

# BRANSON

ism's first venture into Branson was in

March, when a similar program was presented at the same theater.

From the opening downbeat with the words "Oh, how I love Him" from the gospel song "Down From His Glory" with Scot Cameron, Russell Newport, Carolyn Reed and Johnny Hall to the "Miss Mamie" routine of pianist Joe Martin to the dramatic skits of the A.D. Players to the messages of Scottish evangelist Ian Leitch, the Spirit of God was evident as the performances unfolded in the 2,500-seat auditorium.

Lines began forming up to an hour before the opening of the show as people gathered to see the gospel presentation. The audiences were treated to the tenor voices of Scot Cameron singing "I'd Rather Have Jesus" and "I Bowed on My Knees," Russell Newport with his renditions of "He's Alive" and "The Holy City" and Johnny Hall belting out "Five Rows Back" and "God Bless America."

Soprano Carolyn Reed had the audiences on their feet as she lifted her voice with "Who Am I" and "All Rise," as well as benediction songs, including "Ten Thousand Joys" and "How Great Thou Art."

Performing at the piano/organ were the talented husband/wife team of Paul and Marjorie Ferrin from Colorado Springs. Joe Martin, pianist extraordinaire, played both tender and spiritual numbers along with a humorous interlude, and Greg Buchanan accomplished his magic on the harp making the notes of sacred hymns such as "Amazing Grace" dance in the air.

New to October's show was a quartet, The Messengers, from Oklahoma City, who delighted the audiences with such favorites as "I'll Fly Away" and "Beulah Land."

A choir, composed of members from area churches, and directed by Jimell Badry from Colorado Springs' Black Forest Baptist Church, sang traditional choir numbers including "No More Night" and "Listen to the Hammer Ring," with soloist Johnny Hall.

Backbone of the music was a 70-piece orchestra from Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Mo., under the direction of Gregg Thaller.

The A.D. Players, who were formed by actress Jeannette Clift George in 1967, used the book of Acts as a springboard for their dramas, which included the stories of Pentecost, Paul's conversion, Stephen's stoning and Peter's miraculous escape from prison.

George, herself, performed monologues with her innate ability to share the truths of Scripture interspersed with her infectious sense of humor.

Weaving the show together as emcee was MEF's Executive Director Jamall Badry, the visionary behind the Branson project. An outstanding singer himself, Badry has been reluctant to perform, but during this series, at every show, he sang an upbeat version of "Unclouded Day," which has a snappy rhythm between each of the four verses. Badry tucked away his Southern Baptist heritage as he attempted a little dance routine during the musical interludes of the song. He even pulled out a couple of hesitant girls from the orchestra to dance with him the first two nights. However, by the third night, the girls wised up, and when he reached for one of them, they all got up and ran off the stage, leaving a bewildered singer just standing there, and the audience cheering.

Leitch wrapped up each of the musical events with a short evangelistic message and an invitation to accept Christ.

At the time of this writing, the number of decisions made had not been calculated.

Music Evangelism Foundation will return to Branson for the third installment of "Down From His Glory" Oct. 5-8, 2005. Tickets again will be free as Music Evangelism holds to its motto: "A price that keeps one person away is a price MEF is not willing to pay."

*"We paid \$40 apiece to go to a show last night, and this one, which was free, was 100 times better."*

*"We saw a brochure in our hotel about "Down From His Glory," and decided to come our last night in Branson. It is going to be the highlight of our trip."*

by Dana Williamson  
Editor

Interspersed throughout the twinkling lights of theaters in Branson are family shows, comedy shows, country shows, instrumental shows, variety shows and dinner shows with down-home music and homespun humor and a range of styles, including pop, jazz, rock, bluegrass and gospel. Appearing in the glittery venues of the southern Ozark city are top-name artists and those who have famous pasts. There are those who are talented, and those who are lacking in that area. Branson is a mecca of entertainment, some would say, from the sublime to the ridiculous.

But for four days in October, some of the brightest talent and some of the most dedi-

icated performers were found at the Tri-Lakes Center where four powerful performances of Music Evangelism Foundation's "Down From His Glory" were played to enthusiastic audiences. Music Evange-

## Ian Leitch to join MEF as part-time staff member

I have absolutely no idea who recommended Ian Leitch for the Music Evangelism Foundation Bible Conference program a few years ago, but whoever did it will get an extra jewel in his/her crown. Leitch not only preaches a great message, but is superb at taking offerings and giving me valuable advice in many areas of ministry. Those are some of the reasons I've asked him to join Music Evangelism as a part-time staff member.

Leitch, whose home is in Edinburgh, Scotland, has an organization named the Heralds Trust which operates both

in the United Kingdom and the United States. In the early years, the Heralds was a singing group with Leitch singing as well as preaching. In the 1970s and 1980s, he also directed congregational singing for the Luis Palau crusades.

Leitch has been a witness for Christ all over the world. He and his wife, Morag, live by faith, and this certainly will be a faith venture for MEF since finances have not been mentioned or asked for. Pray that this joint venture will be honoring to our Lord and will see many more souls influenced toward Christ.

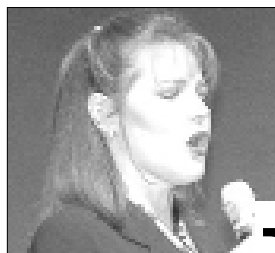
## Year-end gifts can help ministry

Throughout its history, Music Evangelism Foundation has depended on the people of God to keep its ministries going. Beginning with a Bible Conference in 1982, and expanding to international missions, feeding of the needy, a tape ministry, and now a missions ministry in Branson, MEF has added to the already existing revival and concert ministry of Executive Director Jamall Badry to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world.

MEF supporters have been generous in giving, realizing most of the money they give goes directly to ministry. Jamall rarely has taken a salary. The major part of every dollar received by Music Evangelism goes to aid the ministries of the organization.

The growing ministries require more financing. MEF has added a full-time office manager (Sherin De Trou) and three part-time associates (Daniel Mahimbo, Granville Watson and Ian Leitch) who help the organization tremendously.

As the year draws to a close, please consider an extra gift to Music Evangelism. Your dollars will be well-spent to further the gospel message around the world and to help hurting people find a helping hand and know that someone, who represents the God of the Universe, cares about them.



# The potato salad comes home

Charles Lowery, who will be one of the speakers for our 2005 Bible Conference next June, gave a fantastic illustration about death while speaking at one of our Faith Promise Dinners last April.

One day, his wife, Penny, mentioned that it seemed after every funeral he preached, potato salad was brought to the home of the grieving family. Charles concurred, and thought nothing more of it until their grandson was killed in an accident. Penny looked at her husband after the funeral of their grandson, and said, "Charles, the potato salad has come to our house."

On Monday, Aug. 23, the potato salad came to the Badry house. My sister, Freda, crossed over the center line on Highway 77, south of Noble, Okla., hit a pick-up truck and died instantly. She was 61 years of age and the youngest of the Badry children.

I was on Interstate 40, two hours from Oklahoma City when the news

reached me. Freda and I were going to have dinner the next evening.

Freda grew up during some of the worst times of our parents' marriage, which eventually ended in divorce. Being the youngest, she didn't receive the guidance she needed during those high school years, and entered adult life with a lot of baggage. We simply were not there to help her.

Through the years, she married twice, raised four children, and though near poverty most of her life, kept a stiff upper lip the majority of the time. She was always "wise-cracking" as my mom used to do, and was a lot of fun to be around.

However, there is one thing she didn't do. She never wrote a will, but only spoke of her wishes verbally to a few friends outside the family.

And even as I write this article, her estate, which was basically nothing, is still in dispute. It's amazing what a few dollars will do to people. Greed is a horrible thing. Do you have a will? If not, quit reading this Newsletter right now, and write your will. My mother and stepfather seemed to think if they made a will, they would die shortly afterwards. They never did have a last will and testament, and that caused all kinds of problems. "If he or she dies, the other



Freda Grogg at 16

gets it all" is not necessarily true, especially when two separate families are joined together. Check it out. I promise, you will not die the day after making a will. If you do, call me, and I will apologize!

The potato salad reached the Badry place sooner than we expected. What about your own family and friends? Even if it is hard to say, "I love you," as it is with some, do it today. Write that letter, make that phone call. We didn't get a chance to say goodbye. I pray you will.

Freda accepted Christ and was baptized May 25, 1952. She's waiting!

*Just think of stepping on shore and finding it Heaven.*

*Of touching a hand, and finding it God's.*

*Of breathing new air and finding it celestial.*

*Of waking up in glory and finding it home.*

by Don Wyrzten

## What's happening in Africa

### Daniel Mahimbo's ministry report Minister at large for MEF

In July, I had visitors from the U.S.A.—Dr. and Mrs. Will J. Roberts with another dear friend and brother in Christ, Jamall Badry. I took them to visit a very interesting place called View Point. Dr. Will J. spoke in the church on Sunday and Jamall sang. He is talented in singing. Praise God. Also in July, I was at Njombe Association with Pastor Mrema for a seminar.

In August, I went to three villages and showed the Jesus film, preached and 11 people from these villages accepted the Lord. I had a chance to teach the Bible at the primary schools, and I gave New Testaments to pupils. Some of them have received the Lord and started going to church.

The last week of August, I went with my two Timothys from house to house to do evangelism and four people received the Lord.

Between Oct. 10-16, I was at Kampala, Uganda for an East African pastors' seminar on how to equip church members for the work of the Gospel.

I have been doing prison ministry where 14 prisoners received Christ. I baptized seven of them, and fed them with bread and tea. I am going to baptize seven more next week. Pray for this ministry because many prisoners are hungry for the Word of God.

I have visited the hospital wards and prayed for the sick. I gave them some washing soap and some New Testaments so they can read the Word of God. Some of them have received the Lord Jesus Christ. I have invited hospital nurses to come and teach on HIV/AIDS to the church seminar.

I have had some open-air meetings at the market places. These days, many people are hungry for the Word of God. I preached and they listened very carefully, although just a few received the Lord at the invitation time.

Thank you so much for praying for me and the ministry. I remind you again about the orphans. There are now eight, plus two from my daughter who went to Heaven July 12.

### Fraywell gets automobile

I write to express my gratitude to you for all the things you did for me while in Colorado Springs. I cannot find better words to express my thankfulness to you. Only God knows it, and He alone will reward you.

With the \$2,000 you gave me, I paid for the vehicle Mazda B200 as a deposit. The cost is \$4,500, including the duty. It is a good second-hand car from Japan, and it is with me now. I still have the balance of \$2,500 which I need to pay to finish everything.

I was very sad when I heard the sad news about your sister who died on the road accident. When you were mourning for her, we joined you in our prayers. We still pray for you. Only the Lord, who is the great comforter, He will always be by your side.

May God continue blessing you in your ministry.

*Fraywell Chipeta*

**(Last June, many of you gave so that our guest from Africa could purchase an automobile, which he has. Although he has the car, there is still about \$2,500 left on the note. If you are interested in helping with this type of ministry, mark your donation "Africa auto." Fraywell is worthy of our support. He does great things for God. —Jamall)**

### Thanks for hymnals

It is our hope you arrived there peacefully. We at Lushoto Church take this opportunity to thank you for the hymnal books you bought for us. We have already started to use these books. The church, plus my family, thank you for your abundant love in the Lord. May God bless you as much and lift up your ministry as much so that it may bless more people in the world as we were blessed.

*Pastor Leonard Mweri*

**(While in Africa last year, I sang for a very poor Tanzanian church. They only had about three song books for the entire congregation. The Lord impressed me that Music Evangelism should buy hymnals. Thus, the letter of thanks from this deserving church. —Jamall)**

### School supplies for orphans

Let me take this opportunity to thank you for the great love expressed by your help. Your help came at the time we most needed it. Our school term has just begun, and we did not know how we were going to send the kids to school. As you know, we have a number of them who we are trying to help, the youngest being 6 now. The rest of them have to be in school and need books and all the necessary accessories to go to school. We managed to pay for that and get a little food to help them for a couple of days as well. We are so thankful and grateful to you. God bless you dearly, and may you continue to pray for us as we face the huge task of trying to help these orphans in a hard economy like ours. It's quite a struggle, but we thank God for help from fellow brothers as well. May He bless you from where you took and give you abundantly.

*Luke Mandigi*

**(Luke Mandigi takes care of many orphans in Zimbabwe, which is one of Africa's poorest countries. Many die of starvation each year. If MEF had more, we certainly would do more in this area of ministry. Give me \$1 million, and I'd build orphanages in Africa. What a wonderful dream! —Jamall)**

## MEF to again help needy at Christmas

In association with Feed the Children of Oklahoma City, Goodwill Industries Of Colorado Springs and the El Paso County Department of Human Services, Music Evangelism Foundation will distribute 1,500, 26-pound boxes of food and 265 boxes of toiletries to more than 1,000 families in the Colorado Springs area Dec. 11. In addition, MEF will present each family with additional food items, including a ham, plus Bibles and Christian tracts.

The fun and festive atmosphere will include a visit with Santa and Mrs. Clause, entertainment by Ken Musselwhite and his puppets, stuffed animals for the children and donuts and coffee for the adults. Wally Mark will help those present get into

the holiday spirit with Christmas music played on the keyboard.

Last year, Feed the Children presented MEF a certificate of appreciation for its part in the annual feeding. Gifts from MEF in the past year have helped provide 154,289 meals for hungry boys and girls.

Is there something you could do to help feed the poor and touch the hurting? Popular items include: hats, gloves and scarves for adults and children, stuffed toys, non-perishable food items and monetary donations to help cover the financial needs. To donate, send to Music Evangelism Foundation, P.O. Box 6617, Colorado Springs, CO 80934.



# 2005 MEF Bible Conference program set

June 20-24, Village Seven Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs

Charles Lowery

Ray Pritchard

Carolyn Reed

John Ennis

Scot Cameron

Ian Leitch

**SPEAKERS**

James Ford

Linda Skaret

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Liam Goligher

Lori Gasper

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Burchfield Brothers

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**THEME SONG**

**"He's Magnificent; O Come Let Us Adore Him"**

## We get letters (about the Bible Conference) . . .

Enjoyed reading your most recent Newsletter. It is great to see how God is blessing MEF. However, I have never seen someone in ministry have such an axe to grind against preachers. Almost every Newsletter has something to say about how some pastor you know preached a horrible message, or was not prepared or was spiritually dead. Brother, I know these things do exist, and I have probably been guilty myself. However, most of the problems I have had in ministry have been with staff members who thought they could do it better than the preacher. Come on bro., we preachers hear enough criticism from unsaved church members and an unbelieving world. Why not a word of encouragement from time to time?

*Your point is well taken. Although it is much worse in the area you mentioned than it was 30 years ago, there certainly are many who are bold in the Lord and do the right thing. Sorry you were offended by any article in the Newsletter. But, we must not turn a blind eye to the fact that the church is becoming less a factor in leading a world to Christ because of a watered-down pulpit and the inability to lead.*

*When we who lead fail, as I have many times, we cannot blame it on anyone else.*

Jamall

I have a two-hour gospel radio show every Sunday morning before I go to church. Jamall is heard a lot down here in the panhandle of Texas. No one, and I mean this sincerely, no one sings from the heart any better than Jamall. When he sings, you know he means every word of the message of the song he is singing. What a voice! What a gift! I love and appreciate your music and have just ordered the new CD.

Praise the Lord! I just read the MEF Newsletter reporting the 2004 MEF Bible Conference "cover to cover." I was so blessed by the quotes from the four speakers. I kept saying over and over to myself, "I wish I could have been there." Jamall, I thank God for what you are doing, and I pray that MEF will "keep doing well in the things that count."

I had never been to Branson before, and I loved the Down From His Glory presentation. I bought all the videos and watch them over and over

again. What a blessing.

I haven't seen you in years, but saw a Branson video, and recognized you. I wanted to call and say hi, and tell you that on the "He Didn't Throw the Clay Away" cover, you look just like Clark Gable.

It is good to read about some of the things that are happening in your life. I can't imagine how old you must be by now, but your recordings are as good, if not better, since you have matured. Thanks for the CDs. They are very good.

Thanks for making our anniversary celebration a great success. You were the highlight of the weekend.

Let me say how very sorry I am about your sister. Know that you and your family have been in our prayers. Secondly, thank you for the precious gift you sent me. You can't imagine how much it has helped me these past couple of weeks. When I received your music, I played the album, "It Is Well," first. When I heard the song "That's What the Blood Was For," tears just streamed out of my

eyes. That's what I have wanted to experience personally, not logically. I know that He shed His blood for me, but I just didn't experience it in the way I know Jesus would want me to. I must have played that song about four times. It did indeed "stir something in my heart." God has used you so much since the first time we met. It seems every time I get "stuck," He uses your music to show me how to get back to Him and have a closer relationship with Him. Jamall, I shall ever be grateful that He placed me in front of you. I know there will be a time when all of Heaven will be blessed by your music there. And I will have an eternity to listen to you.

God bless you for your ministry in music. I took your tape, "Were It Not For Grace," with me to Uganda. I believe it was what God used to keep my sanity. My room couldn't have been much better than Paul's cell, the food was goat bones and rice and the days started at 6 a.m. and work was over about 10-11 p.m.. Each night I put your tape in my battery operated head set, and your music calmed my soul. I'm praying for you and MEF.

## "Down From His Glory" order form

Branson, Mo., Oct. 20-23, 2004

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## Dinners make a difference

In 1993 Music Evangelism scheduled its first Faith Promise Dinner, and over the years, dinners in five different states have made a significant impact on the financial needs of the organization.

Speakers and musicians have been scheduled for the 2005 dinners in Colorado Springs (April 8), Dallas area (April 15), Lamesa, Texas (April 22), and Oklahoma City (April 29). You are welcome at any of these dinners. We especially hope you will attend the one nearest you. Mark your calendar now!

We are grateful to all of you who

have contributed to Music Evangelism through prayer, plain old work and financially. Music Evangelism will continue to reach out through music, conferences, revivals, mission trips, giving of food to those in need and the written word. Thank you for helping us make a difference in lives around the world.

For information about the dinners, contact: Sherin De Trou in Colorado Springs (719/591-7481); Cecil Bartel in Dallas (972/262-7137); Cindy Williams in Lamesa (806/462-7668); Peggy Hayes in Oklahoma City (405/942-0490.)

## Stephen Olford 1918-2004

Stephen Olford, often called the "preacher's preacher," was a great preacher in his own right, and one of the world's greatest evangelists, Billy Graham said Olford had a great influence on his life. Olford was born in Zambia (where I have ministered many times), and was raised in Angola, where he committed his life to Christ. Olford passed into the presence of the Lord Aug. 29. Music Evangelism was blessed of God when he spoke for our Bible Conference a few years back. In fact, it is the only time a TV station came to one of our services to get an interview.

You don't replace men like Stephen Olford; you just do without. Thank you, Lord, for the life of Stephen Olford.

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## Somewhere down the road

Oct. 31-Nov. 3 Freedom Baptist, Brookfield, MO  
Nov. 21 Concert, Arapahoe Road Baptist, Littleton, CO  
Nov. 28 First Baptist, Summersville, MO

Dec. 5 Concert, Brookside Baptist, Tulsa, OK  
Dec. 7 MEF Board Meeting, Colorado Springs, CO  
Dec. 24 Lighthouse Temple, Colorado Springs, CO

## Russian tragedy hits close to home

The terrorist attack on the middle school in Besian, Russia shocked and horrified the world. More than 330 people—mostly children—died in the 48-hour siege that ended in explosions and gunfire.

The tragedy strikes closer to home when you realize that many of those same children received shoe box gifts last year through Operation Christmas Child. Two Russian pastors, the Totiev brothers, handed out gifts at the school and shared the love of Jesus Christ. Eight of their children were among the hostages. Only two survived.

In the dark days after the siege, the Totiev family's faith shone brightly. "We have an irreplaceable loss, but we cannot take revenge," brother Sergey told angry neighbors. "As Christians, the Bible teaches us that we must forgive."

Christians can take comfort in knowing that many of the school children had heard the Gospel and received God's gift of eternal life. A number of them came to faith in Christ through Operation Christmas Child and evangelistic camps supported by Samaritan's Purse. According to survivors, some of the hostage children led others in prayer.

The families of Besian need our prayers and support as they deal with the grief and loss. Some of the surviving children were so traumatized that they forgot their own names. Remember to pray for them, especially during the upcoming holiday season.

**MEF Mission Statement.** The mission of Music Evangelism is to spread the Gospel among the unchurched and to deepen the Christian life among church members through the instruments of outstanding music and expository preaching.

The Foundation also seeks to minister to the physical needs of people both in the United States and other countries around the world.

## Jamall's new tape is here!

Jamall Badry's new recording, "It is Well," is completed. Listed below are the songs on the album. You may purchase the CD, as well as his other tapes and CDs by completing the form below.

1. Sitting at the Feet of Jesus.
  2. That's What the Blood Was For
  3. Unclouded Day
  4. You're My Best Friend
  5. In the Garden/Isn't He
  6. It is Well with My Soul
  7. I Can See
  8. I Will Call Upon the Lord/Soon and Very Soon
  9. I Call Him Lord
  10. He Hideth My Soul
  11. He's Magnificent/O Come Let Us Adore Him
- The arrangements are by Don Johnson of Oklahoma City, and

Badry.

The recording is available in CD form only. Cost is \$10.

### Jamall Badry Tapes, CDs

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**Listen Again for the First Time** \_\_\_ Cassette \$2 \_\_\_ CD \$10

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**Listen to the Children** \_\_\_ Cassette \$2 \_\_\_ CD \$10

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**God is not going to bless a culture that permits its people to kill their own babies because it's embarrassing or because parenthood doesn't meet their arbitrary standards for the good life. God is not going to bless a society that thinks it has the right to create life in order to kill it and harvest medicines to prolong the lives of other human beings.** —From *Real Homeland Security* by Richard Land

## Someone is always watching

Several years ago, a preacher moved to Houston, Texas. Some weeks after he arrived, he had occasion to ride the bus from his home to the downtown area. When he sat down, he discovered the driver had accidentally given him a quarter too much change. As he considered what to do, he thought to himself, "You better give the quarter back. It would be wrong to keep it." Then he thought, "Oh, forget it, it's only a quarter. Who would worry about this little amount? Anyway, the bus company gets too much fare; they will never miss it. Accept it as a gift and keep quiet."

When his stop came, he paused momentarily at the door, then he handed the quarter to the driver and said, "Here, you gave me too much change." The driver, with a smile, replied, "Aren't you the new preacher in town? I have been thinking lately about going to worship somewhere. I just wanted to see what you would do if I gave you too much change. I'll see you at church on Sunday."

When the preacher stepped off of the bus, he literally grabbed the nearest light pole, held on, and said, "Oh God, I almost sold your Son for a quarter."

Our lives are the only Bible some people will read.

Ben Franklin wrote the epitaph that appears on his tomb. "The body of Benjamin Franklin (like the cover of an old book . . . its contents torn out and stripped of its lettering and gilding) lies here. Food for worms, yet the work itself shall not be lost, for it will appear once more in a new and more beautiful edition, corrected and amended by The Author."

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