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Brother Hille Goes To Be With The Lord

Brother Harry Hille died on December 13, 1984. He was born in 1912 and was 72 years of age. He is survived by his wife, four children, eleven grandchildren and three great-grand children. He has been a pastor for many years. At the time of his death he was pastoring Maranatha Baptist Church, Louisville, Ohio. He had held many meetings and spoken on many conferences during many years of service for the Lord. Many had been saved and strengthened through his ministry. He was a friend of missions and was a Director and the President of Baptist Faith Missions for many years. He was appreciated and loved by his brothers and sisters in Christ. We extend our deepest sympathy to Sister Hille and her family at this time. May the Lord comfort and give abundant grace.

Recommend

One of the greatest ways to help our missionaries is by recommending them. Churches and individuals you know may not know about our missionaries. They may even be looking for sound faithful missionaries. If you give them a *Mission Sheet* and a word of recommendation it may lead to their support of our missionaries and the sending out of new missionaries. Help by prayer, giving and recommending.

New Outboard Motor Given

A new outboard motor has been given to help Brother Harold Bratcher in his mission work on the rivers near Manaus, Brazil. We want to thank the Lord for leading the Fellowship Baptist Church of Richmond, Kentucky to do this.

Announcement

Brother Steve Bratcher, the son of Brother and Sister Harold Bratcher, believes God is calling him to be a missionary in Brazil. Until God prepares the way for him to go, he desires to serve the Lord here. He is available to pastor or assist some pastor or do supply work. Brother Steve Bratcher can be contacted at 1007 Pinebloom, Lexington, Ky. 40504. His telephone number is (606) 278-0963.

Report on New Missionaries

Continue to pray for the Beans and Hendersons. They desire to go as missionaries as soon as the funds permit. If you would like to contact them you may at the addresses below.

George Bean P.O. Box 65 Beattyville, Ky. 41311 (606) 464-8062	John Henderson 32 Janette Dr. Poca, W. Va. 25159 (304) 755-1117
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Car Fund

Give to help our missionaries have a car. Those who have a good car now won't have one in a year or two or three. We need to give regularly toward this so there will be money when they need a new car. Some need one now. Give to the Car Fund in general or for the car fund of a specific missionary.

Founders Month

June is the month we remember the founding of BFM. The Lord has blessed greatly in the past up until now. We need to remember this. We are calling June FOUNDERS MONTH. About the middle of the year our offerings usually go down some but the expenses of our missionaries go right on. During FOUNDERS MONTH we would like to remember our missionaries especially and take up special offerings to avoid this mid-year slump. We would appreciate it if during June one Sunday would be selected by your church to especially remember our missionaries and take up a special offering. Now is the time to begin thinking about this. We ask that each church pray about it and then do what God leads you to do.

Brother Carver's Report

Report On Offering . . . Many Thanks . . . 18 Saved In The Philippines

by Louie Carver

Let's Really Strive To Thrive In Eighty-Five

2028 Dorset Drive
 Lexington, Ky. 40504
 tel. 1 (606) 254-4205
 December 21, 1984

It was during the New Year's Day Rose Bowl game of 1930 that Roy Reigels ran the wrong direction toward his goal line. In the Locker Room, Reigels cried like a baby. He was certain he'd ruined his coach and for sure lost face for himself.

Reigels' coach touched his shoulder and said: "Get up and go . . . the game is not over yet." His fellow players said they had never seen anyone play football like Reigels did in the second half.

Though sincere, some of us may have become discouraged, confused and even have run the wrong way in eighty-four, we've got to keep on. Our faith says to us: "get up and go . . . the game is not over yet." LET'S REALLY STRIVE TO THRIVE IN EIGHTY-FIVE.

In 1983 the total offerings for the month of November were some: \$112,527.15. For the same period in 1984 they came to be: \$112,243.41. Our goal for the entire month in 1983 was \$115,000.00. While for the same period in 1984 we had set a goal of: \$125,000.00. Meaning in November of 1983 we only fell short of our goal: \$2,472.85; while for the same



Louie Carver

period in 1984 we fell short of our goal: \$12,756.59. That means in U.S.A. buying power, taking the inflation into consideration, we fell \$5,063.73 short of staying even with 1983. Thus to have but stayed even with 1983, buying power wise we should have had: \$117,307.14, in 1984.

We thank God for you and your giving. There were about 25% of our regular church givers who gave a special Thanksgiving gift. THANK YOU.

Now is the time to begin putting aside for the Thanksgiving Offering for 1985. I challenge each person reading this letter to set aside something out of each check this coming year and then give it for a Special Gift during Thanksgiving time next year. Just to hold even with what was given in 1983 (not '84) we shall need \$123,172.49 for November (total) for 1985.

WHAT WILL YOUR GOAL BE?

News From The Philippines:

Pastor Lemuel Tamon reported that: "We had an evangelistic crusade in Koyon for a week. Eighteen (18) souls accepted Christ. While in Patag we had services for three nights and had six professions of faith. This month we'll have an evangelistic crusade in another place." This is your mission work.

May each of you have had the most joyful holidays ever.

We are Laborers Together,
 W. Louie Carver

P.S. As Reigels coach said; so says our Coach; Jesus Christ: "Get up and go . . . the game is not over yet."

A First Step

When we look at the goal of putting several more missionaries on the field we may feel it is impossible in the near future. It is impossible for us but all things are possible with our God. We trust the Lord to enable us to give that we might have the funds to support several new missionaries and also to meet the need of added costs because of inflation.

A plan that will work involves several steps. The first step is to increase our giving now. Many are giving faithfully and may feel they can't give more at this time but we ask you to pray and consider this first step and take it if God leads.

A first step is for each to increase their giving by 20%. The church giving \$25 a month would increase to \$30 a month. The one giving \$50 would increase to \$60. The one giving \$100 would increase to \$120 etc. I believe if we take this step it will prepare us for the next step and the next and we will also step by step send our several new missionaries in the near future.

To reach a goal always involves a first step. Do what we can now and the next steps will follow and the goal will be reached by God's grace through us. I ask that you pray and then take this first step now. God has called more missionaries and I believe God is calling us to support them. A person full of knowledge did not get full in a day but by learning step by step over a period of time. If he never took the first step he would never have become full of knowledge. Great athletes did not become great in a day but by many steps. This is true in becoming great givers for God. We must take a first step now.



Our newest member of the New Hope Baptist Church, Sao Luis, Brazil. Harold Draper.

About Your Will

Have you remembered Baptist Faith Missions in your will? If not will you consider doing so? Do you have a house that you can give to Baptist Faith Missions now, for missionaries to live in on furlough, and after they have to retire when no longer able to carry on the work on the foreign field? Do you have a farm that you do not need that you will give to Baptist Faith Missions? Do you have stocks, and, or, bonds that you can give? Blessings now and great rewards in heaven. "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal." Matt. 6:19,20. Do you have cash that you can give not?

Report From Brother Wacaser

by Bobby Wacaser

1301 Seventh Street, SW
 Winter Haven, Florida 33880
 December 31, 1984

Dear Friends in Christ,

Many have been asking about the progress in our plans to go to Brazil. I'll explain as much as we have been able to find out ourselves.

First, we had to have many documents sent to us from agencies here in the U.S. (i.e. birth certificates, ordination certificates, commissioning letters, marriage licenses, school transcripts, etc.) We had to wait up to 14 weeks for some of these documents to come.

Secondly, these documents had to be notarized by a notary public representing the state in which the document was issued.

Thirdly, these documents had to be sent to the Brazilian Consulate in the U.S. which represents the state in which the documents were issued for legalization. In our case this involved 4 different consulate offices. We then had to wait upon their return. Some have not returned as yet.

Fourthly, when all these documents return from the various Brazilian Consulates they have to be sent to a lawyer in Brazil who will then submit them to the Dept. of Exterior Relations of Brazil. We have been informed that this will involve a 60 day wait.

Fifthly, the Dept. of Exterior Relations in Brazil will notify the Brazilian Consulate in Miami, Florida if we qualify for temporary Visas. We do not expect to be rejected for any reason known.

Sixthly, the Brazilian Consulate in Miami, Florida will notify us as soon as we have been cleared then we can apply for our Visas which will take 24 hours to process.

So, as you can see there are many opportunities for us as God's servants to learn patience. Please pray

with us that there will be no further delays. My wife and I both anxiously anticipate our departure and the beginning of our new work.

Yours in Christ,
 Bobby Wacaser



Bobby Wacaser

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Rejoice In Call Of Missionaries . . . Encouraged By Improvement In Ursula's Health . . . Works Increasing . . . Souls Saved . . . Concern For Churches In USA.

by Harold Draper

Dear Brethren,
We trust you had a great Thanksgiving Conference. We remembered you here. I rejoiced to hear that the Lord had called others to work as foreign missionaries. Especially was I made to rejoice when I received word that Brother George Bean would be coming back to us. We desperately need help. Please give so these brethren can come quickly! I also am rejoicing because of the improvement in Ursula's health. She got real bad and I had to rush her to the hospital shortly after my last mission letter. But it seems to have been a blessing in disguise. After working on the assumption that most of her problems were allergy related, the doctor has discovered that she has a very severe hormone imbalance. She has been on medication for 20 days and is a different person. The doctor said she should have been on medicine for the past 5 years. We are



Harold Draper

December 11, 1984
very hopeful that things will be better now. Continue to pray for us.
All of our works seem to be on the increase. At the church here in town we had a big increase in attendance due to an increase in visitation. We had one come by letter. We had one profession in Anajatuba, one at Anil. I didn't get a report from the other churches, but they both seem to be stronger than a year ago. We are anxiously waiting a letter concerning the Thanksgiving Offering. We are praying the Lord has provided sufficient funds for us to begin to build at our Anil mission. His will be done. We want to wish everyone a happy holiday season and we pray the Lord will richly bless all of this year. May He see fit to stir the hearts of His people to be more missionary; especially on the local church field. We can't send out more missionaries if our churches in the USA do not grow both in grace and in numbers of people saved. I believe in the doctrines of grace. The greatest grace you can have is to be a soul winner!
Yours in Him,
Harold M. Draper

54 Baptized . . . Preaching Points Growing . . . New Seminary Class Begins With 22 . . . Pressing Needs Explained . . . Inflation Over 150% For Year.

by Paul Hatcher

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
As usual, at this time of the year everything is a flurry as some things come to a conclusion and others kick into action. The Lord has continued to bless the work of the church. We have had a good increase in our membership during the past month, specially adults, with the baptism of 54 new believers.



Paul Hatcher

December 31, 1984
From the reports received, it appears that the mission works are holding their own with no major changes. The Sunday morning preaching points continue to grow. We have 6 pastors and 6 assistants working in these mission nuclei. All of these are studying and training in the Seminary program.
The new Seminary class began on December 1. The regular school year here begins at the end of February and concludes in December. We begin the Seminary scholastic year in December in order to give us more time with the students at the beginning of the year. This year we have 22 students in the seminary class. We are anticipating a great year.
Last Sunday we held the Graduation Services for the High School. From the elementary teacher training program we graduated 7 teachers. Four of

these Graduate Teachers are members of our church. We have had the privilege of having my parents with us during the Holiday Season. My Father, Dr. John A. Hatcher, preached for our Sunday evening service yesterday.
On New Year's Day I will be with the Baptist Church in the city of Castanho. This church was organized out of our church 3 or 4 years ago.
Now, the most pressing need: Pray for the financial situation. The end of the year is always the most expensive for operations here. Government regulations require that large payments into special funds be made at this time of the year. This is also the time of the year when we have least income because the Grade School and High School are on vacation. The Government just published the official rate of inflation for the last half of this year. Inflation for the past six months has been 77%. This is equivalent to over 150% annually. This is the highest ever official rate. Actually, the real rate of inflation is much higher than the official rate.
The inflation really erodes the buying power of money given by our church members. Please pray for this most pressing need. Give as God enables you and leads you to do.
We thank God for giving you to stand and work with us. May the Lord richly bless you now and during the coming year or until He comes!
Love,
Paul Hatcher

Preaches In West Virginia, Florida And Alabama In Several Churches . . . Hit By Drunk Driver

by Bobby Creiglow

Dear Brethren,
It seems since the Thanksgiving conference most churches were ready to get into the holiday season and therefore I have not been too busy traveling. In spite of not visiting many churches I traveled a good many miles.
Betty was invited to speak to a good sized ladies group of the Calvary Baptist Church on a Tuesday night and then I spoke for Brother Milard Mitchell and the church on Wednesday night. We always enjoy good fellowship with the brethren of this good church in Nitro, W. Va. From Nitro we went on up the mountain to supply preach for Brother Roy Thomas who was away in a meeting. I have been to this church, The Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, so often that it seems almost like home to me. While there in Edmond a drunk hit us head-on sending Arlene to the emergency room for treatment for a bump on the head. The Lord blessed through it all. It could have been much worse, we were stopped and he was not going very fast. The brethren there were very



Bobby Creiglow

good and helpful to us through it all and we had a good day with them on Sunday.
We came back to Lexington from West Virginia on Monday and Arlene took her G.E.D. test on Tuesday. We still do not have the results from that as yet. The following Thursday we traveled to South Carolina to be with our daughter Brenda for Christmas and from there we went to Florida to be with the Parkridge Baptist Church in their Stewardship-Mission Conference and I was the last speaker on this conference. On the last Sunday night of the Year we were with the Dean Road Baptist Church of Union Park, Florida, where Brother John King is pastor. From Florida we traveled to Huntsville, Ala. to spend a few days with Arlene and our new son-in-law and while there I spoke for the Faith Baptist Church of Leighton, Ala. where Brother Gary Phillips is pastor and Arlene and her husband are members. We arrived back home last night and I slept until almost noon today. Pray for us as we seek the Lord's direction for these next few months.
In His Name
Bobby D. Creiglow



Baptizing the sister-in-law of the woman we bought the building from in Anil. Brother Draper, Sao Luis, Brazil.



Graduation ceremony of Faith Baptist Institute, Iquitos, Peru. October 8, 1984.

Finishes Teaching Class In Old Testament . . . Sister Bratcher Improving . . . Desire To Build A Building For New Jerusalem Baptist Mission

by Harold Bratcher

Dear Brethren,
Since the writing of the last Mission Sheet Letter, we've finished another year of teaching Old Testament at the "Faculdade Batista de Teologia." Classes will begin again in March.
Our Sunday Bible School attendance at the 14th of December Baptist Church has averaged 403 for the first three Sundays in December. At night we are under 200.
On December 3rd I took Mrs. Bratcher back to the heart doctor. The examinations show that she is improving.
Brother Samuel Walkey our organist has returned after a two months visit in England.
This "Mission Sheet" month I've performed two weddings - one at the church and one in a home some 80 miles from Manaus.
We received one day last week a brochure and a personal note written on it from our son Stephen M. Bratcher in Lexington, Ky. The title of the form letter is "The Amazon Mission Expedition." In it he explains his plans to come to Manaus with Deacon David Dickerson of the Broadway Baptist Church and others for the purpose of building a new "case de



Harold Bratcher

Manaus, Amazonas
December 18, 1984
oracao" - house of prayer - church building at the New Jerusalem Baptist Mission. They plan to arrive on the 5th of February and return on the 18th. He writes in his personal note.
"Dear Dad: Here is a brochure prepared for our tentative February trip. Pray and plan as the Lord leads. It may be a good idea for you to write supporters such as Brother R., Brother M., and Dr. P., and others mentioning the needs for building at Parana da Eva. Keep in touch and I'll keep you posted on trip developments."
Brethren, it is difficult for me to find time to write letters. Therefore I ask that Brethren R. or M. or Dr. P. and others consider and accept this letter as a personal appeal to all of you. Let each of you be Bro. R. or M. or Dr. P. and as soon as possible send a special offering, as soon as possible to Baptist Faith Missions designated for the Jerusalem building.
If you should be interested in making the trip with them then write or contact Stephen M. Bratcher - 1007 Pinebloom Dr., Lexington, Ky. 40504, Telephone (606) 278-0963.
May the Lord's richest blessings be upon each one of you throughout the new year of 1985. We thank you for helping as you did during 1984.
Yours In His Service,
Harold and Marie Bratcher

Best Wishes To All . . . Appreciation For Support . . . Goals For 85 In The Philippines

by Dana Adams

1782 Burbank Street
Brookside Hills Subdivision
Cainta, Rizal Philippines
December 25, 1984
Dear Co-Laborers In Christ,
My family and I take this opportunity to wish each of our supporting churches and readers best wishes for the coming new year. We believe that our future as Christians is as bright as the promises of God. At this point Lamentations 3:22, 23 comes to my mind, "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness." Amen.
In addition to wishing you all the best for 1985, I also want to express my heartfelt appreciation to all our supporting churches and individuals for your faithful support during the past year. We also thank each of you who have taken time to either write us or send us a card. It is always a blessing to us to know that others are praying and thinking about us as we



Dana Adams

continue to serve the Lord where He has called us.
On December 21 we had our annual church banquet with a wonderful meal and good time of fellowship. During our banquet I shared with our people some goals for 1985. I want to share these with you that you may pray for us during the coming year that we may be able to accomplish each of these goals with the Lord's help. Goal one: to challenge each member of our church to read the Bible through in one year beginning in January. Goal two: To challenge each of our members to become an effective soul-winner. Goal three: To develop each of our new converts into true disciples of Jesus Christ. Goal four: To encourage each church member to multiply himself through soul-winning over and over during 1985. See John 15:16. In short it is our prayer that by God's grace we will be "A going church for a coming Lord."
Until next month may the Lord bless and use you in our prayer.
In His Name,
Dana Adams
It is not too early to start plans for that special Thanksgiving Offering. The Lord will bless you for it.



Main school building in Pucallpa, Peru. Brother Sheridan Stanton's work.

Both Children Saved . . . Needs Of The School . . . Log Boat Will Soon Be Ready . . . Works Going Well

by Sheridan Stanton

November 19, 1984

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings once again from Pucallpa in the name of Jesus. Hope all is well back home. The good news from here this month is that both of our children, Leah and Joshua, have trusted Christ as their Saviour. In last month's Mission letter I asked each one to pray for them and it looks like you did. WE really appreciate your prayers and concern for us in the work here. WE are still very busy with the reorganization of our Christian School that we have here in Pucallpa. Brother Mayfield started this work years ago and the Lord blessed in a marvellous way. Many children and their parents have heard the gospel and been taught in the Bible. At the present time the school needs your prayers and financial help. We need urgently to repair or renovate the school property. This is going to cost a lot of money that we don't have at the present. The money is needed to replace rotten wood, fix the leaks on the school buildings and install gutters and



Sheridan Stanton

drainage canals to drain off the water. If you've never lived in the South American jungle you cannot appreciate the amount of rain we receive. Please help if you can and remember to pray for the salvation of the students and parents for the following year. Mark your offerings for the "Pucallpa School".

The log boat will soon be ready to use in our work at San Francisco. The rain has slowed the work down alot, but the Brethren there go right on. We are still short the money to have a motor on the back of it to make it go. But God will provide! This boat will be used to bring 25 to 30 people to church with each trip when it is ready.

All of the churches and works here are doing well. We still ask your prayers for the Faith Baptist Church. They still need our prayers but things are getting better. We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of my Parents in December. It will sure be good to see them. Pray for a safe trip for them. We could write and say more but it's best to close for now. Until next month may the Lord continue to bless each one as you remain faithful to Him.

Serving Jesus in Peru,
S.E. and Anita Stanton

Speaks At Conference . . . Tells About Work In Brazil In Kentucky . . . Visits Relatives

by Asa Bratcher

1007 Pinebloom Dr.
Lexington, Kentucky 40504
January 5, 1985

Dear Brethren:

Since our last Mission Sheet letter, we have had the privilege of attending and speaking at the 30th annual Thanksgiving Conference in Michigan. My family and I enjoyed the great fellowship, preaching, and hospitality offered us by the Twelve Ryan Baptist Church and New Hope Baptist Church.

Since then we have been studying, resting, and traveling some. Since the 25th of December, we have been in Owensboro, Kentucky. While there we attended the services at the



Asa Bratcher

Masonville Baptist Church. Wednesday night, January the 2nd, I spoke and told about the work in Brazil, at the Mount Vernon Baptist Church near Calhoun, Kentucky. My uncle, Brother Donald Bratcher is the pastor of this church.

On January 4th, I celebrated my 29th birthday. I thank the Lord for each wonderful blessing received during these years, and wish to serve Him for many more as He wills. The Lord willing, we will be returning to Lexington around the 7th of this month. May the Lord bestow His richest blessings upon each of you.

In His Service,
Asa Mark, Lucy and Marcia Bratcher

Busy Month . . . New Converts Growing . . . Vandalism Problem . . . Thanks To Supporters

by Richard Turner

Caixa Postal 720
78000-Cuiaba, Mt.
Brazil, S. A.
December 11, 1984

Dear Brethren,

This month has been about like the last. We have been busy in the Lord's work. been fairly good this month some first time visitors in the services. One was a ninety year old man that said he had been a believer for sixty-six years. The couple that made professions of faith last month have been coming faithfully and seem to be growing in the Lord. I have been having a Bible study with them to prepare them for baptism and church membership.



Richard Turner

We were made to rejoice from the good report of the Thanksgiving Conference. It is good to hear that some new missionaries are being called to Brazil.

In the last few months we have had quite a bit of vandalism here at the church. Several windows have been broken out and we have had them all replaced. Some neighbor children were responsible and I had a good talk with them. They have left us alone now for some weeks. Today when I arrived here at the church I found about five window panes shot out. I don't think it was the neighbor children this time.

As we have almost come to the end of 1984 I want to take this time to thank each of you that have had a part in the work here. God has blessed us abundantly, we have seen people saved and added to the work here and spiritual growth in the church. Thank you for

your prayers and faithful support.
A happy new year to you all.
In His Service,
Richard A. Turner

Where To Send Offerings

Make all checks payable to Baptist Faith
Missions and mail all offerings to:
James Hamilton
P.O. Box 24204
Lexington, Ky. 40524

*Let Your Support
of Baptist Faith
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Will.*



Waiting for the Sunday School bus - Garca, Brazil.



Church in Galia, Brazil. Brother John Hatcher's work.

Back In Brazil But Baggage Is Late . . . Enjoyed Visiting All . . . 12 Professions Of Faith . . . Attendance Holds Up While In States . . . Thanks To All For Help

by John Hatcher

Garca, Sao Paulo, Brazil
December 16, 1984

Dear Brethren,

Greetings from back home in Brazil.
We left Evansville, Indiana, on Saturday, December 8 at 10:00 a.m. That night Alta and I left the Miami airport for Brazil at 9:30 p.m. Upon arriving in Sao Paulo it was discovered that our 15 pieces of baggage did not make the same plane. For four days the winter clothes we wore from Evansville became pretty warm in a nice Brazilian temperature of 85 to 90 degrees.

On Wednesday the baggage arrived about 1:00 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. our bus was headed towards Garca. At one o'clock in the morning we arrived in Garca and it was great to be home, after a visit of two months and six days in the States. It was a real joy to visit our children; Lynn and Elton McGary, John Mark and



John Hatcher

Judy Hatcher, and Kathy and Odali Barros, and of course to see all of our grandchildren who are in the States, especially those we had not seen before. We had great visits with Alta's mother, who is 89 years old, and going strong and well. My mother who is completely invalid, was not able to communicate with us but it was good to see her, embrace her, and kiss her face.

Today, December 16, the services were good here in Garca; 12 professions of faith in the morning and a large crowd in night service. Our people did a great job caring for the work in our absence and the attendance averaged almost 200 in Sunday School.

Alta and I thank each person and church who helped us in so many ways while we were home. As soon as possible we will get a personal note of thanks to each of you. A special thanks to Dr. Louie Carver and family for the car loaned to us while in the States.

Keep praying that God will give us strength and direction for the greatest year ever in 1985.

In Him,
John and Alta Hatcher



View of one side of new building under construction with columns all materials paid for by tithes and offerings of the people in Santo Tomas.

About Your Offerings

We are always in need of extra offerings for the Regular Fund. With missionaries waiting to go to the field regular offerings are needed more than ever. Please lay this on your heart and pray that the Lord will lead.

Offerings for December 1984

Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.....	\$ 100.00
Berea Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.....	40.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.....	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn. (John Hatcher's Building).....	40.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Summersville, W. Va.....	40.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, W. Va.....	30.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.....	275.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, W. Va.....	20.00
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.....	25.00
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. (Bratcher's Building).....	100.00
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. (P. Hatcher - Baptist Seminary).....	50.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, Ky.....	30.20
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, Ky. (H. Hatcher).....	25.00
Goldfloss Baptist Chapel, Winston-Salem, N.C. (Carver).....	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio.....	200.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla.....	25.00
Harmony Bapt. Church, Melbourne, Fla. (B. Creiglow's Building).....	49.60
Harmony Bapt. Church, Melbourne, Fla. (Adams Bldg.).....	49.60
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla. (Stanton).....	75.00
Harmony Bapt. Church, Melbourne, Fla. (Wacaser's Passage).....	10.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C.....	100.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculumbia, Ala.....	48.04
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculumbia, Ala. (Gasque's Shipping Expenses).....	56.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio (Bratcher).....	40.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Ohio (Carver).....	40.00
Logana Baptist Church, Nicholasville, Ky.....	20.00
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, W. Va.....	39.79
Mt. Home Baptist Church, #2, Phil Campbell, Ala.....	50.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Mt. Pisgah Baptist Association, Normantown, W. Va.....	30.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Sadieville, Ky.....	20.00
North Ballard Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.....	163.65
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fla.....	300.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fla. (Stanton).....	5.00
Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala.....	200.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C.....	50.00
Salem Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky.....	150.00
South Irvine Baptist Church, Irvine, Ky.....	30.00
Tuffers Valley Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va.....	78.00
Tuffers Valley Baptist Church, Charleston, W. Va. (John Henderson).....	97.00
Vandivers Hollow Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. (Carver).....	15.00
Vandivers Hollow Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. (Bobby Creiglow's New Work).....	15.00
Vandivers Hollow Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala. (Mike Creiglow's Boats & Motors).....	15.00
Vandivers Hollow Bapt. Church, Leighton, Ala. (Gasque's Car).....	15.00
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, W. Va.....	391.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Bapt. Sem.).....	100.00
Addyston Bapt. Church, Addyston, Oh. (Bratcher's Building).....	50.00
Addyston Bapt. Church, Addyston, Oh. (Wacaser).....	40.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C.....	75.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich.....	20.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Jackson, Mich.....	40.00
Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, Edmond, W. Va.....	546.58
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, N.C.....	60.00
Bethel Baptist Church, Williams, Ind.....	184.30
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Adams).....	40.00
Bible Bapt. Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Mike Creiglow).....	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Baptist Seminary).....	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn. (Baptist Seminary).....	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, Ill.....	389.15
Big Bear Creek Missionary Baptist Association of North Ala. (Gasque's Shipping Expenses).....	421.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Crestline, Oh.....	460.88
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.....	618.37
Calvary Baptist Church, Nitro, W. Va.....	200.00
Cressmont Baptist Church, Beattyville, Ky.....	20.00
Edgelawn Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Hatcher & Bratcher).....	20.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, Miss.....	126.95
Elk Lick Baptist Church, Levi, Ky.....	21.95
Emmaus Road Baptist Church, Craigsville, W. Va.....	125.00
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.....	59.25
Faith Baptist Church, Madison Hts., Mich.....	100.00
First Baptist Church, Niles, Ill.....	100.00
First Baptist Church, Niles, Ill. (Thanksgiving Off.).....	38.78
Friendship Baptist Church, Rison, Ark.....	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Florence, Ky.....	120.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (John Hatcher's Building).....	60.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Bobby Creiglow's Building).....	60.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Mike Creiglow's Car).....	60.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Crain's Car).....	60.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Ohio.....	67.54
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, W. Va.....	150.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, Tenn. (Adam's Building).....	22.47
Hepzibah Baptist Church, Glenville, W. Va.....	15.00
Hilltop Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, Ky.....	100.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, S.C.....	25.00
Jackson Ave. Baptist Church, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va. (B. Creiglow's New Mission Program).....	25.00
James Chapel Baptist Church, Russellville, Ala. (Gasque).....	75.00
Jordan Baptist Church, Sanford, Fla.....	50.00
Jordan Bapt. Church, Sanford, Fla. (Stanton).....	40.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mich.....	555.21
Lake Road Bapt. Church, Clio, Mi. (Bapt. Seminary).....	10.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Draper's Bldg.).....	31.00
Lilly Valley Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va.....	50.00
Little Sewell Baptist Church, Rainelle, W. Va.....	150.00
Meadowthorpe Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Mike Creiglow).....	58.00
New Haven Baptist Church, New Haven, W. Va.....	86.00
Open Door Baptist Church, Joensborough, Tn.....	50.00
Renaker Baptist Church, Ranaker, Ky.....	25.00
Riverview Baptist Church, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va.....	56.28
Rupert Baptist Church, Rupert, W. Va.....	15.00
Smyrna Baptist Church, Courtland, Ala.....	281.64
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Ohio.....	1,344.07
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Oh. (Car Fund).....	200.00
Temple Baptist Church, Princeton, Ky.....	25.00
Temple Baptist Church, Princeton, Ky. (John Hatcher's Building).....	10.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.....	10.10

Wolf Springs Baptist Church, Town Creek, Ala. (Gasque's Car).....	97.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	1,100.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Draper).....	50.00
Ashland Ave. Bapt. Church, Lexington, Ky. (Stanton).....	100.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.....	10.00
Bethlehem Baptist Church, Russellville, Ala.....	75.15
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.....	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla.....	50.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, W. Va.....	20.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla. (Stanton).....	177.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind.....	1,800.00
First Baptist Church, Buffalo, W. Va.....	750.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Bapt. Sem.).....	50.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky.....	100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, Ky.....	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky.....	100.00
Grace Bapt. Church, Georgetown, Ky. (Bobby Creiglow's New Work).....	30.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky. (John Hatcher's Building).....	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Holly, Mich.....	385.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark. (Carver & Draper).....	50.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark. (Carver's Christmas Gift).....	25.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark. (Draper's Christmas Gift).....	25.00
Landmark Baptist Church, Winchester, Ky. (Crain, Carver, Hatcher, Bratcher).....	200.00
Lymans Creek Baptist Church, Beattyville, Ky. (Stanton).....	25.00
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, Ohio.....	50.00
Meadow Bridge Bapt. Church, Meadow Bridge, W. Va.....	39.79
New Testament Baptist Church, Greentown, Ohio.....	100.00
New Testament Baptist Church, Greentown, Ohio (Gasque's Car).....	35.00
Scotts Grove Baptist Church, Murray, Ky.....	50.00
Temple Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Oh. (B. Creiglow, M. Creiglow, H. Bratcher, J. Hatcher).....	160.00
West End Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	10.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	1,221.50
Carr Baptist Church, York, Ky.....	20.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill.....	230.00
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.....	15.00
First Baptist Church, Island City, Ky.....	50.00
Immanuel Baptist Church, Riverview, Mich.....	25.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Hts., Mi.....	273.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Hts., Mi.....	21.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Hts., Mi. (Baptist Seminary).....	21.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.....	851.59
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky. (Bobby Creiglow's New Mission Project).....	111.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	50.00
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Adams Building).....	5.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	950.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Baptist Seminary).....	50.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Adams Song Books).....	191.00
South Lexington Bapt. Church, Lexington, Ky. (Adams Building Fund).....	100.00
South Lexington Bapt. Church, Lexington, Ky. (Draper's Building).....	30.00
South Lexington Bapt. Church, Lexington, Ky. (Bobby Creiglow's Building).....	114.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Crain's Radio).....	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Baptist Seminary).....	2,200.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Baptist Seminary).....	177.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Adams Building).....	85.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (Car Fund).....	14.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Stanton Boat Fund).....	25.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich. (John Hatcher's Work).....	1,000.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (In memory of Virginia Hamzik).....	125.00
West Milton Bapt. Church, West Milton, Oh. (Creiglow).....	30.00
John M. Hortell, Chillicothe, Oh. (Bobby Creiglow's New Mission Project-Personal Needs).....	400.00
Ohio Friends (Gasque's Relief Fund).....	31.00
Mr. & Mrs. E. F. Glenn, Paducah, Ky. (John Hatcher's New Work).....	25.00
Kathleen Wood, Irving, Tex.....	90.00
Kathleen Wood, Irving, Tex. (Paul Hatcher-Bapt. Sem.).....	30.00
Kathleen Wood, Irving, Tex. (John Hatcher's Bldg.).....	30.00
James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss.....	140.00
James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss. (Hatcher's Building & New Work).....	45.00
Miss N. A. Rines, Sanford, Fla. (Stantons).....	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Hall, Pennington Gap, Va.....	10.00
Marguerite Hallum, Hammond, La.....	50.00
Bro. & Mrs. Homer Crain, Peru, S.A. (Stantons).....	10.00
A Friend.....	330.00
A Friend.....	200.00
Bro. & Mrs. Olla J. Arbogast, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va.....	100.00
Texas Friends.....	400.00
Eld. & Mrs. G. B. Trent, Chattahoochee, W. Va.....	60.00
Mr. & Mrs. Chip Hutcheson, Princeton, Ky. (Thanksgiving Offering).....	550.00
Mr. & Mrs. Chip Hutcheson, Princeton, Ky. (Thanksgiving Offering).....	50.00
R. W. Wood, Tulsa, Okla.....	100.00
W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn.....	10.00
Received for Baptist Seminary.....	528.00
Received for Car Fund.....	214.00
Received for Adam's Building.....	262.07
Received for Adam's Song Books.....	191.00
Received for Bratcher's Building.....	150.00
Received for Crain's Car.....	60.00
Received for Crain's Radio.....	50.00
Received for Bobby Creiglow's New Mission Project.....	804.60
Received for Mike Creiglow's Boats & Motors.....	15.00
Received for Mike Creiglow's Car.....	60.00
Received for Draper's Building.....	61.00
Received for Gasque's Car.....	147.00
Received for Gasque's Relief Fund.....	31.00
Received for Gasque's Shipping Exp.....	477.00
Received for John Hatcher's Building & New Work.....	1,235.00
Received for Stanton's Boat Fund.....	25.00
Received for Wacaser's Passage.....	10.00
Received for Regular Fund.....	23,340.76
Received for all purposes.....	27,661.43

OFFERINGS FOR BAPTIST SEMINARY, DECEMBER, 1984	
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.....	\$ 50.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Ohio.....	100.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn.....	20.00
Bible Baptist Church, Hendersonville, Tenn.....	20.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi.....	10.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky.....	50.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Hts., Mi.....	21.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.....	177.00
Kathleen Wood, Irving, Tex.....	30.00
Total received for this fund.....	528.00

OFFERINGS FOR CAR FUND, DECEMBER, 1984	
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Ohio.....	\$200.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.....	14.00
Total received for this fund.....	214.00

OFFERINGS FOR ADAMS BUILDING, DECEMBER, 1984	
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla.....	49.60
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, Tenn.....	22.47
Thompson Road Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	5.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	100.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.....	85.00
Total received for this fund.....	262.07

OFFERINGS FOR ADAMS SONG BOOKS, DECEMBER, 1984	
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	\$191.00

OFFERINGS FOR BRATCHER'S BUILDING, DECEMBER, 1984	
Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.....	\$ 100.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Ohio.....	50.00
Total received for this fund.....	150.00

OFFERINGS FOR CRAIN'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1984	
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.....	\$ 60.00

OFFERINGS FOR CRAIN'S RADIO, DECEMBER, 1984	
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	\$ 50.00

OFFERINGS FOR BOBBY CREIGLOW'S NEW MISSION PROJECT, DECEMBER, 1984	
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla.....	\$ 49.60
Vandivers Hollow Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala.....	15.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.....	60.00
Jackson Ave. Baptist Church, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va.....	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky.....	30.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	114.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.....	111.00
John M. Hortell, Chillicothe, Oh. (Personal Needs).....	400.00
Total received for this fund.....	804.60

OFFERINGS FOR MIKE CREIGLOW BOATS & MOTORS, DEC. 84	
Vandiver Hollow Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala.....	\$ 15.00

OFFERINGS FOR MIKE CREIGLOW'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1984	
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.....	\$ 60.00

OFFERINGS FOR DRAPER'S BUILDING, DECEMBER, 1984	
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.....	\$ 30.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi.....	31.00
Total received for this fund.....	61.00

OFFERINGS FOR GASQUE'S CAR, DECEMBER, 1984	
Vandiver Hollow Baptist Church, Leighton, Ala.....	\$ 15.00
Wolf Springs Baptist Church, Town Creek, Ala.....	97.00
New Testament Baptist Church, Greentown, Ohio.....	35.00
Total received for this fund.....	147.00

OFFERINGS FOR GASQUE'S RELIEF FUND, DECEMBER, 1984	
Ohio Friends.....	\$ 31.00

OFFERINGS FOR GASQUE'S SHIPPING EXPENSES, DEC. 84	
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tusculumbia, Ala.....	\$ 56.00
Big Bear Creek Missionary Baptist Assn. North Ala.....	421.00
Total received for this fund.....	477.00

OFFERINGS FOR JOHN HATCHER'S BUILDING & NEW WORK, DECEMBER, 1984	
Bible Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn.....	\$ 40.00
Temple Baptist Church, Princeton, Ky.....	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky.....	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.....	60.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.....	1,000.00
James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss.....	45.00
E. F. Glenn, Paducah, Ky.....	25.00
Kathleen Wood, Irving, Tex.....	30.00
Total received for this fund.....	1,235.00

OFFERINGS FOR STANTON'S BOAT, DECEMBER, 1984	
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mich.....	\$ 25.00

OFFERINGS FOR WACASER'S PASSAGE, DECEMBER, 1984	
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fla.....	\$ 10.00

THANKSGIVING OFFERING, 1984	
First Baptist Church, Niles, Ill.....	\$ 38.78
Mr. & Mrs. Chip Hutcheson, Princeton, Ky.....	600.00
Total Thanksgiving Offering in Dec. 1984.....	638.78
Total Thanksgiving offering Nov. 1984.....	87,870.91
Total Thanksgiving offering for 1984.....	88,509.69



Brother Harold Bratcher ready to baptize new converts in Manaus, Brazil.

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