



Sister & brother team of Liz & Michael, hard at work on the fast growing Indonesian LIT-PIC Mail Ministry! Photo by Peter.

ing & the Holy Spirit, Hearing From God, the End-time, the Spirit World, & Flesh or Spirit. With each of these we include a cover letter introducing the theme, using Mo Letter & Bible quotes, to make the subject more understandable to them, & then some questions about the Letters for them to answer & send back in. Also, on each cover letter we include spaces for their friends' addresses, to order lit for their own distribution, & for their donation etc.

**SO BASICALLY, IT'S LIKE A SIMPLE BIBLE/MO LETTER CORRESPONDENCE COURSE** & provides a way for the sheep to respond to the Word & for us to know if they're actually understanding it. Of course, we also answer all personal letters, which we've found to be very important here.—They really need the personal touch!

**THERE'S STILL SO MUCH MORE WORK TO BE DONE** on these & other projects we'd like to start, like printing some stickers (taken from the Family Calendar illustrations) to offer the mail ministry sheep to help the mail ministry finance itself.

**WE FEEL WE'RE BARELY BEGUN AT THE LIT-PIC HERE** & we ask your prayers not only for the Mail Ministry but also for our most important task of publishing the Pick 'o the Lit & the WWWs for 140 million Indonesians! We also need your continued financial support on this rather poor mission field. Our precious local Homes are very faithful to give what they can, but we just can't do it all on our own. We are so thankful for those of you who have been so faithful to help so far! GBY all! Please send your donations along with your IRR Reports to your CRO & designated for the Indonesian LIT-PIC. Thanks so much! WLY & PFY too! In loving service to Jesus & David.—Peter & Lydia & the Indonesian LIT-PIC Family

**THESE ARE SOME OF OUR MOST REGULAR CORRESPONDENTS** to whom we have sent lit for them to distribute in their own areas, GBT! We're particularly thrilled at the 127 souls saved thru the mailing list, thanks to the Lord's faithfulness, the Word & the "salvation hook" on the questionnaire we include on the first mailing. Right now our Mail Ministry workers, nationals Michael & his sister Liz, are keeping very busy just keeping up with all the letters coming in. We're praying the Lord will supply more labourers & more funds for this fruitful ministry to feed the hungry millions here!

#### MAIL MINISTRY TIP FROM THE INDO LIT-PIC!

**WHEN WE FIRST STARTED, THE LORD GAVE US AN IDEA** about setting up & organising certain sets of Letters & Komix in a series to form the consecutive mailings we send to each sheep as he or she responds. So far we have organised ten sets or mailings, each with a basic theme, using both full Letters & Komix having that theme.

**OUR FIRST TEN THEMES ARE:** Salvation, the Word, Prayer, Faith, Christian Life, Witness

with a space for their name & address. With just our address on the lit there had been practically no response, & no mail ministry! It wasn't that Indonesians aren't hungry sheep; just that most of them aren't letter writers! **TTL FOR HIS SIMPLE SOLUTIONS!** Since then our mailbox has been overflowing with responses from thrilled sheep wanting more & more! TYJ! Here are just a few responses from some of our regular sheep, out of the 1,500 on our list!

**"I FEEL SO HAPPY THAT YOU ARE SENDING ME THESE LETTERS** which are so full of God's Word & His Love, because they give me peace & comfort! I hope you want to send more of them to me!"—L.F., Jakarta.

**"YOU HAVE SO MANY READINGS** full of God's Word! I like them very much. Please send me more so my faith can grow & I can follow their message."—A.T.K., Sulawesi.

**"ALL THE LETTERS YOU SEND ME ARE SO USEFUL** in learning more about God's Word, because in these readings everything is pictured & put in Komix form. Because of this I don't get bored & can immediately understand the meaning clearly."

—Timothy, Jakarta.

pretty common here, and many brethren are doing it. And large tents are somewhat expensive, over \$200 for a 5-man tent.

As far as travelling to Brazil, the cheapest we found was a budget flight on Pan Am. From San Francisco to Rio or Sao Paulo is (or was) \$488 per adult, which is almost \$300 cheaper than the normal fare. The hitch is that you have to book it 3 weeks in advance & you tell them the week but they tell you the day. But it's no great problem & well worth it. Boat travel is pretty much from the west coast as it costs several thousand dollars.

A bit of advice concerning visas & travelling documents, try to get it all taken care of where you're at if possible, because if you wait till you get to Brazil, you'll be in a strange country, probably learning a strange language, and travelling by bus for hours trying to find the right government office & dealing with the officials, who are notorious for procrastination when they do show up! We know, we tried it the first time here & it was far easier getting it in the States, while still there. What took us three months to get in the States, some brethren here have been working on for years & still haven't got it. Also such things as an international drivers license (good for one year & easily renewed) or any diplomas, titles, etc. could come in handy. We needed the drivers license the first week.

All of the document preparation did take us several months to complete—so don't expect to whiz thru' it. But we sure breathed a sigh of relief when it was all done and the Lord really poured out the blessings just before we left. We were able to sell just about everything that we had, some for more than we paid for, with very little trouble. We even sold our car at the train station just before leaving to a girl who had offered to buy it months before, but let us use

it until the last hour. Also the Lord sent in funds via income tax returns—a surprising vacation paycheck. (I'd already quit my job.) Also gifts came in & a \$100 donation from the friend of a disciple, who had never met us, but just heard we were going to Brazil to be missionaries. Hal! He never fails as long as we obey & get the lead out! PG!

If you do come to Brazil on a permanent visa it would be really a blessing to write ahead if you're shipping personal effects down, as there are some things which are extremely expensive and hard to find in Brazil, but are really needed & can be obtained for much cheaper in the richer western countries. The 4-channel reel-to-reel deck we shipped, we have found is worth about 10 times its value here, if you can find one. We hope it will help get MWM here in Brazil on its feet & rolling. PG!

There are 120,000,000 people in Brazil to reach! So spoil Egypt while you can & don't drag your feet getting out!

We hope to set up a refuge-receiving station of sorts to help brethren coming down until they get adjusted & on their feet. So if the Lord is leading you here maybe we can help if you'll write us! WLY! P.S. Of course only some can get permanent visas for Brazil, but don't let that stop you, as there are many brethren here on tourist visas, as we were for our first two years!

**Tips on things to bring:** Stainless steel cookware, otherwise you're doomed to aluminum. Vitamins, as they're very expensive—even Vit. C & multivits are hard to find. Electrical items, such as cassette players, radios, short wave radios, they are very expensive and not very good quality. Jeans, everyone wears them here, but for the price the quality is very poor, but they are obtainable. Most everything else, such as toys, clothes, dishes, household items, etc. are common & reasonable. (PTL! Bon Voyage! GBY!)

## Coming To Brazil?

How to get a permanent visa! Travel & shipping info! What to bring!

Shadrach & Bethesda, Brazil

**GBY! THIS IS JUST A SHORT (I THINK) testimony** to describe what we went through to come to Brazil, which we hope will be helpful to others who may soon be coming.

We, my wife Bethesda (Argentinian) and I (American) were originally in Brazil for about 2 years when we left due to visa problems and went to the U.S. to work on funds to return to SA. About a month after we left most of the foreigners were deported out of Brazil, so the Lord spared us from having any deportation stamps on our passports.

We both really had a burden to return to Brazil and began checking out the aspects of returning on a permanent visa, as we were previously there on tourist visas. The Lord then opened up the door to get one through our first son, who was born there.

There are basically four ways to get a permanent visa for Brazil: 1) employment in a business already in Brazil, 2) retirement, I think involving a steady pension income, 3) family reunion, 4) a deposit of 100,000 dollars in any Brazilian bank—Ha! —In others words three ways. We entered under the family reunion clause! Funny that they should call it that, due to our first son being born here. If you're married to a Brazilian or have had a child born here, it can certainly guarantee you permanent residence, though we've read that that may be changing soon.

The above info on permanent visas can be obtained from any Brazilian consulate. Basically you need the normal documents—passports, birth certificates from the police, health certificate—in triplicate (of course), etc. & you must also appear in person at the Consulate, at least in the US. (They want to see who you are.) I had to go 600 miles to do that, although only the head of the

family has to do so. I had a short interview with a vice-counsel (dress nice) and he just asked me a few questions, like how I was going to support myself etc. I previously had written several companies in Brazil about a job, so they responded that I'd have to be in the country, so I told the vice-counsel I had already received several letters from companies in Brazil. I didn't say what they said, though. That seemed to satisfy him and then he asked me a few things in Portuguese & I answered, and that was all. From there it was just filling out forms etc..

Normally in shipping anything to Brazil you have to pay high duties & taxes. However when entering in on a permanent visa you can ship personal effects duty-free. There are limitations, though, no cars, boats, or planes & only one of each household appliance etc.. We shipped down 2 crates with clothes, children teaching aids, books, a few appliances, recording equipment for a Brazilian MWM, & even an electric piano & amp. The freight charge was abt/ \$250 per cubic meter, from the west coast but goes up a little every month because of fuel prices. Also marine insurance is very important as pillaging is common on all docks. We've even heard that some places in SA have river pirates, that roam around with swords, boarding ships etc. (not the larger ports, though). When your cargo reaches its destination it's usually worth 3 or 4 times its value, at least, due to the scarcity of the items you're shipping. The consulate said we could ship a caravan down, but shipping charge alone would be over \$6000 & you can pick up a good used trailer for less than half that. A tent trailer might be feasible, because you can ship one for \$700 to \$800. We didn't but did ship a 9' x 12' tent and are glad that we did, as camping is

## A Kid Power Explosion In S.A.!

AS WELL AS WEEKEND WITNESSING EXPLOSIONS, KIDS PRUSS IN WITH MEMORY & WORD PROJECTS! From Boaz & Kidron; South America:

**THIS PAST MONTH THE LORD OPENED UP THE DOORS FOR US** to do 3 weekends of shows (Sat. & Sun.) at a large exclusive country club close to our Home.

**THE SHOW CONSISTED OF THE CHILDREN SINGING**, a clown act by Jehu & Santiago (a national brother who recently joined our Home) & the big castle puppet show in which we performed "The Rock in the Road" & "The King's Pillow" (adapted for the castle from "The Pastor's Pillow").

**IT WAS A REAL OPEN DOOR TO GET THE MESSAGE TO THE UPPER CLASS PEOPLE HERE**, & the children enjoyed the opportunity to use the country club facilities, especially the large swimming pool & slide—a real thrill for them!

**LAST WEEKEND, WE DID A SHOW AT A WOMEN'S JAIL**, with the children singing & the brethren doing skits. The girls there were so hungry spiritually that at the close of the program almost everyone prayed with us to receive Jesus & eagerly received Mo Letters! We have been invited back & are looking forward to the opportunity to minister to them again.

**THE CHILDREN HAVE JUST FINISHED THEIR YEAR OF SYSTEM SCHOOL** in the little country school near our Home, & we hope to explode with more shows during the week, as well as on the weekends. The cultural department of the government is sponsoring a puppet contest in which we are taking part with a new show, "Tommy". This could be a real open door for places to perform the show, & could also help financially if we win. They especially want shows suitable for disabled children, so



Performing in front of their castle puppet stage: Boaz & Reuel on guitars; & (l-r) Isaac (of Boaz & Kidron), Joceline (of Ricardo), Carmen (of Jehu & Consuelo), Francisco (of Zichri & Leah), Johanan (of Ricardo), Samuel (of R. & K.) & Rosa Maria (of R. & K.).

of course "Tommy" was the perfect choice.

**SINCE IT'S VACATION TIME**, we are working on setting up a school in our Home for the children & at present are provisioning lumber to build tables, chairs & shelves. We want to take advantage of the vacation time to emphasize the children's education in English reading etc., as in public school they do everything in Spanish.

**WE HAVE ALSO BEEN WORKING DAILY** with the 9 school-aged children in united devotions in the afternoons with Bible stories, Mo Letters & memory work; in the past couple of months they have each memorised about 50 verses from the set card which has been a definite step forward for them.

**WE REVIEW THE SETS TOGETHER** during devotions, & then each child has a notebook in which he writes out the verses & receives a star next to each verse when he quotes it by memory. We just started awarding \$1.00 for each star they have, after reading how Dad did it with his kids, & it's a real added incentive. PTL!

**THE PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN**

**ALSO HAVE THEIR OWN DEVOTIONS** & school time in the morning & are memorising the Feed My Lambs setcard for children. We adults are also finding that memorising is really renewing our walk with the Lord TYJ! We've found that it's really strengthening our faith to memorise quotes from the "Daily Might".

**THE CHILDREN HAVE ALSO BEEN STUDYING THE KOMIX TOGETHER**. We are doing a family history course using related Komix to teach the children all about the family, beginning with Grandfather & Grandmother etc. It's really exciting! We are finding that there is no end to what we can pour into the children, & as we pour out, He pours in with fresh ideas & inspiration.

**WELL, WE HOPE THESE TESTIMONIES ARE A BLESSING TO YOU**. We love you all so much & appreciate your interest, prayers & help! **P.S. HERE'S A QUOTE FROM** PM July 10 that really inspires us: "Witnessing is never unsuccessful! Witnessing always pays. Witnessing never fails. We're in a business that cannot fail. Hallelujah!" (Amen! TYJ!)