAM Report from Zambia

**From:** Christopher Mwanza  
**Location:** Final Frontiers Southern Africa Regional Office  
Lusaka, Zambia

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**What was the total amount of TEAM funds received?**  
\$154.40

**What were these funds used for?**

- 1 - To buy books for the evangelism course
- 2 - Transport for three pastors who went to Chipata for a crusade
- 3 - Paid examination fee of one pastor's child in school

**Do you have any special needs we can pray about?**

- 1 - That God can provide enough funds to buy books on evangelism and discipleship
- 2 - That Bibles be made available to new converts

**Below, please write a short letter of appreciation to your TEAM sponsors.**

We are thankful to the Lord for your prayer and financial support you have shown to us.

The funds sent was used as number two above.

At the crusade in the town of Chipata, 295 people received Jesus Christ as their Savior.

The funds sent was also used to pay examination fee of one pastor's child who is in grade nine. We had eight pastors whose children needed an assistance, but we could not help them all because lack of funds.

Continue to support us in prayers as well as financial support.

**Note:**

During the last of July and first of August, there will be a series of crusades conducted in Zambia and Zimbabwe, hosted by the preachers both supported and in need of support from Final Frontiers. In addition, Lewis Nelms, and several American pastors will be present to work alongside the national preachers. Please offer your prayers and financial support for this worthy cause.

# FRANCE

**Christianity is virtually unknown in a land where it once flourished**

**By Dan Burrell,**  
Secretary of the Executive  
Board of the Final  
Frontiers Foundation

Just this last December, at the annual Executive Board Meeting of the Final Frontiers Foundation, it was my pleasure to meet Missionary Louis DeMeo. A native of the Northeast, he is a high-energy, visionary missionary/

pastor who looks and acts far younger than his 45 years. He is married to a beautiful and talented woman he met in Canada, and who is a native of England. At the time, both Louis and Janey were serving as missionaries to the French speaking citizens of Quebec, while acquiring a growing burden to move to France itself. Upon learning of each other's burden, and after being married, they realized their dream together and began their ministry abroad. Janey has written numerous articles and booklets, and has published a book on parenting entitled *"Heaven Help Me Raise These Children"*. The more I learned of their ministry, the more I wanted to get to know them better.

Several weeks after our meeting, Pastor DeMeo graciously invited me to speak to a group of Christian schools that would be gathering in Uchaud, France, for a Christian education conference. Because I also serve as the President of the Florida Association of Christian Colleges and Schools, he invited me to address the educators and to stay over and preach at their church in Uchaud, and to visit and preach at other daughter churches and at their seminary. I had planned a trip to Albania for that month and arranged to visit them for two or three days in transit. However, a few weeks prior to leaving for Albania, the political situation there deteriorated to the point that I increased my



*Dr. Dan Burrell poses for a photograph with Pastor Louis DeMeo, his wife Janey and their children, Rachel and Francesco.*

time in France without going on to Albania.

During the seven days I was there, I spoke over two dozen times to the Christian educators, the wonderful church, the Bible Institute, the Christian school and in various other groups and meetings. While I was exhausted when I was done, the trip was an incredible blessing.

Uchaud, France is a small village just outside of Nimes. There Pastor DeMeo and Janey settled to start a church in one of the most purely secular cultures in the world. The French are furiously



*Worship services are packed at the church in Uchaud, France where Louis pastors. Many of these people are attending night classes at the Institute of Theology to prepare for future ministry throughout Europe and Africa.*

independent and nationalistic and enjoy considering themselves self-sufficient. You will find little public discourse on religion, particularly Bible-based, evangelistic religion. In France, those who believe the Bible to be literally true are considered "cults." In many cases, if not all, fundamental, evangelical works are viewed by the French

as being extremist and anti-intellectual. Interestingly, one group which has gained a foothold of attention, particularly in the Christian education movement and in some churches, is the hyper-charismatic "Toronto Blessing" movement, which has been a detriment to the advancement of the gospel and the training of laypeople.

The DeMeo's began Bible studies in Uchaud and the surrounding communities soon after learning the language. Now, well into their second decade, the Lord has blessed them with an incredible, vibrant work that includes a thriving church of over 200, nearly a dozen "daughter" churches, a Bible institute with over 40 students, a Christian day school, a beautiful campus formed from an old French farmhouse, national pastors and French and European missionaries in several countries in Africa and Europe. Louis is an avid surfer and is the chaplain for an international surfing association, and uses his athleticism and interests to reach many teens and young adults for Christ.

It was my privilege to meet several of the seminary students



who are training for pastoral ministry and who are already active in church planting. Phillippe Serandje is a sharp articulate student who serves as an administrative assistant and teacher in the ministry. Pastor Jean Luc has started a growing church in a seaside community on the coast of the Mediterranean. Other works are scattered in Nimes, Montpellier, Paris and other communities. In addition, several Italian students are now a part of the institute preparing to go back to their country to start works. Pastor DeMeo's commitment to the training of national pastors is laying the groundwork for the founding of good churches all around the world.



*French ministers and other European pastor/missionaries meet for a strategy session with Pastor DeMeo and Dr. Burrell following a late evening service.*

The DeMeo's work is theologically fundamentalist. They refer to their church as "evangelical" because of how it identifies them in a country that generally scorns Bible-based religion and has little knowledge of most denominations. Their worship services are vibrant and filled with prayer and praise. The preaching is straight, sound and

powerful. It was not unusual for services to last two hours and then be followed by another hour of fellowship, questions and answers. Soul-winning and discipleship are key to how they approach ministry and wherever I went with these folks, people were being approached with the gospel.

On Saturday's they go to the government projects in Nimes and have a "bus ministry" without buses. They take kids to a central meeting area in their cars or the young people walk. Many of these children are from Algerian (North African immigrants) families and have a Muslim heritage. Through songs, skits, stories and artwork, the evangelistic team brings these kids to a knowledge of Christ. Their testimonies would move you to tears, their own future ministries, as they mature in age and in Christ, could help to stop the spread of Islam in Europe.

I happened to be in France on May Day, a national holiday. People from several of the churches affiliated with Pastor DeMeo's ministry gathered for a picnic near the sea. Several groups sang spiritual songs. One of the members of Pastor DeMeo's church is an internationally-recognized classical guitarist who is very famous

throughout Europe. He would go throughout the park playing his guitar, and then would witness to those who had gathered to hear him play. Soul-winning was always a part of the agenda in this work.

Louis' wife Janey, is very active in the ministry. She is a gifted singer and author, and has written for numerous magazines and publishers. Her book is now being published in French by Vida Publishers and she has several other writing projects progressing. She also works with an orphanage in India and the DeMeo's have spent past



*Skits and music are used to teach Bible stories and principles to the inner-city kids, many of whom come from Muslim homes.*

Christmas breaks visiting orphaned children in Bosnia, West Africa and other war-torn places. Their children, Rachel and Francesco are intimately involved in the work as well. Rachel, a young teen, helps out with office work at the church, tutors the French in English and plans to be a missionary to India.

I'm thrilled that

Final Frontiers has been a participant in the DeMeo's ministry. They have several national pastors that are being sponsored currently, and others in need of assistance. The DeMeo's are not supported like traditional American missionaries. They are independent and they do not receive regular monthly support from American churches. They went by faith and stay by faith. They live modestly in an apartment on the church property, and make significant personal sacrifices and investment in their work. They are hoping to raise the funds to build a larger and necessary auditorium, and some desperately needed classroom space. For more information on supporting the national pastors in France or to find out more about the DeMeo's work, please contact the Final Frontiers office or contact the DeMeo's directly at:

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# Sponsorship Information

To obtain further information on sponsorship, refer to the "Now It's Your Turn" voucher attached to this return envelope, or call us at 1-800-522-4324..

Sponsoring a **national preacher** is a simple process. Simply tell us which country you are most burdened for and we'll provide you with information on preachers living there who are approved for sponsorship. If you don't have a preference, we'll assign you a preacher from our most needy list.

Sponsorship is \$35.00 monthly, however, since we get each preacher two sponsors, you have the opportunity of providing double sponsorship (\$70.00 monthly) if you prefer. This of course, is not required. The preacher receives 80% of the funding and 20% is used for operating expenses.

As a sponsor you should receive correspondence when we send your support to your chosen preacher three times annually.

Each preacher recommended for support has successfully passed through at least three levels of examination and has been proven to be doctrinally sound, morally pure and have a verifiable track record in church planting and discipleship.

Sponsorship of a **TEAM** can be done for as little as \$10.00 monthly, or for any other amount you wish. **TEAM** stands for Together Effectively Advancing the Ministry. Though many preachers are being supported, they often collectively lack ministry tools that can be most useful. The purpose of the **TEAM** funding is to provide each country with money to be used for such things as purchasing Bibles and tracts, printing literature, buying bicycles for the traveling evangelists, building a church or Bible school, helping with emergency relief, etc.

Each trimester as the funds are mailed abroad, the national coordinator for every nation is asked to fill out a **TEAM** Report Form which we will send to you. This will give you a first hand report of how your funds were effectively used to advance the ministry in that land.

Sponsorship of an **orphan** is \$35.00 monthly and provides for lodging, food, clothing, basic medical care, and education.

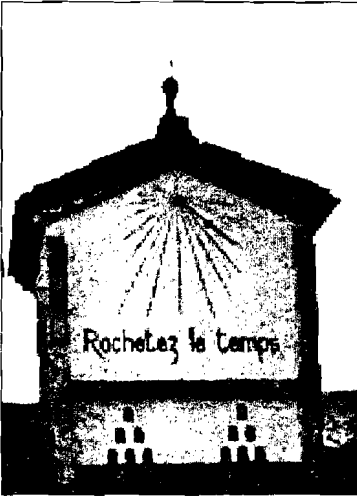
All orphanages assisted by Final Frontiers are administered by pastors who are supported through this foundation, and are operated as a ministry of a local church. Trimesterly correspondence is encouraged between the orphans and their sponsors.

Membership in the **Final Frontiers Society** is \$45.00 annually (for a family) and is used to fund special ministry projects overseas and our various international offices.

### **A word about Louis from Jon Nelms:**

The financial situation in France, though not a third-world nation, is much less desirable than that in the U.S. The typical family income is only about \$1,000.00 monthly, but the prices on consumable goods are in many cases, equal to or greater than those here.

Travel costs in France are horrible. For example, while planting a church in Paris, the team found they could fly cheaper than drive the six hours, due to toll costs and high fuel prices.



*The prayer tower at the church, where members gather daily to pray for souls world-wide reads: "Redeem the Time". This is their driving motivation which is reflected in their day to day ministry.*

of the location of his church, (only 3 hours from Spain, Italy, and Switzerland), his people are positioned to plant many more churches. In fact, his youth soul-winning program each Friday night actually evangelizes in Switzerland.

If you are traveling to Europe I recommend you visit the DeMeo's and stay in either their church's apartment, or in the office/apartment under construction, that will house the Final Frontiers European Office, which is overseen by Pastor DeMeo and his staff.

If you are interested in having Louis for a meeting, he will be here for two weeks this fall and only has open dates from October 20-31. Contact Jon Nelms to arrange a booking at 1-800-522-4324. ■

Louis is a personal friend and it is my desire to promote his ministry, though he is not a national preacher. Louis and Janey serve as models for other missionaries to follow in every aspect of their lives, whether it be family or ministry. Their commitment is incredible, they have no plans of living in the States. France is literally their home. In fact, they only speak English when visitors are present, and the French, who are overly critical of anyone attempting to use their language with the slightest error in pronunciation, don't even know that they are not French born.

Several years ago I traveled with Louis into three African churches where his congregation had either sent one of their own as a missionary or had actually planted the church. Currently, nearly 20% of the members of Louis' church are serving as full-time missionaries. All without any regular support. In addition, because

# News of interest from around the world

## ■ North Korea's Famine

The famine enveloping North Korea appears to be every bit as devastating as analysts feared. According to the *New York Times*, "A misery of almost unspeakable dimensions is becoming evident from the horror stories now seeping out." Reports of cannibalism, of emaciated babies, of people foraging for grass and bark, continue to reach the outside world. The United Nations estimates that North Korea's grain shortage will top 2 million tons in 1997.

## ■ Government in Cambodia Shaken

The royalist and formerly communist political parties have stopped working together in Cambodia. Analysts say the United Nations' peace agreement may be in trouble if both sides, which jointly run the government, don't overcome their differences. Progress toward a multi-party democracy is on hold. "Everybody is depressed about it," one Western diplomat told the *Wall Street Journal*.

## ■ Romania Update

Following recent attacks against Romanian Baptists, the new government of President Constantinescu has ordered an investigation. The president also called a May 2 summit of religious leaders to discuss the rights of evangelicals in the country, according to Baptist Press. The president is attempting to break the destructive links between economic and political power in the country.

## ■ Repression of Christians in Myanmar Continues

According to a report in *Christianity Today*, the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC) is attempting to force the Chin tribal people to convert to Buddhism, although 95% claim to be Christian. "SLORC knows that Chin people are poor," a spokesperson for an advocacy group in Bangladesh told CT. "If they can't do it with money, maybe next time they'll do it with guns. If SLORC can convert the Chin people, we would lose our culture, we would forget our origin."

## ■ South of the Border Boom

One of the hottest economic growth areas in the world is the border area between U.S. and Mexico, according to *Business Week*. "Stretching 2,100 miles from the Pacific Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico, this 130-mile-wide strip may be North America's fastest growing region," states the magazine. "With 11 million people and \$150 billion in output, it is an economy larger than that of Poland and close to the size

# Let's Get Acquainted

The purpose of this feature is to introduce our readers to approved preachers who are not yet sponsored. It is our hope that their testimonies will verify their worthiness and need, and will lead to prayer and support on their behalf.

**Preacher's Name:**

James Kimaiyo Kosulol

**Wife's Name:**

Rosemary Nasimiyo

**Number of Children:**

8

**Country:**

Kenya



**Testimony:**

In my youth I was a Catholic. When I got married I left the Roman Church and never joined any other group. In late 1986 I started to have a desire for the Word of God though I used to drink heavily. I was determined to learn, even if I had to return to the Roman Church or go to a cult in our village. One Sunday a man visited me from a nearby Baptist Church, asking me to follow him to church. I did not hesitate. At the church, taking the back seat, I heard the preaching from Matthew 11:28-29 and walked forward at the invitation. This was Feb. 2, 1987.

From that day I never failed to attend the services and I committed my life to church work, assisting the pastor in 1988. I was elected to serve as a deacon and in 1989, joined the Bible School, graduating in 1993. In all this time, I devoted my service in visitation, teaching the Word and assisting the pastor in preaching. In late 1993, the pastor left and I was promoted to being the pastor of the Sidy Bible Baptist Church, where I still serve as pastor. I love God and trust His faithfulness.

My wife was saved some years before me and is a patient and courageous lady, persistently urging me toward the Lord and His work.

We are in the process of beginning a mission work, and I have trained two men to serve with me in the ministry. I speak three languages and a little English and have led 250 people to Christ. Because I have no income from my church, I must farm to feed my family. Your support will give me more time to work in God's fields.

**Number of sponsorships needed:** 2 - each at \$35.00 monthly

**Preacher's Name:**

Paul Paras Raman

**Wife's Name:**

Roshni Devi

**Number of Children:**

2

**Country:**

Fiji Islands

**Testimony:**

I have come out from a very strong Hindu background. My father was a Hindu priest and built 30 temples. My brother and sister and I were all very sick, on our death beds. My father did all his best to cure us from our sickness, but it didn't work. In the midst of all this problems, some church missionaries came visiting home to home and they came to our house - after a short sharing, my father did not like them and so they were chased away. The sickness grew and my father was so confused not knowing what to do. He used a lot of money for to witch doctors, hospitals, idol worship, and was left with a big debt.

The missionaries kept on coming and so one day when my father was helpless and worried they shared to gospel, prayed for our healing and God answered their prayers. We were all three healed instantly. My father and mother burst into tears and accepted Christ as did we three. Since that day I have desired to serve the Lord, to know Him and to make Him known.

My wife also comes from a Hindi priestly background. When her father died, her brothers did not know how to conduct temple worship. They ceased to care for her and their mother. Poverty came upon them all and they were about to give up their lives when some youths came and witnessed to them of the love of God. They accepted Christ and are now serving Him.

Since coming to Christ I attended Bible college, started four churches, led 80 people to Christ and have been involved in evangelism, discipleship and teaching. Now I am working with another preacher at Nasinu Baptist Indian Fellowship. My wife is our sole financial supporter, working at a timber company, but it does not provide sufficient income for our family. With your support, she will be able to work beside me full time, in the ministry.

**Number of sponsorships needed:** Four, each at \$35.00 monthly. The extra is because of his responsibilities as National Coordinator for us.

# From the mailbag



**From:** Paul Earnest Gandepalli  
**Sponsored by:** Billy Johnson, AL



**Last trimester:**

villages  
evangelized - 1

churches  
started - 1

people saved - 16

converts  
baptized - 16

I am very happy to find such a fine, hearty sponsor to support my family and the work of Lord. My heart is burning with a desire to bring many people who are sinners. Let the Lord open their eyes and fill them with His spirit so that they can realize their true Savior. In this regard your help is invaluable. Your prayers and above all, the Lord's mercy over me, are essential to make me a successful pastor.

Last week, while I was going to a far off village, I was waiting for a Government-run bus, that was the only bus per day plying to that remote route. So many people along with me were waiting. The bus came at last, but it was already filled to its strength. As I, along with the passengers started rushing toward the door to ascend the bus, the conductor forcibly pushed me out and closed the door. I fell down and got a head injury. There was a swelling on the back side of my head. I wept and cried aloud to God. "O God, why do you treat me like this? I am only working for you." There was no other bus for the whole day to that village. I, with great disappointment, sat under a tree.

Later after some time, a motor cyclist came on the way and wished me. He gave more respect to me because I am a pastor and a servant of God. He came to my rescue and told me to take me on his vehicle to my destination. I felt very happy for his kind gesture. After 25 minutes of our motor ride, we saw that the bus which I missed, was dashed to a road-side tree. So many people received severe wounds and couple of them were dead. After seeing this sad scenario, my heart filled with great gratitude for God as He saved my life, in the form of a conductor who pushed me out (from danger). If I were in that bus, I would have definitely died. God is great.





**From:** Luke S.  
**Sponsored By:** Patricia Maze, AL

Very happy to convey my hearty thanks for you for your regular help. Every month we have pastors' meeting at the campus of our National leader, Rev. Kumar. We all discussed and shared our experiences in our ministry and also evolved the plans to take up effective steps for soul winning.

**Last trimester:**

villages  
 evangelized - 1

churches  
 started - 1

people saved - 11

converts  
 baptized - 4

In our meeting, I came to know one of the pastors (Gotru Paul) lost his wife due to lack of proper medical aid at an appropriate time, on account of poverty. Of course this poor pastor somehow managed and admitted his wife in the hospital and after three days, she died. The hospital authorities refused to give the body to him as he failed to clear the hospital bill. Then immediately he mortgaged his bicycle (purchased by a sponsor) for some money and paid the bill. Now he needed that money to get his bicycle back.

We, all the pastors, gave one dollar each, from what we had received from our sponsors, to help him. He was very happy for our help.



**From:** Luis Q. Lagura  
**Sponsored by:** Melvin Leham,

Greetings in Jesus' name. I received your support. Thank you so much for your concern of supporting us here in Baclayon Bahol, Philippines.

The work was started January 7, 1995. People are so dogmatic of their religion (Roman Catholic) we are discriminated, but praise the Lord we have now a group of believers and we gather in our residence.

Two families in our village were saved and baptized and others are far away from the place. Some are from another village about six kilometers (4.5 miles) and some are four kilometers (3 miles). They are walking to come down and worship with us here. So pray for us that the Lord can provide us a motor bike for our home visitation.

I am 77 years of age and I cannot walk so much but the Lord is still given me strength of His service.

**Last trimester:**

villages  
 evangelized - 3

churches  
 started - 0

people saved - 6

converts  
 baptized - in

August

# Welcome New Sponsors

## Preacher Sponsorships:

The following began sponsorship of a national preacher since last month's report. For information regarding sponsorship refer to the "Now it's your turn" voucher attached to the enclosed envelope.

- **Elmer Keller** of Chattanooga, TN  
sponsored: Khup Lian Mang in Myanmar (Burma)  
and sponsored: Joseph P.J. in India
- **Ricky and Carrie Malone** in Red Bank, TN  
sponsored: Yesudas Limbu in Myanmar (Burma)
- **Daniel and Amanda Hostetler** in Chattanooga, TN  
sponsored: Brother Dao # 8 in China
  - **Ron Cofer** in Chattanooga, TN  
sponsored: Ouga Mathurin Agui in the Ivory Coast
- **Ashland Terrace Baptist Church Youth Group** in Chattanooga, TN  
sponsored: Kuch Key La in Cambodia
  - **Tom and Marcia Butler** in Eatonton, GA  
sponsored: Efrain Casco Centeno in Nicaragua
  - **Fred and Dawn Koestner** in St. Louis Park, MO  
sponsored: Christian Doe Aynor in Ghana
  - **Donald and Sheryl Brown** in Crystal, MN  
sponsored: Molnar Nicolae in Romania
  - **Todd and Bonnie Tersteeg** in Coon Rapids, MN  
sponsored: Christian Doe Aynor in Ghana
- **Mark and Sandra Heideman** in Ft. Leonard Wood, MO  
sponsored: Jabo Sae-Lee in Thailand
  - **Jerry and Rose Greene** in St. Robert, MO  
sponsored: Leonel Ramirez Hernandez in Guatemala
  - **Jeffery Croley** in Waynesville, MO  
double sponsored: Huynh Duy Linh in Vietnam

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## Final Frontiers Society Membership

The following became Society members since last month's report. Membership is \$45.00 annually, and is applied to international operating expenses and funding for special projects. For membership information or application, call 1-800-522-4324

- **Richard and Susan Spencer** and family - Mt. Juliet, TN
  - **Randy and April Box** and family - Spring, TX

- **Michael and Patricia Alexander** and family - Simi Valley, CA
  - **Robert and Susan Moore** and family - Ortonville, MI
  - **Rob and Kelly Martin** and family - Wooster, OH
    - **Gertrude Corkell** - Felton, DE
  - **Rick and Pam Olin** and family - Dover, DE
  - **Willie and Anne Jones, Jr.** - Sandersville, GA
    - **Stephen Nelms** - Louisville, GA
    - **Mrs. Nan Nelms** - Bartow, GA
  - **Lake Center Bible Church** - Portage, MI
    - **Virginia Tousley** - Woodland, MI
  - **Ralph and Nan Dingman** - Davison, MI
    - **Karen Kellogg** - Mattawan, MI
  - **Ray and Phyllis Safrit** and family - Concord, NC
    - **Verdell Martin** - Conover, NC
  - **Rick and Shon Anderson** and family - Marne, IA
    - **Richard Wrubel** - Des Moines, IA
  - **Melvin and Kathleen Willey** and family - Des Moines, IA
    - **Raymond Wrubel** - Des Moines, IA
    - **Troy and Patricia Green** - Council Bluffs, IA
  - **James and Mary Gibson** and family - Philadelphia, MO
  - **Wayne and Linda Siems** and family - Lee's Summit, MO
    - **Tim and Lynn Floyd** and family - Anoka, MN
    - **Lester and Bernice Fluth** - Cambridge, MN
    - **Ron and Marcia Clay** and family - Truman, MN
  - **James and Joy Starnes** and family - Munford, TN
    - **Richard Colanzi** - Nashville, TN
    - **Erme Flierl** - West Palm Beach, FL
  - **Pastor Dan and Julie Burrell** - West Palm Beach, FL
    - **Elizabeth Shank** - Cumberland, MD
  - **David and Janet Eicher** and family - Springdale, AR

## **Visionary Partner Sponsorships:**

A *Visionary Partner* is a church that gives support to the Final Frontiers home office in the amount of \$50.00 monthly, and gives support for a *TEAM* project at \$10.00 monthly. For information and benefits of enrolling, pastors should contact Lewis Nelms at 800-522-4324.

- **Grace Baptist Church** in Raleigh, NC - TEAM Zambia
  - **Bluestone Baptist Church** in Danielsville, GA
- **West Rome Baptist Church**, Manitou Beach, MI - TEAM Zambia
- **Southview Bible Church** in Council Bluffs, IA - TEAM Zambia
  - **Bible Baptist Church** in Chadron, NE - TEAM Zambia

# Reports from the Final Frontiers

**Reports received since last month's *Progress Report* indicate there were ...**

125 Churches Started  
1,527 Villages Evangelized  
5,010 Professions of Faith  
547 Believers Baptized

**Combined totals from all reports received since our beginning in January 1987 indicate there have been ...**

7,933 Churches Started  
31,403 Villages Evangelized  
274,645 Professions of Faith  
80,656 Believers Baptized

**A current total of all statistics indicate there are ...**

805 Preachers Supported  
1,102 Preacher Sponsorships  
78 *TEAM* Sponsorships  
35 Orphans Supported  
32 Countries involved in

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