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Dear Supporters and Friends,

My recent trip to Cuba was something I've looked forward to for many years. In 1950, my father preached evangelistic crusades in Cuba and had an incredible ingathering of souls. He witnessed many miracles of healing and deliverance from demon possession. I was a toddler and learned to walk while he was preaching that crusade.

During the last 50+ years, the Cuban church has endured poverty and constant pressures and restrictions. But God has moved sovereignly in their midst, and they have emerged victorious. While they need our prayers, they are also a shining example to us!

I went to Cuba with Regional Director Dave Ellis and preached in the cities of Santa Clara and Havana. Dave served as my interpreter. I've had the privilege of preaching in more than 90 countries of the world through many interpreters, and Dave Ellis is the best I've ever had.

I did not include in the *WorldView* magazine story anything about my preaching ministry while there. The people in Cuba are so responsive to God's Word and are so grateful for ministry. As I commented in the magazine article, they are a spiritual challenge to us in America as they live in such poverty and suffering and yet are so joyful and passionate in their devotion to Jesus. They exemplify what Paul the apostle described as "purity and simplicity of devotion to Christ" (2 Cor. 11:3, NASB).

Click here to view the entire issue of the magazine which contains the article I wrote about Cuba.



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I just returned from a trip to Malta and Madagascar. It was a joy and privilege to preach at Liveseed Pentecostal Church in Malta. This beautiful island, where the apostle Paul was shipwrecked in Acts 27, has abundant Catholic cathedrals and just barely over 1 percent of the population professes to be evangelical Christians. The challenges of reaching particularly the youth in this hedonistic culture is daunting. In between large Burger King and Subway restaurants downtown in an upscale part of the city are many strip clubs and a casino. While the culture is decadent, it is clear that God is bringing a group of passionate believers together to penetrate the darkness with the saving gospel of Jesus.

In Madagascar where I traveled with Regional Director Greg Beggs, I encountered an unexpectedly fine missionary team consisting of four couples in this huge island of 23 million people. We took an hour and a half Missionary Aviation Fellowship aircraft to a remote part of the island to visit veteran missionaries Billy and Jo Wilson. The Wilsons are valiantly proclaiming the gospel among the unreached where there are still thousands of villages that have never had a witness of the saving message of Christ.

Thank you for your faithful support and prayers that enable me to walk through these wonderful doors of opportunity for ministry and for Ruth and me to fulfill God's calling on our lives.



So *all* can hear,

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