TRANSCRIPT: 60,000 See Billy Graham ill S. Africa

DURBAN, South Africa (AP) — Some 60,000 persons crammed into the Natal rugby ground Saturday to hear evangelist Billy Graham on his first trip to South Africa. The ground has an official capacity of 30,000. A third of the crowd accepted Graham’s offer of baptism and Durban afternoon papers called the American preacher’s address “a fantastic try followed by fantastic conversions.”

Observers drew attention to the good behavior of the multiracial crowd, thought to be the first large multiracial gathering in this country. The only police present at the stadium were traffic officers. At a news conference Friday, Graham steered clear of politics. He said God was neither black nor white, while the skin of Christ had probably been akin to that of an Indian.

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