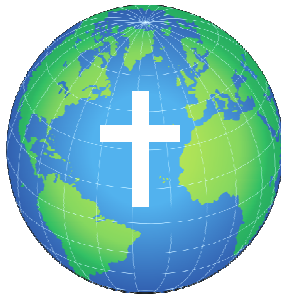


# Missionary Stories For Children #3



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**This book is dedicated to missionaries all over the world who have given their lives as witnesses for Jesus Christ.**



**Jesus says, "Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, ...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.**

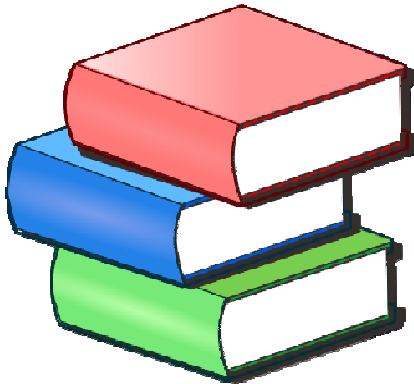
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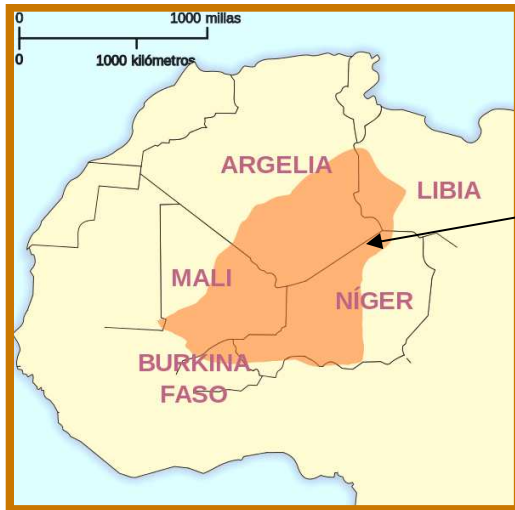
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**Cash and Ann Godbold brought the love of Jesus  
to West Africa...**



**West Africa -Tuareg people  
(most live in orange area)**

**Tuareg man.**



## Cash and Ann Godbold

When Cash Godbold was a young teenager, he decided that he would train himself to listen for God speaking to him because above all things, he wanted to obey God. Many times God would speak to Cash as he would read the Bible. Sometimes he would be driving down the road, and God would speak to Cash inside his heart. Wherever he went and whatever he did, Cash wanted to be listening so that he could obey God.

One day, God called Cash to go as a missionary to the Tuareg people of West Africa. Before he left for Africa, God sent Cash a very special gift, a lovely young woman whose name was Ann. They were married and went together to teach the Tuaregs about Jesus.

The Tuaregs are people who live in tents and wander from place to place in the desert land to find enough grass for their cows. Ann would buy milk from some of the tribal women so that Steve, Sarah, and Elisabeth, their three children, could have milk to drink. The milk was always brought in dirty bottles, and sometimes Ann would find cow hair or a fly in the milk. If the Godbold family wanted to have something as simple as a "PP&J" (peanut butter and jelly sandwich), Ann would have to go to an open air market and buy the peanuts. Then she would



roast the peanuts, shell them, skin them, mash them, put some oil in them, and finally she would end up with peanut butter. After Ann made the bread, then they would have all the ingredients that were necessary just to have a peanut butter sandwich!

Because Cash had trained himself to listen to God while he was young, there is at least one time when this saved his life. As Cash went to his garage one night to get a particular tool, he heard God's voice speak within his heart, "Turn on the light before you enter." Cash thought this was strange since in order to reach the light switch, he would have to open the screen door, then the wooden door, lean in over the door framing, and then turn on the light. Even though he didn't understand why God would want him to do this, he knew he must be obedient. As he leaned in and turned on the light, he happened to look down. There on the floor between the screen door and the wooden door was a viper, which is an extremely poisonous snake. If he had not listened to God's voice, Cash would surely have been bitten, and since he did not live close to any doctor, he would have died. Being obedient to God saved his life!

Most all of the Tuareg people are Muslims, and Muslims are usually very hard to lead to Jesus. Muslims believe in a god



named Allah. Sometimes as Cash preached about Jesus, the people would spit at him. Because the Tuaregs love music, Cash decided to write a song about Jesus. Since he said he couldn't carry a tune, he asked Ann to sing it, and as she sang, something strange happened. The same people that spit on Cash when he preached about Jesus, clapped and clapped for Ann as she sang about Jesus in the song Cash had written.

Finally, they had found a way to give the Gospel message to the Tuaregs in a way that they not only would listen, but they actually would enjoy. A young Muslim college student invited Jesus into his heart to be his Savior, and the young man's father was the village chief. If he found out that his son became a Christian, it would be very dangerous for the young man.

Another young man that had been saved was crippled and had to walk on his hands. He became a bold young Christian and witnessed to many of his Muslim friends, helping them to know the Savior.

Cash and Ann Godbold brought the love of Jesus to West Africa because they knew that God wanted the Tuareg people to become His children, so that they could be in heaven with Him.



Map of Africa

Map of Costa Rica



## Ron and Cindy Sutton

When the invitation for salvation was given, 9 year old Ron Sutton walked down the aisle with tears flowing down his face. He was embarrassed to cry in front of all the people there in the church, but God was so working in his heart that he just couldn't stop them as they ran down his cheeks.

One of the older ladies in his church took Ron with her when she went to tell people about Jesus, and she would tell him story after story about missionaries who had gone to serve God in foreign countries. At age 12 Ron prayed and told God that he wanted to be a missionary. But later, the divorce between his parents made Ron bitter and turn away from God. He started taking drugs, and soon he took stronger drugs until he finally ended up in jail for various crimes.

His mother was one of the few people who did not give up on Ron. She would go to the jail and tell Ron that she knew that God had a great plan for his life. She prayed hard that God would change her son's heart, and He did! Ron gave himself totally to Jesus.

Ron married a beautiful dark-haired nurse named Cindy and together with their little baby, Ryan, they went to Central

America as missionaries. Ron preached in large meetings, printed Christian booklets in Spanish, and trained two hundred Costa Rican pastors every Monday, so they could help teach people about Jesus. He and Cindy also built a church in a very poor area of the capital city, San Jose, and a children's home for Costa Rican children who had no families to care for them.

Once, Ron and Cindy found a young Christian mother who had three small daughters and no husband to help care for them. They lived in a shack which had large brown roaches running on the floor and huge rats, which were a danger to the children. Ron and Cindy invited the woman and her children to come live with them until they were able to build her a new "casa" or little house. The house cost about \$500 for the building materials and all the Suttons had was \$52. On the very day they had to pay the bill for the materials, a check came in the mail for \$1000! Because of the prayers of faithful Christians, God provided the money that was needed to build a home for Letitia and her little girls.

One time Ron was speaking about Jesus to a group of people in the African country of Zambia. A young lady worked her way

through a crowd of several thousand people and stood right in front of him as he was getting ready to leave. Ron asked what she wanted, and she told him that she had epilepsy since childhood and had been severely bullied. She told him that Jesus would heal her if Ron prayed for her. Ron prayed and ended with the words "Be it unto you according to your faith." The young lady collapsed at his feet, and when Ron lifted her up she said, "I am healed, I have never felt such peace!"

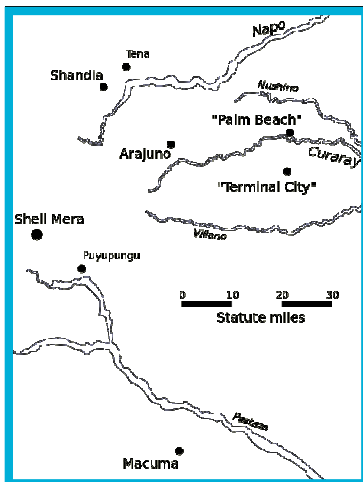
Several years later, Ron was in a meeting in a different place in Zambia, near the famous Victoria Falls. A pastor, who was there, had been in the same meeting years before when the young woman was healed. He asked Ron if he remembered the lady and Ron responded, "Very well!" The pastor then went on to tell him that this lady was healed of her epilepsy. Also, she had shared the Word of God in various places, where many people came to know Jesus as their Savior and many were healed by God of their diseases!

Ron and Cindy now live in Missouri, where they still travel to tell people about Jesus. Their son, Ryan is grown and is now the pastor of a church.

# Remains of Nate Saint's Piper airplane



Operation Auca Map



Ecuador Map



## **Nate Saint and Jim Elliot 1923-1956 and 1927-1956**

Nate Saint was an excellent airplane pilot and was noted for his love of flying. One night at a New Year's Eve church service, Nate felt God calling him to be a missionary to Ecuador, South America.

Jim Elliot was only six years old when he said to his mother, "Mama, the Lord Jesus can come whenever he wants... because I'm saved now." Jim was a good student in school, and he would spend a great deal of time every day reading the Bible. When Jim was a student at Wheaton College, he fell in love with a beautiful girl whose name was Elisabeth Howard, but Jim felt God wanted him to go as a missionary to Ecuador without being married. God also called Elisabeth to go to the same country as a missionary, but to work with a different tribe of people than Jim was helping. After they had both been in Ecuador for a while, they saw each other again. They prayed about what God wanted for their lives, and both felt God leading them to become husband and wife and minister together on the mission field.



Nate Saint and Jim Elliot began working with the same tribe in Ecuador and became close friends. While in Ecuador, they heard about the Auca tribe which had spears 9 feet long and used them on anyone trying to enter their village. Nate and Jim became more and more interested in these Aucas who killed people who tried to approach them. Nate felt that they could use an airplane to help bring these people the good news of Jesus.

One day Nate, Jim, and three other missionaries flew over the Aucas' village and lowered a bucket full of gifts to the Indians from their airplane. They began doing this once a week, and soon the Aucas were sending gifts back in the bucket--they sent a chicken and a brightly colored parrot! Because the Aucas sent gifts back to the missionaries, Nate, Jim, and their friends decided to land their plane and try to tell the Indians about Jesus. In January, 1956, all five of the missionaries were speared to death by a group of Aucas; they died while trying to tell them about God's love. We call a person who dies for Jesus a martyr.

Three years after these missionaries were killed, the Ancas invited Elisabeth Elliot and her small daughter, as well as Rachel Saint, who was Nate's wife, to come and live with them. It is hard to imagine someone going to live with a group of people who murdered someone in your family, but that's exactly what they did. God truly worked a miracle in the hearts of the Aucas, because through the loving witness of these women, many of the Aucas were saved, including the man most responsible for the killings.

The love of Jesus is always stronger than hate, and it is His love which can change the hearts of people, no matter what they have done that is sinful. As a result of the missionaries' faithfulness to God, today there are churches in many Auca villages. Because five men were willing to die for this tribe to hear about the love of Jesus, many Aucas will continue to come to Jesus as their Savior.



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Map of Korea

## Harry Holt 1904-1964

If you were 50 years old and had already had a serious heart attack, would you think God could use you to do a big job for Him? Well, Harry Holt decided he wanted to do whatever God told him, even though he wasn't young or healthy.

Harry felt God wanted him to go to Korea and adopt some of the children there who didn't have mothers or fathers. He prayed and prayed before he went, asking God how many children he and his wife Bertha should adopt and asking God to choose the children God wanted them to take.

Because there had been a war there, when Harry got to Korea, he could hardly believe how many children needed homes. He would kneel down by his bed at night and spend a lot of time praying. God finally led Harry and Bertha to adopt eight children, ages 3 and under.

It was extremely hard to get our government to pass a law allowing Harry to bring these children to America to live, but once again prayer was the key. Harry and Bertha had a friend who was blind. This man prayed many times every day that God

would work a miracle and let these eight little children come to America so they could have a Christian home. God did work many miracles, and finally the children were able to come with Harry to the United States.

Harry knew after he had been to Korea that he couldn't adopt all the thousands of children who needed homes, so he felt God leading him to begin Holt Adoption Program. He and his family began a place in Korea called Holt Ilsan Center, which takes children who are severely handicapped. These children learn of the love of Jesus and are cared for by Christians who care deeply about them.

Harry Holt died in 1964 with a heart attack, but his wife Bertha, his daughter Molly, and many others continued to help children with no parents to find families who would love them and tell them about Jesus. Over 42,000 children have been adopted since Harry began his work for God in 1954. God even expanded the work to include the countries of the Philippines, Thailand, India, and Columbia. Harry was a very special kind of missionary, for not many men have begun such a great task for God at his age and after a major heart attack. If one man

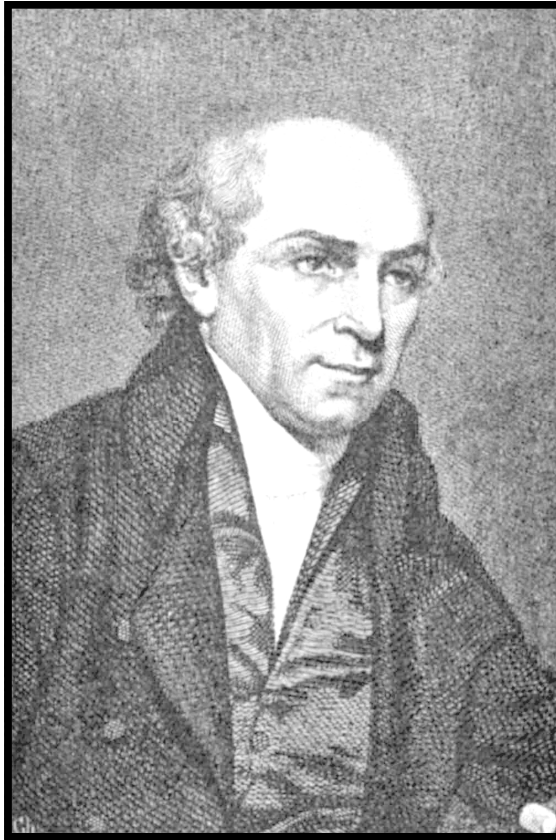
hadn't obeyed God, there would be thousands of children who would have never had families or have the chance to know Jesus as their Savior.

**"Every child deserves a home of his own." Harry Holt**



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**...he totally gave his life to Jesus, and the Lord used him in great and mighty ways.**





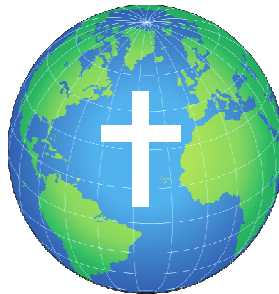
## William Carey 1761-1834

William Carey was born in England in 1751, and when he became a young man, he decided to be a shoemaker. When the old shoemaker that he worked for died, William took care of the man's widow and her four children, along with his own wife and three sons. He finally became a school teacher and the preacher of a small church.

He later felt God calling him to be a missionary, and in 1793, he and his family sailed for India with no money. But, William Carey had a motto: **"Expect great things from God, attempt (try) great things for God."** He got a job in a factory to earn money for his family to live, and he used his spare time to learn the Bengali language and began to translate the Bible into the language of the Indian people.

Later he set up some schools and began a small church. He moved his family to another town named Serampore, and in 1800, a Bengali carpenter came to the mission compound wanting help because he was sick. After the man got well, he wanted to invite Jesus into his heart and become a Christian. William baptized him in the Ganges River, along with his own son, Felix.

William published the New Testament in the Bengali language, and it wasn't long afterwards that there was a fire in the print shop where he and his missionary friends had Bibles in ten different languages. When people in England heard of the tragedy, they sent money to India, and the men were soon able to translate and print the Bible into more than 46 languages!



William Carey's first wife died of an illness, but a year later, he married a young English lady that he had led to the Lord several years before. He and a friend founded Serampore College and also the first Indian newspaper. Over 600 Muslims and Hindus became Christians because of his preaching. William Carey was only a poor shoemaker, a man without much education, but he totally gave his life to Jesus, and the Lord used him in great and mighty ways.



**Serampore College**  
**Established in 1818**



**Gourma, Burkina Faso**

## Fred Whale

Fred Whale was born in Scotland in 1900, and when he was a small boy, he would travel great distances just to attend a missionary meeting. He read stories about missionary heroes, and he felt that God wanted him to give his life in service to other people.

Fred went to a school where he could study the Bible and prepare to be a missionary to Africa. He was first sent to the Gourma tribe in Burkina Faso, which had never heard about Jesus. He learned their language, was a teacher, and also gave out simple medicines to those who were sick.

He helped translate part of the Bible into the Gourma's language and led people to Christ. Today in the Gourma tribe, there are more than fifteen churches with thousands of members, who are sending out their own missionaries to other tribes who live nearby.

Fred met a missionary nurse on the edge of the Sahara Desert. Her name was Grace, and they fell in love and were married. After their wedding, Fred and Grace returned to the Gourma tribe. The trip took four days in their Model T Ford, but today it would only take four hours by airplane!

After a few years, Fred and Grace were sent to Nigeria, which had many Muslim believers. Fred would gather several of the Nigerian boys together in the afternoons and teach them the Bible. As God blessed his work with the boys, Fred organized the Nigerian Boys' Brigade. The boys studied the Bible and took exams on what they learned during the year. The top students were given certificates and badges for their good work.

Fred traveled all over Nigeria helping to organize Bible clubs for the boys of that country. Sometimes he would use a ventriloquist's dummy or simple magic trick to help the boys understand a special truth. He taught them God's Word through Bible games and acting out Bible stories. Many of the boys who trained through the Boys' Brigade, later became important Christian leaders in their towns and in their churches.

In fifteen years, Fred Whale's Boys' Brigade had grown from 30 boys to about 40,000! In 1956, the Queen of England came to Nigeria, and the boys marched in a parade in her honor. They formed a band and played homemade instruments and drums as well as some bugles which had been sent to them from England.

For twenty-six years, Fred and Grace Whale conducted large Bible camps and trained 400 leaders a year. In 1967, when he was nearly 70 years old, Fred and Grace came to the United States, but they did not retire. He served God as the chaplain of the county jails in Santa Cruz, California.

Fred and Grace were faithful servants of Jesus, and because of their sharing about Him, many people are believers in Jesus today.

## Map of Nigeria





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## The Plan of Salvation

1. Confess your sin.

"All have sinned." Romans 3:23 NKJV

2. Ask Jesus to save you.

"Whoever will call on the name of the LORD  
will be saved." Romans 10:13 NASB

3. Pray like this:

Dear Jesus: "Please forgive me of my sins  
and come into my life.

Thank you Jesus, for saving me."

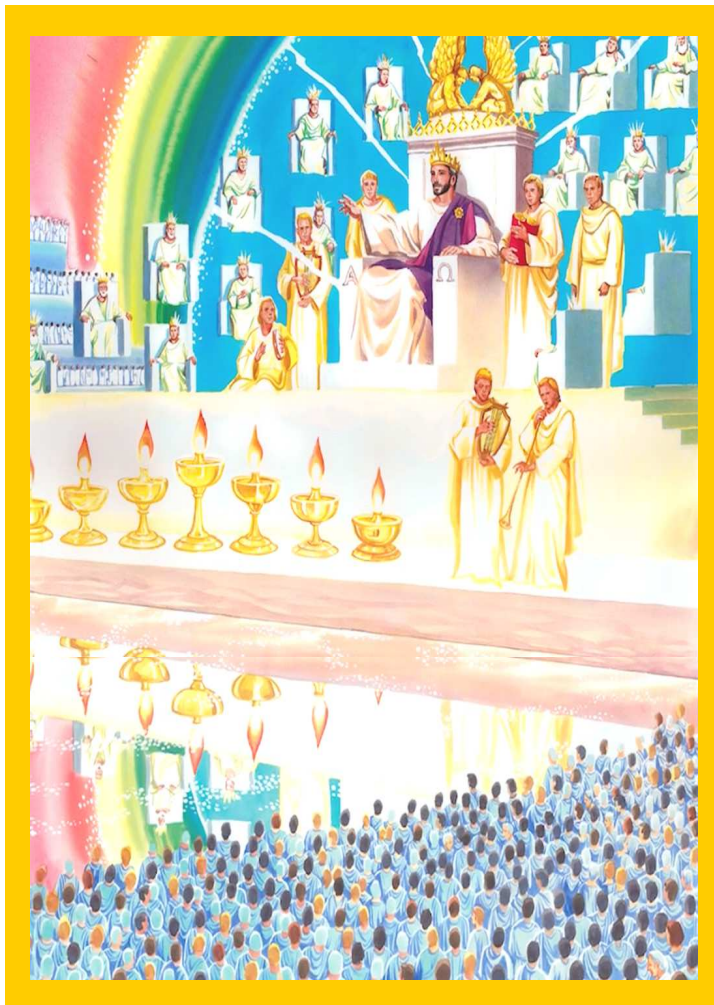
Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth,  
and the life; no one comes to the Father,  
but through me. John 14:6 NASB

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accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

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**“After these things, I [John the Apostle] looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all the tribes, peoples, and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches were in their hands; and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne and unto the Lamb.’ ”**

**Revelation 7:9-10 NASB**