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News About Son, Judson ... Tabernacle Sends Out Missionaries . . . Physical Condition Improving ...

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Our son Judson completed his degree at Lexington Baptist College in Lexington in January. He moved to Virginia Beach, Virginia, were he is now pursuing a Masters degree in Education. Pray for Jud's work and

He took another major step as he became engaged on the Christmas Day to Raquel. Raquel is a missionary kid (MK). Her parents serve with New Tribes of Brazil, a ministry to the Indians still living in tribes in the jungles. Raquel is presently finishing her Psychology degree here in Manaus.

Carlos Chaves and family and Paulo Perreira and family moved to the state of Roraima, Capital city of Boa Vista as missionaries for Tabernacle Baptist Church. They are working together as a team. They are ministering in two subdivisions called Saint Hellen and Liberty. This month they had several Professions of Faith and 15 baptisms. The Baptist Theological Seminary of Manaus now has an extension there offering a Bible degree. The program has 24 students enrolled. Praise the Lord! Now training labors in another state.

These missionaries are supported full-time by the Tabernacle Baptist Church with salaries of \$1500 per family. Brazilian Baptists sending and supporting missionaries! Brazilian Families surrendering, preparing and going to the fields! God blesses your investment. You help and support the training of these and other men in the Baptist Theological Seminary.

Carlos Chaves is married to Lindauria and they have two children: Adriele, age 5, and Samuel, age 2. Paulo Perreira is married to Vanilda and they have two sons; Allen, age 12, and Paulo, age 9

I am still working with many physical restrictions. The fractured vertebrae in my back is healing well and the pain is at very low levels now. I return for new X-rays this week. Hopefully I'll get released for physical therapy this next month. I hope to speak in the Sunday worship this week. Pray that improvements will continue rapidly. Many have picked up the slack and the work continues very well.

Thank you for your interest, prayer and support to Wanda and me here in Brazil. May God bless you.

Paul and Wanda Hatcher

Going, Sowing, Waiting . . . Pray For Wife's Health ... Churches Showing Growth ...

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Dear Brethren,

We made it through the year end services. We had a good "Watch-Night" service. In all 15 families were invited to participate who are not members of the church. Four families showed up. That is not a bad average. We will continue to make visits with them and sow the good seed. If we were in the saving business the church would be full. Since we're not we must go, sow and grow and wait for the Lord to give the harvest.

Our daughter Michelle is back in school. The weather continues to be blistering hot and

Satan seems to be working overtime to discourage us. We ask that you pray for us as we try to be faithful and fruitful. Ursula continues to have a lot of health problems. The extreme heat aggravates her situation.

All of our churches here in Central Brazil seem to be holding their own or growing. The work in Diamantino is for the first time in a long time starting to show signs of growing. We

are so thankful to see this. Last week I spent 3 days there.

I'll keep this letter short this time to give space for others. May the Lord bless all of you is

In Him, Harold Draper and Family



Harold Draper preaching at the Primavera Baptist Mission in Varzea Grande, Brazil. Six souls were saved in the service. Praise the Lord!

200 Teens In Service . . . **Evangelistic Team Goes Door To Door...** Working With Handicapped Children . . .

By Paul Creiglow Caixa Postal 24 69980 Cruzeiro Do Sul, Acre Brazil, S.A. Ph. 011-55-68-322-2137 FAX: 011-55-68-322-3212

Dear Friends,

As usual there is so much happening with ministry and family, that I'm not sure where to start, but here goes. First of all, ministry. Saturday night is still going well. As with all new programs, the newness has worn off and we have lost those that are always looking for 'bigger and better" things, but we are still averaging close to 200 teens every Saturday and we almost always have several first time visits. Our emphasis on Saturday night has always been evangelism and the Lord is still blessing and souls are still being saved.

Our ministry teams have suffered more than the other parts of the ministry, but not be-

cause of the teens. We are encountering a lack of faithfulness in our adult leaders more than with the teens. Things of the world like money, education, etc., often become more important than ministry and it's the teens who suffer. But I thank God for my leaders who have stayed faithful because their teams are doing great and the teens are growing spiritually because of it. Our evangelistic team is still going out every Monday night and witnessing door to door to other teens and the Lord is really blessing their efforts. Beside the fact that teens are making professions of faith almost every week, the members of the team are becoming bold in their witness. They have experienced the power of God in their lives and



Youth Night at Priveira Igreja Batista Cruzeiro Do Sul.

there is no stopping them. The leader of this group, Claudomir, is very dedicated and definitely has the gift of evangelism. He was thinking about taking the month of December off so he could help his wife, who runs our theater group, with the upcoming Christmas play, but the evangelism team insisted that they needed to continue going out. Claudomir had his

wife change her practice time so that he could help with both ministries. Thank God for this kind of dedication.

Last month we were able to start a new ministry team which will really help our church. It is a ministry working with exceptional children. We have a lady in our church who has a daugh ter with Cerebral Palsy, and she is teaching a group of eight teens how to work with these types of children. There are many children in Cruzeiro do Sul who live their lives in a hammock because there is no help for them or their families. Karin, the group leader, takes the teens to her house each week and is teaching them how to work with these children. They not only sing and teach Bible stories but they are also learning how to do physical therapy and stretching with the children. They are currently working with four different children, and next Sunday night they will have a special class just for them during our church service so that their parents can come and hear the gospel. Please

put this ministry on your prayer list, it's called "O Novo Amanheoer," or "A New Tomorrow."

The newest addition to our ministry is our yearly Bible study in our Tomorrow. weekly Bible study in our home. Every Tues-day night we fill our living room with young people for a time of singing, Bible study, and just "hanging out." It's a great way to teach teens because it is a more relaxed and intimate atmosphere.

I'm quickly running out of space but I wanted to fill you in on a little bit of what's happening in the Creiglow family. First of all we are finally in our house, although it is not quite finished. We still have a lot of little things that need to be done, but the only big item left undone is the glass in the windows. Hopefully, we will be able to get it installed next month, with the rainy sea-

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Pam Back In Africa . . . After Much Difficulty, Finally Get Vehicle ... Enjoy Working With New Church . . .

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Last Saturday, we drove back to our home in Kitale for the first time, with our new "used" vehicle. We finally were able to get our 1990 Toyota Hilux Surf, praise the Lord! This was also Pam's first time back home in Kitale in 1998, and since she had arrived back into the country, there was a lot to do. We had much laundry to be washed, and a lot of unpacking to do. Our house girl said that they have been having a water

shortage for the past month here in Kitale. So the problems continue to go on here, but it was great to be back and in our own home again .

We all are excited about getting into our ministry, finally, after having been away from it for so long, because of our vehicle situation. I was gone for 3 weeks and Pam was gone for 2 months from Kitale. She was back in the States to get her eye treatments. Thank the Lord, her eyes are greatly improved, and she is able to see much better. However, the doctors have told her that the Botox injections that she had in her eye lids, will only last from 2 to 4 months, but she is so thankful for any improvement.. Please continue to pray for complete healing, if it is the Lord's will.

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Unfortunately, even though we have our vehicle, our ordeal is not quite over yet. We still need to permanently register our vehicle with the government, and we have not been able to, because all of our paper work has not yet been cleared through customs. You would not believe all the 'paper chasing' we had to do to get our vehicle. It really is unbelievable! Before Pam came back into the country, I had to make a trip into Nairobi, and then on down to the coastal city of Mombasa, but had one delay after another. They promised me that I could pick up the car, but because of more 'red tape', I could not. So I traveled up by bus for over 10 hours, to pick up Pam at the airport in Nairobi when she flew into the country. Pam was very tired. But just 2 days after her arrival, we both went down to Mombasa by bus again. It was a night trip, and that night it rained a lot, plus the roads had a lot of pot holes, so it was a pretty bumpy trip. In the Mombasa area, they really had a lot of rain. In fact, the flooding a pretty bumpy trip. In the Mombasa area, they really had a lot of rain. In fact, the flooding

had washed out several roads and bridges around the country.

Anyway, we got down there, and they promised us the car the next day. Then the day came, and they said because of some more problems, they wanted us to check with them the next day. So on Friday, Jan. 16th, we finally were able to pick up our car. We found out that someone had stolen our radio/cassette unit, the car jack, and even the rear view mirror inside the car! So we had to go out and buy these things before we made the trip back up to Nairobi. Also, the port officials did not have any temporary licensee plates, so we had to go out and get a sign painter to make us two plates for the front and back of our car. We found out very quickly that if you don't have the license plates on your car, that the police will stop you a lot. We got stopped 3 times before we got our license plates put on our car. What a

While we were down in Mombasa, we heard on the news that the government had to close the main road from Mombasa to Nairobi, because of all the rain. This was the first time many of our friends in Mombasa said this had happened. The government, for a long time has allowed the road to deteriorate. One of Mike's old friends, who has a stationery store suggested that we go by train. So to make a long story short, that is how we, and our car, got back to Nairobi. Pam and I went 2nd class in a passenger car, and our car traveled in a box car. On the train, I had the opportunity to witness to a Hindu man from India. Also, while I was down in Mombasa, I had the opportunity to lead an Italian lady to the Lord.



Our new ministry vehicle that we got down in the port city of Mombasa on January 16, 1998

This is Pam typing my first E-mail from Africa. I am really excited about our church service last Sunday, Jan. 25th. It was a great day! In the morning, we met at Pastor Hesbon Insinga's home, because we had not been able to rent a building yet for church. It was a different kind of experience, having to walk to church through the paths and gardens, and having to dodge manure along the way. In the past, we have had to drive to church, because it was too far away to walk, but now we're much closer, so we walked. The weather was

beautiful, full of sunshine and in the low 80's. Makes you sick, huh?

For church, we had 17 present in our first service. We sang some songs, read Scripture, and Heson preached; all in Swahili. What made it so great was that I actually understood two thirds of what was said! It was a truly Baptist service without all the Pentecostal stuff like we had been exposed to in the other church. It was very organized, and well planned.

like we had been exposed to in the other church. It was very organized, and well planned. Later in the afternoon, we went to look at a building that we will be renting for our church. We were pleased that it is a block building and with electricity, rather than the usual mud and stick buildings of many churches here in Africa.

Then that evening, we had our first youth service. We went to an open field close to where our Pastor Hesbon lives, and played ball with the kids there, and also threw some Frisbees. We attracted quite a crowd. We played with them for over an hour, and then one of our men, named Julius, told the kids the story of the Wordless Book, so they heard the Gospel. There were at least 75 kids in attendance. Mike and I plan to do this each week, as it's a way to get kids to come, and Mike will have the opportunity to preach the Gospel , and then to hope to be able to visit in their homes, and to also invite their parents to come to church, as well.

Well, that's about all, so we will close. We just wanted to share the goodness of the Lord with you. Thanks again for all of your words of encouragement, support, and prayers. We'd love to hear from each one of you.

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Mike and Pam Anderson

Missions Conference Held At Lagoinha Church ... Mission Point Being Rebuilt ... Groups Try To Pick On Our Flock . . .

By Michael D. Creiglow Caixa Postal 24 69989 Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre Brazil

The church at Lagoinha held a missions conference this month. Pastor João, my co-worker, and I were asked to bring the 4 messages. The church, which meets just past camp, is one of the great success stories of the

About 15 years ago I performed the first baptism there with 52 candidates. All those folks were fruit of the preaching by our missionaries. The church was later organized with 236 members. Their first pastor was Brother Wilson Ibernon. He is now in heaven, but while on earth he was an untiring warrior for the kingdom of Christ. It was routine for him to walk 30 or more miles to the different mission points the church started.

The pastor now is a young man who was saved right there. He and his family live right across the road from camp. His name is Antonio. The church is now in a nice brick building

with the brand new paved highway right at the front door.

Before Brother Wilson died the church was struck by discouragement. Several brands of

charismatics invaded their mission points and even pulled away a sizeable number of members. The church actually gave up 3 mission points altogether!

I have been working closely with Antonio for all the years of his ministry. He never makes a major decision without talking to me. He has become excited about missions and has led the church along that line.

They have recovered the mission at Campinas and are rebuilding the place where they meet. This was the largest of their mission points. The other 2 were abandoned by the charismatics after they destroyed everything. It seems the charismatics only stay where there is enough money to make it worth their while or where the people are willing to put up with all of their moral scandals. Anyway our mission points have been retaken and the local church is back doing what she should have never stopped.

The meeting there was a boost to the church.

We always try to be the first to the farthest places. That is His will. The flip side of that is

We always try to be the first to the farthest places. That is His will. The flip side of that is that other groups that arrive later always have to try to pick on our flock. It should never be the contrary. We have to learn to live with being first and being picked on!

May God bless all of you.

the church started.

Car Wrecked . . .

God Works In Mysterious Ways... Looking Forward To Camp... **Great Expectations For 1998...**

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Dear Friends

Isn't it wonderful to have a belief that puts perspective to what happens to us? I thank the Lord for teaching us through the Bible that the events in our lives are part of how He shapes our character. We had recently purchased a car that we thought was just right for our growing

family needs. On Thanksgiving Day we were enjoying a visit at the Odali Barros' home. When I went into the house to change our little boys diaper I heard a very loud crash and breaking glass. I thought the wind had caused a door to slam against the wall or something like that. To my surprise I went out front to see another car rammed into the rear of mine and mine jammed into the rear of Bro. John Hatcher's. I could hardly believe my eyes. I was really enjoying the way the car handled and the interior. could hardly believe my eyes. I was really enjoying the way the car handled and the interior space and we had only had it for a little over a month. Praise the Lord, the driver at fault had insurance. The problem since the accident (over a month now and expected to be nearly another one) has been that I don't have another car and that occurred in another state. I rode the bus home two days later, but the Hatcher's were kind enough to bring my family down a few days later. I tried to get the insurance company to allow us a loaner car, but they refused. Oh well, as I was saying about perspective. Knowing that all of this is in God's hand and that he is using it to help me to become more of what I ought to be gives me inner peace I love and praise Him for giving this comfort.



Bobby Wacaser baptizes his 6 year old daughter, Jessie.

One sign of God's working was revealed on my trips by bus. As I was returning home I sat next to a lady who had recently lost her youngest son. She was very depressed and the Lord gave me an opportunity to share the gospel of Jesus and how his love can fill our hearts even in such circumstances as hers. Also, on my next trip to sign insurance papers I was sitting next to a teenage girl who was leaving home for the first time to enter into college. She was

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John Dias - A Shining Light . . .

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In his mission letter of November, Brother Harold Bratcher mentioned that Brother John Dias had died. That means that one of the most godly men that I have ever known went to be with the Lord. John loved Him with all his heart. It has been twenty-two years since we left the City of

Manaus, but my memories of John Dias are quite vivid.

On the rare occasions that Alta and I have returned to Manaus, we would have the joy of seeing him. I can see him now as we would meet. As we came close to each other he would reach out his hand and exclaim, "Oh, brother John

Hatcher". His words overflowed with Christian love. We would embrace and enjoy one another's presence and words.

John Dias was born on the border of Brazil and Peru. The truth is no one knows on which side, but one thing is certain: He was Brazilian in every sense of the word. His high forehead, deep tan complexion, and black straight hair identified him as a true native. As a small boy he remembered having seen or heard the pioneer missionary, Eurico Nelson, who had Traveled the Amazon River from one end to the other preaching the Gospel.

John came to Manaus to work. He married and worked in the harbor as a stevedore. He

affiliated with the communist party in the early fifties. One Friday night the Tabernacle Baptist Church was having an open air service at the house of one of its members named Paulinho. Someone invited John to attend, and he did. That night he trusted Jesus Christ as Savior. Jesus became his Lord. The next day, Saturday, was the communist party meeting. As the workers were leaving the docks, a fellow worker reminded him, "Comrade, don't forget tonight is our meeting."

"I will not be there," John replied. "Last night I found what my heart has longed for." He

was baptized and became very active in the Tabernacle Church. I heard Brother Santiago, the pastor, say several times that John Dias was the most faithful helper he ever saw. God called him to preach and he became the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church until he resigned to do mission work in the interior. His son, Dr. Franciso Dias, became the pastor and continues there today.

To tell the life of John Dias would fill a book, but there are some memories I want to share with you. I went with John Dias and another preacher on my first trip to the interior of the Amazon Valley after being in Brazil five months. We disembarked from the paddlewheel river boat at two o'clock in the morning. Climbing up the muddy bank as the sound of the paddles faded away I felt something like Robison Cruso. Black was the night and we knew no one. John led the way. He found a small house, awoke the people and asked permission to hang our hammocks. The next morning we paid a man to take us across the River Nhamunda to the village of Faro. (This is the village where, about a year later, we buried our child who was born dead). This was Brother Dias's third trip here. We visited from house to house and had services at night. Most of the houses were made of palm leaves woven together.

One night John was preaching in the home where we had been invited. He was standing next to the palm leaf wall. The room was small but full of people. On the outside of that thin wall was a son of Satan who put his mouth close to John's head and whispered the most insulting and blasphemous things during the time he was preaching. Brother Dias preached as if he did not hear.

On another occasion I went with John Dias and Missionary Royal Calley to an open air service at a family's home. The priest led a procession of nearly 1,500 persons to the house next door to destroy our service and they succeeded. Two policemen came and said they could not control the crowd but they would try to give us protection to the bus stop. We arrived at the stop and entered into an old minibus which carried about 12 persons. Some of the crowd started rocking the bus from side to side. The driver was afraid they were going to destroy it. We thought they were going to turn it over , so did the owner. Just before he was able to pull away a man had filled his mouth with all the saliva he could. Jumping up to the window he volleyed his load of filth into John Dias's face. He calmly took out his handker-chief and wiped it off. John was intransigent in what he thought was right. No compromise with the devil. Two days later the parties involved were called to talk with the police chief. John was there with two other brothers, the priest was there with two of his men. After giving his talk the chief suggested that they make peace and shake hands. The guilty ones were all in favor. But when they came to John there was no hand to shake, with him there was no making of peace with the devil. Brother Dias was a man filled with the love of God but made no deals with evil men.

John Dias loved God's Word. There was never enough time for him to read it. When traveling he spent his time reading and meditating on the Scriptures. His conversation revealed this priority. When he spoke there was no jesting, joking or useless words used. Yet, he was joyful and very communicable. For over forty years he feasted at God's table and shared the Bread of Life with others.

John Dias loved to sing God's praises. One of his favorite hymns was "Draw me nearer, nearer, Blessed Lord." I can almost hear him now singing those lyrics. His voice was a little raspy but on tune.

In remembering John Dias, I look forward to the occasion when I enter the heavenly portals and will see him again. We will come close to each other and he will say, "Oh, Brother John Hatcher!" We will embrace once more and be together forever with our Lord. He was and is a bright star in the work of Baptist Faith Missions.

Churches Visited, Souls Saved . . . Long Bus Trip To Florida ... Memorial Service For Betty King . . .

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Dear Brethren:

This mission sheet month begins December 30th and ends today, February 2nd. However, it was not until the 11th of January that I preached the first sermons of the month.

Sunday, January 11 - I preached both this morning and tonight at the Clarksville Baptist Church where Bradley Johns is the Pastor. An esti-

mated 70 people heard the morning message and 22 the evening mes-age, but we caused joy to arise in heaven because David Cole, 15 years old that day, made a

Friday, January 16 - At 9:00 a.m. Marie and I left Richmond, Kentucky, on a greyhound bus which took us to Atlanta, Georgia. After waiting seven hours at the bus station there, we boarded another bus which took us to Ocala, Florida, arriving at around 8:30 a.m. Our son, Stephen, with his son Stephen, met us at the bus station and took us to his home. There we spent the night with the Bratchers-Stephen M. and Salete and Stephen Matthew. The next norning Stephen took us to Gotha where I preached both Sunday morning and night at the Park Ridge Baptist Church where the Pastor is Kevin Mitchell.

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son already here we really need it. This house has already been such a blessing to us, the house we were renting was so far away from everything that it made it really difficult to use in our ministry but once again hardly a day goes by now that we don't have teens dropping by to see us and as I said above we are now able to have Bible studies in our hom

Lindsay and David are both very active in the youth ministry. They are both on the Evangelistic Team, as well as our new ministry, "O Novo Amanheoer." Lindsay is also on the Praise Team and helps with Children's Church, and teaching at the Christian School., Like her Mom, she likes to keep busy. The other children, Jonathan, Alyssa, and Joey keep busy with hard work and playing. They also help Brenda on Saturday nights with the snack bar we have after youth nights. Brenda never sits still for a minute. Besides helping me with the ministry she is teaching swimming lessons and organizing a day camp during Christmas vacation. And me, besides trying to finish up the construction of our house, I keep busy doing what I love best, working with young people. What a great life God has given us. How's your life? Are you busy serving the Lord?

In Christ's service. Paul Creiglow and Family

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reared in a home with a Seventh Day Adventist father and Catholic mother. To avoid reli-gious fights they had decided not to take their children to any church but would allow them. to make their choice at the age of 18. Obviously the girl was completely confused but very interested in the gospel as I shared it with her. Her parents had hoped not to cause confusion, but instead had only left a great void in her life. She told me that she believed that God had put us in neighboring seats on the bus so that she could hear the gospel. I am praying for both of these people and hope that a seed has been planted that will take root in time to come. I do feel certain that part of the reason for my car being hit was to have these opportunities to share the gospel. That itself is enough to encourage me in the inconvenience of not having transportation

The young man, Eder, who won his parents to the Lord last month is having weekly Bible studies with them. They are showing evidence of real Christian growth. It looks like we will be having another baptismal service coming up soon.

Next Monday, Jessie and I plan to be going to camp. Charlene and Brennen would go along, but without the car it would be a difficult trip by bus. A few other members of our church will be going also. We are looking forward to opportunity to minister to over 200 youth together with Bro. John Hatcher and Bro. Odali Barros. Each year we have seen lives changed by the ministry of this camp experience. We are expecting to see God work through this ministry again this year

Charlene, the family and I want to thank you faithful brothers and sisters in the Lord for your prayers, support and special offerings during the year of 1997. It was a year of many victories. We have even greater expectations for the coming year. We believe that we are just now getting on board a wave of great things that the Lord is going to accomplish here in Curitiba, Brazil. We are appreciative of you all being our fellow-workers in this ministry. May the Lord bless you in your places of service also.

In Christ's service, Bobby, Charlene, Jessie and Brennen Wacaser

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If you would like to help Baptist Faith Missions through donations of appreciated real estate, stocks, bonds, mutual funds and avoid the capital gains tax, please call Brother Jim Miller at 1-800-383-3902 for detailed information.

Tuesday, January 21 - This afternoon I preached to 27 people. Most, if not all, are attending the Winter Conference at the grave of Mrs. Betty King, beloved wife of Pastor Doug King. Brother King told me he was comforted by my words. Brother King read again, I Thessalonians 4:13-18. Tonight I preached the next to the last message of the Winter Conference. It was a good conference.

Sunday, January 25 - This morning I preached at the Jordan Baptist Church where George Sledd is the Pastor. Tonight I preached at the Grace Baptist Church, Ocklawaha, Florida, where Tommy Smith is the Pastor.

Sunday, February 1 - This morning I preached again at the Clarksville Baptist Church. See January 11th.

Thus Brothers and Sisters in the Lord, you have just finished reading our report of the nine sermons preached-3 in Kentucky at one church and 6 in Florida in 3 churches.

Whereas, I only preached 9 sermons, I heard 36 sermons preached. Most of the sermons I heard were at 3 Bible Conferences, the first was the New Year's at the First Baptist Church, Alexandria, Kentucky, where Carl Morton is the Pastor. The second where I preached I have already described. The third was at the central Baptist Church, Ocala, Florida, where Andy Bloom is the Pastor and where Stephen and Salete are members

Thursday, January 29, while Marie and I were still in Florida at Stephen and Salete's house, our oldest son, Asa Mark Bratcher, having arrived from Manaus on Monday the 26th, came by and thus the 6 of us rejoiced to be together for a few hours. As a Mark will be returning to Manaus on the 4th of February.

In the last mission sheet I failed to mention the name of the Pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Oldtown, Kentucky. Forgive me, Brother Jim Foster.

Therefore, my beloved brethren in the Lord, may we all continue growing in the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. May we all continue preaching, praying, and giving to missions, especially Baptist Faith Missions.

If we can be of any service to you in preaching in your pulpit, dear pastor, contact us. We have more open dates than closed ones. We (Marie and I) will be in the United States until at least the last of July.

Pray for us and for Marie's mother, Mrs. Flossie Moore, 92 years old, who is in failing health.

> Yours in the service of the Saviour, Harold and Marie Bratcher

P.S. Dear Brother John Hatcher: Thank you for your P.S. in the January Mission Sheet. Yes, we have in common that in 1997 we both completed 50 years as ordained Baptist pastors. We thank God for you and your faithful wife, Alta. May the Lord bless you all. -H.F.B.

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Concord Baptist Church, Leesville, SC (Pastor Elton Dunbar)
Creiglow, Harold, Whitehouse, TX 75.00 25.00 Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV (Pastor Henry Linden) Crooked Fork Baptist Church, Gassaway, WV (Pastor Henry Linden) 70.00 50.00

Darling, Russell and Ruth, Blue River, WI

Dawson Baptist Church, Glenville, WV (Mt. Pisgah Assoc.)

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East Maine Baptist Church, Niles, IL 301.50 Elgin Baptist Church, Rogersville, AL 452.41

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Summersville, WV (Pastor Roger Frame) ... 50.00 Faith Baptist Church, Versailles, KY (Pastor Bobby Lakes)...
First Baptist Church, Alexandria, KY (Pastor Carl Morton)... 1,000.00 First Baptist Church, Siloam, KY (Pastor Warren Hardin). 100.00

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Grace Baptist Church, Annville, KY 120.00 20.00

200.00 Hallum, Marguerite, Hammond, LA . . 50.00 Harbor View Baptist Church, Harbor View, OH (Pastor Ed Hunkapiller) . .105.00 Hardman Fork Baptist Church, Letter Gap, WV (Pastor Charles Fisher). 300.00 70.00

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