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LIMÃO**

Odali & Kathy Barros share how they are encouraged to see their members growing in the Lord.

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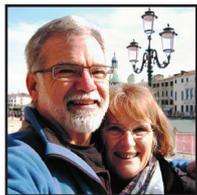
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Good News from a Far Country



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November 8, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
"As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." (Proverbs 25:25)

So, we would like to share some of the good news that we have received this month.

A couple of weeks ago I received an email from Jean-François, the pastor who is caring for the congregation that meets in the Mazerès region about 50 miles south of Toulouse. After asking about news from our side and how Peggy was doing he wrote, *"Il m'apparaît de plus en plus évident que l'implantation d'une assemblée serait pertinent, les compétences sont là et les personnes il me semble en attente, je te le laisse à ta réflexion. En espérant vous voir prochainement, Dieu voulant. Que le Seigneur vous dirige, priez pour moi."* Now that you have tried out your French, I will give it to you in English: *"It seems to me more and more evident that planting a church in this location would be appropriate. There is competence and the people are waiting for this. I will let you think about it. Hoping to see you soon, God willing. May the Lord guide you, pray for me."*

You may remember that I called on

this young man to take leadership of this group when I needed to return suddenly to the USA at the end of March. He did and does so willingly at his own expense. So, there is something that you can rejoice in and pray about. I did ask Jean-François if he would be interested in being the pastor. He works a full-time job and is involved in another church plant and has other Bible studies. This man of about 50 is single and the only member of his family that is saved. His father is an atheist and his mother a devout Catholic. He has witnessed and gives a great living testimony to his family. He was saved not long after we moved to France and I had the privilege of spending several hours a week with him in discipleship during several years.

Last weekend Rose and Jean-Luc, a couple from our church called us to find out about how we were doing and to encourage us. They and 3 of their children are very active in the Tournefeuille Church. A couple days ago Amanda told us that they had a full house Sunday. I am including a couple of snapshots one of the guys took of some of the people there.

Here in Evansville things are going well. Yesterday we had lunch with some of the older folks I served as pastor. Well, older now, we were all a bit younger back then. The faithfulness of these disciples of Jesus Christ and scores of others who are active participants and leaders in a good number of churches here and else-



A full house at the Tournefeuille Church



Lunch with some of the senior saints in Evansville whom John Mark served as pastor years ago



A full house at the Tournefeuille Church

where is very encouraging to us. I am including a snapshot of the senior saints who were together for lunch.

In Christ,
John and Judy



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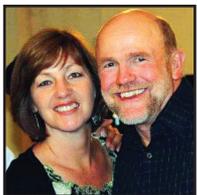
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November 7, 2017

Dear Friends,

Charlene and I are preparing to return to Brazil on January 8, 2018. We have purchased our airline ticket and we're trying to put together all the equipment and household items that we'll need when we arrive. We have maintained regular contact with many of our friends there and they have helped us know which items are much less expensive in the USA and

Back in Kenya with a Big Answer to Prayer



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October 31, 2017

We are now at the end of 2017, and this year has passed so quickly. I am reminded of how short life is when I think of how time flies. It seems the older I get, the faster it goes. I am sure that is true for everyone. God is so faithful and may we use our days to worship Him, serve Him, love Him, and bring Him glory. He deserves all praise and glory for all things. 1 Corinthians 10:31 says "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

In family news, October is a big month for our family. My wife and I celebrated our 13th anniversary, and also I (Nathan) turned 41 this past month. Both days were great days of celebration with friends here in Kitale. I am thankful for a wife who sacrifices daily on the mission field, giving up many comforts, to serve the Lord here. She is truly a bless-

ing and I am so thankful for her and her servant spirit. I hope and pray we will have many more years together.

Also in family news, we have had what seems to be a huge answer to prayer. As you know, we have struggled to find friends for our daughters here in Kitale. This is one of the biggest struggles for missionary children, having social interaction and friends their age to play with. Many times the needs of missionary children can be overlooked, so we have wanted to bring their needs before others so they can be in prayer for them.

Praise the Lord, He has answered this prayer in a big way. There is now a Christian school in Kitale with approximately 70 children enrolled at present. The school is now closed for break, but when it begins in January, they plan to have 100 students there. It is growing and expanding and offers many extracurricular activities, such as drama, art, music lessons, Swahili lessons (the language of Kenya), French language lessons, etc. There are further plans to even provide more in the future, but this is a great start. McKenna and Camille had the opportunity to go for about two weeks

and were already making good friends, so we are so thankful for this and praise God for this big answer to prayer.

In regards to the presidential election here, it is still continuing along. As I reported last month, the prior election in August was annulled and they did a second election last week. The voter turnout was much lower than the first election, and some areas had delays in voting due to protests and violence. I know the winner will be announced soon, so please pray for the country, for the stability of the country, for no further unrest that is not necessary, and for it to be settled. Unrest has been in certain pockets of the country and we have done our best to stay safe, stock up on supplies, and all the usual things that would be expected in a time of insecurity and possible unrest. We know God is in control and we trust Him in all these things.

We appreciate each of you so much and your prayers, sacrificial giving, and notes and letters of encouragement. You are all such a blessing and we are thankful to you. We will keep you updated.

Nathan and Carrie Radford

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined." -Isaiah 9:2

Preparing to Return to Brazil

which ones can be bought in Brazil for about the same price. This information is very helpful as we start packing our bags because the airlines have reduced the amount of free bags that each passenger can take. Since we'll have reduced baggage, we need to be very selective in what we purchase before we leave.

I have been corresponding with our Brazilian ministry partners and they are very excited about the news of our return. We are really looking forward to getting to be with them again and for the opportunities to meet and share the gospel with new acquaintances.

One of my most exciting expectations

is the Missions Training Seminar that will begin less than one week after our arrival in Curitiba, Brazil. It will be quite motivating to have the chance to pour into a group of passionate godly young men and women who want their lives to count for Christ's kingdom almost immediately upon our return. I am also excited about traveling with our Projeto Vida outreach teams quite often. Presently, two teams are in the extremely poor and dangerous slums of Rio de Janeiro sharing the gospel. The leader of the teams messaged me to ask for prayer and protection as they minister in those neighborhoods. He did make it quite clear, though, that all

the team members feel the Lord's arms of protection around them and they are emboldened to take the love of Jesus to these dear lost ones.

We are expecting the birth of our first grandson, Jayce Wacaser, any day now. We are looking forward to getting and giving as much "sugar" to him as we can before we leave. Please pray for his parents to be guided by the Lord to raise him to love and serve our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. Also, pray that we will keep our eyes on the prize of serving the Lord with our whole hearts.

In Christ's love,
Bobby and Charlene Wacaser



Updates from your Directors...

REPORT ON THE BFM THANKSGIVING MISSIONS CONFERENCE

New Hope Baptist Church in Dearborn Heights MI hosted the 63rd Annual Thanksgiving Missions Conference on November 13-15, 2017. We want to thank Pastor Terry Adkins and the New Hope church for providing the venue and services and inviting us to come and share them.

We also want to give a very hearty "Thanks!" to Pastor Gary Harrah and the brothers and sisters of Grace Missionary Baptist Church in Wyandotte MI who pitched in and partnered with the New Hope folks again to serve us during our time with them all. They have been coming to contribute their services for the past several years – and we all appreciate it so much!

And, while we are expressing our "Thanks!" to all who helped host us for these services, we also want to give a shout-out to Stephen Clark and Keith Humphries. They contributed tons of technology expertise and hours of labor to help New Hope upgrade their Wi-Fi capabilities so we could stream and project live Skype sessions with some of our missionaries who could not attend the Conference in person. (Due to the difficulties of coordinating our missionaries' furloughs with our Conference dates, some of our missionaries may go for years without being able to attend one of our Conferences.)

Pastor Terry Adkins approached us early in the year and said something to the effect of: "Since these Conferences are missionary conferences, why don't we make arrangements to bring in our missionaries technologically if they are not able to be there in person?"

So, we helped New Hope get set up with the necessary Wi-Fi and equipment to have live Skype conversations with four of our missionaries: Judson Hatcher, Odali and Kathy Barros, Roger and Julie Tate, and Mike and Bev Creiglow. It was such a thrill to connect with them – in the case of the Tates, maybe 6000 miles away – and have live conversations with them! They were able to relate to us what is going on in their lives, what the Lord is doing among the churches in the fields where they are serving, and how we can pray for them and help them with their needs.

You will be able to scroll back to these dates (November 13-15) on our BFM Facebook page and see snatches of these conversations.

And, though this was our first attempt at this experiment, and there were a few "bugs" to be worked through due to unpredictable strengths of the signals in various parts of the world – still, we are committed to this means of regular communication and personal interaction with our missionaries. We will be doing this on a regular basis at our Conferences going forward!

Also, missionaries who were present in person to preach for us and update us on their ministries were: John Mark Hatcher, AJ Hensley, and Bobby Wacaser.

Other Gospel messages were delivered by Pastors George Sledd, Doug Armstrong, Sheridan Stanton, and Mark Pyles.

The Directors of Baptist Faith Missions meet regularly throughout the year and especially at our Conferences for the purpose of encouraging our missionaries and facilitating their ministries. The Directors work closely with the missionaries and their sending churches to supply the needs they have so they can most effectively advance the Gospel in the regions where they serve and establish churches that will, in turn, continue to reach the others around them.

We hope you will pray for our missionaries and continue your support for their ministries so Christ will be glorified by the bearing of more and more fruit!

Getting back to the technological implementations we made for this Conference - this is just one of the many strategic goals and plans we have in store for 2018 and beyond. We will be talking about them more fully in the coming months. Watch for them and join us in this missionary support partnership!



2018 Winter Missions Conference

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Joyful, all ye nations, rise

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Training Teams and Praying for a Leader in Limão



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November 11, 2017

Hope all have had a good year! We have had a blessed year! We have had good times and hard times, but God has been there with us and for us. We serve a wonderful God!

We are in several places—there are still so many communities to be reached. This year we have seen God working in the lives of the members and bringing new people to know Him as Savior. Seeing the old members growing and reaching out to the people around them has been a real blessing.

We now have Sunday school at three of the churches. Kathy and I have been helping in two of the places. We are

training the group from the mission in Iranduba. They are coming along and excited. The mission of Multirão already has a team that goes there. They are doing great and investing there with the people and the building. What a blessing! Now we are training and new team to go to the community of Limão (lemon). There is a great need for a church there. We are praying God will give us a man that will go. We will go in the beginning while they are being trained. Pray that God will raise up the right person.

We really need a building in the community where Kathy has the kids club. We run an average of 45 kids. That's about all we can handle on the patio of the house. God has provided a church that will come and build, we just need to buy the land. A few days ago, Kathy found out that there are 2 lots that are being sold not far from the house where we have club. We have used this fam-

ily's home for over 2 years. We really are thankful, but we need our own place. Please pray that God will provide the money we need. From time to time we have different kinds of festivals to reach out to new people in the communities, so they can see who we are and so that we can meet them. This month we are having one and all the missions are going to come. We are excited and looking forward to what God has for us.

We would love to reach out more and more. We are praying that God will raise up more people that want to serve, and our other great need is a good car. We spend lots of time in the car. The mother church is close, but all others are at least 30 minutes away.

Thanks for your prayers and your gifts, God bless each of you!

Odali & Kathy Barros



Children's Day





Celebrating Children's Day and Seminary Graduates



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November 9, 2017

Friends and family,

Well I am sitting here in Lexington, Ky, being somewhat cold. It's just amazing how different the temperature is here and in Caraguatatuba.

While in Caragua we were very busy working on the Church building trying to complete many small projects that needed to be completed. As it is with all buildings, you fix one thing and there are many more that come up.

We arrived there in time to help in the Children's Day activities. We had around 90 children on Children's Day and it was AWESOME!!!! There were almost too many children in attendance, but that is an AWESOME problem to have. Children's Day in Brasil is similar to Christmas Day here in the States. They don't celebrate Christmas in Brasil like we do in the States. We had sandwiches, pop, and cake for them to eat for breakfast. Then we had games and popcorn and cotton candy. They received bean-bag animals and a small bag of candy. Then we sent them home on a sugar high to their parents. These children are all underprivileged children, so whatever they receive is a blessing in their lives. But what they need more than food is love. A smile and a hug does better for them than anything else. So, we spent the day hugging them and playing with them. We are sending some photos so

that you can see some of the activities.

Our bus is a very needed part of the children's ministry there and the last few months there have been various problems with it—leaking oil and water pump problems to name a few. We were able to get the things fixed but the next problem is to pay for the work. Thank you to those who have sent money for the work on the bus—and if you would like to help financially, that would be greatly appreciated.

As I said earlier, this bus is a needed part of the children's ministry, so your precious prayers are needed. The bus is a 24-passenger bus that most of the time carries up to 50 children. And with that many on the bus, we still are making two trips to pick up and to return them home. As you can guess, that brings with it a big gas bill per month. This is also becoming a concern. Prayers please.

Well the Seminary we began in Caragua has just grown beyond belief. Just this year we have had three graduations: Caragua, Nativity da Serra, and Orlandia. All of these locations are in the state of São Paulo, but they are not close together. There are more than 7 hours travel time between them.

The last graduation class was in Orlandia and there were 24 who participated in the graduation process. It is hard to describe the appreciation these pastors and church workers have for the training and instruction they are receiving at Caragua Baptist Seminary. This year there have been 55 people graduated

from the seminary.

While in the States, we are working on getting a Masters of Divinity added to our program. What this amounts to is that we are having to jump through a lot of hoops. I never realized the amount of red tape that can be involved in seminary accreditation. Now I have an even greater appreciation for Lexington Baptist College that we had here in Lexington. As

of now all things are going AWESOME!! However, when we get one requirement met there seems to be one more and then one more. Please keep Caragua Baptist Seminary in your prayers as we are reaching many Brasillians through

the pastors that are attending this Seminary.

Here is just one of the many stories that have come out to these classes: one of the Pastors who has attended the Seminary is also a long-haul trucker and he has begun using his trips to get to know the other drivers. When he empties the trailer, he then puts chairs and a pulpit inside and when he goes back to the truck stops, he opens the back doors of the trailer, sets up the chairs, and invites the other truckers in and preaches to them. This has been a blessing and he is reaching many that would never come to a church. Pray for God to go before him in this labor of love.

Continue to pray for my health that God can continue to use me in Brasil as we continue taking the Seminary to the Brazilian pastors all over Brasil.

In His service,
Aj and Barbara

"...what they need more than food is love. A smile and a hug does better for them than anything else."



Mary & Walmir graduated



Serving the kids on Children's Day



The children praising the Lord

View more pictures from your missionaries on our FaithWorks Blog!

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All enjoying the food on Children's Day

CARAGUA BAPTIST SEMINARY



The graduating class in Orlandia



October 2017 Offerings



General Fund

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	200.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH (Auditorium Class)	179.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH (Berean Class)	59.00
Ahava BC, Plant City, FL	100.00
Alexander, Denzel, Chanhassen, MN (Giving Friend)	50.00
Anonymous	20.00
Anonymous Giving Friend	225.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Frametown, WV	100.00
Berea BC, Hiddenite, NC	675.00
Berry BC, Berry, KY	400.00
Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV	100.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN	325.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	928.00
Bible BC, Portage, IN	300.00
Bohon Road BC, Harrodsburg, KY	400.00
Broadway BC, Richmond, KY	1,900.00
Calvary BC, Hurricane, WV	400.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY	1,819.16
Calvary BC, Uniontown, KY	200.00
Carver, Louie & Mary, Simpsonville, SC (Giving Friends)	150.00
Casada, Mark & Sheryl, Manhattan, KS (Giving Friends)	100.00
Cedar Creek BC, Cedarville, WV	100.00
Conner, Samuel & Martha, Cannelton, IN	30.00
Crooked Fork BC, Gassaway, WV	620.40
Crooked Fork BC, Gassaway, WV	70.00
Dobbins, Wesley & Janis, Gassaway, WV (Giving Friends)	40.00
East Keys BC, Springfield, IL	400.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	420.00
Emmanuel BC, Irvine, KY	200.00
Fairview Missionary BC, Willow Wood, OH	500.00
Faith BC, Kirksville, MO	141.00
First BC, Science Hill, KY	150.00
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV	100.00
Foster, Peggy, Evansville, IN (Giving Friend)	50.00
Friend In Virginia	610.00
Giving Friend	110.00
Giving Friends	150.00
Godbey, Wayne & Louise, Waynesburg, KY (Giving Friends)	50.00
Goldfloss Baptist Chapel, Winston-Salem, NC	25.00
Goodsprings BC, Rogersville, AL	493.84
Grace BC, Beattyville, KY	100.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH	125.00
Hardman Fork BC, Normantown, WV	1,000.00
Hardman Fork BC, Normantown, WV	1,000.00
Hatcher, Philip, Newburgh, IN (Giving Friend)	300.00
Hensley, A.J. & Barbara, Caraguatuba, Brasil (Giving Friends)	60.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY	1,450.00
Huguenin, Ben, Mt. Airy, MD (Giving Friend)	40.00
Isbell Chapel BC, Tusculumbia, AL	115.00
Jordan BC, Sanford, FL	60.00
Kahut, Donald, Xenia, OH (Giving Friend)	100.00
Keen, Victor & Leanoire, Chester, NJ (Giving Friend)	250.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV	135.00
Lunsford, Jeff & Jane, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends)	410.00
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, OH	50.00
Matthews Memorial Church, Stevenson, AL	50.00
Mathis, Vernon & Lois, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends)	1,000.00
McCall, Charles & Violet, Maysville, KY (Giving Friends)	200.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	700.00
New Hope BC, Dearborn Heights, MI	440.00
New Life BC, Lexington, KY	620.00
Nussmeier, Brian & Sheryl, Evansville, IN (Giving Friends)	25.00
Oak Grove BC, Normantown, WV	100.00
Old Mount Zion Church, Wayne City, IL	200.00

General Fund (cont.)

Park Ridge BC, Gotha, FL	371.25
Parks, Dave & Debbie, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends)	100.00
Redding, Warren & Barbara, Cumming, GA (Giving Friends)	200.00
Rosedale BC, Rosedale, WV	2,000.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN	120.00
Storms Creek Missionary BC, Ironton, OH	2,634.68
Storms Creek Missionary BC, Ironton, OH	2,727.26
Union BC, Rossell Springs, KY	100.00
Watkins, Bert, Richmond, KY (Giving Friend)	65.00
Wood, Neree, Columbia, SC (Giving Friend)	200.00
Zimmerman, Donald & Carolyn, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends)	50.00

TOTAL: \$ 29,988.59

Thanksgiving Offering

Anonymous	200.00
Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY	1,000.00
Branson, Daniel & Patricia, Allen, KY	10.00
Hardman Fork BC, Normantown, WV	1,000.00

TOTAL: \$ 2,210.00

In Memorium

	IN MEMORY OF:	
Bader, Ron, Fairborn, OH	Leon Wilson	300.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN	Leon Wilson	170.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN	Leon Wilson	10.00
Bible BC, Clarksville, TN	Leon Wilson	100.00
Buhler, Andrew & Virginia, Murfreesboro, TN	Leon Wilson	25.00
Campbell, Jeffrey & Melissa, Hendersonville, TN	Leon Wilson	50.00
Curtis, Dennis & Pamela, Chapmansboro, TN	Leon Wilson	50.00
DBS & Associates Engineering, Inc, Clarksville, TN	Leon Wilson	100.00
Gordon, Doris, Lexington, KY	Elliott Gordon	500.00
Overbey, Dale & Doris, Valparaiso, IN	Del Mayfield	100.00
Weatherspoon, Jerry & Eloise, Clarksville, TN	Leon Wilson	50.00
York, Doris, Princeton, KY	Patricia Hearn	100.00

TOTAL: \$ 1,555.00

Bibles for India (Louis Maple Memorial Fund)

Blake, Stephen & Eva, Lexington, KY	25.00
Covenant BC, Dayton, OH	60.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI	110.00
Ham, Polly, Hickory, KY	5.00
Ojibwe BC, Rosebush, MI	45.00
Reese, Patty Lou, Mount Vernon, KY	20.00
River City BC, Louisville, KY	50.00
Todd, Larry, Chattanooga, TN	5.00
Weitz, Michael & Linda, Cincinnati, OH	35.00

TOTAL: \$ 355.00

H.H. Overbey Scholarship Fund

Storms Creek Missionary BC, Ironton, OH	200.00
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TOTAL: \$ 200.00

Odali Barros

Adams, William & Arbia, Lexington, KY	As Needed	50.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH		100.00
Anonymous	As Needed	50.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	Personal	187.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	As Needed	80.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY	A&O	15.00
Giving Friends	Personal	50.00
Harmony BC, Frankfort, KY		100.00
Hillcrest BC, Winston-Salem, NC		50.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY		25.00
Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV	A&O	25.00
McKinley, Carl & Julia, Cecilia, KY		10.00
Trumbo, Floyd & Flora, Upton, KY		200.00

TOTAL: \$ 942.00

Mike Creiglow

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	New Work	100.00
Addyston BC, Addyston, OH	As Needed	25.00
Anonymous	As Needed	50.00
Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV	New Church Plants	100.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	Personal	200.00

Mike Creiglow (cont.)

Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	Andrew Creiglow	137.00
Calvary BC, Richmond, KY	Andrew Creiglow	100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	As Needed	80.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS	Food Pantry	193.68
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH		50.00
Faith Missionary BC, Leighton, AL		350.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH		100.00
Mathis, Vernon & Lois, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends)		500.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN		50.00
Pleasant Ridge BC, Lexington, KY	Personal	300.00

TOTAL: \$ 2,335.68

Judson Hatcher

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH		70.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	As Needed	80.00
Durbin Memorial BC, Lexington, KY	Personal	500.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH		100.00
Phillips, Scott	Personal	200.00
Smith, Darwin & Cathy, Lexington, KY	Personal	50.00
The Tabernacle, Danville, VA	Personal	500.00
Thomas Road BC, Lynchburg, VA	Personal	250.00
Zik, Russell, Lexington, KY	Personal	500.00

TOTAL: \$ 2,250.00

John Mark Hatcher

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH		100.00
Anonymous Giving Friend	Personal	50.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	As Needed	80.00
Emmanuel BC, Evansville, IN	Personal	1,000.00
Evans, James & Carolyn, Evansville, IN		150.00
Gerig, Galen & Tamara, Columbus, OH		50.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH		100.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY		150.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV		100.00
Shofner, Frank & Sylvia, Evansville, IN	Personal	180.00
Trabant, Michelle, Chandler, IN	Personal	100.00
Warren, John & Vickie, Evansville, IN		50.00
Watson, Vince, Jackson, TN		300.00

TOTAL: \$ 2,410.00

A.J. Hensley

Alexander, John & Sharon, Cedar Creek, TX		900.00
Anonymous	As Needed	50.00
Beverly, June, S. Charleston, WV	Daily Expenses	100.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	Personal	50.00
Calvary BC, Shreveport, LA		150.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	As Needed	80.00
Durbin Memorial BC, Lexington, KY	Personal	500.00
Elliott BC, Grenada, MS		193.68
Fujikawa, Ricardo, Madrid, Spain	As Needed	1,010.00
Gerth, Arthur & Brenda, Versailles, KY	As Needed	30.00
Heritage BC, Lexington, KY		15.00
Immanuel BC, Monticello, KY	School	75.00
Joiner, Charles & Candace, Centerville, GA	Vocational School	50.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY	Personal	50.00
Mathis, Vernon & Lois, Lexington, KY (Giving Friends)		500.00
Mt. Eden BC, Hawesville, KY		150.00
Pleasant Ridge BC, Lexington, KY	Personal	300.00
Poe, Dane & Connie, Lexington, KY	New Work	50.00
Rightway Drywall Inc, Macon, GA	Personal	750.00
Second BC, Warner Robins, GA		200.00
Suburban Christian Church, Virginia Beach, VA	Special Projects	500.00
Thompson, Paul & Virginia, Brandenburg, KY	Feed The Kids	200.00
Union BC, Cynthiana, KY	Personal	300.00

TOTAL: \$ 6,203.68

Nathan Radford

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH		100.00
Anonymous		500.00
Anonymous		300.00
Bakker, Jason, Chambersburg, PA		50.00
Bible BC, Belva, WV		90.00



Nathan Radford (cont.)

Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	<i>Personal</i>	37.00
Bush, Dale & Pamela, Richmond, KY	<i>As Needed</i>	50.00
Calvary BC, Hurricane, WV	<i>Special Offering</i>	400.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	<i>As Needed</i>	80.00
Cullen, Tom & Laura, Letart, WV		50.00
Danielson, Betty, Titusville, PA		40.00
Elizabeth BC, Bancroft, WV		215.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH		100.00
Fairview Bible Church, Letart, WV		100.00
Faith BC, Wilmington, OH		133.33
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV		60.00
Gaal, Stephen & Martha, Hurricane, WV		150.00
Grace Missionary BC, Surgoinville, TN		50.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI		175.00
Harper, David, Concord, NC		25.00
Harrah, Tryone & Loretta, Cross Lanes, WV		50.00
Hernandez, Paul & Anne, Youngsville, PA		100.00
Hillcrest BC, Winston-Salem, NC		50.00
James Meron Wade Living Trust, Abingdon, VA		50.00
Jordan BC, Sanford, FL		200.00
Kibbey, Bart & Frances, Pittsfield, PA		150.00
Kincaid, John & Jane, Scott Depot, WV		50.00
Lear, Margaret, Lexington, KY		25.00
Leavittsburg BC, Warren, OH		100.00
Leavittsburg BC, Warren, OH	<i>Christmas Gift</i>	150.00
Lloyd, Billy, Letart, WV		400.00
Lloyd, Billy, Letart, WV	<i>Hospital Fund</i>	200.00
Lloyd, J.T. & Heather, New Haven, WV		240.00
Messing, Jacqueline, Grand Rapids, MI		50.00
Mitchell, Matthew & Holly, Ossian, IN		150.00
Nizio, James & Victoria, Dearborn, MI		35.00
Oakville Community Bible Church, Wapello, IA		250.00
Parker, Steven, Burlington, IA		10.00
Phalen, Larry & Naomi, Concord, NC		100.00
Rawley, Philip & Sarah, Rockwall, TX		400.00
Ripley Tabernacle BC, Ripley, WV		200.00
Rollins, David & Patricia, Hurricane, WV		50.00
Sahlberg, William & Janet, Coopersville, MI	<i>Gift</i>	50.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN		50.00
Sheriff, Richard & Laurie, Clarendon, PA		200.00
Smith, Doug & Anna, Hurricane, WV		30.00
South Irvine BC, Irvine, KY		150.00
Standale BC, Grand Rapids, MI	<i>Christmas Gift</i>	235.00
Teays Valley BC, Hurricane, WV		100.00
Victory BC, Charleston, WV		100.00
Wells, James & Jill, Nitro, WV	<i>Personal</i>	40.00
Wilmington BC, Wilmington, OH		50.00
Wright, Randy & Teresa, Hurricane, WV		150.00

TOTAL: \$ 6,870.33

Roger Tate

Addyston BC, Addyston, OH		100.00
Anonymous	<i>Personal</i>	200.00
Anonymous		500.00
Anonymous	<i>As Needed</i>	50.00
Bethany Regular BC, McDermott, OH		50.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	<i>Personal</i>	100.00
Calvary BC, Hurricane, WV	<i>Special Offering</i>	400.00
Calvary BC, Piqua, OH		25.00
Calvary BC, West Branch, MI		400.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	<i>As Needed</i>	80.00
Covenant BC, Dayton, OH		400.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH		500.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH	<i>As Needed</i>	120.00
Emmanuel Missionary BC, Oldtown, KY	<i>Personal</i>	100.00
First BC Of Buffalo, Buffalo, WV		60.00
Geister, Robert & Marian, Alger, MI	<i>Personal</i>	25.00
Grace BC, Fairborn, OH		100.00
Grace Missionary BC, Wyandotte, MI		175.00
Hillcrest BC, Winston-Salem, NC		50.00

Roger Tate (cont.)

Liberty Missionary BC, Spencer, WV		25.00
Messer, Jason, Dayton, OH	<i>Personal</i>	50.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV		100.00
Richland BC, Livermore, KY	<i>As Needed</i>	100.00
Rosedale BC, Rosedale, WV	<i>As Needed</i>	400.00
Skidway Lake BC, Prescott, MI		50.00
Tecmire, Whit, West Branch, MI		25.00
Union BC, Englewood, OH		100.00

TOTAL: \$ 4,285.00

Bobby Wacaser

Bell Shoals BC, Brandon, FL	<i>Projeto Vida</i>	500.00
Bible BC, Harrisburg, IL	<i>Personal</i>	250.00
Bolan, Paul, Clearwater, FL	<i>Projeto Vida</i>	30.00
Christmas, Bruce, Lithia, FL		100.00
Concord BC, Leesville, SC	<i>As Needed</i>	80.00
Emmanuel BC, Bellbrook, OH		50.00
Fellowship BC, Brinson, GA		83.33
Flores, Esther, Orlando, FL	<i>Projeto Vida</i>	50.00
Florida Giving Friend	<i>Projeto Vida</i>	100.00
Fujikawa, Ricardo, Madrid, Spain	<i>As Needed</i>	801.00
Lazzara, Richard, Valrico, FL		100.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV		100.00
Renckens, Kevin, Brandon, FL	<i>Projeto Vida</i>	200.00
Richland BC, Livermore, KY	<i>As Needed</i>	150.00
Seventh Street BC, Cannelton, IN		120.00

TOTAL: \$ 2,714.33

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John A. Hatcher

Concord BC, Leesville, SC	<i>As Needed</i>	80.00
Fujikawa, Ricardo, Madrid, Spain	<i>Personal</i>	799.00
Storms Creek Missionary BC, Ironton, OH	<i>Maria</i>	300.00

TOTAL-JOHN A HATCHER: \$ 1,179.00

Paul Hatcher

Concord BC, Leesville, SC	<i>Seminary-Manaus</i>	80.00
Guthrie, Larry, Athens, GA	<i>Michael Samples</i>	100.00
Life Church Of Athens, Athens, GA	<i>Michael Samples</i>	150.00
Mount Calvary BC, Charleston, WV	<i>Mission Team</i>	100.00
Trinity-Northbrook BC, Cincinnati, OH	<i>Seminary-Manaus</i>	40.00

TOTAL-PAUL HATCHER: \$ 470.00

GrandTotal.....\$63,968.61

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- 1 Chronicles 29:14 -



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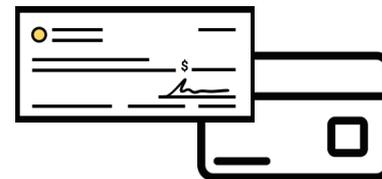
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PRAY

also for our other
faithful missionary families!

Mike & Beverly Creiglow

Jud & Raquel Hatcher

"Christmas means that, through the grace of God and the incarnation, peace with God is available; and if you make peace with God, then you can go out and make peace with everybody else. And the more people who embrace the gospel and do that, the better off the world is. Christmas, therefore, means the increase of peace—both with God and between people—across the face of the world."

{Keller}

Pursuing a Different Approach



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October 31, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This is going to be an exciting yet challenging update to write. It will be exciting because of the news I will be revealing but it will be challenging to present all I want to say to you in a short update. I obviously cannot express everything you need to know or all that is in my mind in this short letter. However, here goes.

After spending much time in prayer and deep thinking about this subject I believe that God is leading me to pursue a different approach in my ministry here in Kenya. The last few years I have focused on trying to teach and disciple other men to go out into their home villages and to start their own churches - on their own and without much interference from me, the missionary. I have met with very little success in this endeavor. The problems henceforth have been manifold. The biggest problem has been that I have not succeeded in finding motivated men who will be faithful to minister the gospel without payment, salaries or other monetary incentives. Their expectation (which I have documented many times before) is that if they stick with my program then they should be paid a salary of some sort. When their expectations are not met I lose all my students and prospective pastors. The model I was employing was a good one and could still work and should still be pursued but this will not be my main focus in the immediate future. These men must exist but I have not succeeded in finding them.

The other observation I have made in Kitale is that while there are many, many churches in this area, I am finding it extremely difficult to find even one that I would want to attend with my family. The reasons for this are also numerous: 1) I cannot find a church interested in functioning as the body of Christ on earth, that is interested in glorifying God, that is interested in the Great Commission or that is interested in serving the community with the love of Christ. 2) I cannot find a church that will faithfully teach the Word of God. The pastors scream at the people, beg for money and preach little more than a health and wealth gospel. Most passages are wrenched out of context and used in a way to bolster the preacher's "message". 3) The worship services are almost unbearable to me. Now, some may blame my dislike of the worship services here on

the fact that I'm getting old (which is true) and I'm just a fuddy-duddy (which may or not be true) who doesn't like contemporary worship. In actuality, I prefer a more modern and contemporary worship service. But the songs here I find untenable. They are loud to the point of being overbearing and painful, they are repetitive to the point of being nauseous and they are mostly meaningless. In short, I can't find a good church. These churches must exist but I have not succeeded in finding them.

Thus, based upon the difficulties I have had in finding faithful men who will become faithful pastors and the fact that I cannot find a church in the area that I would consider a Spirit-filled, Bible-teaching and Bible-led, God-glorifying congregation, I believe I am being led by God to start one and pastor it myself. Following are my personal

VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS:

Vision: To start a local church in Kitale that will function as the body of Jesus Christ in this town

Mission: I want a church that, while it will never be perfect and will always face internal and external challenges, will bring joy and pleasure to God because it desires above all things to love and worship God, to follow the ways and words of Jesus and to spend its time, energy and resources to further the Kingdom of Jesus Christ on this earth.

I have many other things that I have been thinking about and trying to work through as I try to put substance to my prayers and thinking, things such as objectives and strategies for starting this church. I will include some of these things over the next couple of months as I get started with this endeavor so that you all can be informed as to what I'm thinking and what I'm doing.

HERE IS MY MOST IMMEDIATE AND PRESSING PRAYER REQUEST: Please pray that God would lead me to a place where this new church can meet. I have been searching for an ideal (or even not so ideal) place where the church can begin to meet but I am not succeeding in finding a good place. Please make this a matter of diligent prayer on my behalf.

(Post Script: I don't know what news you receive of Kenya in America but the presidential election here has turned into a carnival, and not a fun carnival but a serious, violent and unpredictable one. The country is like a cauldron on a fire that is about to boil. My concern is that this election drags out for many more months, causing chaos and disruption to the Kenyan people. Please pray for the peace of Kenya.)

Until next month, beloved.

May God's peace and joy be with you.

For the glory of God in East Africa,

Roger & Julie Tate (and Amy, Josiah & Chloe)