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During the Week of Thanksgiving I was on the South Pacific Island of Vanua Levu preaching a Gospel Crusade. The meetings were held in the city of Labasa which is made up mainly of people of Indian origin. They are poor and work mainly harvesting sugar cane. From the first night the Spirit of God moved upon the hearts of sinners and backsliders. Several came forward the first night, and many of these were teenagers from around the city, who had seen the advertisement and came to the meetings. Their hearts were broken before the Lord, as they prayed for His mercy and forgiveness. Each night I preached the Gospel and gave an altar call, and the response was heart touching as dozens prayed over the course of the meetings. I also preached during the day to the Christians and had a great move of God then as well. The church on these Islands is small and not very effective, having no life. There is a large Muslim population in Labasa. They have a Muslim college there as well. Hinduism is also a strong religion among the Indian population with temples everywhere. We are believing God to put a SOC Bible School on this Island to bring in and train preachers from all over the South Pacific. The time is short, the need is great.



Some of the precious widows passed away since our last New Letter and brought the number of residents in the House of Hope down to 39. Six more have recently been taken in and we now have around 45 elderly that are being cared for by Sister Veronica and her devoted staff. Sister Veronica writes, the first photo left is Kharagyozyan Susana born in 1930 June 18. She moved to stay in the House of hope, she is afraid of loneliness. The second photo is Nalbandyan Anjela born in 1935 Sept.27. She used to be a teacher at school and she never had any children. She has lost her memory, and now she doesn't remember her name or age. When we ask how old are you she says that she is 7 years old. We found her in the street .She had her passport with her. We got some information about her from passport department. The third photo is Kostanyan Henrik. Born in 1931, March 11.He is suffering of lung cancer .His kids left Armenia to live in Russia He prayed and asked Jesus to come in to his heart. I don't think he will be with us long . Please keep praying for this Home.

HOME FOR SISTER VERONICA

As many of you know, Sister Veronica has helped to found and build the House of Hope in Vanadzor Armenia. This Home, dedicated to taking care of impoverished Armenian widows is one of the great mission ministries of the world. Around 45 widows(ers) are clothed, fed, and sheltered, and then led to the Lord Jesus Christ before they die.

The Home Sister Veronica has been living in, is structurally unsafe and in danger of being pushed down by the hill it is built into. Its condition is deteriorating rapidly and she needs a new place to live that can be heated efficiently. We have found a flat (home) that we are committed to buying for \$35,000.00. It is newly renovated and close to the House of Hope and the city center. At the time of printing, we have already received around \$2,400.00 towards this worthy project. Please pray about helping this worthy Sister who has dedicated her whole life to the Lord, and helping the poor. Make checks out to River of Life International and put Sister Veronica's Apartment on the memo and God bless you in advance for your giving.



Sister Turner and I first shook hands with the man we later came to know as a Spiritual Father and Mentor in the late 80s. In late 1992 I traveled to Russia to work with him and Sister Clendennen in the School of Christ which would later be moved into over a 100 countries training thousands of native preachers to reach their nations for Christ. No matter where you were, in a car, in a home, on a train (in Russia) to sit in his presence was like being in a continual Bible School. He mainly talked of Jesus and the "deeper life" and cared not for the things of this world. His love was for Christ, his burden and vision was to reach the lost masses who had never heard the Saviors Name. Surely he can say along with the Apostle Paul, "I am free from the blood of all men". Over the years as I've struggled with some health problems, I would receive calls often from him, concerned and ready to pray for me. He was one of the busiest preachers on earth, but never too busy, to call and pray for a friend. I could never say here all I would like to say about him, nor do I think I could fit it into a book. I like so many other, can't comprehend what it will be like without him to exhort, and even correct us with the word, and to encourage us with his fellowship. But I am confident that soon we will all be together again. Goodbye great Soldier, you've won the final battle.

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CONTAINER HEADED FOR ARMENIA

The F. G. I. Church in Manchester, CT has donated, packed, and shipped a large container filled with necessary items for the House of Hope in Armenia. A 2007 4 x 4 along, with furniture items, thousands of adult diapers, and other items of clothing and equipment should arrive there in January. We hope to have photos to show you in our next News Letter. Much thanks to all those who gave toward the purchase of the 4x4 , and for this great church who donated and worked so hard to ship this container.

REPORT FROM ASIA BIBLE SCHOOL WE SUPPORT

We sent out six teams to various un-reached areas for ten days of ministry. It was thrilling to hear their stories.

One young lady who had asked for special prayer for strength during the trip (the students often hike five or six hours a day), told this story. She was exhausted after hiking for five hours and, in order to motivate herself to keep going, she began to imagine that she was "stomping on the devil" with each step. She said to herself, "This village will hear the gospel." Finally, this young minority lady and her team reached a minority village that indeed had never heard the gospel. A family in the village received them and, during the course of that evening, the team was able to share the gospel with them. This family now represents the first followers of Jesus in this tribal village. We are rejoicing after a wonderful evening of reports like this! All in all, around 30 people in various villages made first-time commitments to Christ as a result of the ministry of our students. Another 30 or so heard the gospel and demonstrated an interest in the message. *This is a Secret Bible School in Asia*

Rev. B. H. Clendennen with J. Darrell Turner
Brother Clendennen passed to Glory Dec. 13th.
He was 87. Please keep Sister Clendennen &
the family in prayer as well as the ministry of
the SOC.

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OUR CAMP MEETING WILL BE HELD AGAIN IN
PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE ON
OCTOBER 19 - 21
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