



Above Wil preaching a service in rural Ukraine, and a Baptist Church in Zapotillo, Honduras.

Thank You!

Abide in Christ

## I Dreamed a Dream

"But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God" (Acts 20:24).

Years ago my family and I went up to the top of Mt. Pichincha, a mountain overlooking the city of Quito, Ecuador. After a very enjoyable dinner, I laid down in the green grassy meadow and was gazing down upon the city three thousand feet below. As I looked down over the city set like a jewel in a ring. I thought about the hustle and bustle of the city. All was quiet except for an occasional plane flying down below us preparing to land at the nearby airport. There was an occasional "swoosh" of a giant condor as it gained altitude. My tired body relaxed in the warm sun.

I thought about the multitudes down below and wondered how we would ever win them to Christ. There was Rosa with a broken home, a drunk husband, and 7 children to feed. At night her husband would come home in a drunken rampage and beat her. Rosa's story could be multiplied a hundredfold in Quito and then many times every city the world over.

My mind lazily wandered to other cities, towns, villages and hamlets. The morning newspaper told that the population of the world would more than double in the next 25 years. I thought, "We are not even winning a world of three and one-half billion. What will it be like when the population reaches seven or eight billion?"

I thought about what W. A. Criswell said at an evangelistic conference. "More than 100 years ago 25 percent of the population

was evangelical Christians. Today less than 8 percent are. By 1980 there will be only 4 percent, and by the year 2000 there will be less than 2 percent."

"How shall they hear? Who will go to them?" I wondered . . . .

Then I fell asleep in the warm sunshine. *In my dream that day my mind continued to probe that searching question, "How shall they hear?"*

In my dream I dreamed it was possible to preach to the whole world. My audience was here in Quito, New Orleans, New York, St. Louis, London, Tokyo, Havana, Paris, Santiago, Russia, Ongole, Toronto, Melbourne, .... My audience was the whole world. I dreamed it was possible to preach to every creature in every hamlet, village, tribe, city and town the world over. My heart raced with anticipation. Yes, every man could hear the Good News that Jesus Christ died for sinners.

"Daddy, daddy, wake up!" It was the cry of our three-year old.

Darkness was beginning to fall over the jewel of the Andes—Quito. Snow-capped Cayambe was a glow with the rays of the falling sun.

*My dream was not just a dream. It was a reality!* For the next twenty years we

broadcast over 2,500 radio programs to the world via short-wave radio.

The Lord continued to opened doors to pastor and preach in evangelistic campaigns in Colombia, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Costa Rica, Peru, Ukraine, and India.

*But that is not the end of the dream. Today the Lord keeps opening up doors to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ in regions beyond.*

**Pray for a busy schedule sharing Christ.**

- **Teaching seminary courses in Ecuador at Peniel Seminary**
- **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Abide in Christ Pastor Leadership Conference in August**
- **Evangelism in Depth in Honduras**
- **Medical Dental Evangelism team returns to Ecuador**

*You are vital part in making this dream come true through your daily prayers and gifts. Without you this ministry would be impossible.*



*Wil teaching youth leaders in Honduras.*



*Studios at Radio H.C.J.B. Voice of the Andes in Quito, Ecuador. Wil & Ann recorded over 2,500 Bible teaching programs broadcast daily world-wide for over 20 years.*



*Abide in Christ Leadership Conference in Ongole, India.*



*Evangelism in Depth workshop at Las Crusitas, Honduras. As a result of these classes a new Baptist Church was started in a neighboring community.*



*Preaching the Gospel to over 250 employees in a cigar factory in Danli, Honduras. And then another 250 in a tobacco drying shed!*



*Wil teaching youth personal witnessing in a Baptist church in rural Nicaragua.*

*Every 10 seconds, 26 people die in the world. Of those 26, 2 are Buddhists, 4 are Hindu, 5 are Moslem, 8 are secularists, 7 are Christian of which 3 are protestant, and even fewer are evangelical believers. Every 10 seconds probably at least 20 people die without Christ.*

*Picture on bottom right are new Quichua believers in Saquisili after an open-air evangelistic crusade.*



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**Your gifts and prayers make this ministry possible. Thank you!**

### PLEASE PRAY IN 2018

#### \*\* PRAISE THE LORD FOR NEW MISSIONARY VISA FOR ECUADOR \*\*

1. Pray for Alejandro Guacho and Peniel Seminary students at the new church startup in Riobamba and Alao, Ecuador. Intense persecution by the Catholic priest has begun against these new believers and Alejandro.
2. Alberto and Nancy Copa and new Peniel Theological Seminary extension classes in central Quito, and Ambato, Ecuador. I will be teaching in these new extensions. Peniel now has around 200 students.
3. Personal Evangelism in Depth conferences in Quichua churches.
4. Personal Evangelism in Depth conferences in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, at Hebron Baptist Church.
5. Wisdom to see where God is at work, and where He wants us to join Him.
6. 8th Annual Abide in Christ Pastors' Conference at Peniel Seminary in Riobamba in August. Pray for God's chosen speakers.
7. Abide in Christ Medical-dental-evangelism teams returning to Ecuador.