



An Open Letter to the Message Believers of Central Africa

From: Bro. Billy Paul Branham, Bro. George Fergusson and Bro. Joseph Branham

Greetings in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ!

We trust this letter will find each of the Saints of God doing well by His Grace and enjoying the blessings of this End-Time Message that God brought to us through His prophet Brother Branham.

My brothers in Christ, we are writing to you today, as we have received many emails and phone calls here at the Voice Of God Recordings from brothers who are concerned about statements made by Bro. Baruti Kasongo that have been attributed to Bro. Billy Paul Branham.

Normally, we would not comment on the sermons of our fellow co-workers in the Gospel or on statements that they make in the course of their ministry. However, the statements that have been made by Bro. Baruti are not just misleading but they are a complete fabrication that we feel must be addressed.

While in Libreville, Gabon for a church dedication, Bro. Baruti made the following statements over the pulpit:

Bro. Joseph Branham took me/picked me up, "I will bring you to your friend, Billy Paul Branham." Believe if you want. And we went to his office, of Billy Paul. Bro. Fergusson was the interpreter. My hand on the Bible... He said, "Pastor Baruti, you were worried? You didn't know if you would go to Heaven?" "Yes." "The Angel of the Lord came down. The Angel who was working with my father..." Who is it? It's God. "...came down and told me, to me, Billy Paul, to tell you, 'You will be with us in Heaven." I thought he would stop there. My hand on the Bible. He said, "The spirit that was on Bro. Branham is on you." I touched like this [he touches his cheek], I cried. "William Branham, such a great man of God?" He didn't stop there. He said, "That God told me, 'Even the gift of healing that was on Bro. Branham is on you."

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Bro. Billy Paul Branham Statement:

The emails that I have received over the past few days are disturbing to me and every word of them is a lie. I never said such things and I don't believe such things and I stand and denounce these statements that have been made as 100% complete falsehood.

I have only seen the Angel of the Lord one time and it was one of the greatest experiences I have ever had in my life. I have never spoken to the Angel of the Lord, as even when I saw him as a young boy, I was too afraid to even speak. The Angel of the Lord also did not speak to me and He just kept His eyes on my daddy, during that experience so many years ago.

I love Bro. Baruti and I respect my brother and his calling in the ministry, as I respect all of God's servants. However, the statements that he is making are not true. I have never made such statements to Bro. Baruti, and the Angel of the Lord never told me anything about Bro. Baruti and his ministry. I do not believe these things and I would never say them. I cannot imagine how anyone could say such things or how anyone could even misunderstand me to say such things. It shook me to my core to read these statements. They are a total lie of satan, and I pray that Bro. Baruti will correct these statements before the people.

Brother Billy Paul Branham

Bro. Baruti has also claimed that Bro. George Fergusson was present as translator when Bro. Billy Paul made these statements about the Angel of the Lord. Bro. Baruti encouraged the people to contact Bro. Fergusson, as he could testify to the truth of the statements Bro. Baruti was making.

Bro. George Fergusson's Statement:

I have received many phone calls over the past few days from various brothers in Africa asking me to clarify, as to whether Bro. Billy Paul Branham testified of speaking to the Angel of the Lord about Bro. Baruti and his healing ministry. Bro. Baruti is my brother and I love him very much. It is because of this love for him that I feel compelled to correct these false statements that he is making.

The statements that Bro. Baruti has been making are not true at all. I have never heard Bro. Billy talk about the Angel of Lord speaking to him; and I have never heard Bro. Billy tell Bro. Baruti that the spirit of Bro. Branham or the Gift of Healing that the Lord gave to Bro. Branham was now upon Bro. Baruti.

While it is true that I was present at a conversation that Bro. Billy had with Bro. Baruti several years ago, and acted as an interpreter for Bro. Baruti. At no time, did Bro. Billy Paul mention the Angel of the Lord speaking to him about Bro. Baruti or Bro. Baruti's ministry.

During this conversation, Bro. Baruti was testifying of the many miracles that the Lord has done through his ministry. Bro. Billy Paul simply told Bro. Baruti that he had seen many miracles just like the miracles Bro. Baruti was describing during the Bro. Branham's ministry and that he was thankful to the Lord that God was using Bro. Baruti. I do not believe that Bro. Baruti could have misunderstood what was said by Bro. Billy Paul, as nothing even close to what Bro. Baruti is claiming was spoken. Simply put I believe these statements made by Bro. Baruti are not true.

Dev. George Fergusson

Brother George Fergusson

Because these statements were made public over the pulpit, we believe they need to be addressed and corrected openly before the people. In times past we have approached Bro. Baruti about false statements that he has made and he has promised that he would correct them before the people and he has never done this to our knowledge. It is because of this we felt to address this open letter to the believers of Central Africa so that the truth of the matter may be known.

One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

Deuteronomy 19:15

In closing, we would like to express that it is not our intention to tear down to degrade any man's ministry. Bro. Baruti's ministry truly has been a great blessing to the Believers in Congo, as he has pointed the people to believe the Message of the Hour, that God delivered to us through His prophet Brother Branham. For that we are most grateful, and it is our prayer that the Lord will touch Bro. Baruti's heart and lead him to correct these false statements.

May God richly bless each of you and may He draw you closer to Him!

Your brother in Christ,

Joseph Branham

Hebrews 13:8