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Dear friends,

We are grateful for your prayers and financial support.

**Sarah** is halfway thru her two-month **mission trip in the Amazon** with Jonatas and Charis. She is actively engaged in the daily ministry activities in four different locations on the outskirts of Manaus. There are Evangelism and discipleship opportunities during the home visits and church gatherings throughout the week. It has been a fantastic experience for her. We are delighted by her heart's willingness to serve and learn under the leadership of godly friends and the ministry team. Jonatas and Charis are part of the leadership team in Brazil. I invited them to come to the States this last January for a month of mentorship and exposure—a customized training trip to 3 destinations, 3 universities, and 3 churches.

**Laura** is on a 7-day **mission**



Sarah with Ministry Leaders in Brazil

**trip to Cleveland, OH**, with a group of 54 high school students and 18 adult leaders from Wheaton Bible Church. The team will:

1. Run a children's day camp at a local Baptist church.
2. Package medical supplies for overseas shipping.
3. Separate donated clothing for distribution in the inner city.
4. Assist at a homeless shelter.
5. Paint an elderly couple's home.
6. Engage in sharing their personal salvation testimony at every opportunity.

**Benjamin** recently returned from a 5-day **mission trip to Harvey, IL**, with a group of middle school students. They served at a non-profit organi-

zation that provides hope and life-changing opportunities to recovering addicts, at-risk youth, families, and seniors struggling in poverty. They assisted in running programs for elementary-age children, helped in the thrift store and food pantry, met some of the men and women in

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May God give them wisdom and discernment  
as they prayerfully make decisions.

# TEACHING MEN IN TAITO ABOUT PRAYER

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Dear praying friends,

We hope this finds each of you doing well. We thank the Lord for each one of you, and your heart for missions. We could not do the work here in Kenya without you. This update will share current updates as well as prayer requests.

There has been much going on in the missionary community in Kitale since we have returned to Kenya. Several families have moved from Kitale to different parts of Kenya. While this is not easy, and these families were our good friends, we wish each of them well in this transitional period. The westerners are few in Kitale now, so it is difficult, but we are trusting the Lord to provide other families in His timing and plan.

We have heard of interest from

other missionaries coming to Kitale later in the year, and we are praying and trusting the Lord for His will during these transitional times. Psalm 28:7 says "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him." Please pray with us as we

trust the Lord to provide families here in Kitale.

Another big prayer request now is for the presidential election scheduled for August 9th. Lord willing, we are going to be stocking up and buying extra supplies in case of any problems.

The last few elections have gone peacefully, and we are trusting the Lord for the election this year. Kitale has a good safety record, as there are multiple tribes in this area and violence is rare. However, we are still taking precautions and seeking to stay as safe as we can. We will let you know how it is going in the coming weeks. Psalm

9:9 says "The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble." Amen. May we trust Him in the coming days and weeks, as He will protect us.

The family is doing well. Our daughters are continuing along well in their homeschooling studies, and my wife is doing a great job teaching them faithfully. Please pray for her, as she has a big responsibility with educating our children. Please also pray for us as parents, as we have a big responsibility as we raise them.

I (Nathan) am continuing in the discipleship studies in the village of Taito. I have recently been teaching on prayer and we have learned much about the subject. In Psalm 55:16-17, David says "As for me, I will call upon God; and the Lord shall save me. Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and He shall hear my voice." I challenged the men to begin to commit to prayer, and showed them many verses from the Word of God that show the importance of prayer in our daily lives. Please pray with me that the Lord would raise up men who would be disciplined, trained, and then sent out to start churches in their respective villages. God is in control.

We again thank you so much for your heart for missions. Each of you are such a blessing to us.

Until next month,

Nathan and Carrie Radford

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**-Nathan Radford-**

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# SHARING THE GOSPEL IN FESTIVALS, SCHOOLS, PUBLIC SQUARES, & MORE



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Dear Friends,

Recently we hosted a group of 7 American Christian brothers and sisters who were led of the Lord to come work with us for a few days. They ministered together with our traveling evangelistic team, Projeto Vida. We traveled with them to a town about 2 hours from our home base to share the gospel in public schools and parks. During the week of their time with us we shared the gospel in school gymnasiums and auditoriums to over 1,500 students and faculty. In these public-school presentations, we are not allowed to give an invitation to come forward publicly professing Christ, but

we were able to speak one-on-one with dozens of students and faculty members after each presentation and many of these shared that the Lord had spoken to them through the gospel message that was shared through testimonies, skits, and the preached word.

June is the first month of winter in southern Brazil and is also culturally a time of winter festivals. Our church takes advantage of this practice and puts on a gospel centered Winter Festival. This year was our most attended to date. We had a packed house for two consecutive services. One of the great benefits of this event is to engage almost all our church members in serving the visitors from the community with refreshments, games, and activities. Even greater is that the festival serves as an attraction for unchurched neighbors to attend. At each service the

gospel was preached, and we have two new families attending regular Sunday services since that festival.

Another “most attended to date” event we had in June was our second married couples meeting of 2022. We put on 4 of these meetings per year with a two-fold focus: Present biblical principles for healthy and happy marriages and evangelize lost couples who attend. June 12<sup>th</sup> is Brazil’s closest thing to “Valentine’s Day” in the USA. So, on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> we put on our Couple’s Night banquet, and we had 57 married couples present, our greatest number present for this type of meeting to date. Our own church members are encouraged to invite their unsaved friends, relatives, and co-workers and several of these were in attendance. Though there was no “invitation” to commit one’s life to Christ on the spot, I preached the gospel

in my “marriage message”.

In the past few weeks our traveling evangelistic team ministered the gospel in 6 states and the Federal District of Brazil. In these locations, the main venue was public schools and public squares. The gospel was presented to 4,915 persons and we were able to hear a public profession of faith from 63 adults who also began a “next steps” Bible study course with a local church. There were many (hundreds) of students who prayed orally a “confession prayer” at our rallies, but we do not enter these numbers in our records since we are not able to converse with most of these individually because of time and institutional restraints. The Lord has blessed greatly, and we are thankful to you, our fellow-laborers, for your prayers and support of our ministries. May the Lord richly bless.

In Christ’s love,

Bobby and Charlene Wacaser



their recovery programs, and worked in the neighborhood garden. It was an intense week of ministry with spiritual growth for Benjamin. He made new friends and made some critical decisions. We are excited to see how the Lord will continue to use Him for His glory.

In August, **Nova Baptist Church** (where David Hatcher is pastor) is hosting the largest church **ministry conference** within our Brazilian fellowship of churches/ church plants. Through your financial contributions, we are sponsoring 8 pastors, 3 pastor’s wives, and 4 church leaders from 5 different states to fly from their cities into Manaus. (Most will be in the airplane for 8

hours or more just to get there!) This conference happens every two years, but COVID caused it to be postponed twice. I prayed the Lord would allow as many pastors and leaders from our churches & church plants to attend this unique gathering. **If you desire to sponsor a Brazilian pastor** or church planter in any amount (costs \$350 per person), please make a financial contribution thru Baptist Faith Missions and designate “Jud Hatcher – Conference training.” Please visit <https://portals.icheckgateway.com/BFMNow/> to give online.

In August, **Raquel** is attending the **CAFO Summit** at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church in Marietta, GA. This conference is on adoption, foster care, and global orphan care. She recently completed training and was certified in Trust Based Relation Intervention

(TBRI) and EMDR (for traumatic memories processing). With these tools, Raquel can assist children and adults in working through traumatic experiences. I (**Jud**) am currently undergoing my first year of **doctoral studies** at Columbia International University. I will graduate in May 2024 with a Ph.D. in Organizational Leadership. My dissertation is a qualitative study on Steward Leadership influences on **succession planning amongst Baptist pastors in Brazil**.

**We aim to recruit, train, place, and network pastors, church planters, and leaders to serve in Brazil.** This additional education for us and our team brings practical knowledge for application in Brazil. We are grateful for personal growth.

**Our prayer requests:**

1. Sarah (17yo) has one more

month on her mission trip in the Amazon. Pray for her learning, spiritual growth, and impact as she serves.

2. Laura (15yo) is part of WBC’s mission trip to Cleveland, OH. Pray for her learning, spiritual growth, and impact as she serves.

3. Jud & Ben (14yo) are attending a 2-day leadership conference in Aug. Pray for a great learning experience.

4. Jud & Raquel’s studies.

5. Upcoming trips to Ottawa, IL, Teays Valley, WV, and Findley, OH.

**Thank you for your love,** the care you demonstrate to us, your financial investment, and your regular prayers. We are thankful and are deeply encouraged by you.

Grateful always,

Jud Hatcher



# PRAYING FOR THE QUARESMA FAMILY



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July 21, 2022

Dear friends and family,

We have not been able to go to Brazil this month, so I thought I could tell you about some of the people that are near to our heart.

Most of you all know that our daughter Mary Katherine has come down to Brazil to visit quite a bit. In these years of her visiting, God has given her a Brazilian husband. They have two children, Chelsea Isabel (13 years old) and Ashley Mayara (11 years old).

Each of them have health concerns. Walmir (pronounced Valmir) her husband has been diagnosed with thinning of the cartilage between the femur and the pelvic girdle. The

doctor has told him that if could not begin weight training, he will have to have surgery in two years. He is having pain with that. Mary Katherine has been diagnosed with glaucoma and is on two pills to bring down the pressure, but during this time, they have discovered that her optic nerve is dying. This means that her field of vision is shrinking. Optic nerve death usually comes after glaucoma, but hers has come before the glaucoma.

Chelsea was diagnosed two years ago with spina bifida occulta in the L5 S1 juncture. Because of this, she has scoliosis in her anterior vertebrae, and they are slipping forward. She just had an MRI and they say that her condition is stable because she is doing physical therapy three

times a week. But with all of this, she is in constant pain.

Ashley Mayara has also been diagnosed with scoliosis in her upper back and is experiencing pain with this. Because of this, she is not sleeping well, but when she can sleep she has nightmares and then does not want to go back to sleep. She will have an x-ray in the upcoming weeks to measure the curvature of the spine. But this is not the greatest concern for her. For over two years, she has been having a crisis with vomiting. You can imagine the extent of the tests she has had to go through to try to discover what is wrong. But with all these, none of the doctors accept any of the diagnosis. The latest diagnosis indicates that she has food intolerances, and I don't mean just a few. It would be easier to



*The Quaresma Family*

tell you what the child can eat than try to name all those that she cannot. Mary has been cooking special recipes for her and she has gone without an event for eight months until two weeks ago. She has now been vomiting for two weeks straight. She has been in the emergency room more than not as they give her IVs to keep her hydrated and medication to stop the vomiting. She is scheduled with a GI specialist next week. We are praying that this time they can discover what is going on so she can have some relief.

So I bring this family to all our readers so all can take them to God and ask for healing. That will release them to work more diligently for the Lord in Caragua Baptist Church in Caragua, Brazil.

Thanks in advance for all the prayers that will be going up for the Quaresma Family there in Brazil.

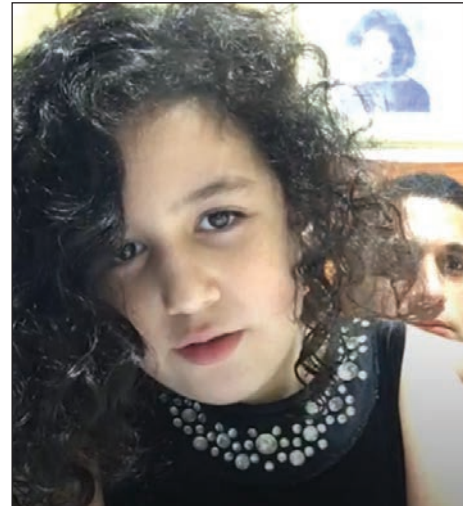
In His Service,  
AJ & Barb



*Mary Katherine & Walmir*



*Chelsea (13 years old)*



*Ashley (11 years old)*



## #BFMnext

Any time you see the **#BFMnext** hashtag on our social media posts, we are recognizing how the Lord is using the next generation for His glory.

We are always encouraged to see how God is moving in the hearts of our young people and how He is at work in them and through them.

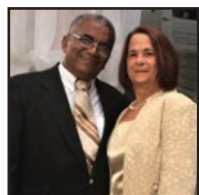
Pray that the Lord would continue to raise up mighty young men and women in His service.

*"We will not hide them from their children,  
Telling to the generation to come the praises of the LORD,  
And His strength and His wonderful works that He has done."  
Psalm 78:4*

[Pictured Left Top: Laura Hatcher heading to Cleveland on a 7-day mission trip  
Bottom: Sarah Hatcher on a 2-month mission trip in the Amazon]



# FIRST FESTIVAL SINCE PANDEMIC & NEW VISITORS



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We thank God for each one of you for your prayers and support. Missions is a joint effort of those going and those sending. Praise the Lord that He has called us to be used by Him.

We had our first festival since the pandemic. It was wonderful. We had many visitors. That was the main purpose of the event: bring new people to visit our church. Thank God! If things continue calm, we will have another one in a couple of months.

We have had to change some of our plans, but the Lord is helping us put new plans together. We had planned the pizza day in some schools but they all went on break. They will start back next week, so we will be scheduling the new dates for pizza day. We thank all those who have given for this. We will be contacting an Indian tribe to do pizza there also.

The services in the homes have been a blessing. In the home where we go on Friday, it has been wonderful. Their son has mental spiritual problems. They told us last week that he has changed a lot since we started the services in their home. Pray that God will open his mind to hearing God's word. His name is Nelson.

A family has moved here in the other house on our land. They have four children. They are precious kids. They are always asking Kathy and I if they can help do something. They say, "If you need help just call us". The parents have problems with drugs. Pray for them. They are going to church with us. Pray that God will strengthen them and have victory over their problem, and that if they are not saved, that they will accept the Lord as their Savior.

The other teen we help is doing well. Last Sunday he spoke in Sunday school the plan of salvation. He was nervous but did well. His name is Cleomar. He will be baptized next week.

Pray for us as we want to reach out into the communities. There are so many in the area. Pray that God will open doors for us to have services and that we can preach the gospel in as many places as He opens.

God bless each of you!

Odali and Kathy Barros



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## NEW OPPORTUNITY AT BIBLE COLLEGE IN KIJABE



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Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ,

Well, it took three weeks of packing and two trips to Kitale to get all of our stuff, but we have finally brought all of our belongings and unpacked most of it into our new house in Kijabe. Unfortunately, household stuff wasn't the only thing I brought back from Kitale. I also brought back Covid. I started feeling the symptoms during the drive down from Kitale to Kijabe. By the next morning I was pretty sick with it. The worst part of it was I couldn't keep warm. I know we live less than 100 miles from the equator, but we do live on the side of a mountain and this is the cold season. I know you are mocking me right now for being cold while living on the equator but at this time of year it gets into the 40s at night and there is no such thing as heating in Kenya. So, yes, it was cold. Anyway, I was over the worst of it after about five days but unfortunately, Julie and Chloe both got it too. Chloe slept for literally three days straight and then was over it. Julie was really sick for about two weeks, to the point I was pretty concerned about her. She is over the virus now but some side effects remain –

namely, some chronic fatigue and coughing. This Covid has really hampered us from getting into the swing of things here in our new home.

So, speaking of our new home in Kijabe, I want to let you all know what I will be doing for the immediate future. The main thing that I will be doing for now is ministering the gospel at a Bible college located about 200 meters up the hill from our house. The way that this worked out really seems like something only God could have done. Many closed doors opened all at the same time, doors that were solidly closed and that I wasn't really even looking to open. Even

my first interview with the Principal of the college happened just two days after my throat surgery back in March. On Friday, I had my surgery. On Sunday, I was sitting in a chair in my house in my pj's, and HEAVILY drugged. The vice principal called and asked if he could come and talk to me about working at the college. I told him he could come but that I was in my pj's, I couldn't talk, and was HEAVILY drugged. He came and he talked for as long as I could sit upright. The next day was my interview with the Principal. And that was only part of what God was doing and would finalize over the next few weeks. And so now I am on staff at Moffat Bible College. First and fore-

most, I will be doing what I prefer to do most – teaching the gospel of Jesus Christ to people who want to learn it. And my favorite part of doing my favorite thing is to teach

I will also be mentoring students and working with them in practical ministry endeavors. I am excited to see how God will use this opportunity to work with Kenyan men and women to spread the kingdom of Jesus Christ and the gospel, even potentially for future church planting activities. It is still to be seen what God will do.

In closing my letter, however, I am reminded that we live in a really harsh, brutal, and sinful world. A dear Christian, Kenyan man and friend from Kitale is with the Lord today. Evans Barasa is a man I have known for my entire 15 years

in Kenya. He actually worked with Mike and Pam Anderson before I was working with him starting 15 years ago. He was a pastor, a good Christian, and a friend. If you had ever met Evans, even if for just one minute, you would remember his amazing and catching smile and laugh. Evans had been hired onto the police force a couple of years ago. He was working last night and someone hit him in the back of the head and killed him. I don't even know what the murderer was after. It is a shame and that makes me really sad. He leaves behind a wife and four children. Rest in peace, Evans.

Roger, Julie & Chloe

**"I am excited to see how God will use this opportunity to work with Kenyan men and women to spread the kingdom of Jesus Christ and the gospel, even potentially for future church planting activities."**

**-Roger Tate-**

the Bible to other people who will then be teaching the Bible to even other people. I love teaching future pastors and church leaders the Bible. I love it because in this way the true message of the Bible gets passed on exponentially. If I teach 20 future pastors how to properly interpret the Bible and each of these students goes to a church with another 50 people each, that equals 1000 Kenyan people who are hearing Biblical teaching about Jesus. Throw into the mix that there are also Congolese, Sudanese, and Ugandan students and this becomes a big deal. East Africa so needs good Bible teaching and this is an amazing opportunity to really propagate the gospel.

# The Zaccheaus Approach: 13 Principles for Being Incarnational & Missional

"Churches, pastors, leaders and believers often struggle with making disciples that reproduce themselves in others."

Jud Hatcher has shared an article with us that he has written regarding this.

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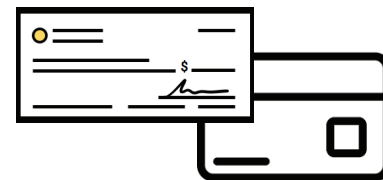
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**MIKE & BEVERLY CREIGLOW**



## NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO WITNESS & MAKE DISCIPLES



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your prayers and support. We are very grateful for your faithful commitment for many years to the making of disciples here in France. Sometimes when things seem to be going slow God opens a new door that becomes an opportunity to witness and make disciples.

Let me tell you about a couple such events this month. At the time I received a message from my brother saying Dad had passed into the presence of the Lord, Judy and I were on the road returning from the home of Laure and Henri. Laure started coming to the Bible study at Mazere about 8 or 9 years ago. Henri started coming with her after they were married, and they hosted the Bible study at their place from time to time.

About two years into their marriage, we helped them move to a little town that is quite distant from our home and Mazere. He is a cabinet maker and she an elementary school teacher. Shortly after the move, their first child was born, and she stopped teaching to become a full-time mother. We remained in touch but his working hours at a distance from their home and caring for a child made it difficult for them to drive to a Bible study an hour away. There is no church close to them. Within 5 and half years they had four children. During a

good part of this time, we were in Indiana caring for Judy's sister who is now with the Lord. When we received notice of the birth of their fourth child we were back in France and made arrangements to visit them. Their home is a bit over an hour's drive from us. This visit was the one from which we were returning when I got the news about Dad.

They were really concerned about their inability to be in Church and their children not being in Sunday School. We suggested to them what God had laid on our heart; starting a Bible study in their home including a time of Bible teaching for the children. They were thrilled with the idea, and we had the first meeting a couple of weeks ago. They invited Henri's aunt and her husband, and they attended and showed a great interest. Please pray for God to use this Bible study for His Glory.

We have also gotten reconnected to a couple who were our neighbors years ago. They now live about one hour north of us. When they had dinner in our home a couple of days ago, she asked question after question about God and how to have a relationship with Him. She really seems driven to know God. When we first met them, she was an atheist.

These are only two of several incidents that we are very excited about. However, I think I had better stop for now.

Thank you for your prayer. Could you take a moment now to pray for God to speak to hearts here and give us the wisdom to pursue each opportunity that He gives us?

Your sister and brother in France,  
Judy and John



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