

MISSIONARIES TO BRAZIL
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ELD. and MRS. HAROLD BRATCHER
ELD. and MRS. BOBBY CREIGLOW
ELD. and MRS. MICHAEL CREIGLOW
ELD. and MRS. RICHARD TURNER
ELD. and MRS. PAUL HATCHER
ELD. and MRS. HAROLD DRAPER
ELD. and MRS. ASA MARK BRATCHER
(Portuguese Language)

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John Hatcher and Richard Turner went to Cuiaba, Mato Grosso in the central section of Brazil a few years ago and looked the place over, and bought a building site. This picture shows this site after it had been cleared off ready to build on, with Richard Turner standing on the lot. There was not one Baptist in this whole area. A mission was started in the house that the Turners lived in. Some were saved and baptized and a church organized. Now note the picture to the right. From the beginning with nothing to start with, you see a picture of results of long hard and faithful mission work by sound faithful missionaries.

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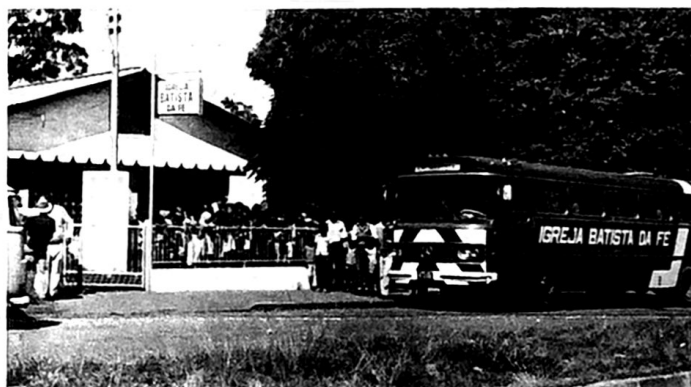


Plans were drawn and approved by the city to build a church building. Bobby Creiglow joined in with Richard Turner and helped him build and they built the new building shown above. The lot faces three streets, and a wall was built all around the lot with steel fence in front. The opposition by Pentecostal "tonguers" and unsound Baptists has been fierce at times. When the Turners came home on furlough the Harold Drapers took over the church and have done a great job. These two pictures show from starting from scratch to a sound Baptist Church, that you, the supporters of Baptist Faith Missions, made possible by your offerings. If one missionary leaves, the work is still there and another missionary of Baptist Faith Missions carries it on. This new building is paid for in full. This building is in the City of Cuiaba.



After helping Richard Turner build his building Bobby Creiglow bought the building site shown above with the sign "HELP US BUILD". This site was cleared off and a mission started in a rented building. A church was organized. Now note the picture at the right of the new building and bus.

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Plans were drawn and approved by the City and here is a picture of the new building and church bus. This building is across the river and about 8 miles from Richard Turners building. This building is in the City of Varzea Grande. This building and bus is there because of hard work and the giving of many pastors and churches. The bus is paid for in full. There is a deficit of \$5,795.74 needed to pay for this building in full. Get this need on your heart and give to help pay this deficit.

1981: NEEDS

The greatest need is increased offerings to pay salaries, expenses, plane fares, doctor and hospital bills, printing and mailing the MISSION SHEETS. SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR CARS FOR EIGHT MISSIONARIES: Harold Bratcher, Asa Bratcher, John Hatcher, Bobby Creiglow, Mike Creiglow, Richard Turner, James Gasque and Dana Adams.

We need more churches to support Baptist Faith Missions. We need special offerings for John Hatcher's new work in South Brazil. To pay the deficit on Bobby Creiglow's church building. To repair the Bean house in Sao Luis, Brazil. To repiar the Mike Creiglow house in Cruzeiro do Sul, Brazil.

AIRPLANE FARES: To send Turners back to Brazil, to bring the Harold Drapers, John Hatchers and Mike Creiglows home on furlough in 1981.

The doctor removed the growth on top the head of Paul Hatcher in his office and it was not a cancer. Paul has already returned to Brazil. We need offerings for this doctor's charges.

"BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS DAY"

How about having a Baptist Faith Missions day in your church with a special speaker and special offerings all going to Baptist Faith Missions?

Annual Spring Conference At Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, March 30, 31 and April 1, 1981.

Remember Baptist Faith Missions in your will, and better yet give a house or land or money now.

Mike Creiglow Needs A Portable Saw Mill To Saw Lumber For Building Right On The Spot In The Jungle Where The Trees Are. Can Be Bought In Brazil For About \$5,000.00.

Is there one person who would like to buy this? Or is there one church who would like to buy it? It is needed now.

Start planning your next Thanksgiving offering now.

*Let Your Support Of Baptist Faith
Be Continued In Your Will*

Wanda Turner Has Had Surgery . . . More Surgery In 4 To 5 Weeks . . . Pray Much And Give Liberally To Help In This Great Expense . . . Family To Return To Brazil As Soon As She Recuperates And Is Able To Go

By Richard Turner

1007 Pinebloom Dr.
Lexington, Kentucky 40504
December 24, 1980

Dear Brethren,
I reported in my last letter that my wife was to have surgery. Last week she did have the surgery and is now at home doing pretty good. We thank you for your prayers for her.

The surgery was for hyper active parathyroid gland which was causing the blood to remove too much calcium from the bones. There are four of these glands on the back of the thyroid. There was one that was ten to twelve times it's normal size that was causing the problem and this was removed.

The doctors now tell us that additional surgery will be required in 4 to 5 weeks, because most of this calcium was deposited in the kidneys as stones. Some of these are too large to pass and must be removed by surgery as soon as possible.



Richard Turner

All of this is very expensive and has increased the financial burden of Baptist Faith Missions. If you would like to help us out with this expense please send your offerings designated "Mrs. Turner's medical expenses".

As of right now I don't know when we will get to return to Brazil. I think my wife's physical problem should be corrected first. We are planning to return just as soon as her health permits.

Our work is left in the hands of Brother Bobby Creiglow and men of the church as Brother Draper felt the need to go on to Sao Luiz. We thank the Lord for the good work that Brother Draper has done there in Cuiaba. Brethren, pray for our work there in Cuiaba.

I have preached at Thompson Road Baptist Church for Brother Hamilton and also at the Lexington Baptist Temple where Brother Billy G. Payne Sr. is the pastor.

Pray for us as we wait before the Lord.
In His Service,
Richard A. Turner



Mrs. Richard (Wanda) Turner has had to have surgery as explained in Brother Turner's letter in this issue, which you can see. She is to have further surgery in four to five weeks to remove kidney stones and then a time of recuperation before returning to Brazil. Doctor and hospital bills will run into the thousands of dollars. Pray for Wanda Turner, and her husband Richard, and their four children, and get this on your heart to give liberally to help pay the bill.

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This truck is the property of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Manaus, Amazonas, Brazil. The back of this truck forms a "STAGE" and Pulpit which is used for outdoor services in different parts of the city.

Four Days Trip By Car To Move From Cuiaba, Mato Grosso To Sao Luis, Maranhao. . . 14 Months In Cuiaba Taking Care Of Turner's Work. . . 30 Professions Of Faith And 24 Baptized. . . Been In Brazil Two Years. . . To Come On Furlough Next Year. . . Bobby Creiglow To Take Care Of Turner's Work Until He Arrives

By Harold Draper

Caixa Postal 500
Sao Luis, Maranhao 65000
Brazil, S.A.
December 11, 1980

Dear Brethren,

This will be the last letter from Cuiaba, Mato Grosso. In three more days we will begin the 4 day trip to Sao Luis, Maranhao by car. We have been here in Cuiaba for 14 months and the Lord has blessed us tremendously here. We are looking forward now to our new place of labor. Pray for us as we make the change.

Looking back over the year here: We have had 30 professions of faith, I have baptized 24 of which all are still with the church, two have come by letter, one member died, and the church excluded two members. The church has grown in number some and we hope some spiritually. I have been hampered some by my limitation in the language, but the Lord has been so good to us.

We have now completed two years in Brazil and



Harold Draper

are packing our things now for the third time. Pray for my wife as she bears the heavy burden of getting everything in order. Melody will also be changing her school for the 5th time in 5 years. It looks like now we will probably come to the States next year. We plan to come at the start of the school-year and let her finish the year before coming back to Brazil.

I called Bro. Turner this week and was sorry to hear about Sis. Turner's illness. We hope they will not be delayed too long in returning here. We are leaving the church here in the care of Bro. Bobby Creiglow and the men of the church will be helping to carry on until the Turners get here. We pray that the Lord will look out for the dear flock here until the return of Bro. Turner. We don't like to leave the work here without a pastor, but we already had rented a house and had all of our mail sent to Sao Luis before we learned of the delay. We are sure the Lord will bless and after praying we feel we must go on to the work there as it is suffering and Bro. Creiglow will be here close enough to encourage the brethren here.

Brethren, May the Lord Bless all of you there. Note our new address top of this letter.

In Him,
Harold M. Draper

Many Victories This Year . . . God Solved What Seemed To Be Impossible To Solve . . . Over 1000 Each Sunday In Sunday School . . . Largest Sunday School Attendance 2593 One Sunday In 1980 . . . Wallace York Comes To Lecture In Seminary-College . . . Pleas For All To Pray And Give

By Paul Hatcher

(Editor's Note: This letter received too late to get in the December 1980 MISSION SHEETS.)

Av. J. Carlos Antony
69.000 Manaus, Amazonas
Brazil, S.A.
November 21, 1980

Dear Brethren,

With the Lord one thousand years is as a day; and this year seems to have gone as a month.

This year, as always, has brought many victories and many opportunities to see God solve what did not seem possible.

The church is maintaining its own over a thousand in Sunday School. Growth in the last six months has been slower, but a time to stabilize God's people in the Word. From September '79 to September '80 the Sunday School grew in average attendance three hundred percent - averaging 1200 for a six month period. In July we reached an all-time record of 2,593 persons in a single Sunday School. Again in October we went over



Paul Hatcher

the two thousand mark.

How great is the blessing of seeing people saved and growing to be mature Christians.

God's blessings have made the effort well worth while and have over shadowed the financial difficulties both of the schools and my family. It has been good to see how God provides even when waiting on Him to come up with something for the next meal.

We had a delightful time having Brother York as guest professor in the Baptist Seminary of Manaus. Brother York's classes were exciting for the students and gave a great boost to them. We are grateful to the Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church for so graciously underwriting all the expenses for Brother York to assist in the training of Brazilian leaders for Baptist work.

We hope that each will earnestly beseech before God's face how you can have a greater part in aiding men who have left their home land to preach the gospel to another people. Please pray for them and give. God will richly bestow upon you many fruits.

Merry Christmas and happy new year to all.

Love,
Paul Hatcher

Baptized Father And Daughter . . . Conducting Two Bible Studies Weekly . . . Good Attendance And Several Professions Of Faith . . . Attending Language School Five Days A Week . . . Requests Prayers For Family And Needs Of Baptist Faith Missions

By Dana Adams

1579 Birmingham
Brookside Subdivision
Cainta, Rizal Philippines
November 15, 1980

Dear Brethren,

Greetings in the precious name of our Saviour who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood.

On November 30th it was my privilege to baptize a father and daughter into the fellowship of our mission. The father had been saved for a number of years but had never submitted for believer's baptism. The daughter was saved during one of our Bible Studies. I am presently conducting two Bible Studies weekly. The Lord has been



Dana Adams

blessing with good attendance and with several professions of faith in Christ as their Saviour.

In addition to pastoring the mission I'm attending a language school five days a week, four hours per day. I believe that learning the native language is necessary in order to be more effective in working with the people.

Please continue to remember me and my family in prayer that our lives may be pleasing to Him. Also remember to pray for more offerings to Baptist Faith Missions for special needs.

In His Name,
Dana Adams

START NOW TO MAKE YOUR THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS. IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY TO MAKE YOUR PLANS.



This is the Tabernacle Baptist Church youth choir, Manaus, Brazil, on the STAGE in the back of the truck, showing the stage with organ and the public address system with loud speakers. The service had been announced and the people came and stood in the open and the choir sings, and then Pastor Paul Hatcher, standing at the left facing the choir, preaches the gospel to over 1000 persons in a public park. This is the work of BAPTIST FAITH MISSIONS, GOING, GROWING AND GLOWING. They shine now, and one day on the new earth they will outshine the sun. Aren't you glad you have a part in the mission work?

Twenty College Students Finish First Year . . . Fifty Prospective Students For Coming Year . . . The Howard Carters Coming To Learn Language And Teach In The College . . . Growth Removed From Top Of Head Not Malignant . . . Thankful For Prayers And Support

By Paul Hatcher

Caixa Postal 227
Manaus, Amazonas 69000
Brazil, S.A.
December 30, 1980

Dear Brethren,

The year of 1980 will soon be history, and I am thankful to God for the privilege to have been a part of His service.

The school year has come to an end and plans are already under way for the coming year. God has granted us many blessings and we rejoice in the salvation of many students. The seminary is also on vacation and preparation is now under way for the coming year which promises to be the greatest ever. Twenty college students completed the first year and we have



Paul Hatcher

fifty prospective students for the coming year.

Howard and Betty Carter will be leaving Dayton, Ohio on January 12, 1981 to join the Seminary staff. We are desperately in need of his help and are looking forward to his arrival. Pray for them as they travel, settle down, and begin learning the language.

I appreciate the concern of many about my surgery. The growth was nonmalignant and I have now recovered. Thank you for your prayers.

We are thankful to God for this year of 1980 and we especially thank you for the great joys that you have given us through your prayers and generous support for this ministry. Pray that God shall give us a prosperous year in 1981 as we shall be praying for your prosperity. Pray for our family and ministries here in Brazil.

Love,
The Paul Hatchers

Leaving For Visit To Mission Work In Korea . . . Good Month In The Mission In The Philippines . . . Professions Of Faith In Arenata Center . . . Services In Homes . . . Many Professions Of Faith In Open Air Service In Front Of Large School Building . . . Three Baptized . . . Hopes To Organize A Church Soon

By Louie Carver

P.O. Box 40
Quezon City 3001
Philippines
tel. #695-4420
December 11, 1980

Dear Brethren,

I am writing a bit early this month since I shall be leaving for Korea tomorrow. I am fearful that my letter will be late should I await my trip to Korea before writing.

This has been a good month here in the Philippines. Our attendance is beginning to grow at the "Open Book Mission". We have had numerous home Bible studies (cottage prayer meetings). There have been several make professions of faith in these homes. One dear little grandmother, a Catholic all of her life, the Methodists landlords had been working on her. She was saved and attending our services after which she was kicked out of her house. She does need your prayers. I mentioned last month that we had an "Open Air Evangelistic Campaign" scheduled in front of the main school in the town where our mission is located (Sta. Maria) meaning Saint Mary. God truly blessed in this meeting with good attendance and seventy-two professions of faith of which forty-five were teenage



Louie Carver

and above. Of course the oriental way is to say yes if that is the desirable answer sought for. However, God is the one who does the saving not us. My associate has already begun to follow-up on these and last night he told me that he had just talked with five of the young men who had professed Christ and they were sure of their salvation.

Last night, Wed. 12-10-80 we had two who came for baptism, a husband and wife, one lady came by letter from another Baptist Church and two for rededication to Christ. Aside from these, I have baptized three this past month ranging in age from about 18 to 23.

I am hoping to be able to organize this mission in the near future. So instead of starting another work right away, perhaps it is wise to spend a bit more time with this work and get her more stabilized. We are also looking for a lot or else a house that can be renovated so we can have our own buildings. That is right, more prayers, more money but thank God, more blessings for you who respond. I haven't gotten a full report from the Korean works since last letter. Only Deacon Lee's wife, and another member of the Faith Church in Seoul wrote. Also Pastor Cheong wrote saying they had had a good Thanksgiving Service and Dr. Elton Wilson had been with them in one service. I'll give a report next month on my trip, Seminar and graduation to Korea.

Yours in His Service,
W. Louie Carver

A Busy Blessed Month . . . Attendance Good . . . Five Baptized . . . Church To Discipline Five . . . First Wedding Anniversary . . . Wife Lucy Graduates And Gets Teacher's Certificate . . . Pleas For Special Offerings For Car

By Asa Mark Bratcher

Manaus
December 17, 1980

Dear Brethren,

We trust this will find each one of you being greatly blessed by our Lord. This past month has been a busy and blessed one here in His service.

Our attendance at Peniel Church continues to be very good. The last Sunday of November I baptized five and there have been some fifteen decisions made during this time. Also the church had to discipline five members at the last business meeting because of lack of attendance and other irregularities. Lucy and I celebrated



Asa Mark Bratcher

our first wedding anniversary on the 8th of this month. I thank the Lord for the good wife He has given me and pray that He will give us many, many more years of faithful service together. Also, I thank Him for the fact that Lucy graduates this month, receiving her teacher's certificate.

Please continue to support us with your prayers, offerings, and letters so that we may be able to do even more for our Lord. Please continue to give as you can so the deficit on our car can be paid off completely. May each one of you truly have a great Holiday Season and a Happy New Year in His care.

In His Service with Love,
Asa Mark & Lucy Bratcher



This is a picture of nine of the fifteen busses owned by Tabernacle Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil. The church has its own mechanics that keep the Diesel busses in running order. Harold Bratcher uses one of these busses each Sunday to bring people to Fourteenth of December Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil. The busses are used during the week to bring and take home the students in the school of about 1600 students from Kindergarten through High School. The school is self supporting and the students pay to ride the busses to school.

Married 33 Years And Missionaries To Brazil 25 Years . . . Many Memories Will Remain For Eternity, Others Will Be Forgotten . . . Some Things That Cause Little Suffering For Christ Will Disappear In The Joys Of Eternity . . . Much More Land To Be Conquered For Christ . . . The Harvest Is Whiter Than Ever . . . Many Look For Reasons For Not Supporting The Work Of Missions

By John Hatcher

Dear Brethren,
December 22, 1980
Oh, praise the Lord for He is good.
And His mercy endureth forever and ever.
The years roll on as the seas. They never cease
nor slow for one moment. Job says that the days
of man are like the weaver's shuttle. Jacob said,
"My days are 130 years, few
and evil . . ." The poet wrote,

"Just one life, 'till
soon be past, Only
what's done for
Christ will last."

Two days ago marked the
thirty-three year mark of
Alta's and my married life.
They have been marvelous
years as God has blessed us
with the privilege of knowing
and serving Him. He has
blessed us with children whom we love dearly, though
whom are rarely seen. Twenty-five of these years have
been spent in Brazil.

There are many memories—some will remain
with us for eternity and others will be forgotten. The
memories of those who have been won to the Lord, of
those who have faithfully served the Lord, those who
faithfully have given to make the preaching of the
Gospel possible, and the memories of loved ones who

have died in the Lord and memories that will become
realities in Eternity. The persons which have rejected
the Lord, those who died without the Lord, though
they were told of the Gospel, those who opposed the
work of the Lord and looked for reasons for not
supporting the work of the Gospel and the little
suffering for Christ that fell our lot will disappear in
the joys of eternity.

But, though there are not as many years before us
as have gone, there is much more land to be
conquered. The harvest is greater and whiter than
ever; the laborers seem to be fewer. Those who die in
their sins, not having heard of the Lord, will be lost,
but their blood will be required at our hands.

There is not way of doing the Lord's work
without sent ones and senders. Many persons look for
reasons to not support the work of missions. Such
reasons are not hard to find; the enemy always has an
abundance. This year may it please the Lord to bless
you, each one, with a spirit of desire to give for the
spread of the Gospel of Christ.

Although the years pass and opportunities flee,
it should be remembered that one day, before Christ,
every year and moment of our lives will be relived and
judged according to what was done in the flesh,
whether good or bad.

In Him,
John A. Hatcher

**Farewell Service For The Harold Drapers . . Praised For One Year
Of Great Service . . Long, Hot, Hard, Four Days Drive To Sao
Luis . . Creiglow In Charge Of Both Churches . . Service For
The Deaf . . Daughters Learning To Play The Organ**

By Bobby Creiglow

Varzea Grande, Mt.
December 16, 1980

Dear Brethren,
Last Saturday night we were invited by the Boa
Esperanca Church to attend a farewell service and
party for the Drapers. It was very evident that
during the year that they spent
together there was a mutual love
created between them that is
very rare. After only one year in
language school they came to
Cuiaba to take care of this
church while the Turners were
on furlough and they took to the
work like a duck takes to water
and were rapid learners. I do not
recall ever seeing any other
family after only 1 year on the
field being able to take over a work and do the job as
they have done. Although we did not get to see much
of each other, it was a real joy to work along side of
them for this past year. They left early Monday
morning on the long four day trip in their VW van to
take over the work that Brother Bean left and we are
sure they will do a good job there.

Our work here in Varzea Grande is still rather
low as far as attendance and we are not having as
many lost in our services as we did, but we think the
quality is getting better. As I recall, we did not have
any professions of faith this month and I only
baptized one. We are trying to get the backsliders
straightened out and it appears this will take some
time. Since the Drapers left and the Turners are being
delayed in returning I will be in charge of both works
for awhile. With the cooperation of the brethren in
both churches we do not think either work will suffer
too much although both churches do have a few
problems. We are getting started in a new ministry in
our church and that is a ministry to the deaf. We have
some young people of the church that can speak in
sign language and I plan to start learning it soon. We
had four deaf people in our service Sunday morning
and I am sure as we learn to communicate with them
we will have many more.

Last month I went to Sao Paulo and bought an
organ for Arlene and Arlete and am now looking for a
teacher for them. The organ got here last week and

they are both doing very well on their own, but they
do need a teacher. Since Mike left us to go to School
in 1968 we have not had anyone in our work that
could play anything for us, so we hope that in the near
future we will have two more that can either help us or
another. Pray for them as well as for all of us that we
might be used in His service for His glory.

In His Name,
Bobby D. Creiglow

**Remember Baptist Faith Missions
In Your Will.**

**Many Discouragements, But God Has Given Victory. . . Post
Office And All The City On Strike. . . No Mail Received And None
Sent Out. . . This Letter Sent By A Tourist On Plane To Mail In
Miami, Florida. . . Pleas For Increase In Regular Offerings**

By James Gasque

Apartado 183
Iquitos, Peru
December 12, 1980

Dear Brethren,

Another month has come and gone and it seems
that so little has been accomplished. We have had
many things to discourage us but our GOD is faithful
and true and has lifted us up and given the victory. We have
really learned to appreciate
GOD's mercy that has been
extended to us. In this city of
150,000 people, there are 10
"BAPTIST CHURCHES" and the
total membership only makes
up about one tenth of one
percent of the population. This
tells me that there is much
work to be done and so little
time to do it.

During the past few weeks the post office has
been on strike and we haven't been able to send or
receive any mail. Please understand if you write us



James Gasque



Pastor Paul Hatcher at work in his office, Manaus, Brazil. The painting on the wall behind was done by one of his talented young men. He has two services each Sunday morning to accomodate the crowds and averages over 1000 in Sunday School.



"FROM THIS TO THIS". Many years ago when the editor visited John Hatcher in Manaus, Brazil, he took me in his car several miles to his new mission at Chapada. We had to park the car and walk several blocks down the path in the road. There were two small buildings for preaching and Sunday School. The white building at the left in this picture with the sign over the door was the church. John Hatcher organized this mission into a church and in time Miguel Ibernson became pastor, and he led the members to build the new building, paying for it themselves. The small path in the street in front of the church, is now a four lane paved blacktop highway. Before H. Boyce Taylor died in 1932, 48 years ago, without one missionary left of the group of seven his mission sent out, he said, if it be God's will the mission work in the Amazon Valley of Brazil will "GO and GROW and GLOW. How true his saying of 48 years ago."

**Request For Offerings To BFM Regular Fund And For "Bratcher
Building" . . . The Wallace Yorks Come to Visit . . . Services At
Graves Of Son Joel Bratcher And Missionary Eric A. Nelson . . .
Three Day Trip To Missions In The Interior . . . Plan Yearly Trip
To "Cana" On Buzzard River . . . Pleas For All To Stand By In
Full Support**

By Harold Bratcher

Dear Brethren,
Manaus, Amazonas
November 18, 1980

When you read this letter the Thanksgiving
Conference of 1980 will be history! We are praying
today that you will have a blessed conference. Permit
me to ask you to continue to
help us by giving regularly to the
regular fund of B. F. M. & to the
"Bratcher Building." Let us all
remember that "by faith we can
conquer, defeat every foe."

Sunday morning, October
26th we had 422 in Sunday
School. That night Pastor
Wallace York preached. We
enjoyed Brother & Mrs. York's
visit with us, the meals we had
together as well as the spiritual



Harold Bratcher

[Editor's Note: This letter from Brother Bratcher
dated Nov. 18, 1980 came by registered mail and
was received Jan. 2, 1981. It took 45 days to get
here from Manaus, Brazil. No letter in last
month's MS from Brother Bratcher.]

feast we had the night he preached. Mrs. York was a
blessing to the ladies of the Missionary Society the
night she brought the message with Mrs. Bratcher
translating.

Sunday afternoon - November 2nd - a group of
us from the church held services at two graves in the
Sao Joao Batista Cemetery - Joel Harold Bratcher's
and Eric A. Nelson's. Joel died in 1971, Missionary
Nelson in 1939.

Mrs. Bratcher & I made a three day trip - we left
the 6th and returned the 8th. We held services in a
home at Kilometer 182 on the Manaus - Itacoatiara
highway on Thursday night. Brother Secundino
Alfaia Belezza and a group from our mission at Cana
on the Buzzard River (some five hours away) met us
there for the service. On Friday night we held services
at Kilometer 134 in a school house. It was the first
time for me to preach at this relatively new settlement
and it may be the first time for a non-catholic service
to have been held there.

Brethren, we have done as Jesus commanded:
visited the sick, the poor, the prisoners and the least of
his brethren.

On the 9th through the 17th of December we will be
away from Manaus making our yearly visit to Cana
on the Rio Urubu. This is always an expensive trip.
We go by faith that the Mission will cheerfully pay the
expenses of the trip.

Brethren, stand by us and continue to hold the
ropes for us. Remember that we are still on the
Mission Field and are depending on you for our full
support. Pray for us.

Yours In His Service
Harold Bratcher

Where To Send Offerings

Make all checks payable to Baptist Faith
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Lexington, Ky. 40524

December Offerings . . . 1980

Baptist Bible Center, Point Pleasant, W. Va.	\$ 106.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	148.00
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddennite, N.C.	60.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Arlington, Ky.	116.52
Calvary Baptist Church, Nitro, W. Va.	400.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	444.24
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, Ky. (Bratcher's Building)	35.00
Devondale Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	100.00
14th of December Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil, S.A. (Bratcher's Building)	200.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill.	111.76
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, W. Va.	60.00
Elk Lick Baptist Church, Levi, Ky.	34.25
Emmaus Road Baptist Church, Craigsville, W. Va.	50.00
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	59.06
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.	32.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky.	550.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Baptist Sem.)	50.00
Foxport Baptist Church, Flemingsburg, Ky. (Bratcher's Building)	50.00
Friendship Baptist Church, Rison, Ark.	40.00
Gethsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, Ohio	88.50
Grace Baptist Church, Annnville, Ky.	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Holly, Mich.	300.00
Grace Baptist Church, Sunbury, Ohio (Carver)	40.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Hatcher's Bldg.)	70.57
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Bobby Creiglow's Car)	70.57
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Mike Creiglow's Car)	70.57
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Carver's Car)	70.57
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Ohio	84.77
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark.	50.00
Highland Baptist Church, Lewisburg, W. Va. (Carver's Building)	18.00
Hillcresty Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C.	100.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculmbia, Ala.	220.69
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculmbia, Ala. (Gasque's Car)	44.00
Landmark Baptist Church, Winchester, Ky. (Carver)	10.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio (Bratcher)	35.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio (Carver)	35.00
Little Sewell Baptist Church, Rainele, W. Va.	110.00
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, W. Va.	10.00
Mt. Home Baptist Church #2, Russellville, Ala.	60.00
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Boone, N.C. (Carver's Building)	100.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Normantown, W. Va.	15.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Shock, W. Va. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association)	30.00
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)	15.00
Newby Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	59.77
New Testament Baptist Church, Levasy, W. Va.	35.00
North Ballard Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	75.69
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fla.	195.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fla. (Hatcher's Building)	25.00
Rupert Baptist Church, Rupert, W. Va.	15.00
Russellville Baptist Church, Russellville, W. Va.	20.00
Salem Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky.	50.00
South Irvine Baptist Church, Irvine, Ky.	25.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Ohio	1,767.35
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	15.50
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va.	524.50
West End Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	20.00
West Milton Baptist Church, West Milton, Ohio (Mike Creiglow)	30.00
Winchester Baptist Church, Winchester, Ohio (Bratcher)	45.00
Winchester Bapt. Church, Winchester, Oh. (hatcher)	45.00
Wolf Springs Baptist Church, Town Creek, Ala. (Gasque)	20.00
Wolf Springs Baptist Church, Town Creek, Ala. (Young Adulat Class - Gasque's Christmas Gift)	50.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C. (Carver's Building)	75.00
Baptist Bible Center, Point Pleasant, W. Va. (Gasque's Motorcycle)	20.00
Battle Baptist Church, Springfield, Ky.	60.00
Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, Edmond, W. Va.	196.50
Berea Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.	40.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, Ind.	29.70
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Adams)	40.00
Bible Bapt. Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Mike Creiglow)	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (P. Hatcher - Baptist Seminary)	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Smith - Baptist Seminary)	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Adams)	40.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Mike Creiglow)	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Hatcher - Baptist Seminary)	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Smith - Baptist Seminary)	20.00
Bluff Ave. Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind.	20.00
Bluff Ave. Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind. (Carver's Personal Expenses)	40.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, W. Va.	55.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, Ohio	382.59
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, Ohio (Carver - by Lena Frank)	40.00
Cocharan Street Baptist Church, Statesville, N.C. (Mike Creiglow's Building)	200.00
Cochran Street Baptist Church, Statesville, N.C. (Carver's Building)	200.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - John Hatcher's Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Harold Bratcher's Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Bobby Creiglow Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Mike Creiglow's Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Turner Medical Expenses)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Baptist Seminary)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Draper's Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Asa Mark Bratcher Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Gasque's Car)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Adam's Car)	121.00

Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C. (Thanksgiving Off. - Carver Rent for Building)	121.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	75.00
Faith Baptist Church, Danville, Ky.	10.00
First Baptist Church, Lucasville, Ohio.	306.60
Forest Grove Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C.	112.05
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio	140.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio (Baptist Sem.)	55.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Monticello, Ky.	30.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla. (B. Creiglow's Building)	20.00
Logana Baptist Church, Nicholasville, Ky.	109.25
New LaGrange Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, Ala.	50.00
Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala.	450.00
Worship Point Baptist Church, Lenoir, N.C.	30.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Ohio (Bratcher's Building)	50.00
Algonac Baptist Church, Algonac, Mich.	20.00
Baptist Bible Center, Point Pleasant, W. Va. (Bratcher's Car)	100.00
Bethlehem Baptist Church, Russellville, Ala.	39.90
Calvary Baptist Church, Summersville, W. Va.	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Florence, Ky.	60.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky.	100.00
First Baptist Church, Niles, Ill.	50.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mich.	361.58
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Bratcher's Car)	500.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Baptist Sem.)	34.00
Myrtle Tree Baptist Church, Everman Creek, Ky.	186.00
Timbered Ridge Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C.	130.89
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	150.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	155.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	821.40
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Bratcher's JBuilding)	32.00
Elizabeth Jarrel Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.	10.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hurricane, W. Va.	65.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, Tenn.	50.00
Meadowhorpe Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Mike Creiglow's Building)	76.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, Mich.	317.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, Mich. (Baptist Seminary)	19.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Tenn.	30.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	403.34
Southwood Baptist Church, Mansfield, Ohio	250.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	712.50
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Baptist Seminary)	50.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Adam's Car)	105.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Repair on House Balsam Dr.)	100.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.	776.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Baptist Seminary)	99.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Bratcher's Car)	100.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Carver's Children School)	5.00
A Friend (Hatcher's Building)	200.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (Paul Hatcher's Medical Expenses)	20.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (B. Creiglow's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (M. Creiglow's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (J. Hatcher's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (Asa Mark Bratcher's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (R. Turner's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (Gasque's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (Adam's Car)	10.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio (H. Bratcher's Car)	10.00
Mrs. K. B. (Baptist Seminary)	20.00
Frank Creiglow, Lancaster, Ohio (B. Creiglow's Car)	20.00
Eld. Carl Gaston, Russellville, Ala. (Gift for Gasque's)	25.00
B. E. James, Jr., East Bend, N.C.	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Hall, Pennington Gap, Va.	15.00
Bro. & Mrs. Demas Brubacher, Memphis, Tenn.	50.00
Marguerite Hallum, Hammond, La.	50.00
James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss.	140.00
W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn.	2.00
A Friend	250.00
Mr. & Mrs. F. R. Potter, Crescent City, Calif.	150.00
Wilodene hardy, Guntown, Miss.	60.00
Texas Friends	200.00
Eld. & Mrs. G. B. Trent, Chattaroy, W. Va.	60.00
Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Lewis, Stilwell, Okla.	100.00
A Friend	200.00
Jane Carter McDowell, Danville, Ky. (Harold & Asa Bratcher)	20.00
Quitmon Herndon, Farmington, Ky.	25.00
A Friend	100.00
A friend	100.00
Eske! & Pauline Huddleston, Camden, Tenn.	25.00
Ron Lacy, Lexington, Ky.	10.00
Received for Baptist Seminary	528.00
Received for Adam's Car	236.00
Received for Bratcher's Car	831.00
Received for Asa Mark Bratcher's Car	131.00
Received for Bratcher's Building	367.00
Received for Carver's Building	393.00
Received for Carver's Car	70.57
Received for Carver's Personal Expenses	40.00
Received for Carver's Rent on Building	121.00
Received for Carver's Children Schooling	5.00
Received for Bobby Creiglow's Building	20.00
Received for Bobby Creiglow's Car	221.57
Received for Mike Creiglow's Building	276.00
Received for Mike Creiglow's Car	201.57
Received for Draper's Car	121.00
Received for Gasque's Car	175.00
Received for Gasque's Motorcycle	20.00
Received for John Hatcher's Building	295.57
Received for John Hatcher's Car	131.00
Received for Paul Hatcher's Medical Exp.	20.00
Received for Turner's Medical Exp.	121.00
Received for Turner's Car	10.00
Received for Repair on Balsam House	100.00
Received for Regualr Fund	15,075.90
Received for All Purposes	19,511.18

OFFERINGS FOR BAPTIST SEMINARY, DECEMBER, 1980	
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio	\$ 50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn.	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn.	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn.	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn.	20.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	121.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mich.	34.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Hts., Mi.	19.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.	99.00
Mrs. K. B.	20.00
Total received for this fund	528.00

OFFERINGS FOR ADAM'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	105.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	236.00

OFFERINGS FOR BRATCHER'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi.	500.00
Baptist Bible Center, Point Pleasant, W. Va.	100.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.	100.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	831.00

OFFERINGS FOR ASA MARK BRATCHER'S CAR, DEC., 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	131.00

OFFERINGS FOR BRATCHER'S BUILDING, DECEMBER, 1980	
Calvary Baptist Church, Uniontown, Ky.	\$ 35.00
Foxport Baptist Church, Flemingsburg, Ky.	50.00
14th of December Baptist Church, Manaus, Brazil	200.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Ohio	50.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	32.00
Total received for this fund	367.00

OFFERINGS FOR CARVER'S BUILDING, DECEMBER, 1980	
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Boone, N.C.	\$ 100.00
Highland Baptist Church, Lewisburg, W. Va.	18.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C.	75.00
Cochran Street Baptist Church, Statesville, N.C.	200.00
Total received for this fund	393.00

OFFERINGS FOR CARVER'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.	\$ 70.57

OFFERINGS FOR CARVER'S PERSONAL EXP., DECEMBER, 1980	
Bluff Ave. Baptist Church, Indianapolis, Ind.	\$ 40.00

OFFERINGS FOR CARVER'S RENT ON BUILDING, DEC., 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00

OFFERINGS FOR CARVER'S CHILDREN SCHOOLING, DEC. 1980	
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.	\$ 5.00

OFFERINGS FOR BOBBY CREIGLOW'S BUILDING, DEC., 1980	
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla.	\$ 20.00

OFFERINGS FOR BOBBY CREIGLOW'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.	\$ 70.57
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	121.00
Frank Creiglow, Lancaster, Ohio	20.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	221.57

OFFERINGS FOR MIKE CREIGLOW'S BUILDING, DEC., 1980	
Cochran Street Baptist Church, Statesville, N.C.	\$ 200.00
Meadowhorpe Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	76.00
Total received for this fund	276.00

OFFERINGS FOR MIKE CREIGLOW'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.	\$ 70.57
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	121.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	201.57

OFFERINGS FOR DRAPER'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00

OFFERINGS FOR GASQUE'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculmbia, Ala.	\$ 44.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	121.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	175.00

OFFERINGS FOR GASQUE'S MOTORCYCLE, DECEMBER, 1980	
Baptist Bible Center, Point Pleasant, W. Va.	\$ 20.00

OFFERINGS FOR JOHN HATCHER'S BUILDING, DECEMBER, 80	
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.	\$ 70.57
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fla.	25.00
A Friend, Ky.	200.00
Total received for this fund	295.57

OFFERINGS FOR JOHN HATCHER'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	10.00
Total received for this fund	131.00

OFFERINGS FOR PAUL HATCHER'S MEDICAL EXP., DEC., 1980	
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	\$ 20.00

OFFERINGS FOR TURNER'S MEDICAL EXPENSES, DEC., 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 121.00

OFFERINGS FOR TURNER'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1980	
Florence Dishon, Akron, Ohio	\$ 10.00

OFFERINGS FOR REPAIR ON BALSAM HOUSE, DEC., 1980	
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	\$ 100.00

THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS, DECEMBER, 1980	
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	\$ 1,331.00
Total Thanksgiving Offerings Received in Dec.	1,331.00
Total Thanksgiving Offering received in 1980.	56,842.33

CORRECTION:
In the September offerings I failed to list an offering in the amount of \$130.00 received from James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss. I am sorry for this oversight on my part.