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## Final Report for the Book of Baptisms of San Ignacio de Cabúrica

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The San Ignacio de Cabúrica Baptism Book is now completed.

The project included the following tasks:

1. Transcription of the 230 pages, written in Spanish, into a document file in word exactly as the scribes recorded each baptism event.
2. Research, within the Mission 2000 System, if the individual already existed to avoid any duplicity or to create a new individual and tie him to the event and his relatives.
3. Data entry of the events and individuals involved in each baptism into the Mission 2000 Database System.
4. I also performed a clean up of some of the existing data. This means that I merged individuals that were found duplicated in the system.

Statistics:

I transcribed and entered in the Mission 2000 System the following:

- a) 1288 baptismal events with
- b) 2807 baptized, mostly small children with
- c) their corresponding godparents

These baptismal events occurred between the dates of April 1720 and August 1762. During those years the following Priests and Missionaries lived or visited San Ignacio de Caburica and performed the baptisms recorded in this book:

1. **Joseph Agustin de Campos** - First baptism recorded and dated April 1st, 1720. Father Campos left to go to Mexico on April 9, 1722 and returned on May 24th 1723. Last record was on September 23rd, 1731 due to a long sickness. On July 13th, 1733 Father Campos returned and wrote a note stating that since his long sickness Father Segesser was in charge of the administration of the church and the books. After his return in July 1733; there are no more baptisms recorded between May 12, 1733 and December 18th, 1733, this last one recorded by Father Campos. Apparently, Father Campos was still sick; during the month of December 1733, there is a baptism recorded by Father Gaspar Stiger for the first time. Father Campos' very last record was recorded on March 23, 1736, after almost 16 years of service. After this period Father Gaspar Stiger remained in charge of the administration of San Ignacio, San José de Imuris and Santa Magdalena.

2. **Luis Maria Marciano** - April 1722 to May 1723. Father Marciano substituted for Father Campos while he was on a trip to Mexico.
3. **Luis Maria Gallardi** - April 1722 to January 1723. Father Gallardi substituted for Father Campos while he was on a trip to Mexico. He was in San Ignacio again between February 1727 and August 1727.
4. **Phelipe Segesser** (Origin: Babiera Province)- November 3, 1731 to March 1733. Father Segesser substituted for Father Campos during a long sickness of the latter.
5. **Ignacio Xavier Keller** - October 8, 1732. He recorded only one baptism during this period when Father Campos was sick. He returned to San Ignacio on June 24, 1734 to help, along with Father Gaspar Stiger. During this period there were three priests at San Ignacio intermittently as follows: Father Keller, Father Campos and Father Stiger.
6. **Gaspar Stiger** - December 30, 1733. He came to help at San Ignacio after Father Jose Agustin Campos' long sickness and became the Official Administrator of the missions of San Ignacio, Santa Magdalena and San Jose de Ímuris on December 19, 1737; according to an entry in the San Ignacio Book, recorded by Don Pedro de Echenique, the Secretary of the Bishop of Durango Father Martin de Elizacoechea. From that time he served alone in these three missions, with the exception of short visits by other missionaries, until July 25, 1756 when he disappears from the records for almost 24 months, at which time he reappeared for just one baptism on July 30, 1758 and did not appear again until December 24, 1758. There is no record of the reason for his absence in this book. He remained actively performing baptisms until September of 1761. His successor appears to have been Francisco Pauer.
7. **Jacobo Sedelmayr** - February 12, 1738, recorded only one baptism on that date. He came back on May 12, 1742 and recorded two baptisms.
8. **Alejandro Rapicani** - April 17, 1740 - recorded only one baptism on that date.
9. **Joseph Xavier de Molina** - October 21, 1740 - recorded only one baptism on that date.
10. **Lorenzo Ignacio de Gutierrez** - November 28, 1740 until October 4, 1741. He administered San Ignacio during Father Stiger's absence.
11. **Joseph Toral** - October 13, 1736 - recorded only one baptism on the said date.
12. **Bartholome Saenz** - May 24 to June 3, 1749 - He recorded two baptisms on those two dates.
13. **Miguel Soladiga** - April 12, 1750 - recorded only one baptism on the said date.
14. **Francisco Pauer** - May 23, 1751 - May 31, 1751 - He recorded two baptisms for multiple children. He returned, almost a year later, on July 30th, 1752 and stayed with Stiger recording and helping Father Stiger at San Ignacio. The handwriting for several baptisms was Father Pauer's and those were signed by Father Stiger. Pauer left on January 3, 1753 and returned to San Ignacio exactly 11 months later, on December 4th, 1753. Father Pauer reappeared at San

Ignacio on January 1, 1760 and stayed actively performing baptisms until the end of this book of San Ignacio on August 25th, 1762.

15. **Juan Nentvig** - January 7 - 15, 1753. Recorded only 3 baptisms.

16. **Luis Vivas** - March 11, 1753 to October 8, 1753. Returned on April 1, 1754 and worked along with Francisco Pauer and Alonso Espinosa during the month of April 1754.

17. **Alonso Espinosa** - April 21, 1754 - June 30, 1754. Returned on February 11, 1755 and helped until April 15th of the same year.

18. **Antonio Bentz** - July 31, 1756 - recorded only one baptism on this date.

19. **Juan Antonio Cedano** - September 18, 1756; He signed his name *Jn. Ant. Zeduno*. He recorded only one baptism on the said date.

20. **Francisco Gutierrez** - September 21, 1756 - This is the first time we see Francisco Gutierrez recording baptisms at San Ignacio. This missionary or priest did not exist in the Mission 2000 System and needed to be created for these events. He recorded 4 baptisms during the period of one month until October 3, 1756. He returned on March 20, 1757

21. **Bernardo Middendorf** - October 31, 1756 - recorded only one baptism on the said date.

22. **Francisco Hlawa** - November 21, 1756 - recorded only one baptism on the said date.

23. **Ignacio Pfefferkorn** - December 4, 1756 - recorded only one baptism on the said date.

24. **Miguel Gerstner** - December 8, 1756 - recorded only one baptism on the said date.

25. **Joseph Och** - December 19, 1756 helped consistently until Gaspar Stiger's return on December 24, 1758.

This concludes the Final Report of the Baptism Book of San Ignacio de Caburica.

It was a real pleasure to help with this piece of history. It was really a rewarding experience. I look forward to working with you in a near future.

Sincerely,

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