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The Lord Continues To Bless With New Missionaries



**Dr. Gene Burge
President, BMFP**

The Lord continues to bless Baptist Missions To Forgotten Peoples by adding a great assemblage of new missionaries to our mission family. BMFP held Candidate Training Week On June 13-18. Dr. Tim Clark serves as our Pre-field Administrator. He, together with our other BMFP Field Administrators plus some pastors that serve on our Executive Board, did a wonderful ministry of preparing this class of missionaries for their field of service. This year's class certainly was one of diversity which is one of the great things about serving with BMFP. As we assist local independent Baptist churches to care for their missionaries, we give to each God called servant the avenue to fulfill God's will for their lives.

Included in this class are missionaries going to China, Canada, Cuba, France, England, Guatemala, Nepal and Togo, as well as the United States. Three of our missionary couples are coming to us from BMFP - Canada. In addition to the missionaries going to foreign countries, we have in the USA church planters and missionaries to the prisons, the US Military and a Missionary Video Ministry.

Baptist Missions To Forgotten Peoples is "Providing Global Opportunities For Innovative Ministries." Please pray that these precious missionaries, as well as others who are already on their pre-field ministries, that they will be able to raise their support soon and arrive on their field of ministry.

2010 BMFP MISSIONARY CLASS



**Why My Heart
Loves Missionaries
By
Sergio Reyes
Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church
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As a Pastor, and Field Administrator for BMFP, and as one that grew up in three different countries, have been in twenty-two different ones, and can speak three languages, I consider myself somewhat international. I understand culture differences, language barriers and the feeling of being totally lost; I experienced that myself coming to America at the age of four and having to enter school with no knowledge of the English language or customs.

This is why my heart loves missionaries. Missions is definitely a calling and empowering from God. In these difficult times we need to realize that God's heart has not withdrawn from missions; God loves missionaries. Speaking to a veteran missionary, I was humbled by his story of entering the Central African Republic in the early 1960s. As he spoke I heard the same difficulties that missionaries are facing as they were fifty years ago: money problems, dangers, separation from family sometimes for eight to ten years, lack of communication, loneliness, and sickness.

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**The Need of Missionaries
To The US Military
By
Dr. Wilbur McBride
Military Field Administrator**

Praise the Lord for the men and women who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States, providing protection for the freedoms and liberties we enjoy as citizens. In fact, there are only two people who have ever died for you and me. The Lord Jesus Christ was willing to die to set us free for eternity, and the American soldier has been willing to die to keep us free as we live in this present world.

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My Heart Loves Missionaries - (Continued from page 1)

Nothing is new under the sun for the missionary of today yet there are many more positives - internet communication, rapid money transactions, medical improvements, and, in most cases, they are not "pioneering" a country, they have help nearby.

This veteran missionary shared how his and his wife's faith and trust in God were challenged but at the same time made stronger than they had ever realized possible. There is definitely an empowering - a special anointing from the Holy Spirit when a family sets out to trust God and God alone. The proof is Satan's wrath against them.

To you missionaries that might be getting weary in well doing, I say, look for the second wave of encouragement from the Lord because it is coming. You're not the first to be challenged, and you will join that elite group that have received the calling and the empowering for this special task God calls "*Fishers of Men*," and we call Missions.

Missionaries To The Military - (Continued from page 1)

I thank the Lord for a missionary who cared enough to share with me how the Lord loved me and how He died to pay my sin debt. I had already served in the military for 13 years and had never heard a clear and personal presentation of the gospel. It was at a Thanksgiving retreat in 1969 that missionary Milton Many shared the truth with me, and I received Jesus as my Saviour. The Lord used my personal experience to reveal to

me the need for missionaries to the military. Later, during my daily devotions, I realized the Lord was calling me to be a missionary to the military, and He confirmed that calling while I was in Bible College.

Today there are nearly 1.5 million people on active duty, and another nearly 850,000 serving in the various reserve components. These service members are stationed all around the world, and face unbelievable challenges that include long deployments in combat zones, separation from family and friends, and all kinds of moral trials. Many military members succumb to these challenges and temptations, making the need for military missions obvious. The divorce rate among the military families is extremely high. Add to this the tragic reality of suicide and, again, the need for more missionaries to the military becomes readily apparent.

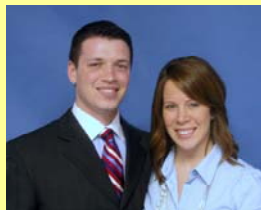
But there is also an encouraging side to the tale. Today, about 40% of all independent Baptist missionaries have a military background, making our armed forces one of the very best sources for new missionary recruits. Because of their training, military men and women have a high regard for authority and that translates well into obeying the call of the Lord to serve on the mission fields of the world.

Perhaps God is speaking to your heart about reaching our military around the world with the Gospel message. Feel free to contact me at bromac@bmf.org.

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