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From the Field: *Whatever happened to...*

You ask us in person when we see you at Lectureships or churches. Sometimes you ask when you send in your checks. You want to know what happened to different contacts we have mentioned. Sometime you just want to know in general what happened to those who responded to our various outreach efforts. Every day at Herald of Truth Ministries brings new people who respond to our media efforts, and you, whose dollars helped to make those efforts possible, want to know what will happen to the individuals touched by God's words.

Tim Archer and **Skye Noe** have just returned from Honduras where they were involved with the local churches in planning our campaign efforts there for 2008. Meetings were held to plan television, radio, and preaching outreach. Preliminary discussions with television and radio stations went very well. Bibles and study materials will be handed out and the brethren there will personally follow up on those who respond to our various media efforts. These activities will culminate in a preaching campaign featuring **Juan Monroy**. What will

happen to all those seekers in Honduras who will be touched by God's words?

Steve Ridgell was in Ecuador for a follow-up evaluation from the campaign in 2007. As with all of our efforts, this trip was to evaluate the media mix, the response procedure, and the overall effectiveness of the project. This enables Herald of Truth to better utilize resources for future projects. Some of you may recall from our last newsletter the picture of one of the television contacts being baptized. What will happen to the other contacts our brothers and sisters are continuing to

study with all over the nation of Ecuador?

What will happen to **Robin** and the others who contact us through hopeforlife.org, and then through us to local congregations all over this world? Robin is looking for forgiveness and salvation. Some of our brothers in Georgia are in contact with her now. What will happen to her?

What will happen to those who contact local churches through our radio efforts in Spain, Africa, Cuba, south Florida, and Central America? What has happened to those seekers from previous Herald of Truth efforts in Chile, Ecuador, Miami, and Malawi? What will happen to those people reached this year in Honduras, Malawi,
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Perspective Adjustment

by Bill Brant

February 1, 2008, was a Friday, an ordinary 24 hour period in Abilene, Texas, except for what it represented to me.

That seemingly inauspicious day marked the end of my rookie year as President of Herald of Truth Ministries. While I remain the “newest guy”, I am no longer the “new guy”.

If they are blunt and straight forward, the staff of Herald of Truth, those who really make things function, will tell you it’s been a year of changes and adjustments, some good, while others were difficult.

And I would have to agree, but not always about the same things. For as much as they have tried to fit into my established policies and accommodate my personality, the same is true for me. Trying to accommodate wants and wishes as well as fitting into existing routines has been difficult at times, and it is easy to get wrapped up in the office culture.

I have made a Perspective Adjustment, not intentionally and not dramatically. It happened almost without my notice and continues to happen.

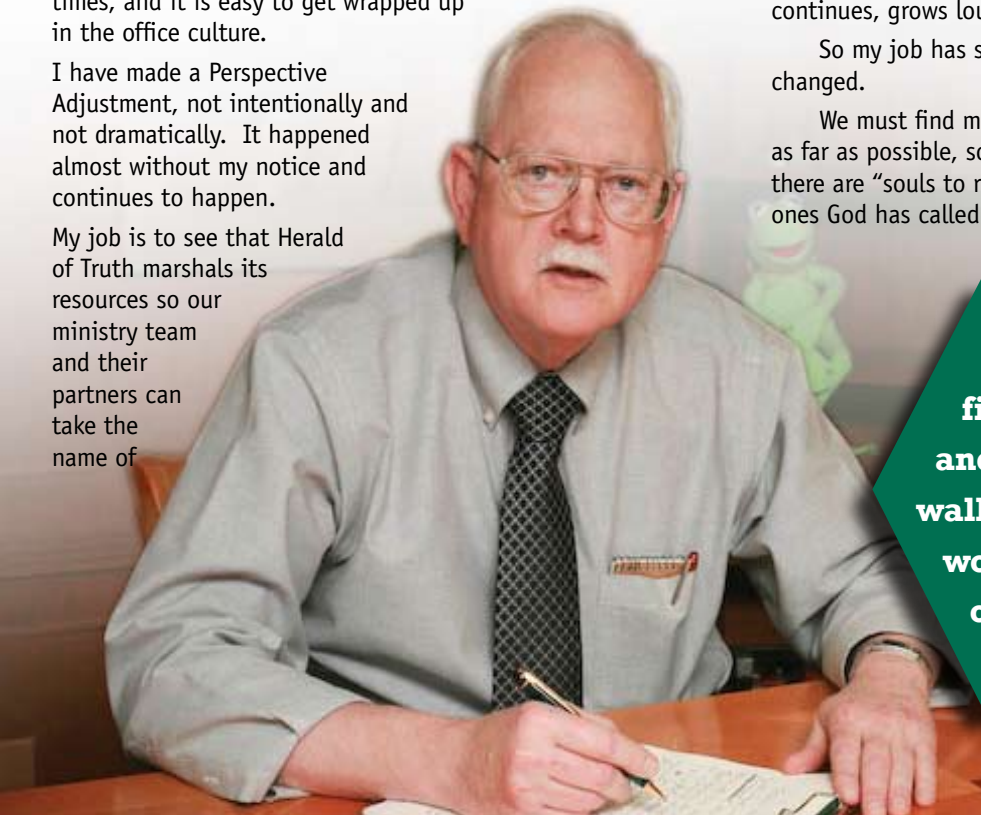
My job is to see that Herald of Truth marshals its resources so our ministry team and their partners can take the name of

Jesus to the over 4.4 billion in His world who have yet to meet Him. Frankly that still sounds noble and Herald of Truth’s efforts assist in reaching and baptizing those yearning to know Jesus and God better.

But then my perspective started to change. I have seen the photographs and read the first hand stories of men and women and children who walk 20, 30, 40 miles to attend worship. They sit on their mats or the hard ground for hours to hear about Jesus. A small group of people gather in a house to listen to Tim Archer or Juan Monroy’s radio lesson, because that is all that is available. Convicts in Honduran prisons raise their voices in praise and adoration and in 2007, 105 prisoners became Brothers. The stories flood on; whether in Brazil, Miami, Cuba, Peru, Mozambique, Mexico, Spain, Iran. The call from Macedonia or “over the restless waves” remains, continues, grows louder.

So my job has stayed the same, but my perspective has changed.

We must find more resources, and they must be stretched as far as possible, so those who go can be equipped because there are “souls to rescue, souls to save”. You and I are the ones God has called to do it.



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Mozambique, Cuba, Spain, and the United States? What will happen to those around the world who respond through our internet outreach? What will happen to those who hear Steve Ridgell, Juan Monroy, **Tony Fernandez**, Tim Archer, and Skye Noe as they preach Jesus this year?

Sometimes we do know what happens. I was reminded of this recently when we got a call from the Hialeah church of Christ in Miami. Herald of Truth was involved in a major effort there last year. **Rufo** is one you have asked about

from previous reports. He had responded to one of Tim Archer’s radio programs. We were able to connect him to the brethren at Hialeah. They were calling to let us know that Rufo has been baptized into Christ and is now your brother. And his wife is now coming to services with him.

We may not always hear the final outcome from some of these people. Some, like Rufo, we will. But God knows. He promised that if we will sow the seed and water it, He will give the increase. And He is. All over this world.

Legacy

“I want to make a difference!” The words were succinct and forceful. He wanted his money to change things, specifically the lives of real people who just needed a helping hand.

Since 1952, those who have contributed to endeavors of Herald of Truth have been doing exactly that, changing the lives of real people by sharing Jesus with them. That work continues, as does sharing His words with His world.

Legacy is making a difference, changing lives of real people, knowing when one goes to be with the Father that resources will remain to continue that impact.

There are many ways to leave a legacy and aid the work of Herald of Truth: being remembered in a **Will**, starting an **Annuity**, establishing a **Trust**, donating **Stocks, Bonds, Land**, or other valuable **Assets**. There are numerous tax advantages as well.

The estate planning professionals at Herald of Truth can assist you in building a legacy and making a difference. The first step is calling (800) 234-7995.



Monroy to Speak in Nashville

He’s been preaching since 1964. He was the first Church of Christ minister allowed to enter Cuba after Castro claimed power. From his home in Madrid he travels extensively each year to all parts of the world. He has baptized untold thousands. For 44 years he has been Herald of Truth’s international minister.

In a rare visit to the United States, **Juan Antonio Monroy** will be the Keynote speaker at the Herald of Truth fundraising dinner on Tuesday, July 29th, at the Student Life Center on the campus of Vanderbilt University. Monroy will reflect on “My Life with Jesus and the Herald of Truth”. Also featured will be the A Cappella Singers Alumni of Freed Hardeman University, conducted by **John Robert Hall**, a member of the Herald of Truth board of Directors.

Table sponsorships and a few individual tickets remain available for this evening of Inspiring Music and Words.

Information about Juan Monroy’s Nashville dinner can be obtained by contacting **Karen Presley**, Director of Development at (325) 698-4370 or kpresley@heraldoftruth.org.

Presley to Lead Fundraising for Herald of Truth

On January 21, **Karen Presley**, MS, began her duties as the Director of Development, responsible for all aspects of fundraising for the 56 year old international evangelistic organization, **Herald of Truth Ministries**.

Presley leaves Disability Resources Incorporated after a 17 year career of increasingly responsible positions including Development Director, Interim President and Director of Residential Services. “With a sensitive and caring heart, Karen has helped families across Texas care for their most precious gift—the future of their children. Now, at Herald of Truth, she will help families and friends tell the world about the most precious gift of all—Jesus.

We are excited to have her skills and her caring heart.”

Presley’s duties will include hosting the organization’s booth at events, meeting with donors, speaking to ladies classes and seminars, working on the quarterly newsletter, and offering estate planning strategies.

Presley attends the Hawley Church of Christ in Hawley, Texas, where she regularly teaches a Ladies’ Bible Class.



WHAT OUR LISTENERS *are saying...*

- “I need guidance on how to start reading the bible, prayers and how to act as a child of God. I need peace and forgiveness from it and rest for my soul. How long do I have to consider it and feel the guilt and remorse before repentance and salvation truly come? Please help me and guide me into finding the repentance and peace and salvation that only Jesus can offer.” Robin, United States
- “Would you be kind enough to enlighten me on how live a life that matters for all eternity?” Joanne, United States
- “May I know how did you find the meaning and purpose of your life that will last forever? Shalom”. Karen
- “I have sinned greatly against God and my whole life is a mess and do not know what to do. I can't sleep at night...” E, U.S.
- “..I think you are right...I need to be re-baptized...to feel that I am dying for Christ..” Linda, U.S.
- “I would like to know about the life of Jesus. Thanks.” Julie, U.S.
- “I love to learn from you” Alex



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U P C O M I N G MINISTRY

April:

Tim Archer and **Bill Brant** in Lubbock at the Cuba Ministry Summit.

JUNE:

Tim Archer, Bill Brant, Steve Ridgell, and Juan Monroy in Madrid, Spain.

JULY:

Tim Archer, Skye Noe, Juan Monroy, and Tony Fernandez at the Cuba Youth Encounter.

COME SEE US

April 29- May 2

Steve Ridgell and Tim Archer at the **Pepperdine Lectures**, California.

July 2-4

Bill Brant, Karen Presley, and Steve Ridgell at **Lipscomb Summer Celebration**, Nashville, Tennessee.

July 23- 26

Skye Noe at the **Global Missions Conference**, Dallas, Texas.

July 23-27

Juan Monroy, Steve Ridgell, and Tim Archer will be speaking at the **Orlando Spiritual Growth Workshop**, Orlando, Florida.

July 29

Bill Brant, Juan Monroy, Vince Swinney and Karen Presley at **An Evening of Inspiring Music and Words** with featured speaker Juan Monroy and the A Cappella Singers Alumni FHU, John Robert Hall conducting. Nashville, Tennessee.

July 30-August 3

Bill Brant, Vince Swinney, and Karen Presley at the **World Convention**, Nashville, Tennessee.

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- Watering the Seed through Evangelistic Events, Scripture and Literature Distributions.
- Reaping the Harvest through Discipleship and Connecting Respondents with Local Churches.