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Dear Prayer Partners,

I don't know how it is where you live but here in Texas there is no shortage of "help wanted" signs. Almost all businesses are still spinning from the results of Covid19. Many of these businesses are sensing for the first time what we in our service for the Lord have felt for years, the shortage of help in carrying out the Great Commission. Our Lord recognized what it meant to be deficient in help. His words as He viewed the needs of those around Him were, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few" (Matthew 9:37). The World Baptist Fellowship Mission Agency's missionary family grows older, but the new laborers are few.

Since my visit to Brazil in June where I lived for twenty-six years, I have become acutely aware of the need not only in Brazil but around the world for new seed Sowers. Unlike the world we can't just hang out t "help-wanted" sign. Our WBF Mission Agency and our Independent Baptist Churches are dependent on the Lord and His church to be raising up workers for the field of the world.

Since the June visit to Brazil the Lord has kept me busy to the tune of fifteen plus hours a week in doing what I can with the churches in Brazil. Tuesday nights are spent with a group of pastors in southern Brazil discussing the hardships and blessings of the ministry. This is done via Zoom via the internet.

I don't want to just sit in church and wait to hear the Lord's call to go into all the world beginning right here in our Jer<u>usalem</u>. Sitting in church waiting to hear God's voice is not what we are told to do. Jesus is clear when He said in Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

We don't need to sit in church and wait to hear God's command, but we need to hear the voice of the world's people echoing the words of the Macedonian, "Come over and help us." If you have been waiting to see the words "help wanted" posted somewhere in the sky or in the church; then consider this to be the sign.

Thank you again for your prayers and financial support. As Paul said in Philippians 4:17 "Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account."

Unworthily His. Wendell Hiers

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