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# MISSION SHEETS

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## Two More Churches Organized In Brazil . . . .



John Hatcher baptizing one of ten in a lake at Pirapitinga. Note the water plant that covers the water of the lake. Nine more lined up waiting to be baptized.



John Hatcher with the ten he baptized in the picture at the left. Read his letter for the full story of this great missionary journey.



These stood on the bank of the lake at Pirapitinga and watched John Hatcher Baptize the ten in the picture at the left.



"Singing His Praises". The organization service of the church at Pirapitinga. The ten baptized above and seven others make up the 17 charter members of the new church. Thrilling pictures of what your mission offerings are accomplishing.



Brother Raimundo Pereira leads the singing at the open air organization of the church. Note Paul Hatcher is playing the accordion. This is the front of the picture at the left. So another Baptist Church, like the one Jesus organized comes into being.



Raimundo Pereira. The new church called him to be her pastor. He and his wife are students in our Baptist Seminary in Manaus, and he has four children in our school there. These six pictures tell the story, step by step.



The Baptist Faith Mission Launch docked in the Amazon River at Codajaz, Amazonas, Brazil, 300 miles up river from Manaus. The John Hatcher family arrive and go to work. See picture at the right.



John Hatcher baptizing three in the Amazon River at Codajaz. Besides directing school, and pastoring a church, and preaching in between times, he and his family make journeys into the interior between school terms.



"On the Amazon River steep bank we stand" and sing praises unto our God. These attended and watched John Hatcher baptize the picture at the left. Thus in these three pictures you have another story, step by step.

### NEW CHURCHES ORGANIZED IN BRAZIL

In this issue John Hatcher mentions in his letter about two churches being organized in Brazil. If we have counted right this makes 47 churches in Brazil and Peru as of this date. There were five churches organized in 1967 and two so far in 1968. Truly the Preacher's School (Seminary as it is called in Brazil) is paying off. We need more and more native preachers (there is a great shortage right now). From time to time we lose a church, by someone going in and persuading them to go with them. Brother Creiglow tells in his letter about another mission trying to take over the church at Monte Verde, that Harold Bratcher worked so hard to establish. But God is on the throne and we rejoice and take courage.

### FURLOUGH EXPENSES

In July of this year 1968, just three more months, the Harold Bratchers and the George Beans will be returning to Brazil and the John Hatchers and the Bobby Creiglows will be coming home on furlough after four years of service on the field. This will cost for plane tickets alone about \$5,000.00 or more. There are now direct flights from Miami Florida to Manaus, Brazil without having to go to Belem and then up the river to Manaus. These direct flights will save Baptist Faith Missions a lot of money. There is also now a direct flight from Miami to Iquitos, Peru without having to fly to Lima and then back over the Andes Mountains to Iquitos. This also will save us a lot of money in plane travel. May the Lord lay it on the hearts of some pastors to lead their churches to help in these plane fares as listed above. Pray about it and give as the Lord leads.

### NEW MISSIONARIES NEEDED

New Missionaries are needed for everywhere in Brazil and Peru. But especially in Peru. Del Mayfield has said that he will not come home on furlough and leave his work in Pucallpa, Peru as he did the last time for others to split off and try to take over. Please pray about this so that someone will be there to care for the work.

### FURNISHINGS FOR MISSION HOUSE

In last month's issue of this paper we listed the things needed to furnish the Mission House in Lexington, Ky for the John Hatchers to live in while on furlough beginning in July. You will notice on page four that a total of \$708.00 was given for the month, and \$308.00 of the total was given by those attending the Spring Conference in Lexington, Ky. Please give towards this as the Lord leads and mark your offering for "Home Furnishings" and mail in the regular way.

### BIBLE FUND

As of this date we have on hand \$334.92 to buy Bibles and Medicines for where George Bean works in Sao Luis. Then we have on hand \$500.00 to buy Bibles for both Brazil and Peru. This fund is well taken care of for the present. Bibles are bought by the missionaries and given to those who can read and use them. But they are not given out just to be thrown away.

### SPECIAL NEEDS

There are always special needs for the mission work. Right now we need a car for Walter Lauerman to use in Iquitos, Peru. He wants a Volkswagen with a pickup bed on the rear to haul things in. This is needed as soon as we can get it. Then after the next furloughs in July 1969, we will need another Jeep in Manaus, Brazil so both Bratcher and Hatcher will have one to use and also at that time we will need a Jeep for Creiglow to use in Cruzeiro do Sul. Roads are opening up there so that now Creiglow can go to six of the eight churches part of the time in a Jeep as well as in a boat and this will save many days and hours of time. And then after his furlough a year later, Henderson will need a Jeep when he selects his own field and gets settled on it. Several churches give regularly to this LAND TRANSPORTATION FUND each month and we now have \$2,225.00 in this fund. Maybe some pastor and church would like to raise the money and buy one of these Jeeps or cars or station wagons as per the need on the field as a special mission project of your church. You have a year to do it in. Pray about it.

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## 19 Days Trip Up The Amazon River . . . Church Organized At Pirapitinga With 17 Members . . . Baptist Hospitality And Fellowship That Brings Joy . . . Church Organized At Maira Antonia Island With 17 Members

By John Hatcher

Dear Brethren,  
 Manaus, Amazonas  
 Feb. 23, 1968

This has been a great month for us, as almost all are. In our last letter the conference was the topic of discussion. Brother Creiglow and Brenda left on Friday following the close of the conference and Brother Henderson and Sister Henderson were able to prolong their visit for a few days. It was not exactly a vacation for during those few days we finished the church building at the Beautiful Garden Baptist Church. Our visits are like the desert oases, few and far between.



John Hatcher

### Mission Trip Planned

It had been decided that as soon as the conference and all was over that our family would take the month of February for a trip to visit churches and places that for a long time we had desired to go. Everything was dropped and on the first of the month we left Manaus. Leaving Manaus late in the afternoon of the first day of February it was necessary to stop and drop anchor in a small lake to pass the night. Early the next day we were on our way and by early evening arrived at Manacapuru. Brother Pedro who takes care of the mission in this little city was in Manaus and we only visited some of the members which we know. The mission here is out of the Fourteenth of December Baptist Church. At five o'clock in the morning we were on our way and after about seven hours travel arrived at Pirapitinga. At this point we found a large fishing boat loaded and headed for market in Manaus. The boat had broken the drive shaft to the propeller and we threw them a line and pulled it out into the middle of the river where the current would carry them downstream until a boat would come along and tow them into Manaus. There is no telephone and wrecker service here, believe me.

### PIRAPITINGA

After tying up the launch and asking information of the residents close by we prepared for our trip inland. This was to be an hour's trip by foot. After a half hour we left the last planting of crops and entered into virgin forest. During one hour we did not see sunshine on our feet due to the heavy foliage and density of the forest. After one hour we came out into an area of planted fields and in another forty minutes arrived at a lake where we had to be transported by canoe. From the other shore the house, our destination, was only five minutes away. The one hour trip was two hours and twenty minutes. During the trip we crossed three streams on logs and four by going through the streams. In one Alta lost both shoes and it took her and Paul about fifteen minutes to find them. In one stream the children spotted a small alligator and killing it with the rifle they carried it to prepare for supper. Our plans had been to return to the launch and for this reason did not take our baggage. However, Mrs. Hatcher and the girls stayed and at six in evening the boys and I along with Wilson traveled back to the launch to get our hammocks and clothes to pass the days we were to stay. The trip of two hours was made under heavy rains which lasted during the entire trip and far into the night. After drying and fixing a lunch we fell into bed with aching feet and legs.

The next morning we were on our way at six o'clock with our packs of baggage and at eight we arrived at the house of Brother Raimundo where our home would be for the next few days. Brother Raimundo was not at home for he had made a trip of four or five hours to another place to have services. At nine o'clock church services were started and there was a good service. About one o'clock in the afternoon Brother Raimundo and those who went with him arrived. We were royally treated during our stay here. Early Monday the men killed a pig and it was truly delicious. Besides there was fish, fresh corn, bananas, guava pears, palm fruits and a thousand joys.

### "Ten Baptized and Church Organized

There were in this place ten persons who had been baptized by a "baptist" preacher who had left his wife and was living with another woman and who baptized without any church authority. These ten persons gave testimony of being saved and desired to be baptized. After the baptism there were seven others making a total of 17 who desired to be organized into a church. After preaching several sermons about the doctrines and responsibilities of the church these manifesting their desire to be organized into a church stood and covenanted together, and by the authority of the Tabernacle Baptist Church were constituted into a Baptist church to be called the Pirapitinga Baptist Church. The new church called Brother Raimundo Pereira as their pastor and his ordination will be held by the Tabernacle Baptist Church. Brother Raimundo and his wife are students in the Seminary and have four children, three of which study in our schools. On the day of our departure five of the brethren helped us carry our baggage to the launch.

### Anama - Good Faith Mission

Our next stop was at a place called Anama. This is where we spent one week in December. Arriving in time on Wednesday for the evening service was an advantage for the people did not have to be advised of the meeting. There was a large crowd and one young man made a profession of faith. On the next morning, Thursday, baptismal service was held and the young man and a lady who had been saved in December were baptized. Thursday night a preaching service was held in the home of an unbeliever with about 70 persons present. This mission has 17 baptized believers and they are already preparing to build their meeting house. It may be that this work will be organized before we come home.

### Codajas

Our next stop was Codajas. Here the people were expecting our arrival since a telegram had been sent. Codajas is 300 miles up the Amazon above Manaus. On Saturday night an open air service was held in the public square and two children, a boy and a girl of one of the members of the church made professions of faith. Good services were held on Sunday and on Sunday afternoon three were baptized into the fellowship of the Codajas Baptist Church. The people seemed to fall in love with my family and also my family fell in love with the people. In each place there was work for the children each morning and sometimes in the afternoon. This will be told in another letter. Here in Codajas there were 137 children one afternoon.

### Liberty of the People

Here in Codajas the people invited us to their homes, gave us 20 pounds of fresh meat, brazil nuts, 15 coconuts, and many other tokens of love. Across the Amazon River and up another small stream is the 25th of December Baptist Church.

### Sucuriju

Sucuriju is the name of the monstrous snake that has become legendary in all Brazil. It is here that the 25th of December Baptist is located. The church here has built a lovely building and are already building another and hope to use the first building for a pastor's home. It was a real thrill to be here. This church is contaminated with a doctrine which is very prevalent among some Baptists here especially the Regular Baptists. They refuse to baptize anyone until they have been put a probation for some time usually a year. Also they do not want to baptize anyone less than 16 or 17 years of age. However, they listened well to the explanation of the Scriptures and perhaps they will see the light. The brethren of this church seem to be zealous in the Lord's work and missionary. One brother asked if I would with him to see a lady who was very sick. It was about an hour trip in the launch. The woman has what they call here "beef heart". She is paralyzed on one side and cannot speak more than a word or two. She nodded with her head that she was desirous that the scriptures be read and explained. After explaining how God saves sinners I asked her, since she could not talk, to extend her hand as a sign if she would trust Christ and was trusting him as the Saviour. This she did. After singing two hymns and reading some verses for her consolation we returned to Sucuriju.

While we talked with the lady, Lynn gathered all the children there together, perhaps twenty and had a Bible story for them.

Here at Sucuriju there were four professions of faith and on the second day of our visit the church authorized me to baptize five candidates.

### Muritiba

The next day at six in the morning we were on our way. The people at Sucuriju gave us eleven chickens to take with us for food. Two of the brethren from Sucuriju went with us on up the river since they knew the way and places which we planned to visit. In early afternoon we arrived at our destination and the people cut a path through the high grass back to their house which is a half hour walk. The grass which grows along the bank of the Amazon reaches a height of over eight and nine feet. In spite of rain we had a good service and after service went back to the launch. We had developed generator trouble and the second day while the others had the work with the children, Brother Wilson and I spent the morning in the engine room of the launch. The generator had come loose and the jarring had damaged the ball bearing unit in the front of the generator and lowered the armature to where it was damaging the fields. We were able to repair and get it into working condition, and that afternoon went to our other preaching point. This time services were held on a floating house and there were 74 persons who attended.

### Camara

The next day our journey was to a place called Camara. Brother Atadeu dos Santos works here but the day before we arrived he had gone with his family to another place. That place being a distance of six hours by canoe we did not have time to go but stayed and visited the village and held services two nights. The first night 150 persons attended and the second night there were 180 in attendance. On Sunday morning it rained



Crowd after the morning service at Mapa, Cocha, pray before going to the river for the baptizing.



Native missionary Purificacion in the Aluminum boat at Pina Blanca on the Itaya River in the interior out from Iquitos, Peru.

## All Churches Going Well . . . New Mission Building Going Up . . . Visit By The Homer Crains

By Walter Lauerman

Iquitos, Peru

Dear Brethren,  
 March 17, 1968

First a look at the river churches: Mapa Cocha: after the one being saved last month, (first in 5 years) there was another profession of faith this month and now brethren hold your hat, SEVEN BAPTIZED ON Feb. 25th, hold on yet! four more are working out



Walter Lauerman

plans to be legally married so as to be baptized. Now brethren would you thank God with me---San Antonio: A week of Bible School with 30 in attendance from 10 to 30 in regular services. This was the church you know that was dead and now alive, 13 have been saved since the work has been revived and several contemplating baptism. Bro. Jorge Macahuachi, pastor at Hojeal, helped Brother Enriquez (pastor) in their Bible School---Hojeal and Astoria: Bible School will be held this week in Hojeal. Daughter of the pastor was saved. They plan a Revival from the 25 until 29th of this month. In Astoria attendance and offerings are real good. They plan to put a concrete floor in the church building and maybe to enlarge also. Hojeal Church by the way has added a Sunday School room on to their building. Jorge Macahuachi is pastor of both of these churches.---Tamshiyacu: Had a real revival and had from 60 to 70 present every night. Two professions of faith and regular attendance about 55. In their mission at Santa Ana they have two services a week, this place shows much promise of a church in the future. Pastor Marcial Macahuachi really has his church missionary minded and Going-Giving-and Praying.

We have named our mission here in Iquitos, The Second Baptist Mission and will be called the Second Baptist Church when organized. Missionary Purificacion Taricumarima has charge of both Sunday services now and I handle the weekly service. I baptized three on February 25th from the

Mission and we now have 11 baptized members in our Mission. Work on the building for this Mission is progressing although there are just four of us doing the work, Daniel Garcia, my assistant, Purificacion and another brother from the Mission are doing all the work on the building. This saves us a lot of money and we are getting it done slowly but surely. We ought to have the walls all up in the next few days and then put the roof on. We are taking pictures along as the work progresses. Several times someone has knocked down parts of the wall during the night and then we have to come the next day and rebuild it, but the devil using that priest is not going to get the best of us. We are determined, (four of us) to get that building done somehow and someday and someday, then as I have said before I have another place that I would like to start a new work. The First Church was down to about 55 in Sunday School, night crowds are still good and Wednesday night not too badly either. Our offerings are always real good. Last but not least the Homer Crains visited with us. It was just wonderful. We spent most of the five days that they had here getting things out of Customs for him to take with him to Pucallpa and we did not get to leave Iquitos. Brother Crain preached for us three times in the church and once at the Mission and everyone liked him and are still talking about him. They say that he is the biggest of the Americans that they have seen. Truly we had a good time, all of our family and the kids think that his jokes are as good as Bro. Henderson's. Especially with the joke, "Is there any eggs under there?" My wife says that she also enjoyed Sister Crain as much as anyone that she has met. Now we are waiting for the arrival of Brother Hille and Brother Clark, the visit that they promised us this year. We thank God for all of His blessings and may the Lord richly bless all of you and continue to pray for us.

Yours in Him,

Walter F. Lauerman

## Twenty Five Sermons In Eight Baptist Churches The Last Month

By Harold Bratcher

Dearborn Hgts., Michigan  
 March 19, 1968

Let me share with you the text for the revival service tonight. Colossians 4:5-6 "Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

We give thanks to the Lord for having had the privilege of preaching some 25 sermons in 8 different churches and showing the slides of the work in Brazil some 6 times since the writing of the last Mission Sheet Letter.

On Wednesday night, February 21st I showed some of the slides and preached at the Addyston, Ohio, Baptist Church where Rex Hensley is pastor.

On Sunday, February 25th it was my privilege to preach at all three services and attend Sunday School and speak to the Adult Training Union Group at the Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky. Ross Range is the pastor of this church where we have been members since we have been home on furlough. A special offering for



Harold Bratcher

ed steadily and heavily all morning and still 64 persons came for morning services. There were three professions of faith here.

After services we traveled downriver to Sucuriju where we stayed for night services. At 4:15 A.M. the next day we were on our way to Manaus and after 15 hours and 45 minutes of non-stop traveling we arrived in Manaus under the cover of darkness.

Finding all in peace and having made such a wonderful trip our hearts were full of gratitude to our Heavenly Father.

In Him,

John A. Hatcher

On Feb. 18, The Peniel Baptist Church organized the Maria Antonia Island Mission into the Maria Antonia Island Baptist Church with 17 members. Seminary student Moises Lima was called as pastor and will be ordained by the Peniel Baptist Church.

J.A.H.

Baptist Faith Missions was received throughout the day.

On Wednesday, February 28th I preached and showed part of the slides at the Fellowship Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky. W. D. Hudley is the pastor.

On Saturday night, March 2nd, I showed the slides and then on Sunday, preached at the New Testament Baptist Church, Creve Coeur, Illinois. Mitchell Lewis is the pastor. Bro. Lewis served for some 7 years as a missionary under Baptist Faith Missions in Peru.

Each night from March 4-14, I served as the evangelist in a revival with the Linden Street Baptist Church of Richmond, Kentucky. Bradley Johns is the pastor. The Lord blessed us with a gracious revival. There were 9 who made professions of faith and asked for baptism, 3 who asked to be received into the fellowship of the church by letter and 17 of the members who rededicated themselves to the Lord. We praise the Lord!!

Saturday morning, March 16th I had to bid the wife and three sons good-by for almost two weeks. I drove then to Mount Morris, Michigan where Saturday night after a fellowship supper of the church I showed the slides to the pastor and members of the Home Baptist Church. Bro. Don Titus is the pastor. On Sunday morning I attended the Sunday School and then preached at the Morning Services of the Home Church. The Lord blessed with one coming for scriptural baptism. That Sunday night I enjoyed showing the slides and preaching at the New Hope Baptist Church of Mount Morris where James Kissell is pastor.

Last night I began a revival with Pastor Harry J. Hille and the New Hope Baptist Church of Dearborn, Heights, Michigan. This revival will continue through Sunday night, March 24th.

We pray the Lord's richest blessings to be upon you. I close by making the same request of you that Paul made of the Colossians in Colossians 4:2-3 "Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving; withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ . . ."

Yours In His Service,  
Harold Bratcher



# Work Doing Well In Most Places . . . Has Developed An Ulcer . . . Three Hours Of Witnessing To A Catholic Priest

By Dempsey Henderson

Dear Brethren,  
Greetings once again in the precious name of Jesus. It is wonderful to know Him as Saviour, and to serve Him as Lord and Master. This past month has been a month of varied experiences and activities, but with little accomplished, as I have been somewhat "under the weather."

Sao Luis, Maranhao  
March 22, 1968

I made another trip to Toboca about 3 weeks ago, and it was quite an experience. I left home not feeling too well, and when we arrived at the place where we leave the jeep, it was starting to rain, but it soon stopped, and we made the trip without getting wet. We had good services in Toboca, though there were no professions of faith, and the crowds were small because of rain, we thank the Lord for His blessings, and for the faithfulness and growth of at least some of the believers. Tuesday night it rained all night long and until about mid-morning the next day. It finally stopped raining, and we started on our trip back home. In spite of a lot of water and rain, but the mercy of the Lord, we made the trip back home safely. We also made arrangements with the owner of the port where we cross the river to have services there on our next trip. The work on the building is going well, and should be finished soon.



Dempsey Henderson

The work at Vila Maranhao is doing real well. Their mission at Itaqui is growing some now. I baptized an elderly lady and a teen-age girl into the fellowship of the Vila Maranhao Church from their work in Itaqui. The elderly lady made a profession one night while I was preaching, and the young girl came to us from the holy-rollers. There are others there who are also awaiting baptism.

The work at Anajatuia is doing well also. Of course, the work at Toboca is a mission out of this church. There have been 2 professions of faith in the services at Anajatuia this past month, but no baptisms.

In the work here in town, things have not been going so well this past month. We have been losing more than we have been gaining, but we have been having some good services, with new visitors; some showing interest in being saved, and others in moving their membership to our church. For

this we thank God and take courage. We have had one addition by letter in the church here in town this past month. Our work in Tirirical has suffered a set-back and we had to leave the house where we were having services, but the Lord has provided us with another house, and we are going on with the work.

The French Catholic priest that I mentioned talking to sometime back came to my house one day this past month and had lunch with me, and I preached to him for about 3 hours. He finally admitted that salvation was by faith in Christ only. He also denied a lot of things that I know the Catholic church teaches, and what he didn't deny, he admitted was error and foolishness, and that they ought not to be teaching it, but as far as I know, he is still teaching it. I pray that the Lord will open his eyes and heart and save him. I also have a real good friend here who is a Catholic, or was a Catholic. He says that he is not a Catholic anymore. I have had to combat the errors of Catholicism, Adventism, Mormonism, and I don't remember now what else, in order to present the truth to this man, for he had read after and talked to all of them. The other day he told me that he had talked to very few men who knew as much about the Bible as I did. Of course, it is easy to understand why, when you consider that he has been talking mostly to heretics who know nothing about the truth of the Bible and that through studying the Scriptures, he had come to realize that what I had been telling him was the truth. I pray that he will soon be saved. He is a lawyer, and also owns a store. He has been a real friend to me since I have been here.

I have been losing a lot of weight and feeling very weak and nervous lately, so I went to the doctor Monday for a complete physical check-up. They found that I have another ulcer in the duodenum. He said that it had just started, and that with proper treatment, it should heal without difficulty. He prescribed medicine, a strict diet, and one month of rest and relaxation. He advised me not to drive the jeep, or make any trips. I don't know how I will be able to do this, and take care of the work, too, but the Lord knows, and he will make a way. Please pray for us and the work here. I rejoice in reading of the Lord's blessing on the work and the brethren in other places where we have work. God bless you all richly, is our prayer.

Yours in Him,  
Dempsey Henderson



25th of December Baptist Church, near Codajas, Amazonas, Brazil about 300 miles up the Amazon River above Manaus.



The Baptist Faith Mission Launch anchored at Anama, Amazonas, Brazil. It is a high bank and David and John Hatcher climb it.



Walter Lauerman baptizing a man in the baptistry of the First Baptist Church, Iquitos, Peru. This makes nine adults in the new mission in Iquitos.



Abram Giamo and the seven he baptized into the church at Mapa Cocha, near Iquitos, Peru. Seven more Baptists in Peru.

## Problems In Making A Missionary Journey . . . Great Experiences . . . Bible School And Revival . . . Interesting Letter

By Bobby Creiglow

Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre  
March 14, 1968

Dear Brethren,  
Soon after the close of the revival meeting here in Cruzeiro do Sul, we were busy getting ready for a trip up the Moa River to the same place Mike had gone over a year ago, which is the last house in the Moa River. Within a few days we had everything ready, but I had several problems to take care of before I could go, one of which was Bro. Raul. He had just been here a week and had not had time to know his way around to the work, so I could not leave him without anything to do for a month. We solved this by deciding to take him with us, but then it created another problem by having three preachers on the same trip doing only one work. Mike was in a hurry to get started because the high water time is fast coming to a close and we still want to make a long trip up the Juraua before it is all gone, but I did not have supplies bought for the family, so I told those two to go on and make the trip and I would find something else to do while they were gone. They left on Friday and I spent the day planning what I would do for the next month while they were gone, but Saturday morning when I answered a knock at the door there stood Bro. Raul. He told me that just after three hours traveling they hit a submerged log and broke the motor that was already cracked. They tried to get it fixed to at least get back to Cruzeiro do Sul, but it was useless. They began to paddle and Bro. Raul asked Mike if they could make it back home within a half a day, when a boat came along. The man said he would tow them, so they tied on and nine and a half hours later when dark caught them they were still about an hour from Cruzeiro do Sul. They slept in the home of a man that has a motor just like the one they were using, so they borrowed it, and within a few minutes were here. Our other motor, also, was not very good so we decided to try to make one out of two. Before night came we had one running and on Sunday we all three went to Mourapiranga for services and on the way back the motor did not run very well, so I told them it would not be wise to start out on a three



Bobby Creiglow

hundred mile trip with a motor like that. We knew about what we were in for because it was the same trouble Mike had when he had the long trip up the Juraua in December and the same part was worn out in both motors. The next two or three days were spent making that part and getting it to working. The next day when Mike went to buy gasoline for the trip the motor would not start again and he came home very unhappy. I found that it had sheared a fly-wheel key, so after making several we soon had it running again, but I told him it would be wise to run it for two or three hours before starting out on the trip, which they did. Just ten days after they left the first time, they left the second time. They planned to spend three weeks, but we got a letter from them this week saying that the priest had been up there and the people were all afraid to let them have services and it looked like they might have to return sooner than they planned due to lack of places to preach. They did say they were having a good trip though with seven professions of faith. We look for them back next week.

While we were at Mourapiranga I made plans to spend a week with the church there to have Bible school and revival meeting. I left on Sunday before Mike left on Monday and spent eight days. We had a very good week with an average of fifty-eight in Bible school. I told only three stories during the week and then had a contest between the boys and girls to see which could answer the most questions. They answered ninety-seven questions with the boys winning forty-nine to forty-eight. We also had good night services and we had two professions of faith on the last Sunday. Next Sunday I will go to Maita for a week of Bible school and revival, also. When I get back we plan to go up to Juraua.

The grade school of the church here in Cruzeiro do Sul has had to close its enrollment because of lack of space. They now have seventy-two enrolled. The school is, also, self-supporting and is operating in the Sunday-school rooms.

May the Lord Bless each and every one of you.

In Him,  
B. D. Creiglow

## Great Time With The Homer Crains . . . Trip To San Francisco . . . New Mission Building

By Del Mayfield

Pucallpa, Peru, S.A.  
March 18, 1968

Dear Brethren,  
This has been to us a wonderful month. It's not often we have visitors here in this part of the world, but when we do we sure enjoy ourselves. Bro. and Sister Homer Crain were with us six days, and there was only one thing wrong, they didn't stay long enough. They arrived the 7th and were to leave the 12th, but thank the Lord the plane didn't leave until the next day, so we had another day of fellowship with them. We just about ran them to death, as I'll relate some of our activities.



Del Mayfield

Brother Crain preached Sunday the 10th at both of our services here. Sunday morning there were three who came forward at the invitation, two for baptism and one to profess his faith in Christ. I'm sure we had one of our largest crowds Sunday night even though no one was saved. Monday morning we took the new fiber glass boat that we bought or I should say traded. (I'll tell about this later in my letter.) When we arrived at the river the water had gone down, and we had to get some fellows to help us put boards down to get the boat over the mud and into the water. We arrived at San Francisco about 11:30 A.M. The people were still waiting for us, and we started our service just a few minutes before 12:00 noon. Bro. Crain preached with me doing the interpreting. Bro. Crain called me his interpreter instead of interpreter. He brought a message on "Why Jesus Came" and when we gave the invitation there were four that came trusting Christ as their Saviour. I told the people I knew why the Devil tried to keep us from coming, and we all thanked the Lord for the service even if we were late. After the service Bro. Lucho Ruboca wanted us to have dinner with him, but we were afraid that we couldn't make it back in time to get ready for the opening service in the new mission. So we left rejoicing that we'd been able to see four souls saved. We arrived back in Pucallpa late, and very hungry as we didn't have any dinner. Of

course we made up for that at supper.

Opening of the new mission and in our new building was a blessing we'll never forget. We were expecting a good crowd, and that we had. There were about 200 inside with about that many outside. We had every bench filled and people standing. We had a great service, even though there were no visible results.

The Crains were to leave Tue. morning, but the plane went to Tenga Maria and didn't arrive back in time Tue. afternoon for them to leave for Iquitos. So Bro. Crain got to preach the second night at the mission. We didn't have the crowd we had the first night, but the Lord blessed in the service. We hope that the Crains will come back some day and visit us again. Thanks Bro. Crain for coming, and your wife also.

Here at the church we have started the fence around the school building. This is going to make it much better for our children. We hope not to finish the wall all the way around. We have started registering children for our school, and I'm sure we'll have to turn many away this year. Pray for the work here, as we try to do His will. Our attendance has been very good. We also have two other families to get married so they can be baptized. We baptized two families this past month. So the Lord is blessing here.

At San Francisco there were nine saved, and they have several to get married legally so they can be baptized. Bro. Lucho has been on the mountain top the past few weeks, and we're very happy for him. He sure had it rough for a long time, but God always pays off for faithfulness. Continue to pray for the work there. Our day school there is going to be much better this year, with many more students than we had last year.

I said I'd mention about the new fiberglass boat. There was a fellow here who quit the river work and said he'd trade outfits with me. So we traded, and I know we got the best end of the deal. It sure is a lovely boat. I sent some pictures so you could see for yourself. We do thank each one who has a part in our work here. May God richly bless each one of you.

Yours in His Grace,  
Del Mayfield

## Pucallpa Building Needs

Del Mayfield is now building the block wall fence around the house, church building and school building in Pucallpa, Peru. When this wall is finished the buildings with the wall fence around them will be complete in Pucallpa, Peru. Please remember this need. Everything is paid for now except this wall fence. We will keep you informed as the amount needed.

## Visiting Churches In The Interest Of The Work . . . Revival Meetings

By George Bean

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March 16, 1968

Dear Brethren,  
I greet you in the name of our Lord by means of the M.S. desiring a blessing upon each reader. I have been busy this month running to and fro telling folk about the mission work in Sao Luis, Maranhao, Brasil. I guess the missionary comes home for a change, not for a rest. To date I have spoken in 65 Baptist Churches, more than once in some, and in some I have held meetings. I can say that God's people have treated me better than I ever deserve. I can say thanks to everyone of you.



George Bean

Now to relate the month's preaching activity. Feb. 21, we were with The Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. Bro. Roundtree is pastor. I preached and then showed the slides. Sat. Feb. 24 & 25 I was with the New Testament Baptist Church, Greentown, Ohio, Carl Calley, pastor. Sat. night I showed the slides and Sun. I preached at both services.

Feb. 28 I was with The Camp Nelson Baptist Church, Camp Nelson, Ky. Bro. Conrad Jacklin pastor. I showed the slides here. Friday March 1, I showed the slides at The Banklick St. Baptist Church, Covington, Ky. Bro. Andy Sexton pastor. I also spoke at this church Sat. night and both services on Sunday. Monday March 4, I started a meeting with the First Baptist Church, Alexander, Ky. Bro. Warren Redding pastor. I also showed the slides twenty minutes before the preaching services each evening. We sure did enjoy ourselves in the home of Bro. Redding. They are lovable people in the Lord, and we also enjoyed ourselves at the church services. The Lord blessed despite this unworthy servant's preaching. We had four who came on profession of faith, one lady came for scriptural baptism, six came for rededication. The meeting ended March 10.

March 13 & 14 I was with The Faith Baptist Church, near Barbourville, Ky. Bro. James De Borde is the pastor. I preached there Wed. night and showed the slides Thursday night. May the Lord bless each and everyone is our prayer.

In Him,  
George Bean



John Hatcher baptizing at Anama, Amazonas, Brazil. "Buried in the likeness of His death". Another Baptist in Brazil.



After a long walk Mrs. John Hatcher and daughter Lynn bathe their feet. Read about the walk in Hatcher's letter.



74 persons come to the service in this floating house to hear John Hatcher preach the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.



Baptist hospitality in the interior of Brazil. The brethren kill a pig and dress it and here they hold parts of it ready for the open fire.



This Baptist layman is seen roasting part of pig while Mrs. John Hatcher and three Brazilian women look on.



Big fish for sale at Codajaz, Amazonas, Brazil. The boy has a large fish on each end of the pole on his shoulder.

## Offerings for March 1968

Algonac Baptist Church, Algonac, Mich. . . . .	\$ 26.45
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill. . . . .	13.80
New Testament Baptist Church, Creve Coeur, Ill. . . . .	21.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. . . . .	42.32
Pleasant Plains Baptist Church, Pleasant Plains, Ill. . . . .	25.43
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	20.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	25.00
Beaver Dam Baptist Church, Vilas, N.C. . . . .	12.30
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky. . . . .	24.60
Bentley Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	265.36
Bethel Baptist Church, McKenra, Ill. . . . .	10.88
Bible Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va. . . . .	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn. . . . .	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Madisonville, Ky. . . . .	10.52
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, Ohio . . . . .	83.12
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. . . . .	8.10
Car Baptist Church, York, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Corinth Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. . . . .	80.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	150.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. . . . .	35.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	16.00
First Baptist Church, Crete, Ill. . . . .	54.31
Members of First Baptist Church, Norman, Okla. . . . .	66.00
Member of First Baptist Church, Port Norris, N.J. . . . .	100.00
Members of First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. . . . .	87.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. . . . .	39.60
Forest Grove Baptist Church, Vilas, N.C. . . . .	50.36
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio . . . . .	40.00
Grace Bapt. Church, Fairborn, Ohio (Station Wagon Fund) . . . . .	10.00
Baptist Temple, Ravenswood, W. Va. . . . .	5.00
First Baptist Church, Independence, Ky. . . . .	100.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, Ohio . . . . .	29.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	600.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Boat & Motor Fund) . . . . .	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (L.B.C.) . . . . .	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (L.B.C.) Furnishings for Mission House) . . . . .	25.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Ohio . . . . .	30.21
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Washing Machine for Mission House) . . . . .	198.00
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	390.00
Home Bapt. Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Land Transportation) . . . . .	92.00
Hopewell Baptist Church, Arlington, Ky. . . . .	14.80
Knotts Baptist Church, Orma, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. . . . .	87.38
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky. . . . .	77.86
Little Sewell Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Lagana Baptist Church, Lagana, Ky. . . . .	17.55
Morgan Avenue Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind. . . . .	59.45
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Perkins, W. Va. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	22.52
Hepzibah Baptist Church, Stouts Mills, W. Va. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	5.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Shack, W. Va. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	10.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, W. Va. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	20.00
Newby Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. . . . .	9.98
New LaGrange Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. . . . .	25.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	40.58
New Salem Baptist Church, Dukedom, Tenn. . . . .	11.50
New Union Baptist Church, Sysonia, Ky. . . . .	10.00
New Testament Baptist Fellowship, Chittenango, N.Y. . . . .	5.00
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	64.64
Olmstead Baptist Church, Olmstead, Ky. . . . .	42.96
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Tenn. . . . .	15.00
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Land Transportation) . . . . .	100.00
Poplar Creek Missionary Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. . . . .	25.00
Randolph Street Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va. . . . .	150.00
Rupert Baptist Church, E. Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, Ind. . . . .	17.37
Stonewall Baptist Church, Sadiville, Ky. . . . .	29.26
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky. . . . .	50.00
Westside Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla. . . . .	8.63
Calvary Baptist Church, Nitro, W. Va. . . . .	20.00
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. . . . .	35.00
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. (Teacher in Brazil-Ladies Prayer Band) . . . . .	15.00

First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Mich. . . . .	10.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (Fence for Pucallpa Bldgs.) . . . . .	169.88
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (Teachers in Peru-M. & L. Prayer Bands) . . . . .	20.00
Kemp Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio . . . . .	20.00
Kemp Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	52.00
Lilly Valley Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Mountain Dale Baptist Church, Vilas, N.C. . . . .	40.28
Salem Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky. . . . .	15.00
Temple Baptist Church, Maumee, Ohio . . . . .	10.00
Winton Place Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio . . . . .	5.00
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky. . . . .	17.18
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	50.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Beginners S.S.C.) . . . . .	5.00
Sturgeon Branch Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
Timbered Ridge Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C. . . . .	111.31
Antioch Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C. . . . .	45.22
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. . . . .	5.00
Berea Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn. . . . .	25.00
Dublin Baptist Church, Dublin, Ky. . . . .	50.00
East Maine Baptist Church, Des Plaines, Ill. . . . .	35.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, Miss. . . . .	23.64
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark. . . . .	50.00
Morris Fork Baptist Church, Lawn, W. Va. . . . .	22.79
Upper Steer Run Baptist Church, Cedarville, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Banklick Street Baptist Church, Covington, Ky. . . . .	16.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Bardwell, Ky. . . . .	51.85
Bellevue Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. . . . .	43.50
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	215.95
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Boat & Motor Fund) . . . . .	215.95
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky. . . . .	23.19
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky. . . . .	68.53
Faith Baptist Church, Wauseon, Ohio . . . . .	20.00
Garfield Baptist Mission, Traverse City, Mich. . . . .	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, Ky. . . . .	20.00
Julien Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. . . . .	52.58
Julien Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	15.00
Lookout Baptist Church, Lookout, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
Mr. Pisgah Baptist Church, Stumptown, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	207.40
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	41.48
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Furnishings for Mission House) . . . . .	100.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Young People-Furnishings for Mission House) . . . . .	25.00
New Testament Baptist Church, Greentown, Ohio . . . . .	15.00
Peoples Baptist Church, East Alton, Ill. . . . .	27.25
Richland Baptist Church, Virico, Ky. . . . .	255.81
Rollinsburg Baptist Church, Talcott, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	67.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Pucallpa Building) . . . . .	50.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va. . . . .	102.41
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	348.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	87.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Teachers in Peru) . . . . .	87.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Land Transportation) . . . . .	87.00
Spring Missionary Bible Conference, Lexington, Ky. (Furnishings for Mission House) . . . . .	360.00
Mrs. Katie Buffin, Versailles, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	10.00
Parvin Hall, Sacramento, Ky. (Pucallpa Bldg.) . . . . .	15.00
Marguerite Hallum, Hammond, La. . . . .	30.00
Mrs. J. M. Taylor, Wingo, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Eld. & Mrs. G. B. Trent, Williamson, W. Va. . . . .	44.00
Pastor & Mrs. David Magee, Chittenango, N.Y. . . . .	5.00
Carl Green, Richmond, Ky. . . . .	10.00
J. E. Murriner, Walkersville, W. Va. . . . .	2.00
T. L. Blake, Cowen, W. Va. . . . .	5.00
W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn. . . . .	2.00
Mrs. Buno O. Keith, Borger, Texas . . . . .	2.50
Mrs. Buno O. Keith, Borger, Texas . . . . .	100.00
Received in March for Boat & Motor Fund . . . . .	265.95

Received in March for Building in Pucallpa . . . . .	234.88
Received in March for Land Transportation . . . . .	279.00
Received in March for Teachers in Brazil . . . . .	286.48
Received in March for Teachers in Peru . . . . .	107.00
Received in March for Station Wagon Fund . . . . .	10.00
Received in March for Furnishings in Mission House . . . . .	708.00
Received in March for Regular Fund . . . . .	5,740.23
Received in March for all Purposes . . . . .	7,631.54

### RECEIVED IN MARCH FOR BOAT & MOTOR FUND, 1968

Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	\$ 50.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	215.95
Total Received for this fund in March . . . . .	265.95

### OFFERINGS FOR BUILDING IN PUCALLPA, MARCH, 1968

Parvin Hall, Sacramento, Ky. . . . .	\$ 15.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. . . . .	169.88
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	50.00
Total Received for this fund in March . . . . .	234.88

### OFFERINGS FOR LAND TRANSPORTATION, MARCH, 1968

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	\$ 100.00
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	92.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	87.00
Total received for this fund in March . . . . .	279.00

### OFFERINGS FOR TEACHERS IN BRAZIL, MARCH, 1968

First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. . . . .	\$ 16.00
Mrs. Katie Buffin, Versailles, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. (Ladies Prayer Band) . . . . .	15.00
Kemp Road Baptist Church, Dayton, Ohio . . . . .	52.00
Julien Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. . . . .	15.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	41.48
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	50.00
Total received for this fund in March . . . . .	286.48

### OFFERINGS FOR TEACHERS IN PERU, MARCH, 1968

Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (Men & Ladies Prayer Band) . . . . .	\$ 20.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	87.00
Total Received for this fund in March . . . . .	107.00

### OFFERINGS FOR STATION WAGON FUND, MARCH, 1968

Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio . . . . .	\$ 10.00
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### OFFERINGS FOR FURNISHING FOR MISSION HOUSE, MARCH, 1968

Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	\$ 198.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	100.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Young People) . . . . .	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (L.B.C.) . . . . .	25.00
Spring Missionary Bible Conference, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	360.00
Total received for this fund in March . . . . .	708.00

### OFFERINGS FROM NEW CHURCHES & INDIVIDUALS, MARCH 1968

Bethel Baptist Church, Makena, Ill. . . . .	\$ 10.88
Temple Baptist Church, Maumee, Ohio . . . . .	10.00
Garfield Baptist Mission, Traverse City, Mich. . . . .	10.00
Pastor & Mrs. David Magee, Chittenango, N.Y. . . . .	5.00
T. L. Blake, Cowen, W. Va. . . . .	5.00