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50th Anniversary!

Those of you who have followed our ministry and personal life know that we are not writing about our 50th Wedding Anniversary. We celebrated 50 years of marriage a couple years ago. You also know we are not announcing the fact that I have been preaching 50 years, because the truth is I have been preaching since I was 16 (1959), which makes 58 years. One last guess --- I was ordained 51 years ago in December of 1965 so that is not what we are celebrating.

Well what then? **Patsy and I were approved as missionaries with BIMI in January of 1967.** It was **50 years ago this month** that we were approved to go to Central America as church planters. **Thanks to God, it has been a wonderful and very fruitful journey.**

Patsy would turn 21 that year and I would be 24. Some highlights:

1. I earned my pilot's license in 1967.
2. We did deputation in 1968 and left for Costa Rica and language school in August, a few days before Patsy's 22nd birthday.
3. We enrolled in language school in San Jose, CR, and by the end of the first trimester I was allowed, by Missionary Cecil Lawrence, to teach a young people's SS class in one of his missions churches.
4. In July of 1969 we left for Nicaragua. That was the first step toward serving in Mexico, Guatemala, and El Salvador as a part of the evangelistic Bible Institute, IBERO. We were involved in helping plant new churches in those places, and I also taught several hours each day in the Bible institute.
5. During the nine years in El Salvador we were able to be involved in planting two churches, begin our aviation ministry, and **OH YES!**, adopt our two precious children, **Susan and Tim**. The years in Central America before we left because of the war were very fruitful years – to God be the glory and to the nationals be the credit – a modest estimate would be that God used them to raise up over 100 churches. Many great people were also a part of BIMI in Central America.
6. God graciously allowed us to take three years (1980-1983) to re-establish Bible Baptist Church in Fort Pierce, Florida.
7. **Everywhere He has taken us has allowed us to meet and serve alongside of some of His choicest servants.**
8. From Ft. Pierce we moved to North Carolina and became a part of GLBC and I headed up the Missionary Aviation program at Piedmont Bible. Patsy taught Spanish in the GLCS. We participated in the beginning of the great Hispanic ministry under Pastor Roberson's direction and in recent years with Jeff Johnson as the Hispanic Pastor.
9. The path to God's will has not always been plain or straight. After a couple of difficult experiences and detours we rejoined BIMI (1989) and eventually served as Assistant USA Director. For several years we had the privilege of working with many different individuals and English-speaking churches to establish Hispanic ministries. These efforts took us to New York City, Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, Texas, and a number of places in North Carolina. Always we have had the privilege of serving with other men and women with a heart for God and for souls. We have learned much from these folks and enjoyed their fellowship as we all sought to honor the Lord.
10. So this month we rejoice in what HE has accomplished through the preaching of HIS Word and the working of His Holy Spirit. We continue to be involved in the ministry among Hispanics as I preach and teach temporarily each weekend in Greenville, South Carolina, in the Iglesia Bautista Fundamental Berea.

Our **joy** is found in the people to whom HE has allowed us to minister (Philippians 4:1). Please **rejoice with us** as we **thank HIM** for allowing us to serve HIM these many years. Thank you for your vital part in the ministry as you have prayed and supported us.

We are grateful for the various churches that have sent in special **Christmas offerings**. These offerings are a special blessing to us, especially as we seek to give gifts to our children and grandchildren – as well as some dear folk that are not a part of our family. **THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

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