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**FRONTIERS**

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take a

**NEW**

**STEP**

**FORWARD**

that will 'JAR' you 'LOOSE' and 'CHANGE' your life



Dear Reader,

March 9, 1981

People were on tip-toes, everywhere I went in February. I touched Vancouver, Canada, Washington, DC, Columbia S.C., Decatur, GA, and Wilmore, KY. (That was my travelling month!)

This was true for both student groups and all-church conferences. Everyone was excited to learn more about the rising tide of concern all across the world to plant a witness within every last remaining pocket of society. More and more are willing to believe that it really is possible!

Especially exciting is the new campaign for a daily awareness of the Hidden Peoples. WHAT A BLESSING HAS COME TO US FROM THAT HUMBLE TRIBAL GROUP IN WESTERN BURMA!

But on the plane I have had time to think a lot about a daily discipline. How readily will people in the U.S. yield to one more daily disturbance? Will this easily become a mere nuisance? For example, I didn't used to like stop lights. In a hurry, red lights can be infuriating—especially if they just barely catch you. But I have been trying something new. I am trying to get in the habit of using red lights for special moments of prayer. This is beginning to turn red lights into welcome blessings.

Can't the same be true for the daily discipline of throwing loose coins into a jar labeled "Remember the Hidden Peoples"? Hauling those coins out of your pocket or pocketbook is a tangible interruption. It is as definite as a red stop light. It reminds us to pray—and to pray for the world's most needy people.

I am thinking. Just how difficult will it be to enlist people in the daily discipline of a Loose Change Fellowship for Frontiers? (See pages 4-6) Can we follow the example of tribal people?

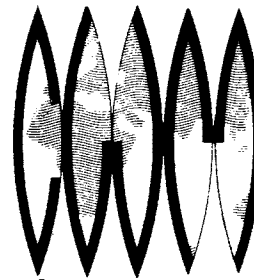
There is one problem, however. Recently, I found I didn't have a dime to make a phone call in the airport. Only the "charge-a-call" booth saved me. The night before I had put all my coins in an envelope I carry in my suitcase! (Maybe some people need to save out a dime.) It really is not all that important how many coins we have each day.

The greatest value in that light that goes red—even when we are rushing—is the keen, rich value of that moment of deeper fellowship with our Father in Heaven. This is a blessing to be received and then to be shared. Let's pray for a million people to do this with us, for a starter.

Cordially, in His Commission,

Ralph D. Winter, General Director

*Expect Great Things from God. Attempt Great Things for God . . . William Carey*



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## URBANA '81

Inter-Varsity's massive student missions convention is slated for December 27-31 at Urbana, Illinois.

Due to the overwhelming response in recent Urbana's, the event is now scheduled every other year, instead of the every-third-year format of the past.

Speakers at Urbana '81 will include Billy Graham, David M. Howard, John Kyle, Helen Roseveare, and Isabelo Magalit.

A color film and other promotional materials, and registration forms are available from Urbana '81, 233 Langdon Street, Madison, WI 53703.

## AGENCIES WORKING TOGETHER IN PHILIPPINES

Over a dozen mission agencies in the Philippines are banding together to reach people for Christ in the 14 major languages of the islands.

The efforts will include evangelism, drama, music, traditional media, with a special emphasis on the printed word, Scripture distribution and Bible study.

Among the agencies involved are the Christian and Missionary Alliance, Wycliffe Bible Translators (SIL), Gospel Recordings, and the Philippines Bible Society.

## "ARTISTS IN CHRISTIAN TESTIMONY" AT USCWM

Newly arrived at the Center complex is "Artists in Christian Testimony" (ACT), directed by Rev. Byron Spradlin.

ACT is a training, evangelism, and missions ministry active in evangelizing and mobilizing artists (and others) to be more effective for Christ in local churches, on the mission field, and in their profession.

On the foreign field, ACT is involved in compiling an indigenous hymnal in Honduras, and in developing training materials in music and ministry for use in evangelism and church planting.

Spradlin has developed two 5-hour seminars to help mobilize artists: "Music in the Arts and Missions," and "Christianity, Art, and Culture, related to fulfilling the Great Commission."

For further information, contact: Artists in Christian Testimony, 1605 E. Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, CA 91104, or call (213) 335-7736.

## 260 ATTEND SCOWE: HIDDEN PEOPLE A PRIORITY

Twenty-five percent of the 260 delegates that attended the Student Conference on World Evangelization at the U.S. Center for World Mission February 20-22 signed the Edinburgh '80 Student Pledge to: "...commit my entire life to obeying His commission... giving priority to the peoples currently beyond the reach of the Gospel."

Inter-Varsity's mission specialist Dave Bryant further challenged the delegates to "...wrap your life in Christ around God's global cause."

## Personalia

## RECENT VISITORS at the Center:

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### MISSIONS IN BITE-SIZE PIECES

#### BIBLES FOR 127 LANGUAGES IN RUSSIA

Russian is a foreign language for about half the Soviet population, due to the linguistic diversity of the Soviet Union. 47,000,000 people in the USSR do not speak Russian at all!

73,000,000 people in Russia (a quarter of the population) are non-Slavic peoples, and speak one of 127 other languages. By religion, the majority of the non-slavic people are Muslim (The Soviet Union is the 5th largest Moslem country in the world).

The Bible has at some time been translated into about 40 "Russian" languages. Yet, 90 languages in the USSR do not yet have any part of the Gospel translated.

The Institute for Bible Translation was founded in 1973 to re-press and begin new translations in the non-Slavic languages of Russia. To date, the IBT has published 38 New Testaments, and Gospels in 28 languages. 19 are reprints of old editions that have gone out-of-print, and all others are new translations.

The Institute for Bible Translation is located in Stockholm, Sweden (Box 20100 S-104 60).

#### InterFACE: LOOKING TO AMERICAN BORN CHINESE

"Ministering to American-born Chinese" is the theme for the Fellowship of American Chinese Evangelicals (FACE), to be held at the USCWM campus on April 23-25. InterFACE is designed to promote Christian ministry to American born Chinese through the Chinese church.

The group also seeks to enable Chinese church leaders (both American-, and overseas-born) laymen and pastors to minister more effectively.

Speakers will include Hoover Wong, Wayland Wong, Joseph Wong, and Peter Yuen.

For more information contact registrar Ed Yee, 993 Isabella Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.



*In what follows here, we are deeply indebted to a group of tribal Christians in Western Burma—hence "the Burma Plan." Each day they pray for their own missionaries and set aside "a handful of rice" for their support.*

**1** How it was done Sunday, February 22, 1981 at the Chapel Woods Presbyterian Church in Decatur, Georgia (the first church in North America formally to do this!).

The pastor stood up in the evening service and described what the missions committee had already discussed, in roughly these terms--though not exactly:

"As you leave this evening you need only to hold out your hand and one of the ushers will give you a blank label to take home with you.

"When you get home you should carefully print on the label Remember the Hidden Peoples and stick it on the side of a wide-mouthed jar of some kind. Each night before retiring, or possibly at dinner time if that is what your family would like to do, you are challenged to put the loose change from your pocket or pocketbook into the jar and at the same moment you should take advantage of that little disturbance in your day to do exactly what the label says: pray for the Hidden Peoples.

"Your accumulated coins at the end of the month will be turned in at a special Frontier Fellowship meeting which we will announce. At that meeting each month we will show a special message on video tape that will explain the exciting new concept of

Frontier Missions and portray new developments across the world in regard to this special new emphasis.

"Each month the treasurer of the group will give you a receipt for your coins so that you will not have to take them home again; but each of you will, at a later date, decide just how you want your funds designated. Our church will have its own special Hidden Peoples fund. We hope to adopt a specific Hidden People group. However, you are free to choose other alternatives. The only thing is that your designation needs to fulfill the exciting new definition of Frontier Missions (planting the church within people groups where there is not yet a viable church at all).

"Remember that we have two primary reasons for participating in a Loose Change Fellowship for Frontiers: (a) we want to create a special fund for the world's least reached groups--the world's highest priority mission--and (2) we want to create a deep, genuine pattern of daily renewal of awareness for these people groups that are in a particular sense out of sight and out of mind."



**2** How it was done Wednesday, February 25, 1981 at the U.S. Center for World Mission. At our regular staff meeting, the announcement was made that this was a good time for those who wished to join in this simple, daily prayer vigil. A number of our staff members--and I hope eventually all of our people--will become involved in this new Fellowship. We hope this will become a nationwide movement. How? We are approaching a number of large, fine, evangelical organizations to enlist their collaboration in reaching their contacts with this challenge.

**THE BURMA PLAN:**

# A Loose Change Frontier Fellowship

## 'how to form one'



**3** Now then, how can you help form a Frontier Fellowship? You may discuss this with your pastor and mission committee to see if your church might become another Chapel Woods church. However, you may prefer to try it out yourself for a few days first. See whether this little reminder mechanism is a help to you, or you might wish to invite two or three friends over to your home and ask them if they would be willing to join you in the experiment. Even a group of ten may warrant your requesting a special video cassette each month for use in your monthly meeting. (We are hoping this can be very inexpensive.)

**4** Who will follow up on all of this? Naturally, our LCFF here at the USCWM is spurred on by almost constant, daily input from the widening ripples of the Hidden Peoples revolution in missions. We really don't need someone to send us a monthly video cassette! Indeed, the cassette we will send out to your group each month will, to a considerable extent, simply be a sharing of the excitement and flow of events here at this Center, where everything we do concerns the Hidden Peoples. Although we will make available directly, or through regional offices, a video cassette for all the Frontier Fellowships with which we are in touch, other organizations joining us in this campaign may produce their own video cassettes. Beginning in February, our bulletin, Mission Frontiers, carries a daily paragraph for prayer.

**5** Is this really worth the effort? You will be surprised to know that an average of only 27½¢ a day produces \$100 a year; 100 people will produce \$10,000 a year; one million people will produce one hundred million dollars a year. We hope to elicit that large a group by December 31, 1981!

But if coins mount up like this, what will be the impact that all this vast volume of new prayer will accomplish? Remember, **NOTHING THAT DOES NOT OCCUR DAILY WILL EVER DOMINATE YOUR LIFE.** The daily vigil of a "Loose Change Fellowship" will "jar" people "loose" and "change" their lives. With many organizations backing it, this will awaken North Americans like no sporadic one-organizational scheme could ever do.

We ought to see one million Canadians and nine million U.S. believers join in this new Frontier emphasis. Can you believe God for this? Imagine, ten million doing this will produce one billion dollars a year. Wow! That will double U.S. giving to missions. Do you not think that kind of goal is worth a whole lot of effort?

Walk through the Word in the morning.  
Walk through the world at night.  
In each case with our hand in His!





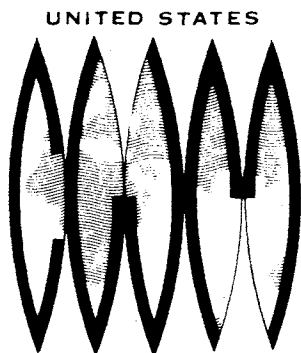
**6** But will this save the U.S. Center campus? We hope so, but that is surely secondary. We are not even suggesting that these Fellowship coins come to us beyond the first \$15.95, even that is optional. Other organizations helping us in this campaign may accept (but not demand) these offerings, since they will have active overseas Hidden People programs. And, they need money for their ongoing activities. We're different. We are able to retain our policy of asking nothing from churches, and only a one-time gift from individuals. Due to contributed personnel on our staff from 42 different mission agencies, we are (amazingly) able to operate on a self-sustaining basis. We always have, as far as our operational costs are concerned. Not since 1977 have we asked anyone for operational funds. That means, once we receive enough small gifts to pay off our Founding Budget we will continue (as we are now) on an operationally self-sustaining basis.

If you would like more information, please write to me at the following address, or phone (213) 794-6276: Ralph D. Winter, U.S. Center for World Mission, 1605 E. Elizabeth, Pasadena, CA 91104.

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P.S. As you pray each day you may wish to ponder the following pledge which was worked out by 170 young people from 26 nations at the International Student Consultation for Frontier Missions in Edinburgh in November 1980.

"By the grace of God and for His Glory, I commit my entire life to obeying His commission of Matt. 28:18-20 wherever and however He leads me, giving priority to the peoples currently beyond the reach of the gospel (Rom. 15:20-21). I will also endeavor to impart this vision to others." ■



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*This is the letter  
we sent to all of you a few days  
ago. It gives the background  
for the Loose Change Fellowship*  
R.D. Winter

February 20, 1981

Dear friend,

I have something to share with you that is so grave, so staggering, so hopeful, so crucial, that I had better begin with a few of the less spectacular facts behind the scenes here. (Note: this letter does not ask you for money.)

1. DO YOU HAVE WEIRD RELIGIOUS RITUALS?

Yes. Each weekday morning our 77 Central Staff gathers to share Bible verses from our own personal devotions that day, and pray briefly--in small groups. Then we turn our chairs around and share in the larger group what the Lord has done in our midst the last 24 hours. All this runs from 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. Our member organizations each begin the day in their own way.

2. HOW MUCH PAY DO YOU RECEIVE?

The same as my wife. The U. S. Center for World Mission pays me the same monthly allotment it pays to the newest, youngest staff member. I have no special allowance of any kind. This equal pay idea is not our invention. This is the way most mission agencies operate.

3. WHAT KIND OF FURNITURE DO YOU HAVE?

We have never purchased a desk or a chair. Almost all our furniture is used, surplus, donated. We don't scrimp on essential tools, but this whole place is certainly a sleeves-rolled-up economy operation.

4. WHY DO 42 DIFFERENT MISSION ORGANIZATIONS CONTRIBUTE THEIR PEOPLE TO YOUR STAFF?

One executive said, "We send one man out there and get back the work of ten."

5. GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE.

Gospel Recordings assigned Allan Starling here. With the help of some keen young computer science graduates on the staff of our Computer Center he has developed a 2,700 page Peoplesfile. It indexes 168,000 places, languages, and people group names as they are found in the research files of Wycliffe Bible Translators, World Vision/MARC, and Gospel Recordings (you can get the whole index on 12 microfiche cards for \$12).

6. O.K., SO YOU ARE TRACKING DOWN LEFT-OUT (HIDDEN PEOPLE) GROUPS. HOW DO YOU HELP THEM? HOW DOES THIS GET TO THE CHURCHES?

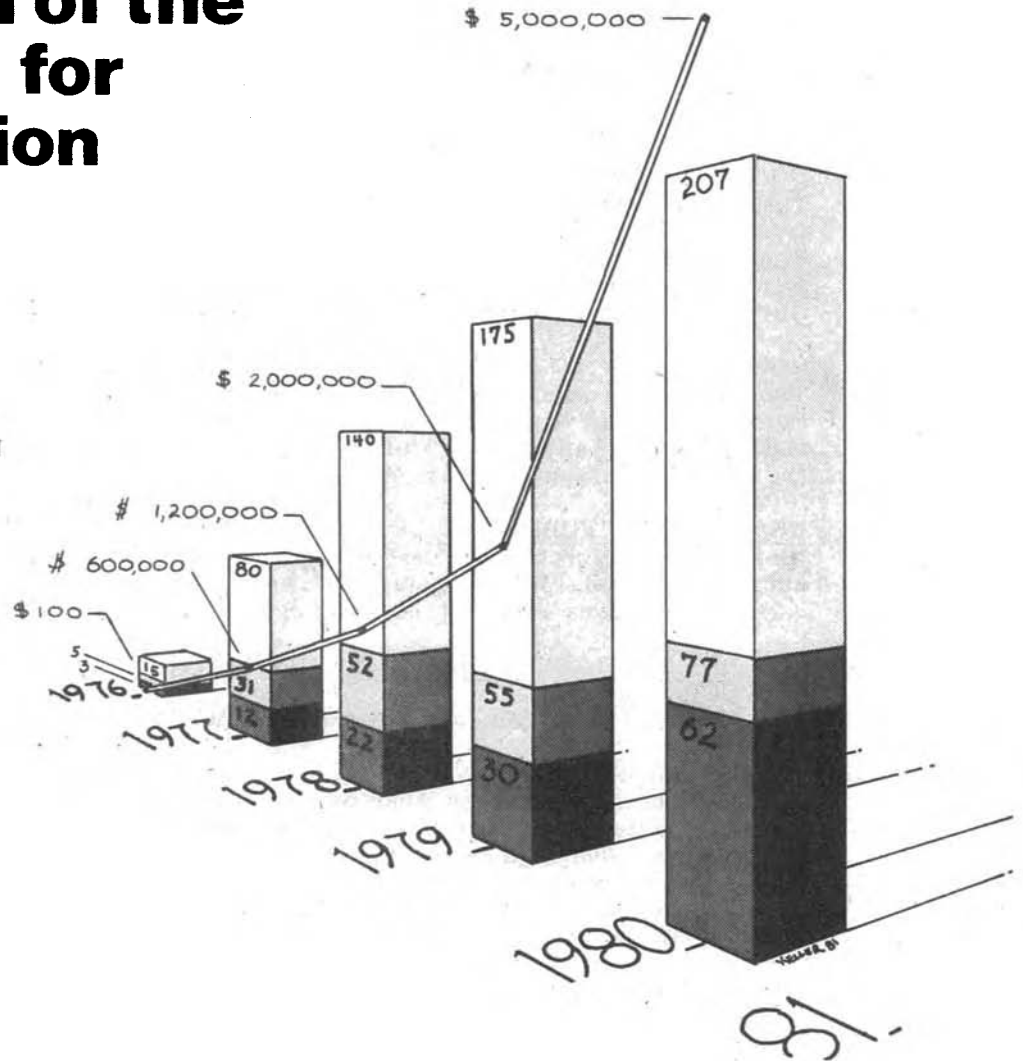
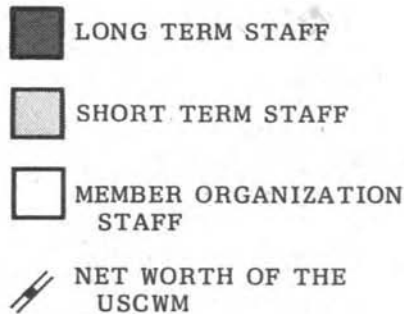
Christianity Today recently sent out a deck of cards to a large group of Christian leaders, mainly pastors. One of those return post-cards was ours. Within days 2,000 of those cards came in from pastors and church leaders requesting our Hidden People Sunday kit and Jericho book, free of charge. Even before that we had over 4,000 get in touch with us. Meanwhile, we are encouraging mission agencies to allow local churches to adopt specific Hidden People groups. This may grow into the major trend in America in the new era.

7. YOUR GROWTH IS RATHER AMAZING. HOW DO YOU ATTRACT STAFF?  
 We have one person who deals with people who walk in or write in. Our little book, Once More Around Jericho, has traveled all over the place. Most of our people caught the vision by reading that surprising story of what God has done.

8. WHAT IS YOUR SPECIAL FINANCIAL SECRET?  
 It is not a secret, but in order to be a cooperative Center, available to all evangelical agencies without competition for funds, we have, since December 1977, never asked for money from any church budget, nor asked for more than a single one-time gift of \$15.95 from any individual. When we get unasked for larger gifts, we treat them as loans to be reassigned (to individuals) or returned (to churches) once enough people give \$15 gifts.

9. BUT IS IT WORKING? ARE YOU OUT OF THE WOODS?  
 No, it really isn't working and we are still in grave danger. Although our operational budget is (and always has been) in the black, a little over a year ago we fell 90 days behind on our property payment and haven't yet caught up. We're glad we haven't fallen farther behind, but we haven't caught up. This is serious.

# The Growth of the U.S. Center for World Mission



10. BE SPECIFIC.  
 We face new payments on the property of \$175,000 every three months: March 1, June 1, September 1, December 1. Right now, for example, we still owe \$35,000 on the last December 1, payment. We feel we have to pay this by March 1. We may finally exhaust the patience and good-will of the original owners (who need to make payments on their own new campus).



11. COULD YOU LOSE THE PROPERTY?

Yes. In the foreclosure process we could easily lose most of what we own.

12. HOW DO YOU SEE THIS SPIRITUALLY?

We believe profoundly that being behind like this is dishonoring to the Lord. We believe to save the project God has temporarily urged some people to give larger gifts (accounting for 85% of what we have received), but that He has done that only to give us time to reach out by some new method that will more rapidly capture the hearts and lives of more and more people.

13. WILL THAT HELP QUICKLY ENOUGH?

A workable plan is the very next best thing to cash-in-hand.

14. WELL, WHAT IS THE WORKABLE PLAN?

At this point let me summarize the immediate reason for this letter. It is to enable you to pray earnestly and more intelligently about both our March 1, deadline and the fundamental challenge of reaching more and more people. It is not to give you a final detailed plan.

However, let me drop some clues. We believe the fundamental problem is to win people to frontier mission vision and frontier mission giving (not giving to us). It is as though God has said "Seek you first the spreading of the vision and all these \$15.95 gifts will be added unto you." In giving people vision, one fact we have not known how to deal with is: a one-time gift does not keep reminding people about the vision.

15. ARE YOU THEN GOING TO GIVE UP THE ONE-TIME GIFT POLICY?

No. Not yet. First we are going to make absolutely sure we cannot (and we think we can) solve the problem of people giving their one-time gift, reading the Jericho story, gaining a tremendous vision and enthusiasm only to have it gradually slip away because they are not borne along by many more repeated little "obediences" to that vision that would nourish and sustain it.

16. BUT HOW WILL THAT HELP YOU SUDDENLY REACH OUT TO THOUSANDS OF ADDITIONAL PEOPLE?

Two answers. First, if we can show thousands of new people (who have already given) a simple, exciting way to share your vision, the immediate result will be explosive.

*Twenty thousand of you have given and are receiving this letter. Suppose even 80% of you had irretrievably lost your vision, but 20% would pass on your vision to 10 others? That's  $4,000 \times 10 = 40,000$  new people with live frontier vision. Now suppose by our new approach half of these new people are enabled to reach 10 others, that's 200,000, etc. Do you see how crucial it is to enable people to retain and pass on their vision? But how? -- Just a minute. There is a second part to the present question.*

Secondly, we are in fact, so weak and helpless at this point--we have in fact so manifestly failed to discover thus far how to reach thousands of new people by any modest, economical method, not having a massive constituency like many other organizations have--that we have been re-reading those verses about when you are weak you are strong, and we actually believe that a number of key organizations, long friendly to us, will at this point plunge in to help us in our new plan.

17. FINALLY, WHAT, PRAY TELL, IS YOUR NEW PLAN!

There are some tribal Christians in western Burma who in their poverty still put aside every meal-time "a hand-full of rice" which is collected each week and sold in the open market for cash which then goes to support their own missionaries to other tribes.

We feel the explosive significance of this approach--as a permanent way of life--is that it lifts their mission cause before them every single day of their lives! And it is accompanied by at least a small act of generosity.

We have reflected that "nothing that does not occur daily will ever dominate your life." If you do not want to forget the world's by-passed, hidden, still-to-be-reached people then you must do something daily to remind yourself.

Our proposal is that something equivalent to the Handful of Rice is for Americans to pause before going to bed each day to empty out their pockets of whatever loose change they may have accumulated that day. An average of only 27½¢ per day from 10 million people will produce 2.7 million dollars per day, or one billion dollars per year, and thus double the total amount now committed annually to all Protestant missions in this country.

18. YOU MEAN THESE LOOSE COINS WON'T GO TO THE USCWM?  
Not at all. Possibly the first \$15.95 will, from anyone who has not given to us before. But from that point on the thousands of little Fellowships across the country, which we hope will be founded in this movement, will designate their coins for whatever frontier mission cause they feel most comfortable with.
19. HOW CAN YOU SAY "POSSIBLY" WHEN YOU FACE A MARCH 1, DEADLINE WITHOUT ENOUGH MONEY AND YOU MAY LOSE THE VERY BASE YOU STAND ON?  
Well, most of the agencies I know best will be quite willing to urge new people to give their first \$15.95 to us, but we do not believe that should be a requirement.
20. WHY DO YOU THINK IN SUCH LARGE-SCALE TERMS--10 MILLION PEOPLE, FOR EXAMPLE?  
All signs point to this. Major events in 1980--you've been reading our monthly Mission Frontiers--provide evidence that 1) the frontier vision of Hidden Peoples--"A Church for Every People by the Year 2000"--is a truly global phenomenon, and 2) there is a greater willingness to cooperate among evangelical leaders in this moment of history than ever before.

Note well for your prayers (why not begin tonight to pray as you put aside your loose change) the very thought of boosting 10 million Americans into a daily renewed frontier vision is probably the most important single intermediate goal anyone can think of. This will have more to do with our survival as a nation than any act of Congress, any change of political leadership. As God weighs our nation in the balance, our willingness to share our blessings with the world's least reached people groups is utterly central.

Pray in faith: 10-20 major Christian organizations can move 10 million Americans to this vision. Isn't that exciting? Fill out the coupon below if you want to pursue this great challenge and say YES to the vision!

Yours in His commission,

*Ralph D. Winter*

Ralph D. Winter  
General Director

*P.S. Are you wondering how we came out on our*

*March 1st deadline? (Mentioned in #19 above)*

*We are humbled, truly. Even before this letter could have landed in anyone's hands a number of individuals and churches gave substantially, and we paid the Dec 1st. payment in full three days before the Mar 1st. Payment became due!*

*HOWEVER: this is only a qualified victory since we are merely not slipping further behind! See questions 9-12 above.*

*RDW*

We are a "missions-minded" church---  
with a large budget and a lot of  
missionaries. . .  
But, is there something more  
we could be doing?

We're involved in  
missions now, but  
we want to reach out  
in new ways to the  
HIDDEN PEOPLES...How?

My church?  
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Preoccupied.  
At best, only  
tolerant  
of missions.  
How can we  
catch a vision?

What difference can the global cause  
of Christ make in my daily life?  
What does "World Christian  
Discipleship" involve for me?  
And how about my church?

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## CHRISTIAN RV'ers



The staff of the USCWM has been grateful for the recent diligent efforts of a unique group of workers. Since New Year's, over 25 members of the Mobile Missionary Assistance Program (MAP) have come to share the load and lighten the burdens of special work projects at the Center.

MAP is a non-profit, inter-denominational missionary assistance program, specializing in new and old construction, renovation and remodeling.

For the most part, "MAP-ers" are retired Christians who are actively interested in helping missionary organizations (primarily in the U.S.) with work

projects. They travel in motor homes and travel trailers, and "set up camp" wherever they go to serve.

At the Center, MAP people have been active in helping with such projects as upgrading off-campus housing (plumbing, remodeling, electrical, painting), working in the mailroom and accounting office, and assisting in several secretarial positions.

MAP was founded in 1978 by Mr. Harmon Gardner. For more information, contact MAP, 80 Harmony Lane, Walnut Creek, California 94596.

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## LETTERS

### COMMENTS AND QUOTES FROM READERS AND FRIENDS

Slowly but surely I'm catching the "grapevine" vision! . . .

I'd like to start with a commitment to being a "founder" and "campaigner" and from there I'll wait to see what further opportunities are possible. . .

I'm not sure why it's taken me so long to catch the vision but now that I at least have a glimpse of it I want to remain motivated to fulfill it!

With encouragement,  
P.H.  
California

Enclosed please find a gift of \$50—for the work in the U.S. Center for World Mission.

May God bless you in this service. We would like to have a report of special needs. This gift is from the Women's Missionary Society. . .

G.S.  
Pennsylvania

[For a report of special needs of the Center, and a prayer guide, please write in for the new, monthly publication, "COMMUNIQUE."—Ed.]

How I enjoyed the World Briefing Conference! It was thrilling to hear what God is doing in the various areas of the world.

However, it was sobering to hear how much remains to be done. I am praying for a mighty Student Volunteer Movement for frontier missions to sweep over the college campuses all over the world, so that we may get the job done very soon.

I pray that many large gifts may come in to the Center, and that the \$15.95 gifts may begin coming in by the thousands. . .

In Christ,  
G.R.  
California

I read a copy of the "Jericho" book that someone left at church today. It was great to hear the way God has worked there. It also reminded me of my need to contribute to the work.

I appreciate the materials coming out of the Center and hope to use them to stimulate mission interest in my own denomination when I get back to Ohio.

I am finishing my MA in Cross-Cultural Communications at Wheaton so I've seen and heard

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Dr. Winter on campus and have read some of his books and articles. I appreciate what he's doing.

Sincerely,  
L.B.  
Illinois

. . . Enclosed is a check for \$20 to use toward paying off your next payment.

Thinking through what I know of church history and missions, I feel that your organization is one of the most revolutionary and new practical approaches to world missions in this century, and perhaps even since the beginning of "modern missions"!! Why more Christians and Christian organizations and mission agencies don't support you, I don't understand.

Sincerely,  
R.S.  
Oregon

It seems unbelievable that in November 1979 I mailed you the \$15.95 check and have enjoyed Mission Frontiers and Prayer for the Hidden People with little help beyond prayer.

I am aged, widowed and on a limited income, but profoundly interested, knowing that we are living in the "latter times" and I praise our glorious Lord for enabling me to send the little enclosed check.

Prayerfully yours,  
K.R.  
New York

I read and was encouraged by your book, *Once More Around Jericho*. As the leader of a Bible study group on my college campus which is very concerned about the need for missions and our personal responsibility towards the physical and spiritual needs of unreached peoples, I gained some valuable insights from the story told in your book.

Especially eye-opening was the idea that raising the money is a means of spreading the missionary vision, rather than a means of getting money. . .

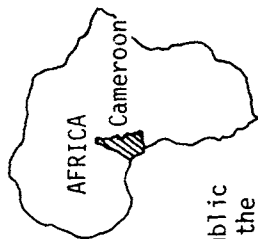
Sincerely,  
F.P.  
South Carolina

I am a Christian real estate agent, and I feel led of the Lord to share my tithe with your work.

Sincerely,  
C.M.  
Colorado

detach here for use as prayer guide

**PRAYER FOR THE HIDDEN PEOPLE:  
TRIBAL PEOPLE  
CAMEROON**



The Cameroon is a triangular-shaped republic just south of Africa's western bulge, facing the Gulf of Guinea. The hot tropical climate of the southern half of the country, where much of the terrain consists of rain forest, is separated from the drier and cooler treeless scrub area of the north by a central plateau. The Cameroon covers an area of 180,000 square miles.

About half of the 6,500,000 population still adhere to folk religion (that is, basically Animism). There are about 180 tribal groups in the Cameroon. Although many have been reached with the Gospel, there are still some where there are no known Christians or less than 1%. The potential response of these groups is, therefore, largely unknown. Among them are the following, each with its own tribal language (the number in each tribe is given in parentheses):

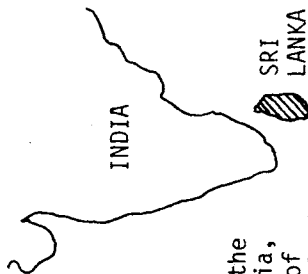
- Adamawa (380,000)
- Budugum (10,000)
- Duru (20,000)
- Gude (100,000)
- Namshi (30,000)
- Podokwo (25,000)

*Pray that the Adamawa, who speak the Fulani language, may be responsive to the daily Christian radio programs in Fulani broadcast by the Lutherans. Pray too for successful follow-up of the contacts made through the radio and the integration of those contacted into witnessing churches.*

*Pray for effective evangelization in all of these tribes, especially that there may be a resident evangelical witness in each tribe. Pray particularly for the Gude people, who have shown special resistance to the Gospel in the past.*

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Information taken from Unreached Peoples '79 and Unreached Peoples '80, and provided by Carol Richardson. Carol is the wife of Don Richardson, Director of the Institute of Tribal Studies, U.S. Center for World Missions (1605 E. Elizabeth St., Pasadena, CA 91104).

**PRAYER FOR THE HIDDEN PEOPLE:  
HINDUS  
SRI LANKA**



Sri Lanka, formerly called Ceylon, is the small island off the southeast coast of India, covering 25,332 square miles. Independent of British rule in 1948, there is freedom of religion and Christian missionaries have been at work for many years.

As a result of the missionary activity, about 8% of the 14,000,000 population consider themselves Christian. The majority are Buddhists about 67% being the Sinhalese inhabitants of this island. About 18% are Hindus, being descendants of laborers who came over from southern India early in this century. The language and cultural differences of these two groups keep them apart.

The million Indian laborers who continue to work on the tea and rubber plantations of Sri Lanka have retained their language (Tamil), caste system, and religion. About a third of those who came to the island belonged to the untouchable castes and were landless. Some of the higher castes were also driven to migrate because of poverty and indebtedness.

When Hindus leave India, there is a common belief among them that they have left the religion of their forefathers. Therefore, evil spirits and "lesser gods" are worshipped on the plantations--gods derived from animal-deities such as Ganesha (elephant-headed god), Hanuman (monkey god), the Bull, the Peacock, and the Man-lion.

*Pray for a revival among the present Christians in Sri Lanka, where many are only nominal church members. Pray for a dynamic outreach to the Hindus, especially to the mostly-illiterate plantation workers, who have shown themselves to be responsive to the Gospel when they have heard it. Pray that the doors may open for more missionaries to come into the country.*

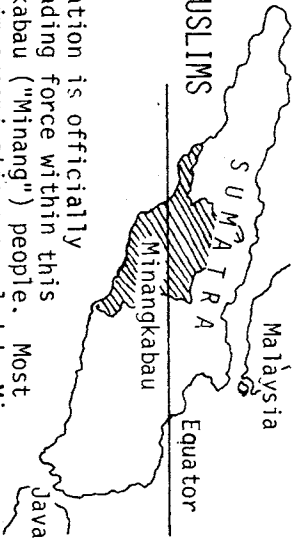
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Information from "Indentured Labour and the Christian Movement in Sri Lanka", a thesis by C. J. David, May, 1978; and provided by John Ottesen, Director of the Institute of Hindu Studies, U.S. Center for World Mission (1605 E. Elizabeth, Pasadena, CA 91104).

1st week

2nd week



PRAYER FOR THE HIDDEN PEOPLE: MUSLIMS INDONESIA



Indonesia's population is officially 84% Muslim, and the leading force within this majority is the Minangkabau ("Minang") people. Most of the nation-wide Muslim organizations are led by Minang; and the major spokesmen for Islam in politics, education, industry, journalism, religion, and almost every field come from this advanced, energetic people.

Some Minang leaders claim they number as many as 7 1/2 million, but a conservative estimate would be at least 6 million. Their cultural homeland is in West Sumatra, but there are as many Minang outside this area as there are within it.

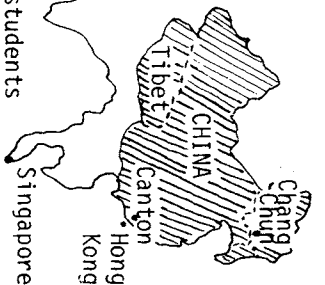
The Dispersion Minang are found all over Indonesia and Malaysia, but are especially concentrated in the large cities of Sumatra and Java. Until just a few years ago, there were no Scriptures, no churches, and no known Christians. There is still no formal church, but there is a fellowship of believers from various churches. The New Testament has been translated, but only the Gospel of Luke has been printed (in 1980).

The Homeland Minang are among the most fanatic Muslims of Indonesia. Only the Southern Baptists have made any significant investment in people and resources to reach them, but recently their hospital in Bukittinggi (the key to their work there) was forced, by Muslim pressure on the government, to relocate to South Sumatra.

Pray for Minang workers, as there is no full-time evangelist, national or foreign. Pray for the leadership of the Minang Christian Fellowship, which is in need of spiritual growth. Pray that the non-Minang Christians in the Minang areas will not be afraid to witness or to help distribute the Gospels of Luke. Pray for the estimated 200 Minang Christians and their families that they may find ways to reach out to this great, neglected people.

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Information supplied by Warren Chastain, staff member of the Samuel Zwemer Institute (Islam). This Institute is directed by Don McCurry (Box 365, Altadena, California 91001).

PRAYER FOR THE HIDDEN PEOPLE: CHINESE



--MAINLAND CHINA (The Peoples Republic of China): The university students are a small but significant group among China's millions. Recently, in two secret polls taken at a highly accredited university, when asked what they believed in, only one-third of the students answered "Communism". Nearly a quarter reflected traditional Chinese thinking with the answer "fate", but another quarter answered "Nothing at all!". Pray that these students may come to believe in Him who is our "All-in-All".

--TIBET: The Tibetan Buddhist religion (Lamaism), with its worship of a god-man (the Dalai Lama), is re-emerging as a power in Tibet. The increase of religious zeal is directly related to the rapid increase of children and youth who are fervently participating in shrine worship. Pray that the youth may hear the Good News of Christ Jesus, the only God-man.

--MAINLAND CHINA--Guangdong (Kwangtung) Province: Parts of this province close to Hong Kong, including the city of Canton, are now the scenes of many new business ventures with Overseas Chinese. Due to the high cost of services in Hong Kong, many Chinese from that city commute into Guangdong for various services. Pray that witnesses for Christ may be among the Overseas Chinese, including the commuters.

--SINGAPORE: About 1.7 million ethnic Chinese make up 75% of Singapore's population. The "Mandarin campaign" is an attempt by the government to replace the nearly dozen different Chinese dialects spoken here. Pray that this campaign to unify the language may facilitate the spreading of the Gospel.

--MAINLAND CHINA--Kirin Province. The city of Chang Chun, with about 1.3 million people, is a vital industrial center. Earlier in this century, Chang Chun developed as a major agricultural market and railroad junction. Since the 1950's, heavy industry has also developed there. Pray for the people of Chang Chun, that they may hear and receive the Gospel.


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Information from "Watchman on the Great Wall", Jan.-Feb. 1981, published by the Institute of Chinese Studies. The ICS, directed by Jim Ziervogel, and the Chinese World Mission Center, directed by Danny Yu, are located at the U.S. Center for World Mission (1605 E. Elizabet St., Pasadena, CA 91104).

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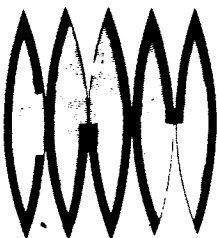
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