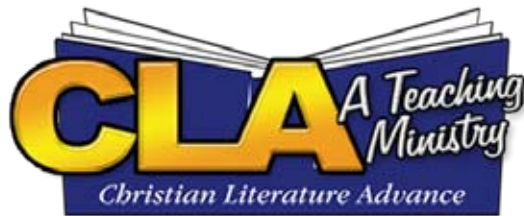


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But thanks be to God who giveth the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1Cor. 15:57

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Dear Fellow-laborers,

“The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore **pray** the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His harvest.” Mat.10:37-38

While our Lord’s words speak clearly of our dependence upon Him to send forth laborers, we must not forget that our prayers have a part in His sovereign plan.

Christ later spoke of the responsibility of following up prayer with instruction: “Teaching them (disciples) to observe all things that I have commanded you.” (Mat. 28:20)

The primary focus of FIEL (CLA) in recent years has been upon teaching those that God has called to labor in His vineyard. The FIEL Conferences in Brazil, Portugal, Mozambique and Angola, as well as most of our publications have been geared to leadership. The Adopt a Pastor Project has supplied hundreds of pastors with a book a month and paid their way at the conferences. Rick’s column tells of the latest giant step to reach leaders.

Roger and Gwen Kirk still on the job

It was a special privilege for my husband and me to return to Brazil for this 24th FIEL conference in October. We were co-workers with the Denhams in the early days of the publishing ministry and continue involvement by translating letters for the Adopt a Pastor project. What a delight to meet some of the pastors whose letters I translate!



“Edifying the Church” was the conference theme. The main speakers had three one-hour sessions each (including time to be interpreted). Pastor Sam Waldron’s opening message was on the gates of hell not prevailing against the church. He and the other speakers were sensitive to the Spirit’s presence and adapted their messages to bring close and practical applications. Dr. Joel Beeke’s messages were based on three of the churches in Revelation, and Pastor Stuart Olyott emphasized the need to “pray for the man” (meaning the preacher), using Paul’s appeal for prayer that the Word of the Lord would run and have free course. Pastor Phil Newton from Tennessee preached on the “Fifth Column” (the destroying force within the church). Matt Schmucker and Jonathan Leeman also preached and gave some workshops on the “Nine Marks of a Healthy Church.” And Dr. Beeke’s wife Mary had two sessions with the ladies on “Kindness.”

For pastors and others the gymnasium-sized bookroom was a beehive of activity. Generous discounts on a huge

selection of books are always a drawing card. Many do not have Christian bookstores in their region of the country. And many are not able to buy books at the regular prices.

The music throughout the conference was absolutely beautiful. The man responsible for it was trained by Pearl Denham who very ably brought out his God-given talents.

Due to health issues, Pearl and Rich could not be present for the first time in the history of the conferences. They were sorely missed, but their dedicated staff proficiently managed that enormous undertaking with the order, dignity, and grace worthy of such a mission. To God be the glory for the things He has done!



Speaker's comments about FIEL's 2008 Conference



Joel Beeke

Phil Newton

Stuart Olyott

Dr. Joel Beeke - Upon our arrival at the FIEL headquarters in São José dos Campos workers were busy loading up 25,000 books and all the office equipment to take to the conference site - a resort three hours away in the mountains. More than half of the books sold throughout the conference. Many pastor's lives, including a number of Assemblies of God pastors, are being changed by these books. Other speakers, including Stuart Olyott, Phil Newton and Sam Waldron arrived throughout the day.

This is one of the best conferences that we have ever attended. We are really impressed by what God is doing in Brazil - especially with the hunger of hundreds of pastors for learning and experiencing reformed truth. It is so exciting to see that many Brazilians are open to hearing the gospel. This conference and the cause in Brazil has great potential for the future if the Holy Spirit continues to bless it.

I have often told Mary that Brazilians are warmer and more affectionate than any nationality of people I have ever met, but now she had the joy off experiencing this firsthand. They excel in love.

Pr. Phil Newton - I want to thank you for the privilege of preaching at the 2008 FIEL Conference. My own heart was deeply blessed by the messages and the fellowship with the brethren. My appreciation for FIEL had been very high

before this trip but now it is increased as I have a better view of how this ministry is effecting the Portuguese-speaking world with Biblical Christianity.

Stuart Olyott - The time in Brazil was such a personal enrichment for me. Doll is amazed that I have told her so much - because, like many men, I tend to tell her things by dribs and drabs. But this time it gushed out! Thank you for giving me that opportunity.



Quotes from Pastors in the Adopt a Pastor Project

Once more I want to profoundly thank FIEL Publishing House and my blessed sponsor. The books I have received have been a great blessing to me, my family and my ministry. I want to thank my sponsor for the generous offering that made possible for my whole family to be at the 24th FIEL Conference. It was very edifying - every word heard, every moment experienced. **Pr. José Rocha**

I come by means of this note to thank you that I am a part of the adopt a Pastor Project. I thank God because after some time of praying He granted me the grace of being blessed with books from FIEL Publishing House. In the second place I am grateful that He has raised up a servant so far away by means of whom this blessing is possible. The Lord bless you! **Pr. Márcio Trindade**

I thank you with all my heart the latest book received: *Como Tudo Começou (How Every Thing Began)*. It is a book without precedent. I was truly impressed! God be praised! You have no idea how much good the propagation of the doctrines of the grace of our wonderful God have done for our ministry. We are profoundly grateful to God for you and your ministries. **Pr. Arthur Carvalho**

From the bottom of my heart I want to thank you for including me in the people benefited by the project... I plead with God not to let this project collapse, but that He will continue to raise up sponsors so that those who aspire to the ministry and those who are already in it may be better prepared. **Pr. Arão Pires**

Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow! We are so blessed and privileged to be considered co-laborers with Christ!

In this report, I would love to share some amazing statistics that I am sure will excite you, as well as give you much to consider in your prayers. We have seen how the Internet is changing the world as we have known it. Web sites like You Tube are viewed by more people than CNN, and Facebook more than MTV. The most enduring and effective web sites are those that give away their content, and then make their revenue from the advertisements. The common thread you find in You Tube, and Facebook, is community. Both of these sites build a community of people that can write, watch, and listen to each other. This community grows exponentially by those who are joining the group.

Our website has been made a tool to help equip pastors and leaders in the Portuguese speaking world. We hope to build a community of pastors and leaders who find at FIEL a ministry that helps them connect one with another, by the reading and sharing of articles, the watching of messages, discussions in the blog, and free mp3 downloads of 24 years of pastor's conferences. From these conference archives, we offer messages from people like John MacArthur, John Piper, and many others. In the articles section, they are able to read about issues ranging from the Emerging church, to Eldership

and Music ministry. When they like an article, they can share it with other pastors, thus encouraging others as well. Instead of selling advertising space, we will only show FIEL books, and other FIEL events, thus keeping them informed of all new releases and events. All we ask from a user, is that they register their email address and where they are from.

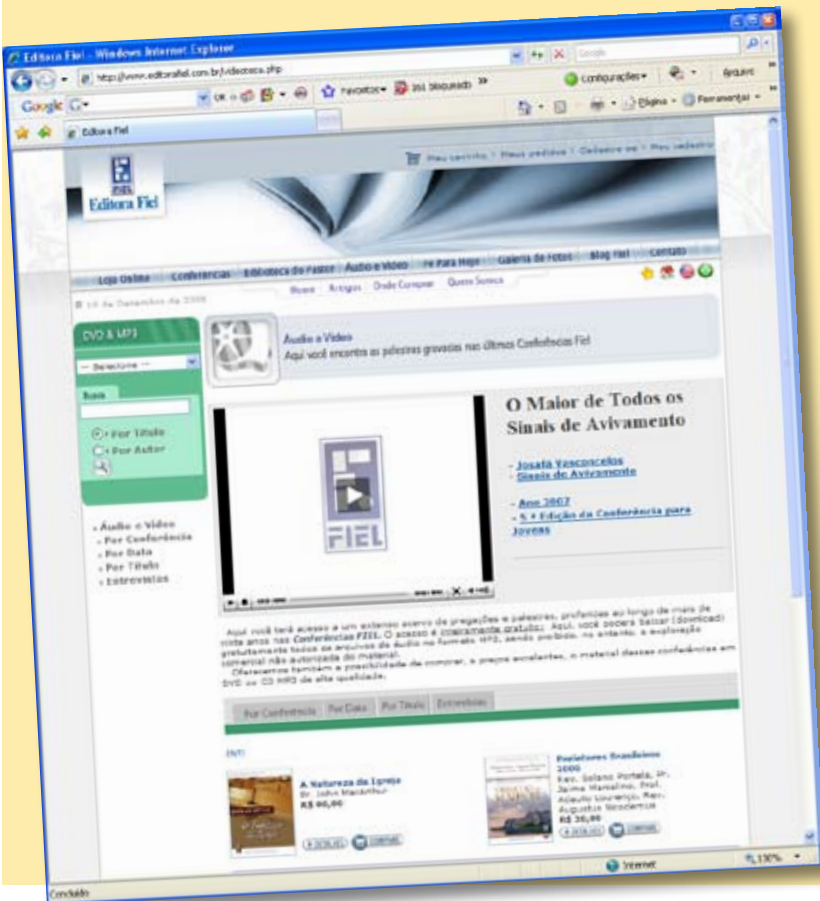
The exciting news is that in the weekend after we made this announcement and demonstration at the FIEL pastors conference, we have seen some astounding things happen! We are still in shock over what we have seen happen in such a short time. Here are some stats given to me by our webmaster.

From October 1- 30 2008

Total Hits for the month.....	1,789,018
Total for period Printing of the Page.....	216,653
Average - daily printings of articles.....	6,988
Total audio downloads	47,851

WOW! A total of 47,851 downloads of messages! In the first weekend after we added the registration, we were able to register almost 3,500 email address! I was shocked to see people, many from places I have never heard of, reading and listening to the content that we were making available.

We are all so excited! The need is great to keep the content fresh, always updated. It is a challenge to be able to grow this community, and keep feeding and nurturing these dear friends. We have just returned from the 08 Portugal conference, and have already put those messages on the site. I just wish we had more conferences, and a staff of 20 to just keep translating and putting up great tools to help train these men. We have many challenges. Please keep us in your prayers. Since we only have four conferences a year, we do not have much content of preaching with live translation. There is a need to do subtitles for video of some great preaching that is only available in English. There is also a need to translate sermon outlines as well as many other resources. We would love to do all these things but yet do not have funds for this as our primary focus is still to keep publishing books and holding conferences. Please pray that the Lord will guide us in being good stewards of His resources. Thank you for your prayers, and for your faithful support of His work among the Portuguese speaking churches.



8th Annual FIEL Conference in Portugal - Nov. 3 - 6

“Powerful Preaching”, based on II Cor. 10:4, was the theme of stirring messages offered by Bob Dickie of the U.S., Jean-Claude Souillot from France and Franklin Ferreira from Brazil. The FIEL staff of our son Rick, Tiago Santos, Edvanio Silva and Diego Baptista handled the details of registration, recording and book sales. A young man from our Church in Brazil, Nick Felix, who is studying in France, helped with translation from French to Portuguese. Here are a few comments from the speakers and the attendees:

I enjoyed very much being a part of the Portuguese Fiel conference. I was very encouraged by meeting new brethren, very simple and down to earth, but yet spiritually minded. I just hope that the Lord will be pleased to use the preaching of His Word to mould and fan to a flame some ministries. **Jean-Claude Souillot**

We have to pray for the Portuguese pastors. It was an honor to meet them and to be able to minister to them at the conference. They display



great love for Christ and a firm commitment to edify the churches that are under their responsibility – even in such a difficult context. **Franklin Ferreira**



Bob Dickie



Jean Claude-Souillot



Franklin Ferreira



Attendees

I am grateful to God for Fiel’s investment in my life and ministry. By His grace, I was able to be at the 8th Fiel conference in Portugal and was encouraged and challenged by the Word of our God. To Him be all the glory. **Samuel Trancoso**

I was challenged to continue to preach faithfully the Word of God and not to surrender to the new church growth methods. - **Anonymous**


Thank you for everything. The Fiel conference in Portugal this year was a great blessing to all of us. I am already expecting the next one. What do I most like about Fiel? Faithfulness – Faithfulness to His Word in these times. - **Antônio Vieira**



Pearl and I want to thank you again for holding us up in prayer over the past 56 years of missionary service. Please continue to pray for us and for the rest of the FIEL team.

Our son Rick and his wife Kimberlie have already proven to be a great blessing in the FIEL ministry. Their full time help is needed. Please join with us in the prayer that God will raise up support to enable them to give full time to the missionary outreach.

In His bonds,


Rich and Pearl Denham

PS: We would love to hear from you by phone at (864) 335 8451 or e-mail at jrdenham@aol.com