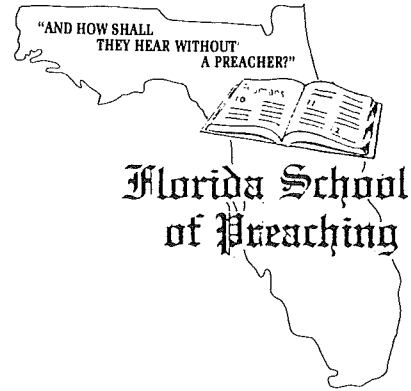


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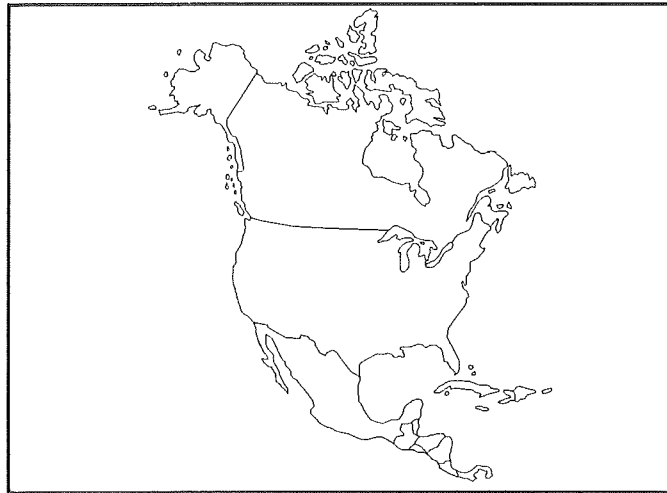
Jamaica Trip

By
Jackie M. Stearsman

For the past three years the **Central Church of Christ, Clearwater, Florida**, has sent a number of alumni and students of the *Florida School of Preaching* to Jamaica. Those sent work with the local Jamaica Christians in Vacation Bible Schools and personal work in conjunction with nightly preaching in gospel meetings. In Kingston they use a large tent that has also been provided by the brethren from Central in Clearwater.

This year the group will leave Saturday, July 27 and return Saturday, August 10, 1991. Those making the trip this year are: Willie Holton, Brian Kenyon, Robert Lindsey,

Neil Lopez, Robert Lupo, Kevin Joy, Charles Orr, Harold Rodriguez, and David M.



Jamaica with past groups and Mike is not entering full time work in Guyana. His experience in Jamaica will be helpful to him in Guyana. His trips to Jamaica motivated him to make the decision to go to a foreign field.

The *Florida School of Preaching* appreciates the Central Church of Christ in Clearwater for their continued support of the school and their generosity in sending workers into the harvest fields of Jamaica.

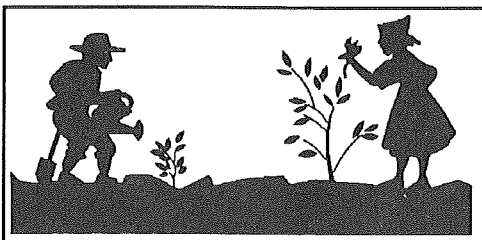
Rushlow.

With the seed sown in good and honest soil and the continued watering of that which has been planted we are confident that a rich harvest of souls await this fine effort (I Cor. 3:6-9).

Each year those participating in this undertaking receive as much as they give. Mike Dykes made two trips to

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God Gives The Increase

Few Understand the Crisis

By
Jackie M. Stearsman

There was a crisis in Jesus' day. He saw it, others did not.

There is a great crisis in our day that few see.

The crisis in Jesus' day is the same as it is in our day.

Do you see the crisis?

In the context of our text the Lord is appointing the twelve to go to the Lost in Israel, sometimes called the "limited commission." Two things prompted this decision. The first was his great compassion for the lost. The second was the hatred of the Jews who were determined to kill him (John 7:1). They made it virtually impossible for him to preach in Judea so he will remain in Galilee and send the twelve to Judea to do what he is doing elsewhere.

The conditions and needs of the world have not changed. The needs men had then they have now. Few understood the great need then, and few understand it today. Why?

Few understand the need today because they do not have the compassion of the Lord. The compassion which is exemplified in Matthew 9:36 by the Lord is not compassion for the physical problems of humanity. He has toured their cities and villages healing every sickness every disease among the people (Matt. 9:35; 4:23-25). It is not these things that provoke his concern. It is the spiritual condition of the multitudes that he directs his attention—multitudes that are distressed and scattered as sheep without a shepherd.

Many are concerned

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest (Matt. 9:35-38).

about the physical conditions of hurting people, and this is good. Let there be a storm or natural disaster and churches and society will unite to relieve the tragic losses and do all within their power to alleviate the suffering and misery, and this is as it should be.

Today there is not one nation, not one continent, not

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one major city, not one village, not one community that can be what it should be without spiritual direction. Spiritual direction that is uplifting and elevating to society and individuals must be based upon what the Bible teaches. Where are individuals that recognize this and are willing to do something about it?

Let us not forget that the greatest need we have is spiritual. For the lack of spirituality Sodom was destroyed. For the lack of Spirituality the nation of Israel was removed from her homeland and spent seventy years in Babylonian Captivity. For the lack of Bible based spirituality heinous acts are committed throughout our nation.

When we understand the problem we will seek the solution. When we seek the solution to man's greatest need it will be spiritual in nature. When we seek to remove the problem we will find ourselves praying as Jesus taught. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of harvest, that he send forth laborers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:38).

The *Florida School of Preaching* sees the need that Jesus saw. We know that every congregation of the Lord's church needs a preacher or teacher to direct it in spiritual life. We know that every village and hamlet of the world needs to have spiritual direction. We know that there are far fewer laborers than there are fields. Will you join forces with us that we might do all within our power to help the multitudes that are distressed and scattered as sheep with no true spiritual

direction?

We will have compassion on the lost of the world when we have the heart and sight of Jesus. We must feel more than sympathy for them we must permit ourselves to be moved with compassion that we will help send spiritual direction to them. Are you helping? Do you understand why?

May 31, 1991



Hello Everyone,

We are all doing great! Tennessee is absolutely gorgeous and the weather is just beautiful. We still have a few more boxes to unpack (mainly Brian's books), but other than that I pretty much have everything unpacked.

The children just love it here and the neighbors behind us have three children (11 year old boy, 4½ year old boy, 18 month old girl). So needless to say they have children to play with their age.

Well I better close for now, still a lot to do. Take care and we will keep you all and the school in our prayers. May the Lord bless your work continually,

In Christian Love,

Brian and Amber Kenyon

Among Brethren

By

Jackie M. Stearsman

Pinecrest

June 2, 1991, I visited Pinecrest Church of Christ, Pinecrest Florida. **J.B. Ward** taught the adult Bible study. They were

studying characters from the Bible. We studied Noah. **David Rushlow, Jr.** preached. David has finished his first year at the *Florida School of Preaching*. His lesson was from Philipians. From this book he directed our attention to a number of characteristics of Christians. Brethren there commended David for his growth as a preacher. These brethren also support the school.

Sarasota

June 9, 1991, I visited the **Midway Church of Christ**. I preached for the morning worship hour. Brother **Gene Stilwell** is the preacher here and he also serves as one of the elders. Gene is on the Board of Directors for the school and teaches classes for the school. These brethren are faithful supporters of the school.

Sebastian

June 23, 1991, I spoke for morning worship at the Sebastian Church of Christ. **Bob Winton** is their preacher and he taught the Bible class. They were studying form Acts 16. We were well received and encouraged and invited to have lunch with several of the brethren that met in brother Bob's home. These brethren are supporters of the school and it was good to be with them.

New Port Richey

Wednesday evening, June 26, I taught VBS at **River Road Church of Christ** in New Port Richey. These brethren are supporters of the school and their preacher, **Chris Steele**, is a graduate of the school. It is always good to be with friends.

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