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# MISSION SHEETS

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MISSIONARIES TO PERU  
ELD. and MRS. WALTER LAUERMAN  
ELD. and MRS. DEL MAYFIELD

(Spanish Language)



Side view of fiberglass boat, 40 hp motor and boat trailer that Del Mayfield bought from a missionary going out of business in Pucallpa, Peru. The seats can be folded down to sleep two people, if need be.



Rear view of the fiberglass boat showing the inside. This was bought for about one third of the cost to buy and ship and get through customs. It is inside the yard at the Del Mayfield house.



A muddy street in Pucallpa, Peru where the Mayfields live and work. But sometimes the street is dry and just as dusty as it is muddy now.



New church building and school building in Pucallpa, Peru. Brother Mayfield is replacing the wood fence with the black wall fence as required by law.



Julio Dantas, Dean of Seminary, teacher in High School and pastor of Peniel Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil. John Hatcher's right hand man.

### A Million Dollars

What would come to pass, if everyone who reads this, would pray earnestly for one million dollars for Baptist Faith Missions, and if everyone then gave as though it all depended upon their own gift?

## 152 In Sunday School . . . Overflow Crowds . . . Six Baptized . . . Need Another Missionary

By Del Mayfield

Apartado 166  
Pucallpa, Peru, S.A.  
April 18, 1968

Dear Brethren,  
It is a joy each month to write and to share with you a little portion of the blessing that we receive from the Lord. Even though the months pass so fast that we hardly find time to keep up with our letter writing. We appreciate those who write to us personally, and we want to thank each one for your prayers and your support that makes our work possible here. The Lord has been so good to us this month, and we praise Him for every blessing.



Del Mayfield

We started classes in our day school the 8th of this month, and we have 122 students this year. We also had a record attendance this month in our Sunday school. There were 152 last Sunday with some coming late for church. We had a double service last Sunday also with all the children in the school auditorium. Our Sunday night services have been well attended also. Last Sunday night we could not seat everyone, and many were outside. We may have to put an addition on our church building. That will not be too difficult, as we'll only have to push out a wall and add to our present building. We also baptized six last Sunday night. Two couples that were baptized had to get legally married before and one young lady, and a young man. The young man came to us several weeks ago from up north. He had been baptized by an interdenominational group, and wanted to be a member with us, and was told that he had to be baptized with the right authority, and that we could not receive his baptism. He left a little upset but came back, and last Sunday morning came saying that he wanted to follow His Lord in scriptural baptism. He has been a real blessing to us, as we needed someone to teach for us, and also to play the organ for our services. He needs your prayers as his family or a part of them have turned against him for being baptized. So remember him when you pray. Some people here pay a great price to be a Christian, and I should have said a BAPTIST.  
Our mission church has been well attended this month. We have had two

saved there and I hope to baptize them this Sunday night. Our Thur. and Fri. night services are well attended. I also preach there on Sunday morning during Sunday school hour here, and then after I preach there I run back here in time to preach. It sure keeps me hopping on Sunday Morning. Bro. Luchio Rucoba the pastor from San Francisco has been helping us with the work at Arenal. He preaches on Sunday as he has Bro. Roger Guevarra to preach for him. The work at San Francisco is coming along very good. They have started their day school also, but I'm not sure just how many students they have as they just got started this week. We're hoping to visit them before the next mission letter.

(Continued on page 3, col. 2) Mayfield

### Wall Fence Around Property In Pucallpa, Peru

The church, school building, house and tool house are all finished by Del Mayfield in Pucallpa, Peru. But the law requires that there must be a black wall fence around the property and this wall is now being built and a boat house is being built with it and two sides of the wall will be part of two sides of the boat house. It's estimated that we will need about \$5,500.00 to finish paying for all complete. The buildings and lots and all will then have cost approximately \$35,000.00. To have a part send your special offerings marked "For Pucallpa Building".

### Furnishings For Mission House

If you would like to have a part in the furnishing of the Mission House in Lexington, Kentucky for the John Hatchers to live in when they come home on furlough in July, then mark your offerings "For furnishing Mission House". The Bobby Creiglow will be living in a trailer in Lancaster, Ohio while on furlough. This trailer costs \$70.00 a month. Maybe some church would like to pay this \$70.00 a month for one year so that the Creiglow will have a house rent free the same as the Hatchers. Think it over and pray about it and let us know.

## Resting And Recuperating From A Stomach Ulcer . . . Work In Sao Luis Picking Up . . . Thanks For Prayers

By Dempsey Henderson

Sao Luis, Maranhao  
April 15, 1968

Dear Brethren,  
At the close of my last letter, I told about the doctor's report that I have an ulcer, and his orders for me to stop all trips, stop driving the jeep, and to leave the city for a month's rest. Well, I tried one more trip after that and stayed in the city for about 15 more days, but I finally had to give up and admit that he knew what he was talking about. We moved to Olho Dagua on the 3rd of April. A friend of mine in town arranged the house for us from a friend of his who owns it, but only uses it one month out of the year.



Dempsey Henderson

for about the same price that we are paying in town, and it is almost completely furnished. We only had to bring our refrigerator and mattress and a few small things. It is a very lovely house, facing the ocean on a very beautiful beach. We are enjoying it here very much, and I am feeling much better now. We have only two problems: the first

is, when it comes a blowing rain from the ocean, we get a lot of water in the house, but when the rain passes, we can get everything dried out without too much difficulty. It rained real hard the other night, and when it was over, Dorothy had to strip the bed and iron the sheets and mattress dry, and I cooked supper bare-footed, wading in water in the kitchen ankle deep, but we enjoy it. The second problem is that people want to come out here on Saturdays and Sundays, spend the day on the beach, and use our house for a public bath house. We have had to refuse two families already.

As for the work here, the Lord has been blessing us with many opportunities to witness for him, since we moved out here, and for this we are thankful. We already had a work established here, and we trust that the Lord will enable us to win many more souls for Him and build up a strong mission, while we are here. There is no Baptist work in this place at all other than ours. In fact, the only other kind of work in this area that I know of is a small "holly-roller" group

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### Refrigerator And Washer For The Harold Bratchers

We learned from John Hatcher that the old used refrigerator that the Bratchers have in Brazil does not work. Also Brethren Eugene Clark and Harry Hille reported the same when they came back from Brazil. The Bratchers need a new combination refrigerator-freezer and a washing machine. Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Michigan and Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Michigan have taken the lead by raising a special offering of \$100.00 each. We need about \$800.00 more. If you would like to have a special offering for this send it marked "For Bratcher Refrigerator". Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church is also buying a Transistor Radio for both the Bratchers and the Beans so that they can get news from the United States and other parts of the world. The two will cost about \$260.00 and our church will pay for them, the Lord willing, as a special offering.

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Inside the building of Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil. On the left two front rows are the Brethren who assisted in the ordination.



Inside the building of the Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, showing those on the right hand side at the ordination of Brother Francisco Souza.



Francisco Souza, new pastor of Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, who was ordained. He is a senior in the Seminary in Manaus.

## All Schools Off To A Good Start . . . Trip In Launch To Anniversary At Codajaz . . . New Mission Started With 74 Present . . . No Alien Immersion Received

By John Hatcher

Manaus, Amazonas  
April 3, 1968

This has been another good month and we praise the Lord for His blessings. The schools are all in full swing and we have completed the first month of classes. In the Grade School there are 220 enrolled and the High School has 140 enrolled. The Seminary has 18 students enrolled and in spite of the fact that it is not our largest enrollment, all of the students are dedicated to the Lord and there is reason to believe that all will be used of the Lord.



John Hatcher

### New Pastor Ordained

On the thirty-first of March the Beautiful Garden Baptist Church ordained to the ministry their new pastor, Francisco Pereira Souza, who was a member of the Fourteenth of December Baptist Church and is a last year student in the Seminary.

On the sixth of April, the Lord willing, the Tabernacle Baptist Church will ordain to the ministry, Brother Raimundo Antonio Pereira who is the new pastor of the Pirapitinga Baptist Church which was organized in February.

Brother Enos Ibernom, who is from the Acre, has been called to the Chapada Baptist Church as pastor and will shortly be ordained also.

Brother Anisio Pereira da Silva has been called as pastor of the Moriah Baptist Church. This church is in the process of buying a new building and shows a real interest in serving the Lord.

### Noteworthy

It will be of interest for all the brethren and churches who faithfully support this work to know that not one of these four brethren listed above as new pastors are receiving salary help from the Mission. It is a wonderful thing in Mission work when churches start to stand on their own feet. These churches are not able to give their

pastors enough to live on but these brethren seeing the need are willing and ready to help support themselves so as to further the cause of Christ.

### Anniversary of Codajaz Church

My family and I and Brother Costa went by launch to Codajaz on the 15 for the occasion of their 50th anniversary. Actually the present church was organized by Brother J. F. Brandon and Francisco Santiago in 1918. There was a church organized by Eric Nelson about six hours from Codajaz in 1918 in a place called Mururuxinho. On Monday we crossed the Amazon and downriver an hour's journey where there was organized a new Mission of the Codajaz Baptist Church. Brother Costa had previously made three trips to this place. The family where we met had taken out the partition between two rooms to make a meeting place. The interest was good and there were 74 present. After the service the lady of the house who is a member of a Baptist church here in Manaus served hot chocolate and cake to all. When the crowd had gone all our family remained to talk awhile. In the course of conversation the question was asked who had baptized the lady of the house. What a shock when she gave the name of a missionary who is not connected with anything but himself. I then asked how she became a member of that Baptist Church and she replied, by declaration. After explaining to her that she was not baptized and that her letter would mean nothing she was quite concerned. Afterward she said to my wife that it really upset her and that the first trip to Manaus she was going to see by what authority the missionary had baptized her. It is a sure thing she will have to be baptized to be a member of the Codajaz Baptist Church.

### Coming Home

If God permits, we will see many of you in a few weeks. It will be a joy to renew old acquaintances and to embrace our parents and loved ones. Pray for us.

In Him,  
John A. Hatcher

## Work On New Buildings . . . River Churches Having Good Services . . . Souls Saved . . . Three Called To Preach

By Walter Lauermon

Iquitos, Peru  
April 16, 1968

This month has been just about taken all up in just plain working on the new building that we are making: Myself and 3 other brethren are doing all the work and there is no contracting at all. I have learned to do many things and the hard way as all here is plain old hard work by hand. We now have the roof on and have to stop work, for the floor and plastering, but we are putting in the ceiling anyhow without the plastering all done. We have the top part done so it would not disturb later. Our building will not be anything real fancy but nice and roomy. Pray for us.



Walter Lauermon

The church here in Iquitos the past two Sundays has really gone back up in attendance—in the upper 70's. Thank God. We excluded 4 and had a vote on to be more dedicated to the work of missions and also a vote of confidence was given for the pastor. We pay \$60.00 a month for Daniel Garcia's salary, we help Bro. Enriquez (pastor at San Antonio with \$30.00 monthly, we pay for the rent of our building where our mission here in Iquitos is, (\$10.99 monthly) we always help the needy people we know and we pay all expenses for both here and the mission although the offerings there are about \$10.00 a month. We had over \$200.00 in all offerings this past month. I thank God for The First Baptist Church of Iquitos. We had one saved this month and we are really going to work at the attendance more now. Pray for us.

The river churches are still having good services this month. Attendances are still up, there were 4 saved in Tamshiyacu Church and its two missions. They have real good offerings also in this church. Again in Mapa Cocha there was another one saved

and 3 are contemplating baptism. Even the offerings there have gone up to a good 25 dollars a month. Now I mention this as these people are very poor and I also do it to show that any church ought to be a giving and a going church, if the offerings are not good in a church it is not much I tell you. I thank God for the growth of these churches and we are looking for more of these kind and we do not want any other kind. Even the fellowship among them is wonderful now and them with me also. Well all is wonderful that's all. Sometimes things have looked very dark and even now all is not great for us, but then sometimes like these things come and God makes me happy. I stayed on and never gave up. There were 2 saved also in Hojeal and 1 in Astoria and 3 in San Antonio and 5 for baptism. There is none like unto our God. We also have 3 young men that are called to preach that want me to start a school for preachers and I have thought about this so much lately again as I see now many men these will be coming as the more churches we get, etc. Pray for me about this.

Before I forget I will tell the big news for us here in our house. Delores and I are grandparents. David George was born to Karen and her husband on March 30. He weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. He is a sweet thing and looks just like Karen did when born. We really love the little fellow here. Pray for Karen with her husband. She has decided to stay on here and try to win her husband she says and one day she thinks he will be and serve the Lord. He has all the pride that one person needs I tell you. But God saved me and I am sure it is not at least impossible just not too probable.

Well, I guess this is it for this month. We thank our great God daily for all of you there that make our ministry possible here. Hope Lexington Conference was great.

By HIS Grace,  
Walter F. Lauermon

## Revival And Bible School At Maita . . . Mike Creiglow And Raul Very Sick With Malaria . . . Long Trip Planned Up The Jurua River

By Bobby Creiglow

Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre  
April 10, 1968

This month I have spent one week with the Church at Maita in a revival meeting and Bible School. The church building there is very small, about twelve by fifteen feet, and since the building of it, there have been several large families moved there. For this reason it was very difficult to conduct a Bible School, but all in all things went very well. One day there were ninety-four present and it was so crowded that you could not have stirred them with a stick. We had an average of sixty-nine and with the smallest crowd the house was full. In the night services there were only a few nights that we did not have at least enough room for everyone to get inside. We had a good week, although, there were no professions of faith. Maita is a small village of about fifteen families most of which are already believers. Mike and Raul arrived in Maita on Thursday from their trip up the Moa and spent two days with us and then returned to Cruzeiro do Sul on Saturday. I returned on the following Monday.



Bobby Creiglow

The next five days after returning from Maita was spent getting ready for our trip up the Jurua that Mike and I have had planned for over three months. On Wednesday of that week Bro. Raul went to the drugstore to take a shot for what he thought was a cold and on Thursday afternoon Mike said he was not feeling too well either, so he went home and went to bed and started taking medicine for malaria. Bro. Raul continued about the same, but by Saturday morning Mike had a very high fever and could no longer sit up, so I went for the doctor. The doctor asked us to have a blood test taken and that he would stop back later to see the result and to prescribe treatment. The blood test proved that he had malaria malignant, the kind that killed so many people here last year. By this time Bro. Raul was feeling worse by the minute, so I sent him to have a blood test, also, which proved that he had the same thing. The regular malaria medicine will not cure this and the doctor prescribed two pints of glucose with the other medicines mixed in it to be given in the vein, one right away and the other that evening. Mike will never remember much of what happened on that Saturday due to the high fever and Bro. Raul does not want to remember, although he did not have such high fever, but the pain in his body was something he was glad to forget. By Tuesday they were feeling much better, but still so weak that they did not stay out of bed more than a few minutes at a time. On Wednesday morning Mike said he was not feeling very well and did not get out of bed, by noon the fever was back up to 101 degrees. The doctor told me to give him four shots of regular malaria medicine, one every twelve hours. By nine o'clock the fever had risen to 103½. At nine-thirty Mike asked to go to the bathroom and we almost had to carry him, I took his temperature again and by this time it had risen to 104, so I told Betty that I was going for the doctor again. I had to get the doctor out of bed. He did not come to the house but told me he would have to make three more pints of glucose. I went from the doctors to the male nurse who, also, was already in bed and from there we went to wake up the druggist to get the medicine for us. When he finished the first pint at three o'clock in the morning the fever had already started to break and he slept the rest of the night. After taking the three pints the doctor said to give him another, which we did. He is now much better, but spends much of his time in bed yet. Bro. Raul is about back to normal. They both were very skinny before getting sick, but now it would not be wise for them to get caught in a strong wind as it might carry them away.

We are already over a week late getting started on our trip up the Jurua because of this sickness and due to the same Mike will not be making any more long trips before coming home on furlough. If he and Bro. Raul get strong enough to take care of the work here in Cruzeiro do Sul I may take Bro. Elizario with me and make at least a three-week trip going at least as far as

Amonia, about four hundred miles up the Jurua.

Mike was getting along well enough that I spent last Sunday with the church in Mourapiranga while Bro. Elizario went to Colonia and Bro. Raul took care of services here in Cruzeiro do Sul.

The rest of the family is more or less in good health, but all are run down and have no resistance in our bodies.

The Lord is good to us and we thank him for his love and mercy. When all others fail He is still faithful. May he continue to bless all of you.

In Him,  
B. D. Creiglow



Raul Rodrigues, Seminary graduate who has gone to the State of Acre to work with Missionary Creiglow.

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about a mile up the beach, and a small Catholic church building, which appears to be very seldom used.

Of course, we are still taking care of the church and work in town, making 3 trips a week there. The attendance has picked up some, and the church seems to be doing a lot better now, thank the Lord. Thank you for your prayers in this matter, also. There are a number of people coming to the services now, and who have promised to come, who have shown and expressed much interest in being saved, and others who want to move their membership to our church. Please pray for these people, and for us, that we might be used of the Lord to win them.

Last night, when we were coming home from church, there was a big snake in the middle of the road. I ran over it, then backed up to get a better look at it, and ran over it again. It was raining hard, and we couldn't see it well enough from the jeep to tell what kind of snake it was. I finally persuaded the man of the family who went to church with us to get out with me for a better look at it. It was a Boa Constrictor about six feet long and about 4 inches in diameter. I wanted to catch it, but the man was afraid to help me and the women wouldn't ride in the jeep with it. Then I wanted to kill it for its skin, but they begged me not to, for they were afraid for me to put it in the jeep with them. Evidently, running over it twice with the jeep didn't hurt it, for it soon crawled off the road back into the jungle. It was the first snake that Dorothy had seen, since coming to Brasil.

I am not able to report on the work in the interior this month, as I have not made any trips, and I have not received any reports from them, except that the evangelist from Vila Maranhao came to my house about 3 weeks ago and reported good attendance and good services there.

I will close for now, hoping to be able to report next month that my ulcer is cured. I am to have another check-up, with more x-rays, the last of this week. Brethren, pray for us, as we pray God's richest blessings upon you all. Thank you so much for your support in every way. We appreciate and enjoy the Mission Sheets so much, and rejoice in the Lord's blessings upon the labors of our faithful brethren.

Yours in Him,  
Dempsey Henderson

P.S. I am sure that you all had a wonderful Spring Conference at Lexington, and we missed being there so much. I trust that all went well and that all were greatly blessed.





Crowd that attended the ordination of Francisco P. Souza, new pastor of Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, outside Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil.



Ordained Brethren who assisted in the ordination of Francisco Souza at Beautiful Garden Baptist Church. Souza is second from left in front row.



Childrens hour at the Codajaz Baptist Church, 300 miles up the Amazon River while the Hatchers were on a trip there. At one time there was no Baptist church here and these are just the children now. Praise God.



Mrs. Dempsey Henderson holding a tarantula (spider) at her home in Sao Luis, Maranhao, Brazil. Brother Henderson had to kill it before she would hold it. It was found at the back door of their house.



Francisco P. Souza with wife Rosa and daughter Sara. Souza is a student, teacher, pastor and bookkeeper.



Francisco Santiago laying hands on Raimundo Pereira, pastor of the newly organized church at Pirapitinga, in the far interior up the Amazon River that John Hatcher told about in last month's issue of this paper. The ordination was at Tabernacle Baptist Church, Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil.



Francisco Santiago, our oldest Brazilian preacher, leads in laying on of hands on Francisco P. Souza, the new pastor of Beautiful Garden Baptist Church. Brother Souza is a senior at the Seminary and a graduate of a business school and bookkeeper for the schools.

## From Kentucky To Ohio To New York To Michigan ... In Hospital For Treatment

By George Bean

624 Wilderson Road  
Lexington, Ky. 40505

Dear Brethren,  
April 22, 1968  
Last month I forgot to mention that I spoke and showed the slides at the Cincinnati Baptist College, Bro Carl Saddle is the dean. I was there March 7 and 8 when I was helping Bro. Redding and the First Baptist Church, Alexander, Ky in a meeting.

March 19 I was with the Immanuel Baptist Church, Elise, Ky. Bro. McGary pastor. March 22 I was with the Calvary Baptist Church, Candle City Ky. Bro. Chewning is the pastor. After preaching we all went to Bro. McGary's and I showed the slides. Saturday, March 23, I left Lexington with a seven inch snow on the ground. After driving on a snow slick highway, destination Chittenango, NY, I was forced to stop and spend the night with Bro. Ed Margraff Marengo, Ohio. I preached at The Gethsemane Baptist Church Sunday morning



George Bean

where Bro. Ed Margraff is the pastor. The roads had cleared of the ice and snow and I arrived safely at Chittenango, NY, at the home of Bro. Dave McGee where I spent the next seven days helping The New Testament Baptist Fellowship in a meeting. Saturday night I helped then organize The Grace Baptist Church. The new church called Bro. McGee as pastor and they had seventeen charter members. They were a mission out of Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.

Monday April 1-3 we were at the Spring Conference in Lexington. I think it was one of the best conferences that I have ever attended. Friday April 5, we left for Mount Morris, Mich. where I spoke at the Home Baptist Church. Saturday night I showed the slides and Sunday morning I preached. Bro. Titus is the pastor here. Sunday night I showed the slides at The New Hope Baptist Church, Mount Morris, Michigan. Bro. Kissel is the pastor. While in Mount Morris, I was stricken ill with some kind of stomach pains. Monday morning I entered the Henry Ford Hospital. After running all kinds of tests, they could not find anything that was causing the pains. After spending several days in the hospital, they assured me that I did not have an ulcer but it was a nervous stomach. I desire your prayers that I may be treated and with proper rest may be able to return to Brasil to the place the Lord has called me to preach His word. Last week I got caught up on some of my fishing. We spent a week with my folks down in Alabama. I can tell you the rest was wonderful and I enjoyed it very much. Today, April 22, I have heard five great messages from the Word of God at the Ashland Ave. Baptist Church. May the Lord bless each and every one is our prayer.

Yours in Him,  
George Bean

MAYFIELD (Continued from page 1)

The fence is done across the back and a part of one side. We still have all the front and part of the sides to do. Pray for us that we'll be able to finish the fence completely before having to stop.

We've written many times about the great need for another missionary here to help with the work. I'd like to bring this to your minds, so that you might pray with us about our work. Just a little over a year and we'll be ready for another furlough, but will be unable to leave without someone here to take our place. In fact we do not plan to leave the work without someone here. Just any one can't come the last minute and take over, as there is a language that one has to speak. If someone would come now it

## A Busy Month In Preaching And Showing Slides And Revival Meetings And In Conferences ... From West Virginia To Michigan

By Harold Bratcher

Lexington, Kentucky  
April 25, 1968

Dear Brethren,  
Last month's Mission Sheet Letter was written in Pastor Harry Hille's home in Dearborn Heights, Michigan. That meeting continued through Sunday, March 24th. The Lord blessed us in many ways during those days. There was 1 rededication made during the meeting. Much seed was sown which we trust and believe will result in a future Harvest. A heavy snow fell on Friday afternoon and night but even though attendance was down on Saturday night it was almost normal on Sunday morning. After the Morning Worship the church had a fellowship dinner in the parsonage basement. After a most bountiful dinner, I showed the slides of the work in Brazil. Also "Happy Birthday" was sung in my honor. I was 41 years old on that day.

March 25-26 was spent with Pastor Artis France and the Algonac Baptist Church in Algonac, Michigan. My heart rejoiced in learning and observing the Lord's blessings upon this young church.

Wednesday night, March 27th, it was my privilege to preach a brief message and then show the slides of the work at the Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Michigan where Dr. H. H. Overbey is pastor.

On March 30-31 I was with the Mount Zion Baptist Church for three services. This church is located near Hurricane, West Virginia. Don L. Myers is the pastor.

April 1-3 was spent attending the Spring Bible Conference held at the Fellowship

Baptist Church and the Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky. I brought the closing message at the first session on Monday night.

Sunday, April 7th was spent with the Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio. Arnold Leach is the pastor of the church.

On Wednesday night I showed some of the slides and preached at the Camp Nelson Baptist Church near Nicholasville, Kentucky. Conrad Jacklin is the pastor.

Saturday night, April 13th I showed the slides at the home of James Long in Richmond, Kentucky. Bro. Long is a member of the Valley View Baptist Church. James Dargavell is the pastor. I was with the Valley View Church for both services on the first Sunday in February.

Sunday, April 14th was spent with the Stonewall Baptist Church near Georgetown, Kentucky. Harold Lemay is the pastor of this church.

April 15-21 were revival days at the First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Kentucky. Due to the spring vacation of the Lexington schools all the family got to go with me. We express our thanks to Pastor & Mrs. Warren Redding & family for their kind hospitality to us during those days. The Lord gave us 1 by letter and 1 rededication during the meeting.

Last night marked the close of the annual Bible Conference held at the Ashland Avenue Baptist Church in the interest of Lexington Baptist College. It was my privilege to bring the first message on Wednesday.

Thus we give thanks to the Lord for these opportunities to preach and show the slides of the work in Brazil. We ask your prayers on behalf of the work in Brazil especially for the work of the Fourteenth of December Baptist Church in Manaus where, when we return, I'll (the Lord willing) assume again the pastorate. A recent letter from one of the members informs us that the church is without a pastor. The national pastor that assumed the pastorate when we returned to the U.S. last July resigned about a month ago. "Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, amke you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen." Hebrews 13:20-21. Brethren, pray the same prayer for me.

Yours In His Service,  
Harold Bratcher  
922 Aurora Avenue  
Lexington, Kentucky 40502



Deacon Raimundo Araujo is presenting the Bible to Raimundo Pereira at his ordination in Tabernacle Baptist Church.



Pastor Jose Francisco da Silva brings the message at the ordination of Francisco P. Souza at Beautiful Garden Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil.

Yours by His grace  
Del. Mayfield



Missionary Bobby Creiglow and the six preachers that came with him to the Conference in Manaus in January, from the State of Acre in the extreme west part of Brazil.



Missionary Dempsey Henderson and the three preachers that came with him to the Conference in Manaus in January, from the State of Maranhao on the Atlantic Coast, eastern part of Brazil.



Twenty one preachers from Manaus and the interior from Manaus the central part of Brazil that attended the Conference in Manaus in January. These twenty one are standing beside the Seminary building Brezeway and the beautiful windows can be seen in the background.



Musicians for the Conference: Antonio Araujo with guitar, Paul Hatcher with Accordion and Mrs. John Hatcher at the folding organ.



Some preachers brought their whole families to the Conference. Here is pastor and Mrs. Miguel Ibernon and their thirteen children.

## Offerings for April 1968

Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	\$ 35.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	70.00
Bentley Memorial Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	50.69
Bible Baptist Church, Madisonville, Ky. . . . .	16.26
Corinth Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill. . . . .	80.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill. . . . .	18.76
Fellowship Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	150.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. . . . .	35.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	16.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio . . . . .	40.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio (Station Wagon) . . . . .	10.00
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
Little Obion Baptist Church, Wingo, Ky. . . . .	116.45
Morgan Ave. Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind. . . . .	74.40
Morgan Ave. Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind. (Julia Dantos - Jr. Class) . . . . .	21.00
Oak Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. . . . .	27.54
Randolph Street Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va. . . . .	150.00
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Lewisburg, Ky. . . . .	50.00
Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Mokena, Ill. . . . .	15.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn. . . . .	50.00
Carr Baptist Church, York, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. . . . .	34.05
First Baptist Church, Frankfort, Mich. . . . .	10.00
Members of First Baptist Church, Norman, Okla. . . . .	66.00
First Baptist Church, Siloam, Ky. . . . .	179.98
Knots Baptist Church, Orma, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Newby Baptist Church, Newby, Ky. . . . .	12.84
New LaGrange Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. . . . .	25.00
New Salem Baptist Church, Dukedom, Tenn. . . . .	7.35
Northside Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	95.21
Stonewall Baptist Church, Sadieville, Ky. . . . .	42.55
West Ave. Baptist Church, Lucasville, Ohio . . . . .	20.18
Algonac Baptist Church, Algonac, Mich. . . . .	29.16
Bible Baptist Church, Rushville, N.Y. . . . .	30.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, Ohio . . . . .	106.04
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. . . . .	36.13
Cheney Baptist Church, Orlando, Fla. . . . .	25.00
East Corbin Baptist Church, Corbin, Ky. . . . .	20.32
Gilberts Creek Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. . . . .	58.00
LaGrange Baptist Church, LaGrange, Fla. . . . .	13.39
Lagana Baptist Church, Lagana, Ky. . . . .	21.55
New Hope Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	62.60
Olmstead Baptist Church, Olmstead, Ky. . . . .	49.40
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Tenn. . . . .	18.00
Pleasant Plains Baptist Church, Pleasant Plains, Ill. . . . .	34.41
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Land Transportation) . . . . .	100.00
Southside Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky. . . . .	98.76
Baptist Temple, Ravenswood, W. Va. . . . .	5.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky. . . . .	32.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, Ind. . . . .	42.86
Big Bear Creek Missionary Baptist Association, Russellville, Ala. . . . .	245.32
Bryan Station Mission, Salt Lick, Ky. . . . .	5.77
Calvary Baptist Church, Nitro, W. Va. . . . .	20.00
Member of First Baptist Church, Port Norris, N.J. . . . .	100.00
First Baptist Church, Independence, Ky. . . . .	100.00
Members of First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. . . . .	41.00
First Baptist Church, Russell, Ky. . . . .	48.95
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (Fence for Pucallpa Bldgs.) . . . . .	211.75
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (Teachers in Peru) . . . . .	20.00
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	479.00
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Land Transportation) . . . . .	92.00
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Refrigerator for Brachers) . . . . .	100.00
Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Bean's Hospital Bill) . . . . .	100.00

Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Young People - Furnishing for Mission House) . . . . .	50.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Flint, Mich. . . . .	109.47
Lilly Valley Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Millers Chapel Baptist Church, Middlesboro, Ky. . . . .	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
Hepzibah Baptist Church, Stouts, Mills, W. Va. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association) . . . . .	20.00
New Testament Baptist Church, Creve Coeur, Ill. . . . .	27.40
New Testament Baptist Church, South Irvine, Ky. . . . .	7.52
North Ballard Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky. . . . .	507.20
Rupert Baptist Church, E. Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Salem Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky. . . . .	15.00
Seventh Street Baptist Church, Cannelton, Ind. . . . .	19.54
Temple Baptist Church, Maumee, Ohio . . . . .	10.00
West Side Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla. . . . .	9.00
Winton Place Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio . . . . .	5.00
Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. . . . .	25.00
Berea Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn. . . . .	25.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, Miss. . . . .	23.24
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. . . . .	35.00
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. (Ladies Prayer B. - Lauerman - Transportation Fund) . . . . .	15.00
First Baptist Church, Crete, Ill. . . . .	66.63
Forrest Grove Baptist Church, Vilas, N.C. . . . .	25.57
Little Sewall Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Mountain Dale Baptist Church, Boone, N.C. . . . .	42.64
Southside Baptist Church, Rutledge, Tenn. . . . .	78.13
Sturgeon Branch Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
Zoar Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky. . . . .	15.48
Antioch Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C. . . . .	57.42
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Bardwell, Ky. . . . .	39.77
Bible Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va. . . . .	100.00
Dublin Baptist Church, Dublin, Ky. . . . .	50.00
East Maine Baptist Church, Des Plaines, Ill. . . . .	35.00
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky. . . . .	25.22
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark. . . . .	50.00
Julien Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. . . . .	39.28
Julien Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	15.00
Lookout Baptist Church, Lookout, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Stumptown, W. Va. . . . .	15.00
New Salem Baptist Church, Dukedom, Tenn. . . . .	9.45
Oakvale Baptist Church, Danese, W. Va. . . . .	5.00
Olmstead Baptist Church, Olmstead, Ky. . . . .	36.36
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky. . . . .	167.26
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	52.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Pucallpa Building) . . . . .	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Teacher in Brazil) . . . . .	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Refrigerator & Washer for Brachers) . . . . .	100.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Radios for Bracher & Bean) . . . . .	139.40
Upper Steer Run Baptist Church, Cedarville, W. Va. . . . .	10.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va. . . . .	70.56
Banklick Street Baptist Church, Covington, Ky. . . . .	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Cadiz, Ky. . . . .	3.69
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	177.05
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Boat & Motor Fund) . . . . .	177.05
Faith Baptist Church, Wauseon, Ohio . . . . .	20.00
Grace Baptist Church, Chittenango, N.Y. . . . .	5.00
Grace Baptist Church, Chittenango, N.Y. . . . .	5.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	168.05
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	33.61
Peoples Baptist Church, East Alton, Ill. . . . .	61.00
Starns Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Ohio . . . . .	246.30
Valley View Baptist Church, Valley View, Ky. . . . .	4.00
Worship Point Baptist Church, Lenoir, N.C. . . . .	20.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	166.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Land Transportation) . . . . .	41.00

Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Teachers in Brazil) . . . . .	41.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Teachers in Peru) . . . . .	41.00
Parvin Hall, Sacramento, Ky. (Pucallpa Bldg.) . . . . .	15.00
A Friend . . . . .	50.00
W. S. Land, Marion, Ky. . . . .	11.00
Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Lewis, Stillwell, Okla. . . . .	20.00
J. E. Murriner, Walkersville, W. Va. . . . .	2.00
Eld. & Mrs. G. B. Trent, Williamson, W. Va. . . . .	44.00
Marguerite Hallum, Hammond, La. . . . .	30.00
Roy W. Prescott, Campbellsville, Ky. . . . .	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Billings, Huntington, W. Va. . . . .	26.00
W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn. . . . .	2.00
Pastor & Mrs. David Magee, Chittenango, N.Y. . . . .	10.00
Received in April for Boat & Motor Fund . . . . .	227.05
Received in April for Building in Pucallpa . . . . .	276.75
Received in April for Land Transportation . . . . .	248.00
Received in April for Teachers in Brazil . . . . .	155.61
Received in April for Teachers in Peru . . . . .	61.00
Received in April for Station Wagon Fund . . . . .	10.00
Received in April for Furnishings for Mission House . . . . .	50.00
Received in April for Refrigerator & Washer for Bratcher . . . . .	200.00
Received in April for Radios for Bratcher & Bean . . . . .	139.40
Received in April for Bean's Hospital Bill . . . . .	100.00
Received in April for Regular Fund . . . . .	6,921.15
Received in April for all purposes . . . . .	8,388.96

### OFFERINGS IN APRIL FOR BOAT & MOTOR FUND

Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	\$ 50.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	177.05
Total Received for this fund in April . . . . .	227.05

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

Parvin Hall, Sacramento, Ky. . . . .	\$ 15.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. (Fence for Buildings) . . . . .	211.75
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	50.00
Total Received for this fund in April . . . . .	276.75

### OFFERINGS FOR LAND TRANSPORTATION, APRIL, 1968

Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	\$ 92.00
Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	100.00
Faith Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich. (Ladies Prayer Band - Lauerman) . . . . .	15.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	41.00
Total received for this fund in April . . . . .	248.00

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

First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. . . . .	\$ 16.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	50.00
Julien Baptist Church, Gracey, Ky. . . . .	15.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich. . . . .	33.61
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	41.00
Total received for this fund in April . . . . .	155.61

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

Gethsemane Baptist Church, Taylor, Mich. . . . .	\$ 20.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. . . . .	41.00
Total received for this fund in April . . . . .	61.00

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

Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio . . . . .	\$ 10.00
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### OFFERINGS FOR FURNISHINGS FOR MISSION HOUSE, APRIL, 68

Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Young People) . . . . .	\$ 50.00
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### OFFERINGS FOR REFRIGERATOR & WASHER FOR BRATCHER, APRIL, 1968

Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. (Refrigerator) . . . . .	\$ 100.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Refrigerator & Washer) . . . . .	100.00
Total received for Refrigerator & Washer . . . . .	200.00

### OFFERINGS FOR RADIOS FOR BRATCHERS & BEANS, APRIL 68

Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. . . . .	\$ 139.40
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### OFFERINGS FOR BEAN'S HOSPITAL BILL, APRIL, 1968

Home Baptist Church, Mt. Morris, Mich. . . . .	\$ 100.00
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