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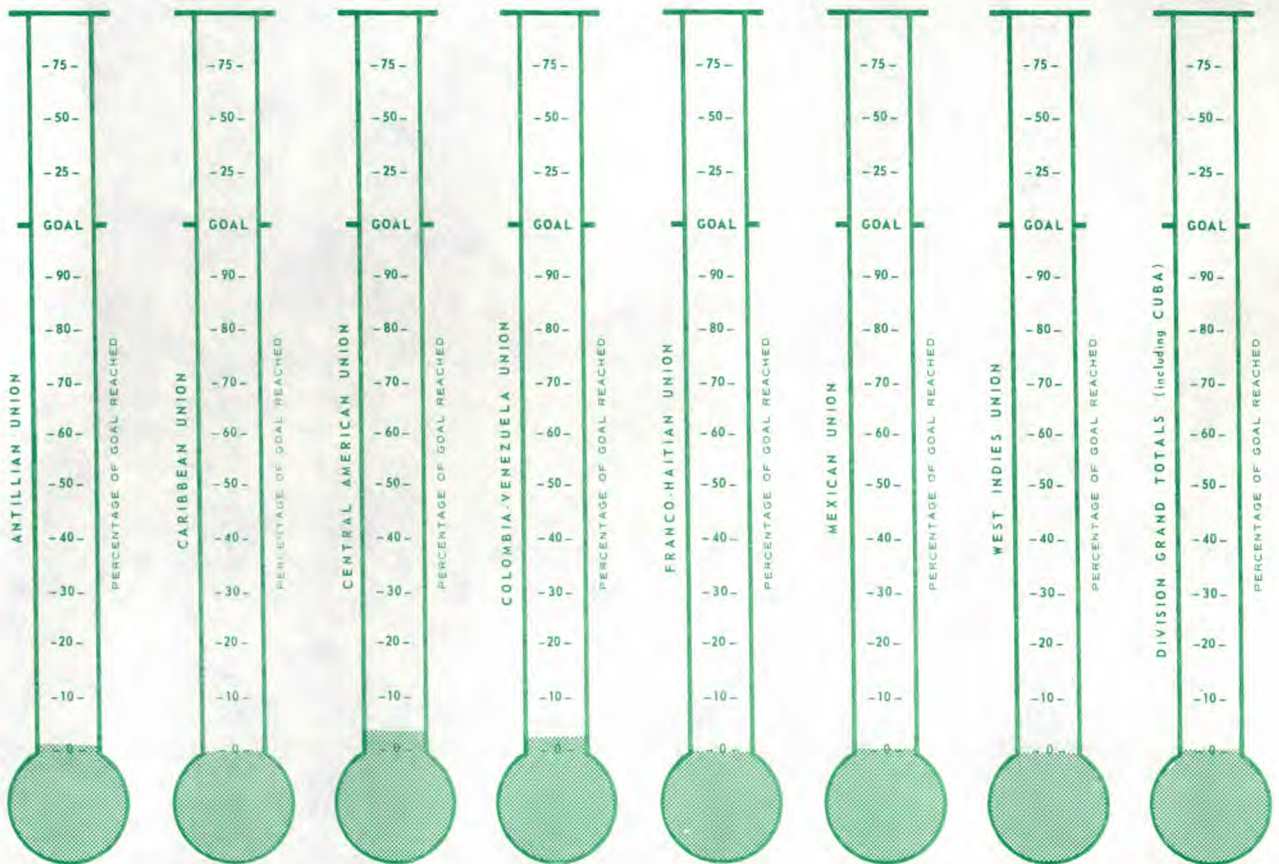
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## FINAL REPORT ON EVANGELISM '72

Union	Goal	Total Baptisms	% Reached
Antillian	5,550	5,062	92
Caribbean	4,957	5,433	110
Central American	4,600	5,286	115
Colombia-Venezuela	4,925	4,354	88
Franco-Haitian	5,225	6,674	128
Mexican	6,200	8,699	140
West Indies	6,900	6,387	93
Cuba	825	800	97
<i>Division</i>	39,200	42,775	109

## PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1973

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GOALS    6,460            5,820            5,360            5,780            6,090            7,260            8,060            45,800



**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**--The final report on Evangelism '72 marks the greatest miracle in Inter-America's soul-winning history. The addition of 42,775 precious souls to God's church in one year is an accomplishment of God, not merely the works of men. It is true we all joined hands and hearts; we worked hard; we prayed together; we sowed in tears, and together we reaped in joy. But our victory song is:

"To God be the glory,  
Great things He hath done."

Thanks for an outstanding cooperation! We experienced the drizzling of the latter rain in '72. Now let us pray for the outpouring of great showers in *Evangelism Explosion '73*.--B. L. Archbold.

**BIBLE STORY BOOKS WIN SOULS**--West Puerto Rico Book and Bible House manager Miguel Ramos visited Mrs. Pino and sold her a set of the *Bible Story* books. As a direct result of this sale, Mrs. Pino and four members of her family have been baptized. We are featuring, right to left, Brother Ramos, Miss Pino, Mrs. Pino, Pastor Luis Hernandez of the Isabela church, and his daughter.--*Claudio Ingleton*.



**MAY 6-12, 1973--A WEEK TO REMEMBER**--Nineteen seventy-three has been designated by the General Conference *Youth/Family Life Year* to be observed around the world. As a part of this most important emphasis on the Christian family, May 6-12, 1973, has been set aside as *Youth/Family Life Week*.

Since the youth of our church obviously constitutes an integral part of the *Youth/Family Life Week* emphasis, it has been recommended that Missionary Volunteer Week 1973 be combined with *Youth/Family Life Week* as a joint program to be conducted in all our churches throughout the Inter-American Division.

A special series of sermons has been prepared to be used for *Youth/Family Life Week* and MV Week as a combined program during May 6-12. All orders for these special sermons should be submitted to the Inter-American Division. All youth directors, local MV leaders, pastors, teachers, and other persons concerned should make every effort to ensure that this combined week provides the greatest possible inspiration for the local church.--*George W. Brown*.

**LAY CONGRESS**--January 5-8, 1973, marked a historic event for Guyana. Over 200 laymen attended and told some of their soul-winning experiences. Those who had won one or more, were invested. They aim to "Win three in '73," and their goal was set at 2,117 baptisms. Local lay activities leader A. B. Johnson; T. T. Billings of the Caribbean Union; and A. H. Riffel of the division, were in charge of sermons and training classes. Other lay congresses followed in Surinam and French Guiana.--*A. H. Riffel*.

**MONTHLY REPORTS**--Early in December the report blanks for Evangelism '73 were sent to all fields. We asked that these be filled in and sent to the unions and the division immediately after the close of each month. We have received only 16 reports for January. It is urgent for us to have this information, so please send in your monthly reports promptly and watch those thermometers.--*Alfredo Aeschlimann*.

**LAST-MINUTE NEWS**--The decision meetings conducted by Caribbean Union evangelist K.S. Wiggins and his team in the Stanmore Avenue church in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, have yielded 226 souls. Prior to the crusade Bible lessons had been taken to interested persons by the church members for five consecutive weeks. Many of the newly baptized had attended previous crusades held in Port-of-Spain.--*Maureen O. Burke*.

*And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men.*--Col. 3:23,