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## Another Church Organized In Brazil . . . .

**Baptizes Daughter Cathy . . . Second Baptist Church  
Organized On Island of Patience . . . School Year  
Begins With Classes Day And Night . . . Increased  
Enrollment . . . Student Ordained As Pastor . . .**

**Workers Now In Two New States**

By John Hatcher

Manaus, Amazonas

March 22, 1965

Dear Brethren,  
Different times friends of mine have said, "I would rather wear out than rust out." Whether they really meant it or not, only they and their Lord knows, but this past month for us here has been one of little rust and much wear. God has blessed with renewed energies and perfect health and our hearts are full of praise to Him.

### SERVICES IN THE CHAPADA

Our church services have been well attended and during the month two were



John Hatcher

**SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH ORGANIZED**  
The Island of Patience has her second Baptist Church which was organized by the Zion Baptist Church before the Pastor Sostenes Melo left for the state of Maranhao. The second church was organized due to the fact that the island is very long and although the services were being carried on together the people from one end of the island would have a hard time to get to the other, the distance being a walk of about

three hours so they decided to organize another church. The second church was established with about twenty members.

### SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS

Letters from home remind us that there are only about six to eight weeks until school is out, but here the story is just the opposite. Our Grade and High school began their year's work on the 15th of March. We praise the Lord for our student body both of the Primary school and the High School.

### THE PURPOSE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

Our purpose in having a High school is for the training of our Baptist young people. In the public schools there are two strong dominating elements: one is the Roman Catholic influence and the other is materialism which is anti-God and anti-Bible. The effect of both is the same. Many students last year were unhappy because they did not find here in our High School what they wanted. Each day there is a devotional service of twenty minutes and in each grade of the High School there are Bible courses. At the end of the school year many transferred to other schools. But we leave all this in the hands of the Lord for if this work is not of the Lord we want nothing of it. When the new student body was enrolled we found that God had given us many fine young people from different Baptist churches here in the city, besides many who are not saved but returned from last year. Several of these have come from strong Catholic homes and for fear of their parents have not publicly professed faith in Christ but who in private have said that they have trusted the Lord and whom we believe will eventually take a public stand. In our third year class of the High School there are nine students and only two are not Baptists. One of these has definitely taken a stand not to follow Catholic religion.

The complete enrollment of the High School is 52. Pray for our teachers, all of whom are Baptists and active in their own churches.

### PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our primary school has an enrollment of about 175, which is an increase over the enrollment last year.

### ENLARGEMENT IN CLASSROOMS

By dividing one large assembly room on the first floor and with the new offices built under the breezeway we were able to move the Seminary classes all to the second floor and use the first floor for the High school. Now we can care for a total of two hundred in the place of one hundred seventy.

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**A Son Is Born In Manaus . . . A Son Is Baptized  
In Manaus . . . The Gospel is Preached To The  
Poor . . . One Is Ordained . . . A Wedding . . .  
Special Offering For Baptist Faith Missions**

By Harold Bratcher

Manaus, Amazonas

March 16, 1965

Dear Brethren,  
The following Scriptures come to my mind: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." Luke 4:18-19. Another Scripture that comes to my mind as I think of this past month's work is Luke 7:22, "Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleaned, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached." I cannot report of the blind seeing but I can report that I had the privilege of baptizing a 65 year old blind woman. I cannot report that the lame walked but I can report that I had the privilege of baptizing two crippled people this month. One had to be carried part of the way and this one also suffers from leprosy. We can report that "to the poor the gospel is preached."



Harold Bratcher

This month also I am happy to report the birth of a son and the burial (in baptism) of another. On February the 21st I had the privilege of baptizing my oldest son, Asa

Mark, with five others, three of whom I have already mentioned. On March 3rd our third child and son (my wife wanted a daughter) was born at the "Santa Casa" hospital here in Manaus. As of this writing both mother

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## A Special Notice

It will not be long until the Post Office Department will require us to use the ZIP CODE NUMBER on all our mail. PLEASE send us the name and address exactly like it is on the MISSION SHEETS that are mailed to you and put the ZIP CODE NUMBER beside the address. Mail to:

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**Pastor Earl Thomas and  
Pleasant Ridge Baptist  
Church, Lexington,  
Kentucky Respond to Our  
Appeal**

We have been telling of the needs of Baptist Faith Missions in past issues of this paper. Especially the need for designated funds for Teachers Salaries. Pastor Earl Thomas and Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky have responded. Brother Thomas wrote:

"Our time to increase our monthly support to Baptist Faith Missions has been long overdue. Starting this month our church voted to double our regular support and designate the additional twenty dollars into the teachers fund for which you made an appeal in the last MISSION SHEET. This is only one step in reaching our goal. We are praying and working towards increasing our monthly offerings to Baptist Faith Missions to One Hundred dollars. This will be done in steps as the Lord continues to provide. Thank you for doing such a marvelous job as Editor of the MISSION SHEETS."

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Earl W. Thomas

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This is the Aluminum boat that Brother Lauerman uses, with the 40 H.P. Johnson outboard motor. All the boats have to be named and registered now and you will note the name and the number on the boat. This picture was taken at Astoria, where the Manay River runs into the Amazon River. What a difference now, compared to 30 years ago when Brother Hallum went to Peru and had to paddle the boat.



Bible School Crowd one day at Chapada Baptist Church, Manaus, State of Amazonas, Brazil. John Hatcher is pastor of this church. On the right is Mrs. Hatcher and George Bean. Brother Bean was director of the School while Brother Hatcher was busy elsewhere. On the left is Lynne Hatcher. The words on the Building in English are: THE HOUSE OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF CHAPADA.

## Visits New Churches In Florida In Interest Of

### Baptist Faith Missions

By Del Mayfield

Dear Brethren,

I am writing this letter in the home of Brother Dempsey Henderson, and we are having a wonderful time of fellowship. We're sure happy and rejoicing with them over their surrendering to go to the mission field. We are praying that they will not have to wait, but that their needs will be met. You pray with us and give so that they will soon be where the Lord wants them.

Now I'd like to share with you all the blessings that we have received this past month. We had a good stay in Florida and enjoyed visiting many churches who were not acquainted with our work. Sunday morning February 21 we were with the New Hope Baptist Church, Ocala, Florida. Brother Bob Scott is their pastor. We had a good time in the pastor's home and being with his people. Sunday night we were with the Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Oklawaha, Florida. Brother A. D. Finch is their pastor. It was good to be with this pastor and people, and tell of the work and to show the slides. Tuesday we were with the Temple Baptist Church in Ocala, where Brother Marian Waycaser is their pastor. I enjoyed preaching and telling of the work. Brother



Del Mayfield

Waycaser had only been with the church a short time, but was doing a good job. Wednesday 24th we were with the Calvary Baptist Church Ocala, Florida. Brother Charlie Higgs is their pastor. We knew Brother Higgs when he was on the mission field in Iquitos, Peru. We thank brother Higgs for fixing our schedule and getting the churches to let us speak. Brother Higgs plans to return to the field for which we thank the Lord. We also enjoyed staying with Brother Higgs while we visited the churches in the area. We had sweet fellowship, and shall never forget those days we had together. Thursday 25th we were with Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Webster, Florida. Brother Q. Taylor is their pastor. I preached and showed the slides of the work. Friday 26th we were with the Independent Baptist Fellowship at the New Hope Baptist Church, Brother Bob Scott is pastor. There were 13 churches represented with 9 pastors, and several preachers present. I was glad to get to speak to them and tell of the work. Truly the Lord blessed with His presence. Sunday 28th (Morning) we were with the Faith Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida. Brother Bill Carr is their pastor. We enjoyed being in the home of Brother Mullings and Brother Duncan. Brother Mullings is the father of Brother Paul Mullings who is a missionary in Lima, Peru, S.A. whom we have come to know and to love in the Lord. We sure enjoyed being with Brother Mullings' loved ones and friends. We're looking forward to seeing the Mullings on our return to the field. Sunday night we were with the Open Door Baptist Church, Tampa, Florida. Brother A. J. Boutwell is their pastor. We would like to thank the churches in that area for letting us come and speak about the work, and tell what the Lord has done.

Sunday 7th of March we were with the Peoples Baptist Church, Alton, Illinois. Brother John Keltie is their pastor. Our daughter and her husband are members there and we enjoyed being home with them and the church. Saturday night and Sunday we were with the Willow Hill Baptist Church. Brother Milard Chapman is their pastor. I preached Saturday night, and Sunday morning and showed the slides of the work Sunday night. We had a good time with Brother Chapman and his people. Friday 19th we came to be with the Hendersons and to visit many of the churches in this area. Pray for us that the Lord will bless, and that we'll be able to report next month of souls that have been saved. May the Lord bless each of you.

Yours by His Grace,  
Del. Mayfield

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#### NIGHT BIBLE CLASS

This quarter several wanted to study at night, so I agreed to teach if there were enough who wanted to study. There are twelve enrolled and the subjects which I am teaching are Genesis and Exodus, Baptist History and Bible Introduction of the Old Testament. So with three Bible classes in the High School, three in night classes and four in the Seminary there is not much time left for fishing.

#### PASTOR SOSTENES MELO IN NEW STATE

Brother Sostenes left two weeks ago by plane with his family to go to the State of Maranhao. Thank God that we have a family in a new work in another State. Also Brother Francisco Lopes of whom I wrote last month, is in Faro, in the state of Para which is the second State this year to receive a new worker. May God bless us to see workers in all the states and territories of Brazil.

#### STUDENT ANTONIO BARROSO

When Brother Sostenes was called to the State of Maranhao the Zion Baptist Church called Brother Antonio Barroso, one of the Seminary students as pastor. Two weeks ago



Opening exercises inside the Chapada Baptist Church Building. All are ready for singing of choruses and Bible Stories. The average attendance in this School was 108 and most all the children are Catholic. They heard the "Word". The Seed was sown and who knows what the results will be in the time to come. Chapada Church is in a strong Catholic community.

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and son are doing well. His name is Joel Harold.

On March 6th at 5 p.m., I performed a wedding ceremony. The bride is a member of the 14th of December church. I went to the reception afterwards. The bride's parents served a regular banquet. I saw there more food than I've seen since I left the States.

On March 7th, I participated in the ordination of Antonio Barroso, a student in Seminary and the new pastor of the Zion Baptist Church. Brother Sosthenes Melo, pastor for eleven years, left on the 9th of this month to take up his new work as pastor of a church in the State of Maranhao.

On March 8th, Stephen celebrated his fifth anniversary.

On March 9th, it was my sad duty to conduct funeral services for Mario Oleno de Sousa, 7 years old. This is the little boy whose picture appeared in the January, 1965 Mission Sheet with the caption "Here is the little boy that was brought from the interior to Manaus sick. Harold Bratcher took him to a doctor and got him fixed up and after a few days he returned home." However, on returning home, after some few weeks he took sick again and the family returned with him to Manaus. The treatment this time was all in vain and he died on March 8th. After the service in the house where the family had been staying since they returned to Manaus, we carried the casket from the house to the cemetery. There we left the little body to await the resurrection. How different was this funeral from one in the States: There was no undertaker, no hearse to carry the casket, no flowers, the body wrapped in a dirty blanket and I'm sure there will never be erected a permanent tomb-stone to mark his temporary grave. However, there were some similarities to a funeral in the States: There were tears and sorrow and also there were hymns, of hope and praise, sung, words of the Scripture read to bring comfort and a message preached exalting the Lord Jesus. The family has moved into the Sunday School rooms of the 14th of December church to stay a few more days to treat the oldest son

he was ordained to the Gospel ministry by the Zion Baptist Church. Antonio came to school about three years ago and could hardly write his name. He was saved during a service in the Mira-Aua Baptist Church when Brother Wallace York was preaching. Actually Antonio was saved before the church was organized and was one of the charter members of the Mira-Aua Baptist Church. Antonio has had his primary schooling and is finishing his Bible training here in our Bible school.

#### TRIP TO JANAUACA

Two years ago before coming home, Brother Sarmiento and I were invited to go to Janauaca to help in the organizing of the Baptist church there. Last week was the church's second anniversary and also the dedication of their new building. Our boat left at 2:00 p.m. and we arrived at our destination at 2:00 a.m. That night, or rather that afternoon the people began gathering about 3:00 in the afternoon. At the night service there were 250 persons present making it the largest gathering of the church. This church has for its pastor Manoel Costa, a graduate of the Bible School. He and the church members have worked hard and they have done a good job.

#### TEACHERS TRAINING CLASSES

My right arm, Mrs. Alta Hatcher, prepared materials for a three day teacher's training course for all of our high school and grade school teachers which was held the week before the classes opened.

As the Lord brings us to your minds pray for us.

Our hearts were saddened by the news of the death of Sister Alma Masterson. May God's Spirit comfort Brother Jim, our beloved brother and friend. We rejoice that in a little while we will see Sister Alma when God awakens her on resurrection morn.

In Him,  
John A. Hatcher

who is also sick. Oh, Brethren, we are in land of so much sickness, poverty and death:

On Sunday March 14th, our church observed "O Dia de Missoes Estrangeiras" (Foreign Missions Day) I asked the church to bring in a special offering to be sent to Baptist Faith Missions. The people responded with much zeal and I believe that "many widows brought in their mites." The offering amounted to Cr\$100.00 or at the present rate of exchange of Cr\$1.830-\$54.65 given by more than 150 people. This offering should appear in the May issue of the "Mission Sheets." This will not be by far the largest offering ever received from a church but I doubt if the Mission has ever received an offering from a church with more poor members than this one. I told the members that I wanted us to give this offering to show that we were interested not only in receiving but also in giving.

Thus we have written to you, the readers of the Mission Sheets about the gospel being preached to the poor, about a baptism, an ordination, a wedding, a birth, a funeral, and a special offering for Foreign Missions. We close by making the same request of you that Paul made of the saints in Rome many years ago when he pleaded in Roman 15:30 "Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive (William translates "wrestle") together with me in your prayers to God for me..."

Thus as I listen to the cries of our new son and the dripping of the rain, (We are having a month of heavy rains) I bring this letter to a close. The Lord bless you all in the prayer of the five Bratchers (Harold, Hattie Marie, Asa Mark, Stephen M and Joel H.) of Brazil.

Yours In His Service, Caixa Postal 227  
Harold Bratcher, Manaus, Amazonas  
Brazil, South America



Antonio Barroso, new pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil, ordained March 7, 1965. He is a student in our Baptist Seminary in Manaus.



Harold Bratcher, baptizing his son Asa Mark Bratcher in Brazil.



JONATHAN MICHAEL BEAN. Born to Missionary and Mrs. George Bean, Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil, February 6, 1965.



JOEL HAROLD BRATCHER. Born to Missionary and Mrs. Harold Bratcher, Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil, March 3, 1965.





This boat was built by Bobby Creiglow and his son Mike, and it was painted by Mrs. Creiglow and Mike. The outboard motor is a 28 H.P. Johnson that Brother Creiglow took with him when he returned after furlough, as they cannot be bought in Brazil. This boat is of great value in the saving of time. In a small boat with a small motor it takes many hours and at times all day to go to a certain place. With this boat and the large motor the trip can be made in a few hours. This saving of time is also saving of health. The large motor uses more gas per hour for a less number of hours, whereas the small motor uses less gas per hour for more hours and the amount of gasoline used for a particular trip about evens up. In the boat are son Mike, daughter Brenda and Mrs. Bobby (Betty) Creiglow.

## Two Trips To Colonia . . . Two Believers Get Married At Matai . . . New Mission Started At Sao Francisco . . . Husband And Wife Saved

By Bobby Creiglow

Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre  
March 20, 1965

Dear Brethren,  
At the writing of this letter many of you may be suffering the worst part of winter while we at this time are enjoying a good tropical rainstorm. I say we are enjoying it because it has been over a week since we have had a hard rain and without the regular hard rains the rivers cannot stay up, much less go over the banks. Almost everyone has given up hope that it will go over the banks this year.

Once again this month I have gone to Colonia to try to perform my duties as pastor. In fact, I have made two trips there. The first time I spent over a week.



Bobby Creiglow

The second time we were invited to a wedding in Matai of two believers. This was a very happy wedding in that both of them being believers they can go through life together serving Christ. This was the first trip that we made in the speed-boat, and Matai being near Colonia we took advantage of this once again to be with the church in Colonia. After the wedding and reception we had a preaching service in the church house.

About twenty minutes up the Moa River there is a small creek that goes off to the left, and for a long time we had heard that there are many people living about two and a half hours up it. I did not know the way there as most always there are small creeks leading off making it easy to get lost. The Lord laid this place called Sao Francisco on my heart, so I began to pray that the Lord would send someone from there to me to hold services in their home and to show me the way. After several weeks of praying, one day about noon, there was a man that came to see me to borrow money to treat his daughter that had been burned. I asked him where his daughter was. He told me that they arrived and that she was still in the canoe. He went to get her, and when he returned I saw the worst burnt person I had ever seen. It seems that they were trying to get a cork out of an alcohol bottle, and when the cork came out it threw alcohol all over her and the open flame of the kerosene lamp set her on fire. She was burned so badly that her eyes were swollen shut, her lips about four times normal size, and in spots her flesh was falling off. While talking to him he told me that they were from Sao Francisco and I immediately thought they were sent by God in answer to my prayer. I loaned him the money and while she was being treated he returned several times to tell us how she was getting along. I witnessed to him, so on Sunday he was in both services. At the close of the night service he made a profession of faith and the next day invited me to go to his house to hold services whenever I could. We made plans for him to come out and get me to take me there. About the time the little girl got out of the hospital her mother was admitted to await the birth of their fifth child, therefore he did not come to get me on the day we had agreed to.

This past Wednesday, Mike and I left in a large canoe to try to find it. We knew that after traveling for a while we had to leave Black Creek to enter Sao Francisco Creek, so after we had traveled about twenty minutes, we came to a fork in the creek and decided to try the right fork. After about twenty minutes more it appeared as though we had come to a dead end. The water was not running because it was backed up from the river and out of the banks. We started back down to try the left fork when we met another canoe and the man offered to show us the mouth of the Sao Francisco Creek, so we turned around and followed back up. Within a few minutes he stopped, pointed with his finger and said, there it is, but all I could see was forest with a

small opening that looked to be a game trail when the water is low. We thanked him and started in and soon learned that our canoe was too large. After about an hour we turned off the motor and started to paddle still without much signs of anything that looked like a creek. For about an hour we pushed and pulled over and under logs and through brush. At last there began to appear land on each side of us and the water running some, so we knew we were on the right track. We started the motor again with logs and underbrush about the same, but at least now we could follow the stream. After almost another hour of slow traveling we saw a farmer that told us we were at our destination.

Soon we were talking to some of them. They said that Senhor Mario had the best house for services, but what they did not tell us was that he was not in the group to which we were talking. We went to his home only to find out that there was no one home, but the man with us told us we should leave our bag and accordeon in the house and that Senhor Mario would return soon. We left them and as we went down the path we met Senhor Mario who said he would be glad to have the services in his home. I think all that live in this section of Sao Francisco (about thirty) came to the services. At the close of the service the mother of the burned child made a profession of faith.

The next day we walked about thirty minutes to another section of Sao Francisco where over four hundred people live and as I understand it the gospel has never entered there. We were well received and believe the Lord is going to bless this place greatly in the future.

We returned to Cruzeiro do Sul that afternoon more encouraged than before. I promised to return there after spending another week or ten days in Colonia. The next time I want to spend at least a week there.

They all said they did not know how we found our way there, because even the boss there who had traveled it many times had just spent several hours being lost. I told them that it was because God directed our way so that they might hear the gospel of Christ.

I want to leave for Colonia again tomorrow. May the Lord bless all of you.

In Christ,

B. D. Creiglow

## Father And Son Make Missionary Journey To Island Of Maria de Antonio . . . Three Additions To Peniel Church

By George Bean

Dear Brethren,  
Manaus, Amazonas  
March 17, 1965

Saturday, February 20th, David, my oldest son, and I left Manaus for the island of Maria de Antonio. We arrived there in the afternoon. We had services Saturday night with around thirty people present.

Sunday morning we had services with about thirty people present for Sunday school and preaching. Sunday night there were around forty people there for preaching. Three of us preached at this service.

I want to share this experience with you. One of the women of this place sent word for someone to bring her a Bible. I took her one and had it at the service on Sunday morning. She had been saved just two weeks when the Bible was given to her. I wish you could have seen the look on her face when I gave her the Bible, it was a look of pure joy. A new babe in Christ had a book that could tell her more of the Saviour's love for her. Praise God for a Saviour like Jesus. This



George Bean

## The Water Is Up In The Rivers . . . The Government Takes Back Land From Priest That Belongs To The People . . . Souls Saved . . . Revival In Iquitos Church At 28th Anniversary . . . One Charter Member Left

By Walter Lauerman

Iquitos, Peru  
March 22, 1965

Dear Brethren,  
Another month and time for another letter for the MISSION SHEETS. Although this has been a month of diverse problems it is as always a time of giving thanks to God for all He has done for us, as Paul said "Giving thanks to God for all things."

Last month I stated how the river was still down very low. Well this month it has done nothing but rain and rain and rain. The river is up to its normal level. The brethren have gone more this month and they all have reported good months of blessings. Besides a visit to Mapa and Astoria I have not traveled for reasons beyond my control. All the churches are going about the same. It looks like maybe the Tamshiyacu mission will not organize until maybe the end of the year now, seeing they have not been able to have a larger membership, etc. Their house there is going right along. There were 3 professions of faith in the river's churches. I am still hoping that the folks at Mapa will have a revival soon, but they do not seem too much for it and so there cannot be much of a revival without interest.



Walter Lauerman

The government has taken away all the land from the priest in Hojeal, and we are waiting to hear the answer as to how it will be divided. The man here took the peoples petition personally to Lima to handle it for them. He said that it may take months now to get another report from Lima and to take another survey of the lands so they all will not bother one another, etc. So it may be a long wait, as all usually is here. We just pray that God will handle some of these that are afraid of the priests, and that give

in to them etc., through fear.

We had a revival in the Iquitos Church the 21 thru the 26 of February. We had one profession of faith after the first night. The crowds were about normal (35) each night. I did the preaching. Each month the church has a record offering. This is without the tithe and offerings that I give etc. We now have 7 men that tithe, and 3 women also. This record I am very proud of. This has been, and is the biggest problem we have here, getting people to tithe that are poor. There are only 2 men now that do not tithe. Simon Gaima preached again in the church and I must say I think it is time for him to retire from this also. He just cannot see good enough to read at night. The revival by the way, was for the 28th anniversary of the church. The church was organized the 24th of February 1937, according to the minutes of the church, which are correct, I would think. The night of the 24th, all was read about the organizing, the two years as a mission, honor given to Brother Hallum and family etc. Also Brother Santiago Ruiz was present, with all his 75 years, and he is the only charter member left in the church. Brother Lewis and family also got a place in the service through the years they gave here in the church.

I thought Brother Jorge the pastor, had a nice simple but well rounded service for the occasion. It was a good time in the Lord. They have voted to have this type service annually to honor the anniversary of the church.

The regular services and classes for the preachers were held of course. Continue to pray for us, as problems continue. We are thankful to all that pray for us. We are grateful also for the blessings the Mayfields have had in their "GOING" this past year among you all. May the Lord bless you all.

Yours in Him,

Walter F. Lauerman

## Rainy Season But Not Enough . . . VBS At Colonia Great Revival At Colonia . . . To Pastor Church At Colonia . . . New Boat Named "Morning Star"

By Bobby Creiglow

Cruzeiro do Sul  
February 18, 1965

Dear Brethren;  
We are now in the middle of the rainy season, but there is just one problem. We have not had any rain that amounted to anything. Usually by this time of the year the water has come up almost ready to go over the banks, but at this time it lacks about twenty feet of water. It started to rain hard this afternoon for the first time in two weeks, so perhaps if it has been an all over rain the river will come up a few feet. Sunday and Monday of this week it came up about six feet, but by Thursday morning it was back down again. When there is a year that the river doesn't overflow the banks it is very difficult for the people to catch fish for the entire year. It looks like this year will be a repeat of last year which did not overflow. Due to the lack of fish we have only eaten them once or twice since we have been back.

After writing a letter for the Mission Sheet last month I left with the family going to Colonia to spend two weeks with the church there. We are members of this church, but for one reason or another we have not been able to spend much time with them. While we were there we held Bible school for the children in the morning starting at 8:00 a.m. The attendance was only fair, but by the time the last day came around we had the large classroom of the school building full. From the first day the enthusiasm grew and grew. Studying from Bible school material that Brother Hatcher sent me, we climaxed the study with a contest between the boys and girls to see who could answer the most questions. The

contest ended with the girls winning by four points, with almost a hundred questions asked. There were very few questions that one side or the other could not answer and we all left very well satisfied with what they had learned. Along toward the last of the study I gave each one a scripture passage to learn to be quoted on the last day. They also showed their enthusiasm in this by each one learning and quoting them well. Even one three year old learned her scripture, but when she came to class she was too bashful to quote it.

Also during the two weeks we were there we held a revival with services every night. Although there were no souls saved I believe this was one of the best revivals that I have ever experienced. A revival is to revive the church and this church had become cold during the year we were in the States, but at the end of two weeks we saw the joyous fellowship in the Lord, like we had before coming home, return to our church. On the last Sunday we were there I baptized four into the fellowship of our church and after the preaching service that night we observed the Lord's supper. After observing the Lord's supper we sang a hymn and went out to our homes not talking to anyone, but just thinking about how the Lord's body was broken for our sins and how His blood was shed to redeem us from the curse of sin and to set us free.

While we were there I also accepted the call to pastor the church and so much of my time during these months to come will be spent there teaching this young church. The church also voted to pay the salary of a young preacher that we have in our church for him to study and work along with me and in my absence. Much of my time while I am there will be spent teaching him in hopes that in the end we will have a preacher that will go and work because the Lord has called him to do so. We have great hopes for this young man and he shows more promise than any other we have.

On that trip, there was very little water in the port there and we could not enter with our canoe, so we borrowed a small one and Mike took our supplies within about two hundred yards of the port. These last two hundred yards we had to carry our supplies through mud, over logs, stumps and thorns and of course as usual in a downpour of rain. Somewhere along the way I think I ruptured myself and although I was supposed to return there within a few days I am still here waiting for more water knowing that I could not stand another trip like that. The water is still low but I am feeling some better, so tomorrow I am going to try to make the trip.

During the two weeks we spent here waiting for more water, Mike and I finished the speed-boat we were building after which my wife and Mike painted it. We named it "Estrela Matutina", which means Morning Star. It runs very well and all we lack now is enough water to cover the stumps and logs in the river.

May the Lord bless all of you for His Glory.

In Him,

B. D. Creiglow

Yours in His service,  
George Bean



Pastor Mario Araujo baptizing six into the church at Japiim, State of Acre, Brazil. Japiim is on the Japiim River. To get there one leaves Cruzeiro do Sul and goes up the Jurua River about one turn in the river and turns right up the Moa River for a longways and then left up the Japiim River. This takes about a day in a small boat with small motor and the distance has been estimated as about 30 miles from Cruzeiro do Sul.



This is the Crowd that came to see Bobby Creiglow baptize four into the Church at Colonia, Acre, Brazil. Brother Creiglow had a great revival in this church.



Bobby Creiglow baptizing four into the fellowship of Calvary Baptist Church, Colonia, State of Acre, Brazil.



The little girl on the right is Cathy Amazonas Hatcher. She has just been baptized by her father, John Hatcher. Also the man standing next to Cathy was baptized by Brother Hatcher. These two into the Chapada Baptist Church. The woman on the left has just been baptized by Pastor Manoel Santos, who has the tie on, into the White Sands Baptist Church.



Vacation Bible School at Cambix by Harold Bratcher. The words on the building say BAPTIST CONGREGATION OF CAMBIXE. This place is three hours by boat from Manaus. Kneeling in the center holding the flag is Asa Mark Bratcher.

## Offerings For March 1965

Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. . . . .	\$ 134.85
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (L.B.C. for Teachers) . . . . .	10.00
Olmstead Baptist Church, Olmstead, Ky. . . . .	11.33
Bellview Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. . . . .	24.14
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill. . . . .	8.29
Julian Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. . . . .	27.20
Julian Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. (Teachers) . . . . .	15.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va. . . . .	77.40
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio (Station Wagon) . . . . .	10.00
Rupert Baptist Church, Rupert, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	138.53
New Hope Bapt. Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Teachers) . . . . .	27.71
Rollysburg Baptist Church, Talcott, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Hazel, Ky. . . . .	31.26
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Hickory, Ky. . . . .	6.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. . . . .	40.97
Port Norris Baptist Church, Port Norris, N.J. . . . .	25.00
Port Norris Baptist Church, Port Norris, N.J. . . . .	50.00
Pleasant Plains Baptist Church, Pleasant Plains, Ill. . . . .	21.02
New Testament Baptist Church, Creve Coeur, Ill. . . . .	21.00
Carinth Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. . . . .	80.00
Carinth Bapt. Church, Chicago, Ill. (For School) . . . . .	10.00
Bentley Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	41.43
White Oak Baptist Church, Booneville, Ky. . . . .	5.00
Cheney Baptist Church, Orlando, Fla. . . . .	62.53
Kirbyton Baptist Church, Bardwell, Ky. . . . .	10.63
Algonac Baptist Church, Marine City, Mich. . . . .	11.70
Morris Fork Baptist Church, Lawn, W. Va. . . . .	17.50
Battle Baptist Church, Mackville, Ky. . . . .	10.65
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky. . . . .	19.26
Faith Baptist Mission, Frankfort, Mich. . . . .	10.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Clay, W. Va. . . . .	13.50
Knotts Baptist Church, Orma, W. Va. . . . .	5.00
Hopewell Baptist Church, Arlington, Ky. . . . .	15.65
Kemp Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio . . . . .	10.00
Kemp Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio (Teachers) . . . . .	16.00
Stonewall Baptist Church, Sadleville, Ky. . . . .	15.71
Beulah Heights Baptist Mission, Eldorado, Ill. . . . .	5.00
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	20.00
Pleasant Ridge Bapt. Church, Lexington, Ky. (Teachers) . . . . .	20.00
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Building Fund in Peru) . . . . .	10.00
Southside Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. . . . .	56.16
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn. . . . .	50.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Portage, Ind. . . . .	83.58
Lagrange Baptist Church, Titusville, Fla. . . . .	9.47
Missionary Baptist Church, Gallagher, W. Va. . . . .	86.36
South Irvine Baptist Church, South Irvine, Ky. . . . .	30.00
Flat Rock Baptist Church, Flat Rock, Mich. . . . .	18.55
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. . . . .	63.34
Members of First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. . . . .	108.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. . . . .	42.38
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. (By Bible Learners Class) . . . . .	3.95
First Baptist Church, Hichins, Ky. . . . .	5.00
Elk Lick Baptist Church, Levi, Ky. . . . .	42.81
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. . . . .	30.00
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. (Intermediate S.S. Class for Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	5.00
Camp Nelson Baptist Church, Nicholasville, Ky. . . . .	5.00
Randolph Street Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va. . . . .	100.00
Ryan Road Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	51.42
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	150.05
Logona Baptist Church, Nicholasville, Ky. . . . .	11.80
Berea Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn. . . . .	25.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Connelton, Ind. . . . .	11.62
Faith Baptist Church, Wauseon, Ohio . . . . .	20.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. . . . .	62.00
Buttonsberry Baptist Church, Island, Ky. . . . .	8.00
Fellowship Baptist Youth, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	125.00

Carr Baptist Church, York, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	25.00
Beaver Dam Baptist Church, Villas, N.C. . . . .	6.50
Ballards Road Baptist Church, Ayden, N.C. . . . .	8.00
Mammoth Baptist Church, Urica, Mich. . . . .	59.13
First Baptist Church, Independence, Ky. . . . .	100.00
Worship Point Baptist Church, Lenoir, N.C. . . . .	20.00
Community Baptist Church, Mansfield, La. . . . .	15.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. . . . .	35.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (for Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	16.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil by L.B.C.) . . . . .	4.97
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, Ky. . . . .	20.00
New Testament Baptist Church, Greentown, Ohio. . . . .	15.00
Salem Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. (Building Fund in Peru) . . . . .	100.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, Ind. . . . .	10.77
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Nicholasville, Ky. (W. M. U.) . . . . .	5.00
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. . . . .	25.00
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky. . . . .	8.35
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky. . . . .	26.12
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky. . . . .	185.95
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla. (Bibles for Brother Creiglow) . . . . .	10.00
Peoples Baptist Church, East Alton, Ill. . . . .	60.00
Gilberts Creek Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky. . . . .	58.72
Mud Creek Baptist Church, Amba, Ky. . . . .	13.92
Member of Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky. . . . .	4.00
Little Sewell Baptist Church, Rainell, W. Va. . . . .	40.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Shack, W. Va. (Through Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	20.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, W. Va. (Through Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	20.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Valley View, Ky. . . . .	7.00
Dublin Baptist Church, Dublin, Ky. . . . .	50.00
Faith Baptist Church, Genesee, Mich. (L.B.C. for Teachers in Peru) . . . . .	30.00
Newby Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. . . . .	12.69
Maple Grove Baptist Church, Mt. Clemens, Mich. . . . .	30.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	26.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (For Teachers) . . . . .	50.00
Lookout Baptist Church, Lookout, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky. . . . .	50.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C. . . . .	39.09
Forest Grove Baptist Church, Villas, N.C. . . . .	45.92
Riverside Baptist Church, Richmond, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
East Main Baptist Church, Des Plains, Ill. . . . .	35.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	115.60
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Launch) . . . . .	115.60
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	400.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Launch) . . . . .	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (L.B.C.) . . . . .	10.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	140.69
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Teachers) . . . . .	35.17
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Ohio . . . . .	32.37
First Baptist Church, Siloam, Ky. . . . .	129.84
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, Miss. . . . .	27.56
Morgan Avenue Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind. . . . .	67.00
Elder G. B. Trent, Williamson, W. Va. . . . .	40.00
W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn. . . . .	2.00
Elder G. B. Trent, Williamson, W. Va. . . . .	40.00
Mrs. Blanch Bryan, Vanceburg, Ky. . . . .	1.00
Miss Marguerite Hallum, Hammond, La. . . . .	30.00
Mrs. Bona O. Keith, Barger Texas (Interest on Bond) . . . . .	2.50
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond May, Grundy, Va. . . . .	22.50
Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Billings, Huntington, W. Va. . . . .	22.00
Elder G. B. Trent, Williamson, W. Va. . . . .	40.00
Mrs. Katie Buffin, Versailles, Ky. (School in Brazil) . . . . .	25.00
S. F. Sturgeon, Winfield, W. Va. . . . .	30.00

Miss Wilodene Hardy, Tupelo, Miss. . . . .	5.00
Received in March for Teachers in Brazil . . . . .	284.85
Received in March for Teachers in Peru . . . . .	30.00
Received in March for Building Fund in Peru . . . . .	110.00
Received in March for Station Wagon Fund . . . . .	10.00
Received in March for Bible for B.D. Creiglow . . . . .	10.00
Received in March for Launch Fund . . . . .	165.00
Received in March for Regular Fund . . . . .	4,455.86
Received in March for all Purposes . . . . .	5,065.71

### OFFERINGS FROM NEW CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS

First Baptist Church, Independence, Ky. . . . .	\$ 100.00
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### OFFERINGS FOR TEACHERS FUND IN BRAZIL, MARCH 1965

Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. . . . .	\$ 10.00
Julian Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. . . . .	15.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	27.71
Corinth Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. . . . .	10.00
Kemp Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio . . . . .	16.00
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	20.00
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. . . . .	5.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	50.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	35.17
Mrs. Katie Buffin, Versailles, Ky. . . . .	25.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. . . . .	16.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (L.B.C.) . . . . .	4.97
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Last month we listed \$16.00 that should have been \$66.00. To correct error) . . . . .	50.00
Total Received in March 65 for Teachers in Brazil . . . . .	284.85
Cash on Hand Teachers Fund this Date . . . . .	420.95

### OFFERINGS FOR TEACHERS FUND IN PERU, MARCH 1965

Faith Baptist Church, Genesee, Mich. . . . .	\$ 30.00
Cash on Hand Teachers Fund this Date . . . . .	130.00

### OFFERINGS FOR BUILDING FUND IN PERU, MARCH, 1965

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	\$ 10.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. . . . .	100.00
Total Received in March 1965 for Building Fund in Peru . . . . .	110.00
Cash on Hand Building Fund, Pucallpa, Peru this Date . . . . .	315.00

### OFFERINGS FOR STATION WAGON FUND IN MARCH, 1965

Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio . . . . .	\$ 10.00
Deficit in Station Wagon Fund this Date . . . . .	254.95

### OFFERINGS FOR BIBLES FOR BOB CREIGLOW, MARCH, 1965

Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla. . . . .	\$ 10.00
Cash on Hand Creiglow Bible Fund this Date . . . . .	22.85

### OFFERINGS FOR LAUNCH FUND IN MARCH, 1965

Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	115.60
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	50.00
Total Received in March for Launch Fund . . . . .	165.00
Cash on Hand Launch Fund this Date . . . . .	2,967.48