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Blind Mission offers commitment, efficiency

While slippery Jim Bakker and his wife Tammy Bay (Faker) continue to scam those too dumb to know better south of the border, there is a Christian organization in our area that is seeing to it that their financial supporters are getting the maximum in terms of bang for their buck.

This outfit gives a whole new meaning to the words commitment and efficiency. They are fully aware that the people lucky enough to live in lands like ours automatically receive all the benefits and protection, in terms of health care, that third world people can't even dream of.

They are called Christian Blind Mission International, and their Canadian HQ is located on Stouffville Road east of McCowan Rd.

While the Canadian operation has only been going for 10 years, 1988 marks the 80th anniversary for the mission that was started by a German pastor in 1908 to help the blind and the handicapped in third world countries.

One of the biggest knocks against so many missions projects is that they turn a blind eye to domestic need, heading out to the remote corners of the earth to force feed their doctrine on poor, unsuspecting victims.

But what CBMI is attempting to do is to take some of the medical technology we have come to take for granted, and turn it into modern day miracles for people whose lives have been rendered wasted for lack of medical procedures that are so commonplace in our society.

The little clinic that CBMI established and now sponsors in Taxila, Pakistan is typical of how



FROM WHERE I LIVE

Bruce Stapley

the organization works. Set up originally by Dr. Norval Christi, an American consultant to the Mission, it is not uncommon for this little hospital to perform over 200 cataract operations in a single day. Which is even more remarkable when it is added that there is but one team of doctors working there.

According to CBMI Canada's Director of Operations Dave McComiskey, the whole idea is for the staff to work towards training themselves out of a job.

Of the 3,200 people involved in their various projects world wide, only 200 are CBMI employees. When Dr. Christi left Pakistan after spending 40 years in that country, he left the clinic in the hands of well-trained Pakistani nationals.

He, along with the 26 other ophthalmologists CBMI has on staff, is free to set up clinics elsewhere in such countries as Nepal, India and China. These clinics that will also man themselves in years to come.

It speaks so well of the effectiveness of the mission when you are told that in 1987 alone, CBMI was responsible for 113,000 cataract operations.

And you can't help but be impressed by the genuine sense of commitment as demonstrated

year after year by a man like Dr. Christi, for whom this kind of service has become a way of life.

Of course, as is the case with so many third world medical problems, blindness is not always curable by a three-minute operation.

According to Mr. McComiskey, there are 500,000 incidences annually of nutritional blindness. Easy enough to prevent, if you can feed a child enough vitamin A, but incurable once it has occurred.

For these people, the mission promotes rehabilitation, helping them to adjust by providing schools for the blind, and assisting with careers, and a general re-integration to life as a blind person.

For some reason, we so often tend to look upon organizations like CBMI as being somehow removed from our own reality. We see them as being made up of people we could never relate to, either because we deify them, or because we simply don't buy the religious aspect of what they are trying to do.

Far better, I think, that we see them as real people who feel that they can make some small difference in a world that is crying out for us all to understand that yes, we really are our brother's keeper.

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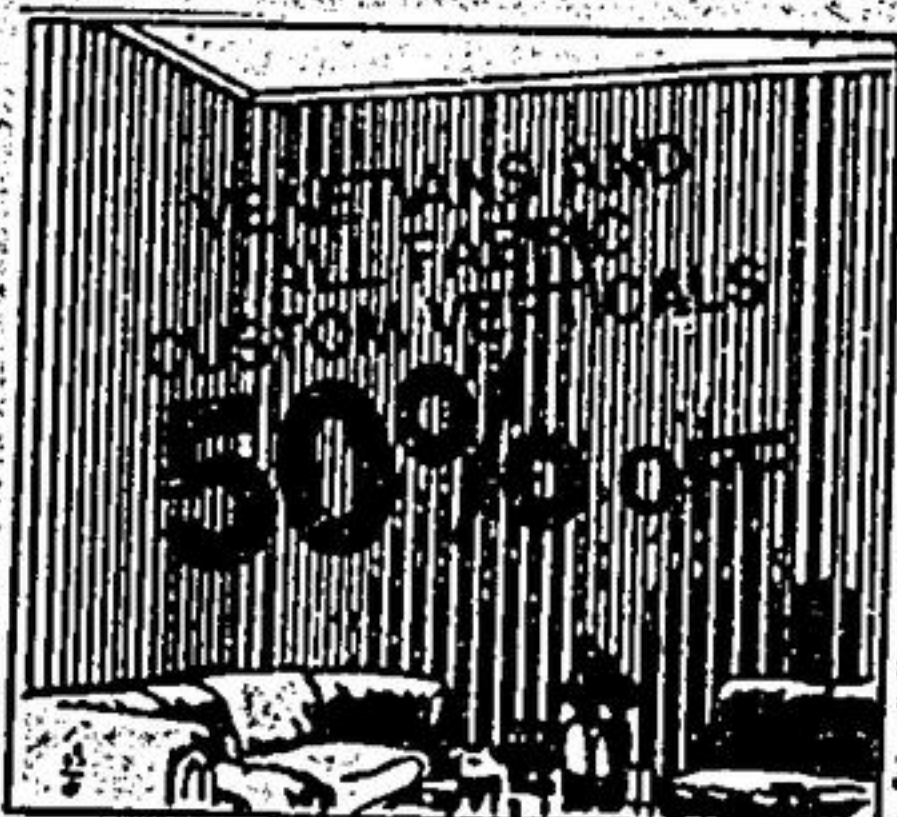
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