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TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SPRING MISSIONARY CONFERENCE, LEXINGTON, KY., APRIL 27-29, 1987



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Advisory Meeting - Tuesday, 1:30 - 2:30

Baptist Faith Missions will have their Annual Advisory Meeting on Tuesday afternoon of the Conference. All are invited. The yearly financial report will be given.

27th Annual Spring Missionary Conference, Lexington, Kentucky April 27-29

All services will be in Thompson Road Baptist Church, 320 Thompson Road, Lexington, Ky. Day services start at 10:00 a.m. and Night services at 7:00 p.m. First service Monday night, April 27. Dinner and supper at Thompson Road Baptist Church. Those desiring a place to stay in a home with breakfast (free accommodations), or if you want reservations made for you in a Motel (at your own expense), write to James Hamilton, P.O. Box 24204, Lexington, Ky. 40504 or call 1-606-223-2431. Some churches pay their pastor's traveling expenses so that they can attend the conference. May we suggest that other churches do this also. He will come back to you greatly blessed.

The General Fund

All offerings are needed and greatly appreciated but none are more important than the offerings to the General Fund. All offerings not designated go to the General Fund. All salaries, regular monthly expenses of the missionaries, transportation, medical, etc., come out of the General Fund. We need \$30,000 a month in the General Fund just to break even. Please pray for this fund and give regularly to it. We are not averaging \$30,000 a month in this fund at present. We need your help in this matter.

Brother Carver's Report

General Fund Needs . . . Founder's Month is Coming . . .
Services For The Month . . .
Mary to Have Surgery . . .

by Louie Carver

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February 26, 1987

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Someone has said: "When you look down all you see is DE-FEET."

Recently, Brother E. Overbey, sent a letter to all the missionaries. He stated: "Our offerings have been very good but the general fund is not getting enough each month to meet our budget. If this does not change soon I will begin to cut monthly expenses for everyone." This does not SPELL defeat or DE-FEET. It does mean that some one and some churches are not taking their responsibility and mission work serious enough.



Louie Carver

Normally, just to stay even, except for heavily inflated years, there must be a minimum of 5% annual increase. Many of you have increased your giving much more than 5% annually. Sad to say; some have not increased since they began giving and even sadder, some have dropped. Their excuse was, "we can't afford to give monthly." Others dropped because of little disagreements not over big doctrinal problems. Some have been defeated or else DE-FEETED. Don't let God have to sign the death warrant for your church.

Remember! Missions is not an option, rather it is the very life's stream. Missions is the primary purpose for the existence of a church.

B.F.M. Founder's month is JUNE. What are your plans? Are you planning a special B.F.M. Founder's day service or at least a special of-

fering?? If I may be of help to you in your planning, speaking or whatever let me know.

It has been my privilege to have been with: Park Ridge Baptist Church and Pastor Douglas King of Gotha, Florida in their annual Mission's Conference. It was one of the best. Too, was with Pastor G. Lock and the Bible Baptist Church of Plant City, Florida. My family and I attended the Heritage Baptist Church of Lynchburg, Va., Dr. Jerry Kroll is pastor. We went there with our son-in-law, daughter and grandson. I was also with Pastor L. Moore and the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Nicholasville, Kentucky.

Mary, my wife, was admitted to the hospital the 25th of February. She was to have a tumor removed that afternoon but her doctor suddenly took ill and she was dismissed. She is now rescheduled for surgery on the 3rd of March. Pray for her.

We are grateful for those of you who are loyal and who also give in a sacrificial way. May I remind you, I do have a few available dates open between now and June. If you'd like me to come and be with you and your people, please let me know.

Sincerely in Christ,

W. Louie Carver

P.S. Let us not look down and see DE-FEET; rather let us look up and see VICTORY. We must be victorious. In order to do so, we must have a minimum of \$30,000 each month in the regular fund.

Too, what of your B.F.M. FOUNDER'S MONTH plans?????

SCHEDULE FOR CONFERENCE

Morning Services			Night Services		
Tuesday	10:00-12:00	Wednesday	Monday	Tuesday 7:00-9:00	Wednesday
Sheridan Stanton		Doug Gasque	Sidney Fisher	Elton Dunbar	Jim Orrick
Harold Draper		Ken Calia	Paul Kirkman	Millard Mitchell	Wilbur Johnson
Randy Whaley		Ross Range			

Changes In The Spring Conference

This year there will be two changes in the Spring Conference. It will be changed to the last week of April rather than the first week. It will begin Monday evening, April 27, and will continue through Tuesday and Wednesday. Also, your conference will be combined with the Lexington Baptist College Conference. The College Conference will begin on Thursday, April 30, and continue through Friday, May 1. The Mission Conference will be held at the Thompson Road Baptist Church and the College Conference will be held at the Ashland Ave. Baptist Church. These changes will make it more convenient for people to attend both conferences. Plan now to be with us and attend both conferences. We are looking for great blessings during that week.

Sister Dorothy Henderson Goes To Be With The Lord



The Dempsey Hendersons

Dorothy Henderson and her husband Dempsey, were faithful missionaries to Brazil for over twenty years. They were sent out by the Julian Baptist Church in Gracey, Kentucky. For several years they worked with Baptist Faith Missions. She was greatly loved and appreciated. Dorothy Henderson was born May 19, 1930; she was married to Dempsey on April 2, 1949. She was saved by God's grace in September, 1950 and with Dempsey went to Brazil in 1966 to serve the Lord. She went to be with the Lord on February 6, 1987.

We are thankful for her testimony and faithfulness to Christ. May God's comforting grace be extended to Dempsey and their family at this time.

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Staying In Manaus For Awhile . . . Preaching In Many Places . . . Plans to Help Brother B. Creiglow in Seminary . . .

by Richard Turner

Caixa Postal 227
69011 Manaus, AM.
Brazil, S.A.
February 9, 1987

Dear Brethren,

We did not get to go on to Cuiaba because the day we were to go Wanda was sick and couldn't travel. Because of the difficulties of obtaining new reservations, I decided that we would just stay in Manaus and put our boys in school here or they were going to lose the year.

We have received permission to stay here in Bro. Lunsford's house and use their things until they get back. This is a great blessing to us for which we are thankful.

I have been busy preaching on the weekends and now the Lord has opened up a place for me to serve until we go on to Cuiaba. I have been asked to serve as interim pastor of Moriah Baptist Church for the next four months. Also, since writing my last Mission Sheet letter I have preached at the following churches: Chappada Baptist Church where Wanderlei Melo is the pastor; the next Sunday I preached at the



Richard Turner

Mauzinho Mission where Brother Harold Bratcher is the pastor; that night I preached at the Compensa II Baptist Church where Francisco Freitas is the pastor; I preached at the New Jerusalem Baptist Church where Jose Goncalos is the pastor; I preached again at the 14th of December Baptist Church where Bro. Asa Bratcher is the pastor; there was one profession of faith in this service. Then, this past Sunday, I preached at the Moriah Baptist Church in the morning service and that night I was with the Beautiful Garden Baptist Church where Bro. Alceir is the pastor. There were three that came forward, one for baptism, one coming back to the Lord and one saved.

When not preaching we have attended the 14th of December, Tabernacle and Zion Baptist Churches.

As you know, we had been speaking of starting a new work in a new state. However, since being back in Brazil, I have talked to Bro. Bobby Creiglow by phone and he has requested that I stay in Cuiaba to help in the starting of a Seminary to train workers. I believe that I should help in this. So, I will be staying in Cuiaba, the Lord willing.

Pray for us and thank you for your love and concern for us.

In His Service,
Richard & Wanda Turner

Baptized Eight . . . Good Services . . . Lucy to Receive Medical Treatment in States . . .

by Asa Bratcher

February 17, 1987

Dear Brethren:

It hardly seems possible that it is already time for another Mission Sheet letter, but it is.

This past month has been one of many blessings. The 8th of this month I had the privilege of baptizing 8. One of these was Sister Maria Farias dos Santos, who after waiting over 16 years, had the privilege of being legally married on Wednesday of that week, with their 5 boys participating in the ceremony. She and her husband, Bro. Delmiro, had faithfully attended the services for many years. Finally, Sunday, they were received of-



Asa Bratcher

ficially into the fellowship of the church; she by baptism and Bro. Delmiro by statement.

This past Sunday, the Lord blessed us with 450 in Sunday School, and 3 professions of faith, and one by letter. That night there were over 330 present with 4 professions of faith and 4 other decisions.

Brethren, as I told the church Sunday, the Lord willing, we will have to be gone for a few months, due to health reasons. We plan to leave for the States this Thursday night at 11:45 p.m. Do pray for us. Until next month,

By His Grace,
Asa Mark, Lucianilda
Marcia and Lucy Marie



Brother Dana Adams baptizes a new convert in the Philippines.

Appreciation For The Generous Gifts . . . Six Baptized . . . Enlarging The Meeting House . . . Report On Schools . . .

by Dana Adams

1782 Burbank Street
Brookside Hills Subdivision
Cainta, Rizal Philippines
January 26, 1987

Dear Co-Laborers in Christ,

My congratulations to all of our supporting churches and friends of Baptist Faith Mission for making the past Thanksgiving Conference offering the best in the history of our mission. To God be the glory, great things He has done. Also, I was greatly encouraged by the generous gift of Brother and Sister Hawkins of their home and farm to B.F.M. May the Lord richly bless them for their concern for the mission work of B.F.M. It is my prayer that their example will be followed by others in time to come.

This past month we have had six (6) additions to our church by baptism for which we praise the



Dana Adams

Lord. Our goal for February will be to increase that number as the Lord adds to our church such as should be saved. We are presently in a renovation program which will increase our capacity for attendance from 50 to 250. We thank the Lord for making the additional space available and trust that we will be able to be used for His glory in days to come. Already we have experienced a growth in our Sunday School department.

In addition to Baptist Faith Seminary started last year to train young men and women for full time Christian service, we will be starting our Christian Day School this coming June, Lord willing. It is our desire to have Kindergarten through Seminary, Lord willing. Please remember to pray for this endeavor and for "Baptist Faith Schools" as the Lord leads to make this work become a reality this year. By faith we are excited about what the Lord has promised to do for and through us as we obey Him in walking by faith.

In His Name,
Dana Adams

Two Buildings Under Construction . . . Property Purchased In Fernao Dias . . . A Generous Gift From a Young Christian . . . 8 Young Men Desire to Preach . . .

by John Hatcher

Garca, Sao Paulo, Brazil
February 2, 1987

Dear Friends,

"O sing unto the LORD a new song;
for he hath done marvelous things:
his right hand, and his holy arm,
hath gotten him the victory."

Psalm 98:1

Marvelous things and victories are the products of God's grace. His promises never fail and His arms never tire. What joy and thanksgiving fills our life as He takes us from one marvelous victory to another.

NEW BUILDING AT ALVARO CARVALHO

Electric and water hook-ups have been made, and hopefully, construction will begin this week. This building will be 33' x 55' with bathrooms, two classrooms, and an auditorium for 150 persons.

PROPERTY PURCHASE IN FERNAO DIAS

This week I went to the village of Fernao Dias with Jose Amaro, the pastor of the Galia Baptist Church, to look at a small wooden house and lot. The work here was started about three months ago and services have been held under the shade of a giant tree. Results have been good and now they will have a building to repair and remodel for their services. Jose, the pastor, is completely paralyzed in both legs. His sister, Sueli, studies in our Center of Theology and Evangelism. She drives the VW van and helps in the services along with other members of the Galia Church. The cost of the property is \$1,200 besides what it will cost to fix up. Maybe . . . you . . . would . . . like to help?

Properties and buildings add a certain stability to new works and they are a real blessing for offering a place to preach and teach the Word of God. But, the thrilling success stories of God's grace is seen in lives—lives that have been transformed into servants of God. At present there are about eight young men in our church who indicated their desire to preach the Gospel. Our church supports fully workers in Galia and Cornelio Procopio. One young man in our church makes \$36 a month. Two days ago he came to me and said, "Pastor, here is \$13.46, I want you to send it to Carlos and Rose." They are the young couple our church sent to direct the work in Cornelio Procopio. May the Lord bless us with many liberal Christians like this 27 year old boy.

BIBLE SCHOOL IN SANTA TEREZINHA

This week Alta and I along with three young people had a week's Bible School for the children in the little town of Santa Terezinha. On Sunday afternoon Alta and I distributed announcements and on Monday morning there were 60 persons who came to Bible School on our Rolling Chapel bus. On the second day there were 90, and our highest day was 121. That is a lot of children inside of a bus. From now on, the Lord willing, we will have services here at least every two weeks.

FIVE BUILDINGS BY THE END OF 1987

Two buildings are under construction, one ready for roofing. Our goal is to build in Marilia, Cornelio Procopio, and Vera Cruz by the end of the year. What can you do to help? Help!!

In Him,
John A. Hatcher



Ordination of Pastor Francisco Nery, Faith Baptist Church, Cruzeiro do Sul. Brother Mike Creiglow's work.

Plan To Return To Peru June 1 . . . Preach In Several Churches In Florida . . . List of Needs For Various Works . . .

by Sheridan Stanton

1007 Pinebloom Dr.
Lexington, KY 40504
February 27, 1987

Dear Friends,

Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I hope all continues to go well with each of you. The Stanton family is doing fine, but we are all anxious to return to Peru as soon as the children are out of school. The Lord willing I will be back in Peru on the first of June, so if any of you pastors would like to have us come to your church, please contact me soon. I have only April and part of May left to visit.

On Sunday, February 1st, I was with the Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Florida, in the morning service and with my home church, the Jordan Baptist Church in the evening service. I had a great time of fellowship with all of my good friends there.

On Thursday, the 5th, I spoke once again at the Park Ridge Baptist Church, during their Annual Mission Conference. It was a great conference and a real blessing to my life. Thank you, Brother King and members of Park Ridge Baptist Church.

On Sunday, the 8th, I had the pleasure of being with the Harmony Baptist Church of Melbourne, FL. I spoke during the Sunday School hour, morning service and evening service. Brother Artis



Sheridan Stanton

France is their dear pastor and I had a great time of fellowship with them.

Sister Mayfield reports that the mission work is down some but still going well. The school is still on vacation but is getting geared up for another school year. The Pucallpa Baptist School will celebrate its 20th anniversary this year.

The following is a list of things Anita and I are trying to obtain to take back and use in the work:

THE NEW MISSION: We still need a P.A. System and electronic keyboard. We also need to build when we go back. Please mark your offerings for the Stanton Building Fund.

BIBLE INSTITUTE: 3 cases of Blank VHS - VCR tapes for recording our Institute classes. Reaching Peru with the gospel of Jesus Christ depends upon the preaching of the Word, and we must train more national workers to do the job of getting the Word out. I have a vision to see a Baptist Church in every town, village and city in Peru before I die. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Philippians 4:13

BAPTIST SCHOOL: Basketballs, volleyballs, used microscopes, and 5 personal computers, (Commodore, IBM, Atari, etc.).

GENERAL NEEDS: Some used motorcycles to use in the work. Two window air-conditioning units, and a 1hp water pump for our well.

We love each one and appreciate your love, support and prayers for the Stanton family. Until next month, may God continue to bless.

In Christ,
S. E. and Anita Stanton

Begin 2 New Preaching Points . . . 7 Teams of Workers Serve In 9 Places . . . Several Professions of Faith . . .

by Mike Creiglow

Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre
February 3, 1987

Dear Brethren,

It is great to be able to report on our work as we like. Our missionary teams are back at full strength again and the results have been very encouraging.

Just this past week we had 7 teams out along the rivers and roads in 9 villages. There were at least 16 workers in these 7 teams. Just this past month 2 new mission points were opened. One of these locations, Santa Rosa, is a place that I have been praying about for over 5 years now. It will be one of those very tough places to get into and keep going. It is a pretty large village, a Roman Catholic Church and plenty of partying on weekends. Nevertheless Brother Edson and his helper Brother Amadeu have rented a house and held services there with good crowds on two weekends. The other new preaching point is a Profeta, upstream from Rodrigues Alves on the Jurua River. Brother Antonio and his crew have been there 3 times. There were 3 saved one trip and 1 more saved this past week. The new work (3 months old) at Pucalpa (not to be confused with Pucalpa, Peru!) on the Jurua River is going well, too. There has been one more lady saved there. Our congregation at Valquirie, which is located between these 2 new preaching points, has had one more saved and in spite of the flooding and rains the crowds have been good. The congregation at Guajara continues to do quite well. This week they had 128 on Saturday night and over 70 on Sunday morning. Brother Carlos, who takes care of this work and the Church at Sacado, is starting to get some opposition from the



Mike Creiglow

Pentecostals. This at least lets you know that we were there first, which is as it should be. By the way, the combined charismatic movement is the fastest growing religion in Brazil and in South America, for that matter. That is not as it should be. We are working hard around here to make sure that we are there first and present Christ to the lost.

We had some very good news from our 3 girls in Cuiaba. Beth, Lucia and Eunice went there in November to try to get into the University and work at the church there while studying. It is very difficult to get into college here. The entrance exams are made to keep as many out as possible. Our girls were competing with 16,000 other would be students for 1,300 vacancies. Well, 2 of our girls passed, and in fact were in the top 30 in their fields! All 3 have already gotten jobs and are also working in the church visitation program. They are living with my parents, who now have their hands very full!

I just got back from a 10 day trip to Eirunepe. The missionary there is Brother Franklin Dearmore. He invited me to help in revival services at the First Baptist Church. The meeting was Monday through Sunday. The main emphasis was on building and strengthening the Body. The meeting was very enjoyable. Franklin is the closest missionary to us in Brazil. There are 210 air miles and solid jungle and rivers between us. The only way to get back and forth is to charter a plane. Needless to day we don't get together often. I might mention that Brother Stanton, who works in Pucalpa, Peru may be even closer to us, but, many miles of jungle and mountains lie between us and the only way to get there is to charter a plane. So . . .

God bless all of you and thanks for your help always.

In Christ,
Mike Creiglow

Brother Jose Celebrates 10 Years As a Christian . . . Several Saved . . . Memorial Service for Dorothy Henderson . . .

by George Bean

Caixa Postal 500
Sao Luis, Ma 65000
Brasil SA
February 16, 1987

Dear Brethren,

As I looked over my notes for this month to see or recall where we have been, I read about some missionaries being lonely and bored, I have not had time hardly to read the newspaper.

I preached a three day meeting January 16-18 at The Garden of Olive Trees Baptist Church, Fortaleza, Brother Dave Zhuars is pastor. I had good liberty preaching in this great church.

Anajatuba - On January 31, 25 from the Sao Luis area went to Anajatuba. Ten years ago Brother Jose Matos made a profession of faith in the Lord. He was celebrating ten years, being saved. He got 100 pounds of beef, 200 pounds of pork, 100 pounds of rice and we ate the fatted calf and fatted hog. He invited many of his friends and neighbors to the celebration. I preached to a yard full of people and then we left for Sao Luis, arriving home at 2:30. Needless to say I was tired for Sunday services at New Hope Baptist Church. After the services two of Bro.



George Bean

Jose's sons made reconciliation with the Lord and Church.

New Hope Baptist Church - We have had two professions of faith at the church and I have baptized two into the fellowship of the church. We have some members that have gotten upset about something and they are not coming back to church. I cannot find out why and the Lord has not revealed to me their problem, but, I suspect that sin is involved in the story somewhere.

Faith Baptist Church - I have baptized three into the fellowship of Faith Baptist Church this month. February 6, we were saddened by the call from Bro. Henderson telling us that Sister Dorothy Henderson had gone to be with the Lord. May God give Bro. Henderson great peace and be with him through this trying time. We had Memorial Service at Faith Baptist Church, Monday, February 9, 7 p.m. This was the same time that her funeral was being conducted in Western, Ky. Five songs were sung that Sister Dorothy had written. Sister Dorothy was loved by the people of her church, and will be missed by all who knew her. I preached and then Bro. Padua the pastor of Faith Baptist Church also preached. Many people who are not believers were in the service. I might add that Western, Ky. is four hours behind us and Sister Dorothy's funeral was at 3 p.m.

Yours to Tell the Old Story,
George & June Bean

Many Thanks For Your Gifts . . . Explanations on the Use of the Gifts . . . Many Professions of Faith . . . Lessons In Doctrine . . .

by John Henderson

January 28, 1987

Dear Brethren,

Thanks to you that gave "Sacrificially", we will be able to furnish the school with desks for the students at the Philippine Independent Baptist Seminary. The desks will be greatly appreciated by the students. God continues to bless far exceeding my expectations. We were so burdened because we faced a financial hindrance. But God moved upon the hearts of His people to meet the needs we faced. Thanks to you we are remodeling the building at Las Pinas and will be able to fully furnish it with chairs, songbooks, Bibles, and purchase a piano for the Zion Baptist Church at Paranaque. The Lord is continually blessing the work at Paranaque.

The attendance averages about 140 on Sunday morning services. We praise God for raising up this church in the midst of all the persecution the people faced. We rejoice over the faithfulness of one family especially, Fortnato Agrote, a 76 year old man and his family. They attend every service. They certainly are a blessing. Brother Agrote said for 75 years I was baptised Catholic on my way to hell. But God saved me and revealed to me His true church. So now I must be faithful to His church. This testimony is the fruit of your offerings, the offerings that has made it possible for



John Henderson

us to be here. The people of Zion Baptist Church say to us, Brother Henderson, express our gratitude to all those that gave so you could come to our country. So I send you their heartfelt thanks.

The work in Las Pinas is really being blessed. On Friday, January 23rd, we had a special service with over 400 in attendance. We followed on Sunday with the first Sunday service and had over 80 in attendance with 15 professions of faith. We have folks awaiting baptism scheduled for the 2nd week of February. Pray that we can by God's grace organize this work by April.

We are conducting outreach services in Sucat, Moonwalk, and Bictan. These areas have been very open to the gospel. The people are so hungry for the Word of God. many have made professions of faith. We give them 8 lessons in book form with questions and answers concerning salvation, assurance, local church, etc. After completing the 8 lessons I present them with a Bible. The 8 lessons establishes guides for their desire to know the truth of God's Word. They get grounded in the work and they want more and more of God's Word. They get a hunger for a local church to teach them more of God's Word. Pray for these new areas.

Again, we say thank you for responding to our needs in such a tremendous way. We cried for joy as we praised God upon learning how you gave for the needs we had. Ephesians 1:6, "To the praise of the glory of His grace." . . .

Love In Christ,
John M. Henderson

Mission Trip Described . . . Many Decisions . . . Not Receiving All Their Mail . . .

by Harold Bratcher

Manaus, Amazonas
February 17, 1987

Dear Brethren:

When I wrote the last Mission Sheet letter, we were in a week's meeting at Mauzinho with a different preacher each night. We finished the meeting Sunday night the 18th of January.

On Thursday morning, January the 22nd, Mrs. Bratcher, Marie Nazare Batista da Silva, Francisco Barbosa dos Santos and I left Manaus on our boat. We stopped along the way at Nova Jerusalem, Novo Remanso and then at Amajari where we spent the night. At each of the three missions we marked a service on our way back to Manaus.

On Friday afternoon, we arrived for our annual visit and revival at the Buzzard River Baptist Mission. That night we began the 10 day meeting with only 15 present. The next night we had some 73 present. We closed the revival on Sunday night, February 1, with an attendance of 97. That morning I baptized three teenage girls. We had some other 12 decisions made during the meeting.

Monday morning, (February 2nd), we traveled for several hours visiting some of the members who live on the Buzzard River some distance away.



Harold Bratcher

Thursday after making one final visit and a short service in a home - we left and spent some 13 hours traveling against the current. We returned to Amajari where we held an open air Memorial Service. Thursday night, we held the final service of our trip at the New Jerusalem Baptist Mission. Friday afternoon we arrived home!

The last two Sundays we have been with the Mauzinho Mission. Last Sunday in Sunday Bible School we had an almost record attendance - 102. Sunday night a young man asked for baptism.

Last Sunday's bulletin of the 14th of December Baptist Church has the news that Pastor and Mrs. Asa Mark Bratcher and children will be leaving Manaus for the United States on Thursday at 23:45. Pastor Harold and his wife, Sister Marie, are greeted and welcomed as the ones who "will stay with us during this time of Pastor Asa Mark's absence. Have a good trip, Pastor Mark and family and hurry back!"

Pray for us as we leave the Mauzinho Mission and once again for the 7th time serve as pastor of the 14th of December Baptist Church.

Pray with us that we will receive all of our mail. If you have written us and not received a reply, try again please, as we are evidently not receiving all of your letters!

May the Lord bless you as you give to the regular fund and to Bratcher's Buildings. We thank you - we love you in the Lord.

Yours In His Service,
Harold & Marie BratcherPhilippine Independent Baptist Seminary
(P.I.B.S., 1986), Student body with teachers. "3 missing." Missionary John Henderson.

Dear Brethren,

We have had another good month. We have visited the following churches this month: Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio, Paul Kirkman, pastor; Immanuel Baptist Church, Centerville, Ohio., Darrell Messer, pastor; Bible Baptist Church, Plant City, Fla., George Lick, pastor; Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Florida, Doug King, pastor during their excellent Mission Conference; Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky., Lonnie Perigo, pastor; Ephesus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky., Brother Crawford, pastor; Logana Baptist Church, Logana, Ky., Joe Lloyd, pastor; Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky., Dr. Ross Range, pastor. We want to thank all of these churches for having us. We have been wonderfully received in every place.

We are booked up through the month of March. We are open all during the months of April thru June. We can be contacted at this number: (606) 276-2936 or write to 1033 Juniper, Lexington, Ky., 40504. We want to visit as many



Harold Draper

supporting churches as possible. My doctor told me last week that he will not release me to go back to Brazil until at least the middle of August. This will necessitate another extension of our daughter's visa. We are going to Louisville tomorrow to talk to the Immigration authorities about this.

Recently we came in contact with a church in Florida, The Lock Haven Baptist Church in Orlando, Florida that has a printing ministry to help foreign missionaries. They agreed to ship me 500 New Testaments directly to the mission field. They already are in the mail and will be waiting for us when we get back. They are in the Portuguese language. They have sent them without any certainty that I will be able to pay for them. They cost about \$400 with shipping. If anyone would like to help in this project, the address is Lock Haven Scripture Press, 14246 Boggy Road, Orlando, Florida 32824. Brethren, there are always many needs in the Lord's work. We need help to open a new work when we go back. Also, the general fund from which we receive our salaries and expense money to operate on the field is falling behind. Please pray about this.

May the Lord bless each one.

In Him,
Harold & Ursula Draper

Good Services: In Attendance, In Open Doors, In Results . . . Report on Three Girls

by Bobby Creiglow

Cuiaba, Mt
February 17, 1987

Dear Brethren,

Our services this month have been going very well. The first two Sunday nights we had 94 each night with our Sunday School picking up a little also. We have had from ten to thirty visitors each night, but last Sunday night it was raining hard at service time and that hurt us some. We only had 65 that night, but still had several visitors. These special services have opened up some doors to witness to several people in their homes. Perhaps you remember about the young man that I wrote about that invited me to preach at their graduation, well, that worked out that I got to witness to six adult members of that family in their home and one of them attended one of our Sunday night services. One



Bobby Creiglow

Saturday afternoon after visitation, one of our young men told me about a man that he had visited whose wife was in the hospital. The man wanted us to go visit his wife, which we did and we had a good chance to witness to her. After she returned from the hospital we visited them in their home at which time I got to preach to the man and he made a profession of faith.

I baptized three this month and we should have three or four more to baptize in the near future.

Two of the three girls that are staying with us have passed their entrance exams to the University and will start classes on March 9. Two of them work in banks and the other is teaching first grade in a private school near our home. I am also giving all three of them driving lessons.

As most of you may know by now, the Turners did not arrive from Manaus as we expected, and due to certain circumstances we will look for them sometime in June.

In His Name,
Bobby D. Creiglow

February Offerings, 1987

Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, Edmond, W.V.	273.80
Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, Edmond, W.V. (Crain's New Work)	135.00
Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, Edmond, W.V. (Henderson)	50.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Lancaster, Ky.	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Harrisburg, Ill.	1,648.40
Bohon Road Baptist Church, Harrodsburg, Ky.	175.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Nitro, W.V.	300.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Nitro, W.V. (Henderson)	166.70
Calvary Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	277.78
Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Leicester, N.C. (Korean Work)	25.00
Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Nicholasville, Ky. (Bean)	50.00
Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, S.C.	275.00
Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, W.V.	50.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill.	170.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill. (Hatcher's Building)	25.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, W.V.	20.00
Elizabeth Baptist Church, Bancroft, W.V. (Henderson)	27.00
Elizabeth Jarrell Baptist Church, Louisa, Ky.	15.00
Elk Lick Baptist Church, Booneville, Ky.	19.21
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, Ky.	77.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl. (Stanton)	30.00
First Baptist Church, Island City, Ky.	50.00
First Baptist Church, North Miami Beach, Fl. (Crain's New Work)	90.00
Gettsemane Baptist Church, Marengo, Oh.	40.00
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, Ky. (Bratcher's Relief Fund)	50.00
Goldfloss Baptist Chapel, Winston-Salem, N.C. (Carver)	25.00
Grandview Baptist Church, Red House, W.V. (Henderson)	50.00
Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, Oh.	149.16
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, W.V.	150.00
Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, W.V. (Henderson)	150.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Alton, Ill. (Stanton's School)	10.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, Tenn. (Crain's New Work)	79.13
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl. (John Hatcher's New Work)	138.70
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl. (Henderson's New Work)	101.40
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl. (Stanton)	73.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl. (Henderson)	25.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl.	25.00
Hillcrest Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C.	100.00
I-20 Baptist Church, Darlington, S.C.	25.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi.	698.28
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Stanton's Tuition)	62.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Draper's Needs)	35.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Baptist Seminary)	31.00
Landmark Baptist Church, Winchester, Ky. (Hatcher, Bratcher, Crain, Carver)	200.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Oh. (Bratcher)	40.00
Liberty Baptist Church, Toledo, Oh. (Carver)	40.00
Lighthouse Baptist Church, Algonac, Mi.	15.00
Lilly Valley Baptist Church, Rainelle, W.V.	50.00
Maranatha Baptist Church, Decatur, Al. (B. Creiglow)	20.00
Meadowthorp Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (M. Creiglow)	68.00
Meadowthorp Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Stanton)	50.00
Meadowthorp Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Turner)	12.77
North Ballard Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky.	182.57
North West Baptist Church, Tampa, Fl. (Bratcher's)	82.50
Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Piney Flats, Tenn.	49.75
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C.	100.00
Rosemont Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, N.C. (Henderson)	50.00
Rupert Baptist Church, Rupert, W.V.	15.00
Salem Baptist Church, Grayson, Ky.	150.00
South Irvine Baptist Church, Irvine, Ky.	30.00
Southside Baptist Church, Winter Haven, Fl. (Wacaser)	500.00
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Oh.	2,450.70
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Oh. (Car Fund)	200.00
Valley View Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky.	12.50
Waverly Road Baptist Church, Huntington, W.V.	386.00
West Milton Baptist Church, West Milton, Oh. (M. Creiglow)	30.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Banner Elk, N.C.	75.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Stanton's Tuition) Mrs. Sallee's C.	72.00
Beech Grove Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.	10.00
Berea Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.	40.00
Berea Baptist Church, Hiddenite, N.C.	70.00
Bethlehem Baptist Church, Star City, Ar.	50.00
Bible Baptist Church, Clarksville, Tenn.	100.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, W.V.	100.00
Buffalo Baptist Church, Buffalo, W.V. (Henderson)	100.00
Calvary Baptist Church, Summersville, W.V.	40.00
Cedar Creek Baptist Church, Cedarville, W.V.	30.00
Cressmont Baptist Church, Beattyville, Ky.	20.00
Elliott Baptist Church, Elliott, Miss.	114.16
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hurricane, W.V.	65.00
Emmaus Baptist Church, Fancy Farm, Ky.	53.92
Epheus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky.	33.50
Epheus Baptist Church, Crab Orchard, Ky. (Carver)	60.00
Faith Baptist Church, Stoy, Il.	20.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. (Bean)	50.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. (Bratcher's Boat Fund)	50.00
First Baptist Church, North Miami Beach, Fl. (Crain's New Work)	84.00
Grace Baptist Church, Annville, Ky.	10.00
Grace Baptist Church, Fairborn, Oh.	300.00
Hepzibah Baptist Church, Glenview, W.V.	15.00
Kanawha Valley Baptist Church, Eleanor, W.V. (Henderson)	30.00
Kanawha Valley Baptist Church, Eleanor, W.V. (Henderson's New Work)	200.00
Lynams Creek Baptist Church, Beattyville, Ky. (Bean & Henderson)	50.00
Rosedale Baptist Church, Rosedale, W.V. (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Assn.)	30.00
Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Grafton, Oh. (Carver) (Thru Mt. Pisgah Baptist Assn.)	100.00
New Testament Baptist Church, Brawley, Calif (Bobby Creiglow Building)	30.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fl.	350.00
Park Ridge Baptist Church, Gotha, Fl. (Hatcher's Building)	25.00
Poplar Creek Baptist Church, Leighton, Al.	200.00
Riverview Baptist Church, Pt. Pleasant, W.V.	90.43

Riverview Baptist Church, Pt. Pleasant, W.V. (Henderson)	50.00
Tuppers Valley Baptist Church, Charleston, W.V.	32.00
Tuppers Valley Baptist Church, Charleston, W.V. (Henderson)	32.00
Victory Baptist Church, Wickliffe, Ky. (Draper)	30.00
West End Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	20.00
Antioch Baptist Church, Jackson, Mi.	20.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	1,314.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Designated)	224.08
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Stanton's Tuition)	15.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Manaus Tuition)	15.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Korean Work)	75.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Bratcher's Buildings)	100.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Baptist Seminary)	100.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (B. Creiglow's Building)	100.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Wacaser)	100.00
Devondale Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	100.00
East Maine Baptist Church, Glenview, Ill.	200.00
Emmaus Road Baptist Church, Cragisville, W.V.	92.00
Emmanuel Baptist Church, Evansville, In.	600.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky.	950.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Baptist Seminary)	50.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky.	100.00
Grace Baptist Church, Georgetown, Ky. (J. Hatcher's Building)	25.00
Grace Baptist Church, Holly, Mi.	365.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Ark. (Carver & Draper)	70.00
Isbell Chapel Baptist Church, Tuscumbia, Al.	49.42
Kanawha Baptist Temple, Charleston, W.V. (Crain)	40.00
Mansfield Baptist Temple, Mansfield, Oh.	50.00
Meadow Bridge Baptist Church, Meadow Bridge, W.V.	50.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Sadieville, Ky.	25.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Sadieville, Ky. (Stanton's Tuition)	32.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights, Mi.	542.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Sao Luis, Brazil (Draper's New Work)	150.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky.	497.95
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, (Betty Taylor S.S.C.-Henderson's New Work)	40.00
Riverview Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	46.15
Rock Branch Independent Church, Poca, W.V. (Henderson)	225.00
Roselawn Baptist Church, Middletown, Oh.	30.00
Temple Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Oh. (H. Bratcher, J. Hatcher, B. Creiglow, M. Creiglow)	160.00
Timbered Ridge Baptist Church, Sugar Grove, N.C.	479.45
Wolfe Valley Baptist Church, (Henderson)	50.00
Wolfe Valley Baptist Church, (Henderson's New Work)	100.00
Bryan Station Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	500.00
East Keys Baptist Church, Springfield, Ill. (John Hatcher's Building)	25.00
First Baptist Church, Niles, Ill.	150.00
First Baptist Church, Niles, Ill. (Special Off.)	53.59
Laurel Bend Baptist Church, Marshall, N.C. (Korean Work)	45.60
Open Door Baptist Church, Jonesborough, Tn.	60.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky.	1,200.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Baptist Seminary)	50.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (John Henderson)	30.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (John Hatcher's Building)	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi.	2,177.50
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Baptist Seminary)	171.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Adam's Building)	40.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Stanton School)	16.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (John Henderson)	10.00
Missionary James McCoy, Aiea, Hawaii (Adam's School).	10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Creiglow, Lancaster, Oh.	25.00
(B. Creiglow's Building)	95.00
James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss.	95.00
James & Elizabeth Sims, Hattiesburg, Miss. (Hatcher's Building)	30.00
Mr. & Mrs. Hubert Spicer, Normal, Ill. (John Hatcher's Building)	100.00
Elbert Adkins, Sciotoville, Oh. (Henderson's New Work)	250.00
Martha Hamblin, Lexington, Ky. (Stanton's Tuition)	24.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. F. Hall, Pennington Gap, Va.	10.00
W. T. Burleson, Knoxville, Tenn.	10.00
Marguerite Hallum, Hammond, La.	50.00
Mr. & Mrs. M. D. Hanna, Liberty, W.V. (Henderson)	25.00
Paul B. Oliver, Tuscumbia, Al.	100.00
Bro. & Mrs. Olla Arbogast, Pt. Pleasant, W.V.	100.00
Leota Sprouse, Richmond, Va. (Henderson)	10.00
Texas Friends	100.00
A Friend	60.00
A Friend	460.00
Bro. & Mrs. Homer Crain, Peru, S.A. (Stanton)	10.00
Received for Car Fund	200.00
Received for Adam's Fund	50.00
Received for Harold Bratcher's Funds	200.00
Received for Carver's Funds	145.60
Received for Crain's Funds	388.13
Received for Bobby Creiglow's Funds	155.00
Received for Draper's Funds	185.00
Received for John Hatcher's Funds	418.70
Received for Paul Hatcher's Funds	417.00
Received for Henderson's Funds	591.40
Received for Stanton's Funds	231.00
Received for Regular Fund	23,828.27
Received for All Purposes	\$26,810.10
OFFERINGS FOR CAR FUND, FEBRUARY	
Storms Creek Baptist Church, Ironton, Oh.	200.00
OFFERINGS FOR ADAM'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Building)	40.00
Missionary James A. McCoy, Aiea, Hawaii (School)	10.00
Total	50.00

OFFERINGS FOR HAROLD BRATCHER'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Glen's Creek Baptist Church, Versailles, Ky. (Relief Fund)	50.00
Fellowship Baptist Church, Richmond, Ky. (Boat Fuel)	50.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Buildings)	100.00
Total	200.00

OFFERINGS FOR CARVER'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Cedar Hill Baptist Church, Alexander, N.C. (Korean Work)	25.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Korean Work)	75.00
Laurel Bend Baptist Church, Marshall, N.C. (Korean Work)	45.60
Total	145.60

OFFERINGS FOR CRAIN'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Beauty Mountain Baptist Church, Edmond, W.V. (New Work)	135.00
First Baptist Church, North Miami Beach, Fl. (New Work)	90.00
First Baptist Church, North Miami Beach, Fl. (New Work)	84.00
Harmony Baptist Church, Camden, Tenn. (New Work)	79.13
Total	388.13

OFFERINGS FOR BOBBY CREIGLOW'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
New Testament Baptist Church, Brawley, Calif. (Building)	30.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Building)	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Creiglow, Lancaster, Oh. (Building)	25.00
Total	155.00

OFFERINGS FOR DRAPER'S FUND, FEBRUARY	
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Needs)	35.00
New Hope Baptist Church, Sao Luis, Brazil (New Work)	150.00
Total	185.00

OFFERINGS FOR PAUL HATCHER'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Seminary)	31.00
Addyston Baptist Church, Addyston, Oh. (Seminary)	100.00
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Ky. (Seminary)	50.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Seminary)	15.00
South Lexington Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Seminary)	50.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Seminary)	171.00
Total	417.00

OFFERINGS FOR HENDERSON FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Harmony Baptist Church, Melbourne, Fl. (New Work)	101.40
Kanawha Valley Baptist Church, Eleanor, W.V. (New Work)	200.00
Richland Baptist Church, Livermore, Ky. (Betty Taylor C.) (New Work)	40.00
Elbert Adkins, Sciotoville, Oh. (New Work)	250.00
Total	591.40

OFFERINGS FOR STANTON'S FUNDS, FEBRUARY	
Harmony Baptist Church, Alton, Ill. (Tuition)	10.00
Lake Road Baptist Church, Clio, Mi. (Tuition)	62.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Mrs. Sallee C.)	72.00
Ashland Ave. Baptist Church, Lexington, Ky. (Tuition)	15.00
Muddy Ford Baptist Church, Sadieville, Ky. (Tuition)	32.00
Twelve-Ryan Baptist Church, Warren, Mi. (Tuition)	16.00
Martha Hamblin, Lexington, Ky. (Tuition)	24.00
Total	231.00



Brother Harold Bratcher baptizing new converts in the Buzzard River, Brazil.

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