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## “People are the same everywhere we go..”

On the surface you would not think that the countries of Malawi, Ecuador, and Brazil would have much in common. There is a vast difference in size and in population base. They range from poor, third world countries to highly developed nations. Herald of Truth ministry teams have been in all these places recently and we were struck by how similar the experiences were. In Ecuador and Brazil, we were conducting follow-up meetings for the country wide television campaigns. In Malawi, we did leadership training, youth rallies, and campaigns as follow-up to our nationwide radio program and to initiate a major literature distribution effort.



After the Ecuador campaign, after directed Bible study, a soul is obedient to Jesus.



Malawi woman studies her Bible as Ridgell preaches.

up to three hours to hear the Word of God preached by **Steve Ridgell** and **Skye Noe**. This followed two days of leadership training for over 300 preachers, elders, deacons, and their wives. **Dick and Suzi Stephens**, of the Malawi Project, worked with Steve and Skye in the training. 300 young people met in the city of Lilongwe for a youth

conference. Several were baptized and many more agreed to further study. In addition, thousands of tracts were distributed for use by area congregations.

In Ecuador, **Tim Archer** preached in a city-wide effort in Quito as a follow-up to the nationwide television effort from the spring and summer. At the same time, **Rex Morgan**, of Gospel Productions

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In the small village of Kusitu, Malawi, over 1500 people walked



Wearing yellow T-Shirts are Members of the Brazil campaign Response Team.

# The Time Has Come

by Bill Brant

I remember hearing them at a concert at the Central Church of Christ in Wichita, Kansas.

*The Time has come to tell the masses  
that Jesus Christ our Savior lives.*

It was just the two of them; I still call them the original Acappella.  
I marveled at their ability to blend their voices.

*The time has come to tell the nations,  
The time has come to spread the word.*

That first time to hear Keith Lancaster and Rodney Britt was  
1987 at the Equipping to Serve Workshop.

*The time has come: we must not waste it.  
The time has come to sound the news.*

Now twenty years later I can "feel" the song. Lancaster wrote  
the words and the music for "The Time Has Come" and I've worn  
out the tape in my copy of Better Than Life cassette.

*It is for every single nation.  
We can not wait—the time has come.*

Twenty years later the urgency is even more critical. Four billion people  
still must be told about Jesus.

*From Macedonia, the call is sounding.*

When I consider what man has done to each other and to the planet,  
I wonder if extinction is possible?

*Thirsting souls of Uruguay.*

Yet, in spite of ourselves and the horrors we've caused, Jehovah God  
still thinks we are worthy of His love.

*The time has come to go to Boston, Salt Lake, Nashville, to Abilene.*

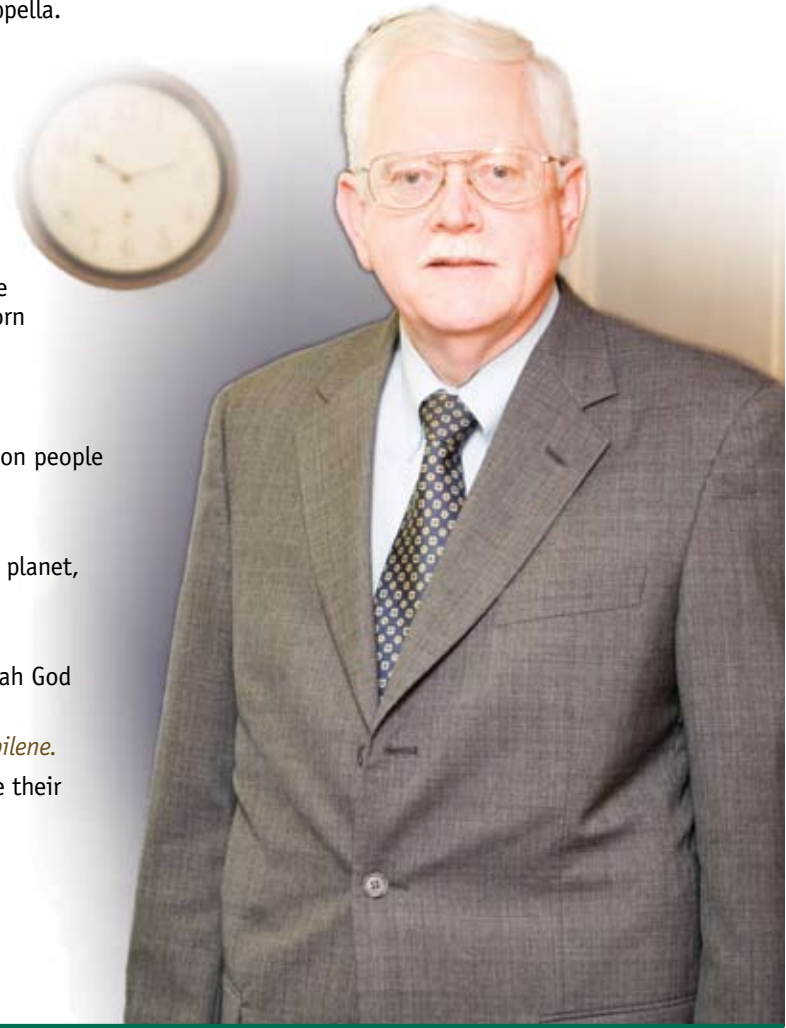
There are too many who don't know, too many who might lose their  
chance, too many on the edge of damnation.

*The time HAS come.*

Join us as together we share Jesus with His world because

*The time has come, the Time Has Come,  
The TIME HAS COME!*

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International, preached in a similar effort in Guayaquil. There were over 300 at each of the events with a large number of visitors. Within two weeks of the event, one of the elders from the North Quito church was emailing pictures of the baptism of one of the visitors contacted through the program.

While in Brazil, campaigns were conducted in Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, and Belo Horizonte. Steve and Tim, along with **F. H. Gates** and **Antenor Gonzalves**, producers of the Open Your Bible television show, preached to large crowds. Out of 1400 total attendees, over 250 were visitors who responded to the television program. At each congregation, guests were warmly greeted and many on-going studies were set up.

World wide the evangelistic website [www.hopeforlife.org](http://www.hopeforlife.org) continues to get excellent response. In addition to prayer requests and questions, we are able to refer several people each week to local congregations for continued study.

Did you notice what was the same in every one of these places? In each of them there are Christians passionate about sharing the good news of Jesus, there are seekers looking for hope, and people are being brought to Jesus. Just like where you live. May God continue to bless our efforts.



# People *to* People

**F**or a number of years, Herald of Truth has called its evangelistic ministry plans Nation by Nation, trying to explain the scope of those yearly efforts.

The focus changes for 2008 as the revised scope is more delineated by **People to People**, helping those who seek Jesus to find Him with the nurturing of a Christian community of people like themselves.

In 2008, Herald of Truth will take the words of Jesus to:

- Brazil
- Mozambique
- Malawi
- Ecuador
- Honduras
- Cuba
- Venezuela
- Spain
- Iran
- United States

The projects are ambitious, some ongoing, some foundational, some internet based, all using ordinary people to talk with other ordinary people about Jesus.

## Cuba *Summit*

**“R**epresentatives from twelve churches of Christ organizations and congregations met in Nashville, TN, on October 26, to discuss their respective endeavors on the island of Cuba and to explore collaborative efforts that might be developed among the attendees.



**Herald of Truth Ministries** coordinated the event which included individuals from: **Sunset International Bible Institute; World Christian Broadcasting; Atlantic International Bible Institute; Healing Hands International; Christian Productions International; Mayfair Church of Christ**, Huntsville, Alabama; **East Tallassee Church of Christ** in Tallassee, Alabama; **Central Church of Christ**, Sparta, TN; **Karnes Church of Christ**, Knoxville, TN; and the **Sylvan Hills Church of Christ**, Sherwood, AR.



The Ad Hoc group decided to meet every six months, with the next gathering to be in Lubbock, Texas, coordinated by **Truitt Adair** at Sunset.

# WHAT OUR LISTENERS *are saying...*

- “I need your help. Please show me how to let Jesus make a difference in my life. Marseile
- “...I had a tough time, and I still do. I'm really depressed. I don't know how to move on,” Lily, Dubai
- “We need more of what you are doing. Just giving Jesus and the hope found in him is what the world needs,” Tom, Chattanooga
- “I would like for you to assist me in finding a church I can attend in my area,” Latif
- “I want you to pray for me, for my problems I don't know how to explain it to you. Sometimes it feels that everything in my life is going wrong. Brit, South Africa
- “I'd like to see Jesus working in my life to a big extent,” Constanica
- “I know that it is important to fellowship and I really want to have a place where we can do this. I also know that at the end of the day we all have to answer for ourselves so if I want to go to church I should even if it's alone, but I would really like us to go together as a family. How do I go about speaking to him about this or finding the right church where we can fellowship? Your guidance will be highly appreciated,” Jeanine
- “I have always felt that I have never belonged anywhere. I am not asking for any miracle answers from you. I think I just needed someone to HEAR me. Thanks for listening and God bless you. I will appreciate any words of guidance,” Marianne
- “I have signed greatly against God and my whole life is a mess and do not know what to do. I can't sleep at night, I have been unhappy for the last few years because I have been in a relationship that has become difficult and he is so bitter with me. Pls pray for me because I am so lost,” Edith
- “Although I try not too go on these sites, the temptation and intrigue gets the better of me. After reading your message today I was hit with the thought that I could be using this time (time that I am on these sites) to get to know the word of the lord,” South Africa

## U P C O M I N G M I N I S T R Y

### January:

**Tim Archer** and **Skye Noe** in Honduras for Nation by Nation planning and to preach in National prisons

### February:

**Steve Ridgell** in Ecuador for follow-up and evaluation of Nation by Nation campaign

**Steve Ridgell** and **Tim Archer** in Cuba for preacher training in Matanzas

## COME SEE US

### March 27-29

Bill Brant and Tim Archer at the **Tulsa Soul Winning Workshop, Tulsa, Oklahoma.**



**Lea La Biblia** pod cast listeners in Lime, Peru



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